

June 1, 2025

*Living Water*  
Lutheran Church



*you turn graves into gardens*  
You turn bones into armies  
*you turn seas into highways*  
You're the only one who can

Sunday Worship Service is at 10:00am  
on-site and online

Weekly CONNECTIONS Deadline—"Tuesdays at NOON"



## *We Remember in Our Prayers*

- o Amanda (Daughter of Cherrie Heidemann-Oglesby)—Health Concerns
- o Jeff & Eric Bemby (Friends of Diane vanMaanen)—Health Concerns
- o Charlie Boyd—Health Concerns
- o Barbara Brooks—Health Concerns
- o Lizzy Caddow (Friend of Diane Salinas)—Cancer
- o Christi (Daughter of Charlie and Sue Boyd)—Health Concerns
- o Katie Dawson (Daughter of Tod and Bonnie Dawson)—Health Concerns
- o Angelika Dumpf (Wife of Brett Stone)—Health Concerns
- o Jenna Fjeld—Health Concerns
- o Dave and Joy Gallimore—Health Concerns
- o Frank Gasparino—Health Concerns
- o Kyle and Tyler Hornacek (Grandsons of John and Sue Hornacek)—Life Concerns
- o Carol Jacobson—Recovering from Surgery
- o Dick Johnston—Health Concerns
- o Dan Kempf (Brother of Myrna Ulland)—In Hospice
- o Tom Kelland—Health Concerns
- o Jill Knorra—Health Concerns
- o Gabriele Laudenschlager—Health Concerns
- o Gordon Lindert—Health Concerns
- o Betty McCarthy (Sister of Stephen McCarthy)—Health Concerns
- o Prentice Powers (Brother of Marty Lindert)—Health Concerns
- o Bonnie Roberts—Life Concerns
- o Kathie Roegnik—Health Concerns
- o Del Rogge—Heart Concerns
- o Pastor Mark Rossman—Recovering from Surgery
- o Mel Simms (Friend of Frances DeBruyn)—Life Concerns
- o Kristen Stenehjem (Niece of Sue and Lee Stenehjem)—Health Concerns
- o Ted Stump—Health Concerns
- o Bob Ulland—Health Concerns
- o Michael Umland (Son of Steve & Sue Umland)—Health Concerns
- o Peter Vasiliades (Nephew of Rick Sherrin)—Health Concerns
- o Friends and Family of Rebecca Larson (Sister of Melissa Freesh)
- o Friends and Family of Gary Ruff (Father of Kevin Ruff)

*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.*

# 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**

**\$8 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***

## **Prayer of the Week:**

O God, form the minds of your faithful people into your one will. Make us love what you command and desire what you promise, that, amid all the changes of this world, our hearts may be fixed where true joy is found, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**



REMINDER:

For on-line giving at Living Water please visit **LWLCaz.org**  
and Click on "**Online Giving.**"

This will provide navigation for both new users to this method  
and allow editing for current users to update their intentions  
for 2025.

**June Boldcafe B.Y.O.D.**

Join us for a special Garden Party led by our host, author Celeste Kennel-Shank. She will guide our conversation on the importance of our relationship with plants for our well-being.

Bring your granddaughters, daughters, nieces, and others! We'll provide a downloadable coloring sheet for everyone, and participants are encouraged to bring their favorite stuffed animal or doll. **Download a special coloring sheet to use during our time together.**

Join us for the next **Boldcafe Monthly Dinner, Thursday, June 5, at 7 pm CST.**

**Register and pass this invitation along:**  
**<https://boldcafe.org/dinner>**

Thank you,  
Cindy

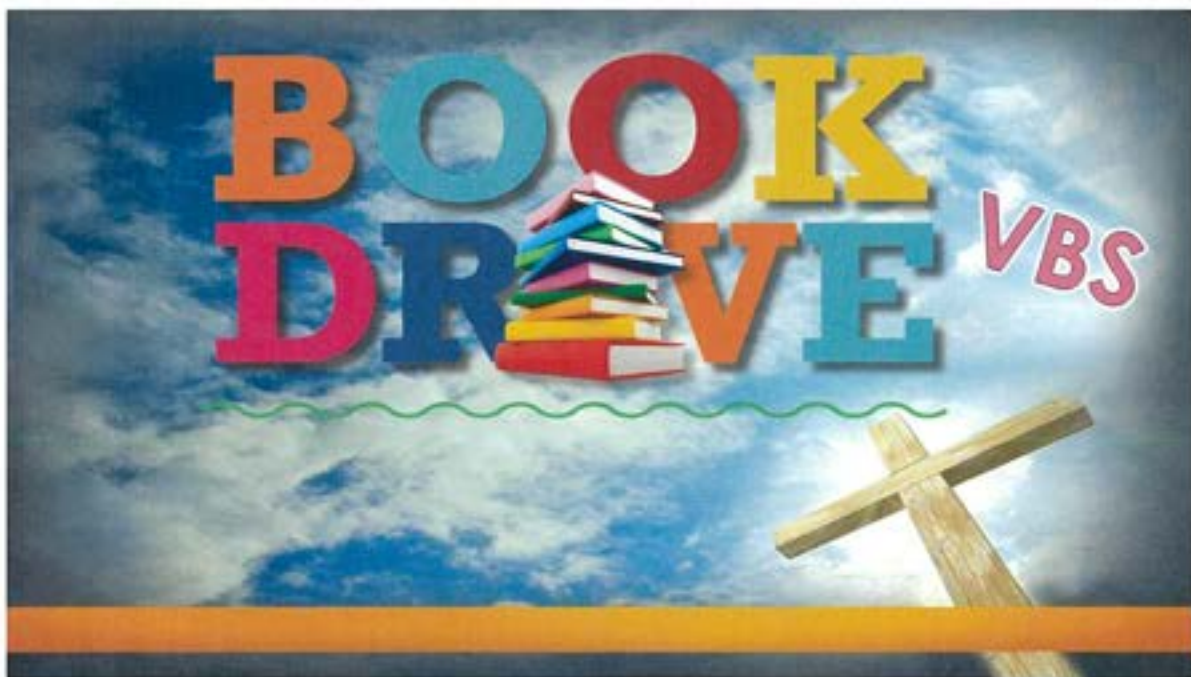


## **Piecemakers Quilters on Summer Break!**

We will take a break from tying quilts during the summer. Look for an announcement when we resume in September!

If you like to sew and are looking for some small projects during the summer heat, we always have quilt tops ready to be assembled. 12 or 16 pieces, using  $\frac{1}{2}$ " seams. Assemble at your leisure! Ask Lynda Cales, Kay Bonar, Mary Nyberg or Myrna Ulland. You can also learn more about this ministry at [www.lwr.org/quilts-and-kits](http://www.lwr.org/quilts-and-kits)





## VBS BOOK DRIVE THROUGH JUNE 20

**The 2025 VBS Mission Project Book Drive has kicked off!**

We're once again collecting new and "gently-used" books, **especially books for children from kindergarten through 8<sup>th</sup> grade**. All books and magazines, especially magazines with recipes, are distributed through Sue Brash's connections with Delivering Dreams of AZ (a new name/organization replacing Phoenix Assistance League) and other organizations here in the Valley. A "gently-used" book is defined by Ima Bookworm as one with 1) no rips or tears, 2) no writing, and 3) no worm holes. Think of it as a book in a condition you'd love to receive! Your donation may be the first book owned by a fortunate student!

Please bring in your books – for kids, or for any age through adult - from now until June 20 and place them in the Book Drive basket in the church entryway. A bookcase will be up after Easter to help collect incoming books! We've also received a \$250 Thrivent Action Team grant to purchase additional books! No books to donate? You can help us buy more new or gently used books with your donation of cash or check. Monetary gifts can be amplified! A gift of \$5 turns into dozens of books through the expert shopping by Sue Brash. Please note "VBS Book Drive" on your donation. Thank you on behalf of the kids, and organizations, who will be blessed by your support. Questions? Contact Myrna Ulland and/or Sue Brash.



## **Rice, Beans, Flour and Dollars: Support for La Casa de la Misericordia in Nogales, Mexico ends Wednesday, June 4.**

On Sunday, May 11, retired pastor Rev. Dr. Adele Resmer extended an invitation to support a shelter (La Casa) in Nogales, Sonora, Mexico, serving vulnerable families. La Casa, is supported by the Grand Canyon Synod (ELCA), the Episcopal Dioceses of Arizona, the UCC District of the Southwest and the Disciples of Christ. Families at La Casa are provided shelter, food, education for children, and job training for adults. All guests at the shelter care for the 5 acre property, working on cleaning, cooking, property care and security teams. Because the guests contribute to the care of the community, only 4 paid staff people are required to provide oversight and care for the shelter. The Director of La Casa is Sister Lika.

We will collect rice, beans and flour through June 4. Pastor Adele will be with us on Sunday, June 8 and will take the items to the shelter. Bring your donated items to the church entryway. Dollars can be contributed, allowing the shelter to purchase these needed items in the local community. Dollars also help offset costs for electricity, fuel and rent. Select an envelop from the narthex for your donation. Make your check payable to Living Water and note 'La Casa' in the memo line. Place your envelope in the offering plate or bring to the church office. You can also donate online through LWLC.

The ELCA congregations of the NE Consortium, of which we are a member, have been generous supporters of La Casa for the last 4 years.



# 2025 VBS



Registration is now open for our 2025 Vacation Bible School program. Join us the week of June 16 for a week filled with great Bible stories, fun games, awesome crafts, fabulous music and a delicious take-home snack.



**Date: June 16-20**

**Time: 9 - 11:30am**



Go to <https://lwlcaz.org/vbs2025/> or click on the Education tab on our church website to register. We welcome children age 4 through 6th grade. Registration is free and every child receives a one-of-a-kind soft and comfortable t-shirt. Please spread the word to your children, grandchildren, friends and neighbors.

Interested in volunteering? Please contact Kris Crow at [kcrow737@gmail.com](mailto:kcrow737@gmail.com). Youth going into 7th grade in the fall through age 90+ are invited to participate. You won't want to miss this amazing multi-generational event!



**Tuesday Women's Bible Study is taking a Summer Break**  
**We'll see you in September!**



Tuesday Women's Bible study concluded on May 20th and will resume our regular schedule in September. Watch for an announcement about a possible summer event at Spirit in the Desert Retreat Center, using the summer Bible study from the Gather magazine. "Where two or more are gathered: Flourishing in relationships" by the Rev. Brooke Petersen. You can subscribe to Gather for only \$19.95 for four jam-packed print issues each year. When you subscribe, you also have digital access so you can read it wherever you are! Visit [www.gathermagazine.org](http://www.gathermagazine.org) for subscription information.

## Living Water's "Hunger Jar"



The large Hunger Jar is in the sanctuary during services, to the right of the water fountain. Offerings placed in the Hunger Jar are typically distributed 50/50 between local and international/global organizations or initiatives.

The Service and Caring Team Ministry at LWLC periodically determines how to distribute offerings to the Hunger Jar. Most recently, we split the 12/31/24 balance of **\$1,899.00** between Foothills Food Bank and ELCA World Hunger. Each received \$944.50.

You are invited to make an offering to the Hunger Jar while the offering is being collected during the worship service. While the jar's tag line says, "Change for Change," your offering can be coins, bills, and even checks. And, if you prefer, you can donate through LWLC's online donation option and indicate "Hunger Jar."

From time to time, you may also see smaller Hunger Jar collection jars elsewhere in the church as we gather for worship. Each offering placed in the Hunger Jar is a reminder that our hungry neighbors, near and far, benefit from our generosity. Thank you!



Just a reminder that our **Youth Mission Trip** is coming up on **Saturday, June 7**, as we head to the **Lake Traverse Reservation in South Dakota**. This is a meaningful opportunity for our youth to serve, learn, and grow in faith as they connect with the community there.

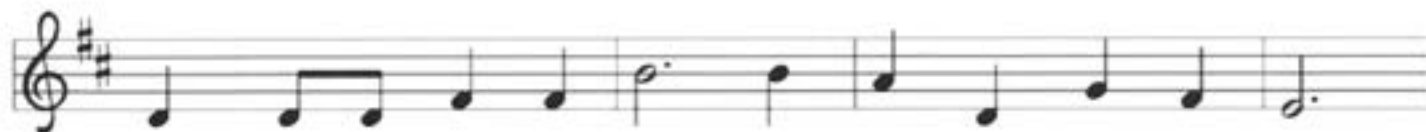
We ask that you please keep us in your prayers—for safe travels, open hearts, and a spirit of compassion and service throughout the trip.

**Thank you for your prayers!**

**This Sunday's altar flowers were donated by  
Dick Blazer in loving memory of  
Nancy Blazer.**



## Opening Hymn... "Crown Him With Many Crowns"



1 Crown him with man - y crowns, the Lamb up - on his throne;  
4 Crown him the Lord of life, who tri - umphed o'er the grave  
5 Crown him the Lord of years, the po - ten - tate of time,



hark, how the heav'n-ly an - them drowns all mu - sic but its own.  
and rose vic - to - rious in the strife for those he came to save.  
cre - a - tor of the roll - ing spheres, in - ef - fab - ly sub - lime.



A - wake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee,  
His glo - ries now we sing, who died and rose on high,  
All hail, Re - deem - er, hail! For thou hast died for me;



and hail him as thy match-less king through all e - ter - ni - ty.  
who died, e - ter - nal life to bring, and lives that death may die.  
thy praise and glo - ry shall not fail through-out e - ter - ni - ty.

Text: Matthew Bridges, 1800–1894, sts. 1–3, 5; Godfrey Thring, 1823–1903, st. 4  
Music: DIADEMATA, George J. Elvey, 1816–1893



## Psalm 97 The Lord is King, the Most High Over All the Earth



1-2 The Lord is king; let the earth rejoice; let the many islands be glad. Justice and judgment are the foundation of his throne. Refrain.

6-7 The heavens proclaim his justice, and all peoples see [see] his glory. All gods are prostrate before him. Refrain.

9 You, O Lord, and the Most High over all the earth, exalted far above [far above, far above] all gods. Refrain.

## Sermon Hymn... "One Bread, One Body"

*Refrain*



One bread, one bod - y, one Lord of all; one cup of



bless - ing which we bless, and we, though man - y



through - out the earth, we are one bod - y in this one Lord.



1 Gen - tile or Jew, ser - vant or free,  
2 Man - y the gifts, man - y the works,  
3 Grain for the fields, scat - tered and grown,



*Refrain*

wom - an or man, no more,  
one in the Lord of all.  
gath - ered to one for all.

Text: John Foley, sr, b. 1939

Music: ONE BREAD, ONE BODY, John Foley, sr

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# Sending Song... "I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light"



1 I want to walk as a child of the light. I want to  
 2 I want to see . . . the bright-ness of God. I want to  
 3 I'm look - ing for . . . the com - ing of Christ. I want to



fol - low Je - sus. God set the stars to give  
 look at Je - sus. Clear Sun of righ - teous-ness.  
 be with Je - sus. When we have run . . . with



light to the world. The star of my life is Je - sus.  
 shine on my path, and show me the way to the Fa - ther.  
 pa - tience the race, we shall know the joy of Je - sus.

*Refrain*



In him there is no dark-ness at all. The night and the



day are both a - like. The Lamb is the light of the



cit - y of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Je - sus.

Text: Kathleen Thomerson, b. 1934  
 Music: HOUSTON, Kathleen Thomerson  
 Text and music © 1970, 1975 Celebration

# LIVING WATER

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

Living Water is a congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, Grand Canyon Synod and Northeast Valley Conference.

The Living Water  
QR code for giving:



Ministers: All the members of Living Water

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**Publication Deadlines:**

Connections- Every Tuesday by noon  
SPLASH! - The 20th of each month by noon

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**LAST WEEK'S 10:00AM SERVICE ATTENDANCE ON May 25: 98**