

June 8, 2025

Living Water
Lutheran Church



Day of Pentecost

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 Cadow (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 Prentice Powers (Brother of Marty Lindert)—Health Concerns
- o Jana Richter (Family Member of Henri & Lynda Breault)—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 Stenehjelm (Niece of Sue and Lee Stenehjelm)—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)

Send your prayer requests to 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

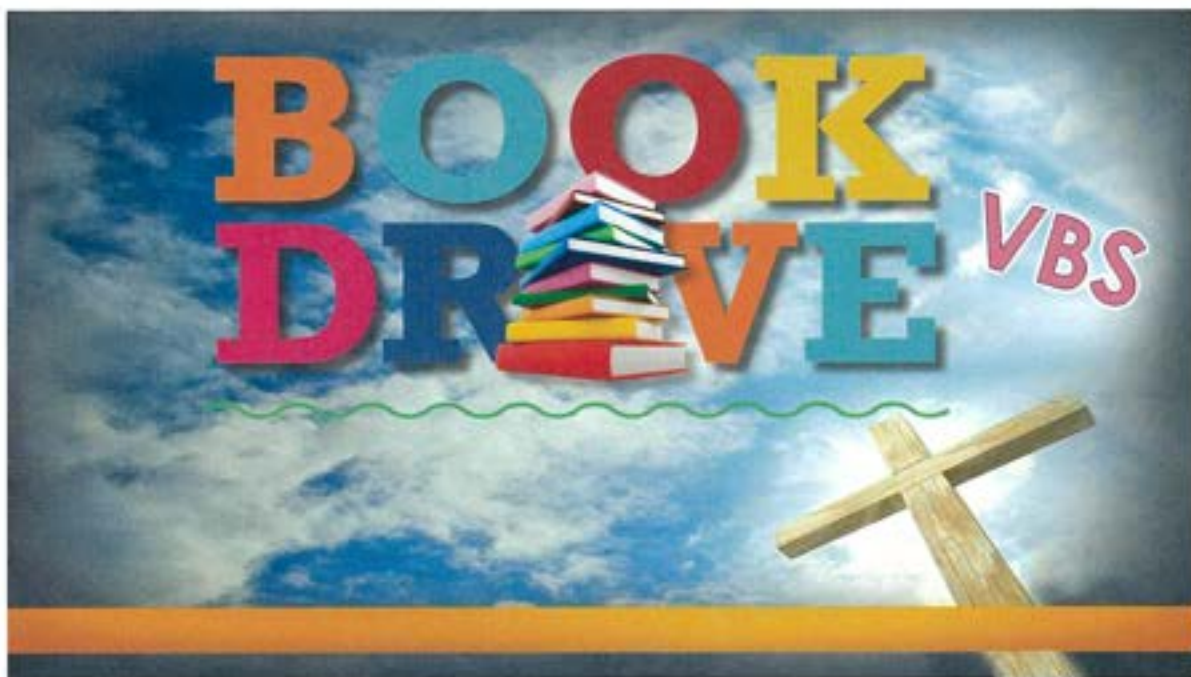
Wednesdays at NOON

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

Prayer of the Week:

God our creator, the resurrection of your Son offers life to all the peoples of earth. By your Holy Spirit, kindle in us the fire of your love, empowering our lives for service and our tongues for praise, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.



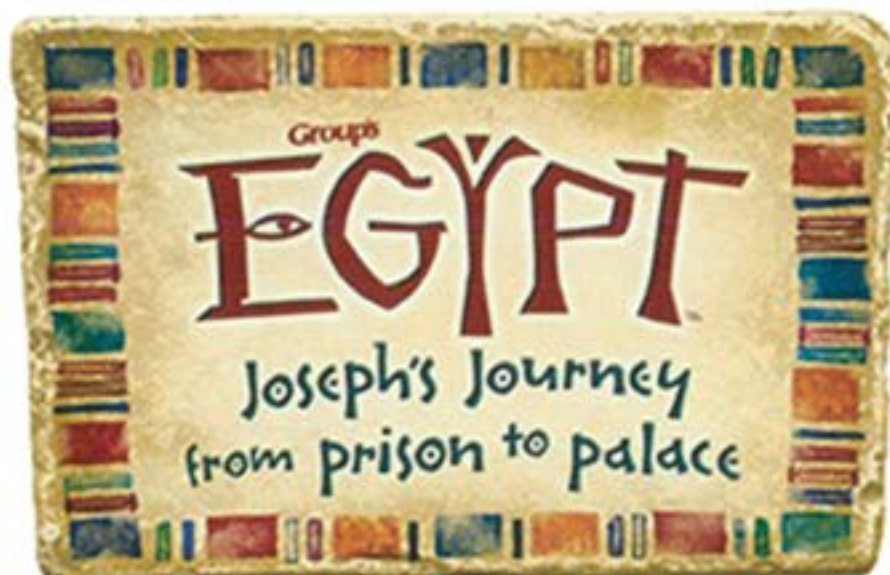
VBS BOOK DRIVE THROUGH JUNE 20

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 8th 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.

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. 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!



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!



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!

Tuesday Women's Bible Study taking a Summer Break

We'll see you in September!



Tuesday Women's Bible study concluded on May 20th for the summer. We will resume our regular schedule in September. However, 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 to receive four jam-packed print issues each year. When you subscribe, you will also have digital access that will allow you to read it wherever you are! Visit www.gathermagazine.org for subscription information.



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



Today's floral arrangement was donated in honor of
Ken and Joyce Bash's 68th Wedding Anniversary

With love from their children, grandchildren
and great grandchildren



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.

BLOOD DRIVE RESULTS

Our May Red Cross blood drive is behind us. We had a smaller number of donors in May, collecting 19 units of blood. Every unit that we collect is valuable to someone!

Thank you to all of those who donated and to those who helped prepare the fellowship hall for this important work.

The next opportunity to give will be Wednesday, August 27th. Watch for information in Connections.

Gathering Hymn... "Oh Holy Spirit, Root of Life"



1 O Ho - ly Spir - it, root of life, cre -
 2 E - ter - nal vig - or, Sav - ing One, you
 3 O ho - ly Wis - dom, soar - ing pow'r, en -

a - tor, cleans - er of all things: a - noint our wounds, a -
 free us by your liv - ing Word, be - com - ing flesh to
 com - pass us with wings un - furled, and car - ry us, en -

wak - en us with lus - trous move - ment of your wings.
 wear our pain, and all cre - a - tion is re - stored.
 cir - cling all a - bove. be - low. and through the world.

Text: Jean Janzen, b. 1933; based on Hildegard of Bingen, 1098-1179

Music: PUER NOBIS, European tune; adapt. Michael Praetorius, 1571-1621

Text © 1991 Jean Janzen, admin. Augsburg Fortress

Psalm 104 Lord Send Out Your Spirit



1-2 Bless the Lord, O my soul! O Lord, my God, you are great indeed! How manifold are your works, O Lord! The earth is full of your creatures. *Refrain.*

24, 27, 28 May the glory of the Lord endure forever, may the Lord be glad in his works! Pleasing to him be my theme; I will be glad in the Lord. *Refrain.*

29, 30 If you take away their breath, they perish and return to their dust. When you send forth your spirit, they are created, and you renew the face of the earth. *Refrain.*

Sermon Hymn... "O Spirit of Life"



1 O Spir - it of life, O Spir - it of God,
 2 O Spir - it of life, O Spir - it of God,
 3 O Spir - it of life, O Spir - it of God,
 4 O Spir - it of life, O Spir - it of God,



in ev - 'ry need you bring us aid,
 in - crease our faith in our dear Lord;
 make us to love your sa - cred word;
 en - light - en us by that same word;



pro - ceed - ing forth from heav - en's throne,
 un - less your grace the pow'r should give,
 the ho - ly flame of God's love im - part,
 teach us to know God's ra - diant love,



from God, the Fa - ther and the Son;
 none can be - lieve in Christ and live;
 that char - i - ty may warm each heart;
 lead us to Christ who reigns a - bove;



O Spir - it of life, O Spir - it of God,
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Text: Johann Niedling, 1602–1668; tr. John C. Mattes, 1876–1948, alt.
 Music: O HELIGER GEIST, *Geistliche Kirchengesänge*, Köln, 1623

Sending Song... "I'm Goin'a Sing"



1	I'm goin' - a	sing when the Spir - it says	sing.	I'm goin' - a
2	I'm goin' - a	pray when the Spir - it says	pray.	I'm goin' - a
3	I'm goin' - a	moan when the Spir - it says	moan.	I'm goin' - a
4	I'm goin' - a	shout when the Spir - it says	shout.	I'm goin' - a



sing when the Spir-it says	sing.	I'm goin'-a	sing when the Spir-it says
pray when the Spir-it says	pray.	I'm goin'-a	pray when the Spir-it says
moan when the Spir-it says	moan.	I'm goin'-a	moan when the Spir-it says
shout when the Spir-it says	shout.	I'm goin'-a	shout when the Spir-it says



sing,	and	o - bey	the Spir - it	of the	Lord.
pray,	and	o - bey	the Spir - it	of the	Lord.
moan,	and	o - bey	the Spir - it	of the	Lord.
shout,	and	o - bey	the Spir - it	of the	Lord.

Text: African American spiritual

Music: I'M GOIN'-A SING, African American spiritual

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:



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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 JUN 1: 104

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