

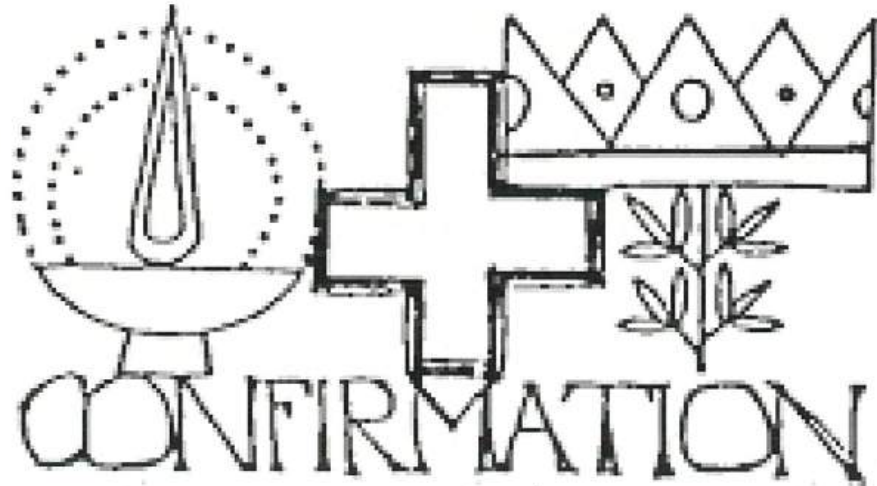
# CONNECTIONS



*Living Water*  
Lutheran Church



**NOVEMBER 10, 2024**



Sunday worship service is at 10:00am  
on-site and online

Weekly CONNECTIONS Deadline—\*Tuesdays at NOON\*

## We Remember in Our Prayers

- Charlie Boyd—Health Concerns
- Eric Brash—Health Concerns
- Barbara Brooks—Health Concerns
- Lizzy Caddow (Friend of Diane Salinas)—Cancer
- Christi (Daughter of Charlie and Sue Boyd)—Health Concerns
- Angelika Dumpf (Wife of Brett Stone)—Health Concerns
- Jenna Fjeld—Health Concerns
- Dave and Joy Gallimore—Health Concerns
- Frank Gasparino—Health Concerns
- Vicki Grimsley (Mother of Mason Rossman)—Cancer
- Tyler Hornacek (Grandson of John and Sue Hornacek)—Life Concerns
- Kristin Klarkowski—Health Concerns
- Tom Kelland—Health Concerns
- Michael Koch (Grandson of Ron & Shirley Koch)—Health Concerns
- Gabriele Laudenschlager—Health Concerns
- Merle (Karen Roessler's Sister)—Health Concerns
- Prentice Powers (Marty Lindert's brother)—Health Concerns
- Rebecca (Melissa Freesh's sister)—Health Concerns
- Bonnie Roberts—Life Concerns
- Kathie Roegnik—Health Concerns
- Ruth Schlesinger—Health Concern
- Bob Ulland—Health Concerns
- Michael Umland (Son of Steve & Sue Umland)—Health Concerns
- Peter Vasiliades (Nephew of Rick Sherrin)—Health Concerns
- Don Martin (Friend of Ron and Karen Roessler)—Health Concerns
- Suzanne Wagner—Health Concerns
- Del Rogge—Health Concerns
- Jeff & Eric Bemby (friends of Diane vanMannen)—Health Concerns
- Pastor Michael Dubsky (friend of Frances DeBruyn)—Health Concerns
- Family and friends of Nancy Manseth
- Family and friends of Greta Tryhus

*Send your prayer requests to [prayer@lwlcaz.org](mailto:prayer@lwlcaz.org) or fill out a card in the Narthex.*

*\*If it is time to remove someone from the prayer list, please contact the front office.*



## Prayer of the Week

O God, you show forth your almighty power chiefly by reaching out to us in mercy. Grant us the fullness of your grace, strengthen our trust in your promises, and bring all the world to share in the treasures that come through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

## Men's Bible Breakfast

We meet on Thursdays at 8:00am

Spirit in the Desert Retreat Center

7415 East Elbow Bend Rd.

Carefree, AZ 85377

If interested in carpooling, please contact  
**Wayne Burrus**



\$7 for breakfast

## Dennis Nelson Bible Study

Studies available on YouTube each **Wednesday**

*Weekly, published on our YouTube Channel*

*Wednesdays at NOON*

*Bible Study Outlines available on  
our website: **lwlcaz.org***

## Be a part of something GREAT!



On Monday, November 11 from 12-2pm, we have an opportunity to serve at Feed My Starving Children at a new location in Tempe: 1100 West Grove Parkway, Suite 101, Tempe, AZ 8583. This event is for adults, and families with kids ages 5 years old and up.

If you would like to participate or have any questions, please email Pastor Shari:

[pastorshari@lwlcaz.org](mailto:pastorshari@lwlcaz.org)



## CONFIRMATION

At baptism, God claims us as His children. We were given the free gift of membership in the family of God and set apart for God's work in the world. Most of us were baptized as children, possibly too young to fully grasp what was happening. We were also too young to take on the full responsibilities of membership in God's kingdom. Our parents and sponsors took on the responsibilities of those promises for us. On Sunday, November 10th, nine of our Confirmation Students, after learning and completing the confirmation program requirements, will affirm these promises, and profess their faith.







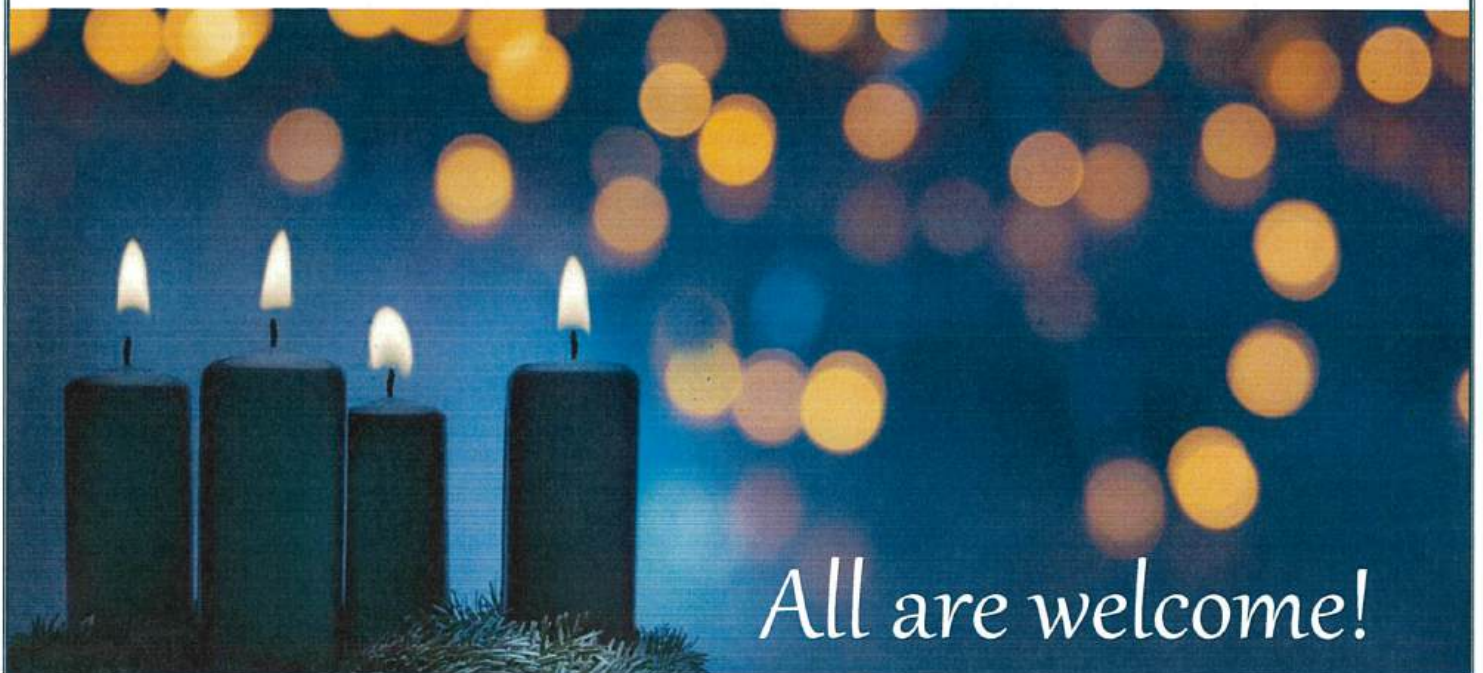
*Annual  
Advent Dinner*

Saturday, December 14  
5:00 to 7:30 PM  
Spirit of the Desert  
\$30 per person\*

Please join us in celebrating this Advent season in the scenic ambience of Spirit of the Desert. Dinner will include appetizer, entrée, sides and dessert. Coffee, tea and soft drinks are provided; bring your own wine or beer if you wish.

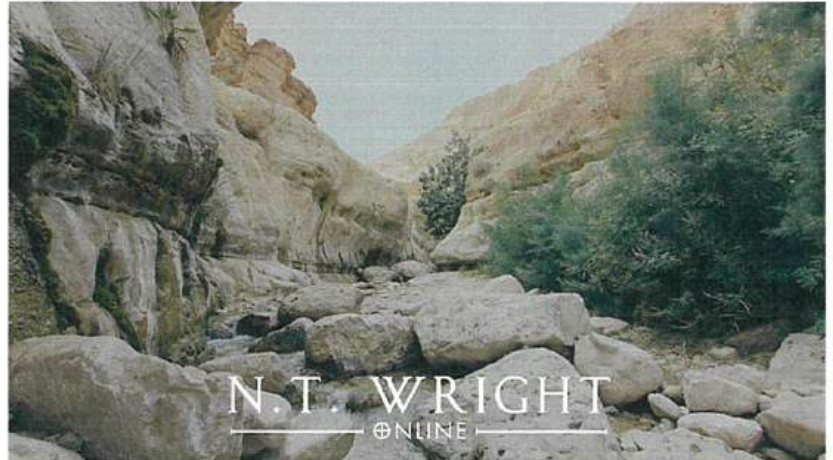
\* Note: Payment by check to: Living Water Lutheran Church, and write "Advent Dinner" in memo line. (By no later than November 27 please!)

For questions, please call Marty Lindert at 602-284-5704 or Linda Hoenig at 480-766-0816.



## TUESDAY WOMEN BIBLE STUDY

We have returned to a favorite New Testament scholar, Professor N.T. Wright, to take a deep dive into the Gospel of Matthew. This material will nearly fill up our schedule until Spring of 2025. We'll look at the structure and artistry of Matthew, how Matthew presents Jesus as God with us, authoritative over heaven and earth.



We'll trace themes of Jesus' authority

throughout the Gospel, consider how to apply the new way of life as Jesus describes it, and discover faith as the appropriate human response to Jesus' message.

Our Tuesday Women's Bible study is open to all women. Bring a friend! You don't need to be Lutheran! This study includes some video and we always have some meditative music and prayer. You don't need to purchase any material. Just bring your favorite Bible translation and connect with us for about 90 minutes each Tuesday morning, in-person or via Zoom. Coffee and hot water for tea/hot chocolate are provided. Occasionally we also have a treat!

The Zoom link is always provided in advance. If you aren't on our email distribution list, please contact [myrna.ulland@gmail.com](mailto:myrna.ulland@gmail.com) to get our Tuesday Women messages.



# Family Sunday School



returns this fall with the curriculum entitled "Simply Loved." We will be exploring a Jesus-centered journey through God's story of Love. Our fall semester will focus on one simple Bible Point and Bible Verse:

\*Bible Point - "Jesus helps people in need."

\*Bible Verse - "Give all your worries and cares to God for he cares about you." (1 Peter 5:7)



**Sunday, November 24 – ADVENT FAIR**

**Sunday, December 8, 9:00am – Jesus Feeds People**

We will meet in the Matthew/Mark classrooms in the Education Building. All families with children ages two through sixth grade are welcome to participate.



## Piecemakers Quilting Adjusted Schedule for November

### Join us!

Come and tie quilts with us! Our quilting primarily supports Lutheran World Relief (LWR), and we also make quilts for refugee families and our high school graduates. We have adjusted our November schedule due to the election the first week of November.

We meet from 9 am to about noon, in the Education Building on the first floor on November 20. Bring your own water or coffee for a mid-morning break. If you're a winter visitor who likes to quilt, come and tie with us. If you like to sew, we can provide pre-cut squares to make quilt tops. Many hands make light work! Questions? Ask Lynda Cales, Kay Bonar, Mary Nyberg, Cindy Ophaug or Myrna Ulland. Learn more about this ministry at [www.lwr.org](http://www.lwr.org)

Thank you for your generosity. Your generosity makes a difference and is helping change lives. Thank you for believing in the mission of Living Water and helping us to continue our ministry.

If you are looking for an easy way to give a financial gift via your phone, see QR code below to access Living Water's online giving platform.



*Thank  
You*



# **SUNDAY MORNING ADULT FORUM**

DAVID – A MAN AFTER GOD’S OWN HEART

SUNDAY MORNING ADULT FORUM

NOVEMBER 17, DECEMBER 1 and 15 at 9:00 AM

in the Music/Choir Room

I believe that the greatest moments of David’s life were (1) the day that he was chosen by God and anointed to be the next king and (2) the day that God told him that through his descendant his throne would be established forever. What have been the greatest moments of your life? What does it mean to you to know that (1) you are chosen by God and (2) what you do for God will last into eternity?

notes:

# VISTA DEL CAMINO FOOD BANK

## THANKSGIVING-MEAL PROGRAM

The Vista Del Camino Food Bank depends on your donations of food, cash, and grocery store gift cards to help feed members of the Scottsdale Community who are families and seniors in need, homeless, or otherwise experiencing crisis.

Please help by filling a Living Water grocery bag, picking up a grocery store gift card, or putting a check in the offering to Living Water but marked for Vista Del Camino.

### THANKSGIVING WISH LIST UPDATED FOR 2024

- 2 Boxes of Stuffing Mix
- 2 Cans of Sweet Potatoes
- 1 Box of Instant Mashed Potatoes
- 2 Cans of Gravy
- 2 Cans of Corn
- 2 Cans of Green Beans
- 1 Can of Cranberry Sauce
- 2 Cans of Chicken Broth
- 1 Can of Pumpkin (large)
- 1 Can of Evaporated Milk
- 1 Graham Cracker Pie Crust
- A \$25 grocery gift card (please staple card to top of bag)  
*(Gift cards are used by Vista Del Camino staff to purchase a turkey or ham for inclusion in the food box.)*

Donations should be delivered to Living Water by  
**Sunday, November 10th.**







## **La Sagrada Familia Lutheran Food Shelf Needs Our Help!!**

Your support of non-perishable food items for our neighbors at La Sagra Familia in northern Phoenix is appreciated and there is a continuing need. Items needed most frequently are noted on the

shopping list in the grocery cart that is set out each Sunday morning. They are also listed below. For the safety of our friends at La Sagrada, please do not donate expired or "close-to" date items. When dropping off our donated food recently, it was noted the shelves were very bare, so please continue to be generous in remembering our neighbors in need.

### **Emergency Food Bank List**

Rice, Dried Beans, Tomato Sauce, Canned Tomatoes, Cooking Oil, Pasta Shells, Peanut Butter, Sugar, Maseca Flour (for tortillas), Canned Corn, Instant Coffee, Powdered Creamer, Diapers and Baby Wipes, Knorr Powdered Chicken Broth

**\*NO SOUPS, PLEASE**

### **THANK YOU BLOOD DONORS!**

Thank you to all who donated blood at last week's blood drive! The Red Cross is so grateful for this sacrifice. The recent hurricanes and flooding have caused a significant shortage of blood. We collected 27 pints of blood, which was 2 pints higher than our goal.

Stay tuned for information about a future drive toward the end of February. Our location is one that the Red Cross would like to sustain, and it is a great opportunity for us to be of service.



# Intersections of Grace

*Exploring Methodist and Lutheran Traditions*

Saturday, November 9th, from 9:30-11:30am - Hot brunch will be served.  
North Scottsdale United Methodist Church, Fellowship Hall

1pm tea available for those who can't join in the morning (or who want more!)

The Methodist and Lutheran traditions are both grounded in God's grace and neighborly love. Join us for a Saturday brunch and/or afternoon tea where we will dive into understanding the early history of both traditions, highlighting their distinctive gifts and similarities.

Rev. Dr. Colleen Windham-Hughes was baptised and raised in the UMC and ordained in the ELCA. As a faculty member at Cal Lutheran, she continues to work in inter-faith communities.



Register here:



**North Scottsdale**  
United Methodist Church

<https://tithe.ly/my-events/event-details/9363495>



Ascension Lutheran Church



# ELCA GOOD GIFTS

The Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) is a church that is called to do God's work in the world. Together as the ELCA, we do more than we could ever do alone: grow our congregations, inspire new leaders and care for those around the world.

ELCA Good Gifts are a creative way to do just that! Your gifts go beyond your regular congregational offering to support the ministries of the ELCA that mean the most to you and your loved ones. Each ELCA Good Gift changes at least three lives: The life of the person helped by your gift, the life of your friend or loved one, and your own.

CATALOGS, GIFT CARDS, STICKERS, COIN BOXES, IDEAS will all be available every Sunday during Advent. Now is the time to grab your holiday shopping list and browse the new ELCA Good Gifts catalog. Each of these gifts has the remarkable capacity to transform lives.....all in God's name.



mark your calendar to join us for:

*Thanksgiving Worship Service*  
on Tuesday November 26th at 6:00 pm

# THE MAN IN THE DOG PARK



COMING UP CLOSE TO  
HOMELESSNESS

WHAT IF  
YOU GOT  
TO KNOW A  
HOMELESS  
PERSON?

ARE YOU OPEN TO  
A GREATER  
UNDERSTANDING OF  
HOMELESS LIFE?



COULD YOU  
CHALLENGE  
YOUR  
ASSUMPTIONS  
ABOUT THE  
HOMELESS?

WELCOMING CO-AUTHORS  
**CATHY SMALL AND ROSS MOORE**  
(JOINING US VIA ZOOM)

EVENT AT  
CHRIST THE LORD LUTHERAN CHURCH  
9205 E. CAVE CREEK RD, CAREFREE AZ

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 14TH AT 6:30PM**

OR REQUEST THE ZOOM LINK BY CONTACTING  
ADMIN@CTLCAREFREE.ORG OR BY CALLING  
480-488-2081 IN ADVANCE.

FIND OUT WHAT HAPPENED WHEN AUTHOR  
CATHY A. SMALL TALKED TO AND DEVELOPED A  
WARM FRIENDSHIP WITH A HOMELESS MAN, HER  
CO-AUTHOR ROSS MOORE. A DOG PARK IS WHERE  
THEIR STORY BEGINS.



## How you can help



In late September, Hurricane Helene hit the coast of Florida as a Category 4 hurricane, ravaging communities in the southeast, from Florida to Virginia. As the floodwaters have started to recede, the extreme devastation — especially in North Carolina and Tennessee — has become clearer. Entire towns, roads and bridges have been washed away, and millions are without power and cell service.

Whatever unfolds because of this storm, Lutheran Disaster Response will be there. Lutheran Disaster Response has strong relationships in the region and is already at work on the ground. Working alongside synods and other partners, Lutheran Disaster Response is prepared to provide support throughout the impacted region. We anticipate that our greatest impact will be reaching those in underserved and rural areas.

**Gifts to Lutheran Disaster Response equip us to respond to those affected by hurricanes and related disasters, such as mudslides, severe storms and flooding. These gifts also empower us to respond to disasters whenever and wherever they strike. Gifts to “Hurricane Response” will be used in full (100%) to assist those affected by hurricanes, until the response is complete.**

**To give by phone, call 800-638-3522.**

**Checks can be made out to Living Water Lutheran Church. In memo line, please write “Hurricane Response.”**

## Gathering Hymn... "Eternal Father, Strong to Save"



1 E - ter - nal Fa - ther, strong to save, whose arm has bound the  
 2 O Sav - ior, whose al - might - y word the winds and waves sub -  
 3 O Ho - ly Spir - it, who didst brood up - on the cha - os  
 4 O Trin - i - ty of love and pow'r, all trav - 'lers guard in



rest - less wave, who bade the might - y o - cean deep its  
 mis - sive heard, who walked up - on the foam - ing deep, and  
 dark and rude, and bid its an - gry tu - mult cease, and  
 dan - ger's hour from rock and tem - pest, fire and foe, pro -



own ap - point - ed lim - its keep: oh, hear us when we  
 calm a - mid the storm didst sleep: oh, hear us when we  
 give, for wild con - fu - sion, peace: oh, hear us when we  
 tect them where - so - e'er they go; thus ev - er - more shall



cry to thee for those in per - il on the sea.  
 cry to thee for those in per - il on the sea.  
 cry to thee for those in per - il on the sea.  
 rise to thee glad hymns and praise from land and sea.

Text: William Whiting, 1825-1878, alt.  
 Music: MELITA, John B. Dykes, 1823-1876



## Psalm 146:7-10



7 Blessed he who keeps faith forever, secures justice for the oppressed, gives food to the hungry. The Lord sets captives free.

8 The Lord gives sight to the blind; the Lord raises up those who were bowed down.

9 The Lord loves the just; the Lord loves the just; the Lord protects strangers. The fatherless and the widow he sustains, but the way of the wicked he thwarts.

10 The Lord shall reign forever; your God, O Zion, through all generations.

*Today's altar arrangement was donated in honor of*

*Patti and Don Pick's*

*39th Wedding Anniversary.*



## Sermon Hymn... "Day by Day"



1 Day by day, your mer - cies, Lord, at - tend me, bring - ing com - fort  
2 Day by day, I know you will pro - vide me strength to serve and  
3 Oh, what joy to know that you are near me when my bur - dens



to my anx-ious soul. Day by day, the bless-ings, Lord, you send me  
wis - dom to o - bey; I will seek your lov - ing will to guide me  
grow too great to bear; oh, what joy to know that you will hear me



draw me near - er to my heav'n-ly goal. Love di - vine, be - yond all  
o'er the paths I strug - gle day by day. I will fear no e - vil  
when I come, O Lord, to you in prayer. Day by day, no mat - ter



mor - tal mea - sure, brings to naught the bur - dens of my quest; Sav - ior,  
of the mor - row, I will trust in your en - dur - ing grace. Sav - ior,  
what be - tide me, you will hold me ev - er in your hand. Sav - ior,



lead me to the home I trea - sure, where at last I'll find e - ter - nal rest.  
help me bear life's pain and sor - row till in glo - ry I be - hold your face.  
with your pres - ence here to guide me, I will reach at last the prom - ised land.

Text: Carolina Sandell Berg, 1832-1903; tr. Robert Leaf, 1936-2005

Music: BLOTT EN DAG, Oskar Ahnfelt, 1813-1882

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## Sending Song... "Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service"



1 Lord, whose love in hum-ble ser-vice bore the weight of hu-man need,  
2 Still your chil-dren wan-der home-less; still the hun-gry cry for bread;  
3 As we wor-ship, grant us vi-sion, till your love's re-veal-ing light  
4 Called by wor-ship to your ser-vice, forth in your dear name we go,



who up-on the cross, for-sak-en, worked your mer-cy's per-fect deed:  
still the cap-tives long for free-dom; still in grief we mourn our dead.  
in its height and depth and great-ness dawns up-on our quick-ened sight,  
to the child, the youth, the a-ged, love in liv-ing deeds to show;



we, your ser-vants, bring the wor-ship not of voice a-lone, but heart;  
As you, Lord, in deep com-pas-sion healed the sick and freed the soul,  
mak-ing known the needs and bur-dens your com-pas-sion bids us bear,  
hope and health, good-will and com-fort, coun-sel, aid, and peace we give,



con-se-crating to your pur-pose ev-'ry gift which you im-part.  
by your Spir-it send your pow-er to our world to make it whole.  
stir-ring us to ar-dent ser-vice, your a-bun-dant life to share.  
that your ser-vants, Lord, in free-dom may your mer-cy know and live.

Text: Albert F. Bayly, 1901-1984

Music: BEACH SPRING, *The Sacred Harp*, Philadelphia, 1844

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# LIVING WATER

*Living Water*  
Lutheran Church



**Purpose Statement: "To Be and Make Disciples of Jesus Christ."**

The Living Water  
QR code for giving:



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