

# CONNECTIONS

*Living Water*  
Lutheran Church



*July 6, 2025*



It was you who set all the boundaries of the earth;  
you made both summer and winter.  
Psalm 74:17

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

Weekly CONNECTIONS Deadline—\*Tuesdays at NOON\*

## *We Remember in Our Prayers*

- Amanda (Daughter of Cherrie Heidemann-Oglesby)—Health Concerns
- Jeff & Eric Bemby (Friends of Diane vanMaanen)—Health Concerns
- Charlie Boyd—Health Concerns
- Barbara Brooks—Health Concerns
- Lizzy Caddow (Friend of Diane Salinas)—Cancer
- Christi (Daughter of Charlie and Sue Boyd)—Health Concerns
- Katie Dawson (Daughter of Tod and Bonnie Dawson)—Health Concerns
- Tod Dawson—Health Concerns
- Angelika Dumpf (Wife of Brett Stone)—Health Concerns
- Jenna Fjeld—Health Concerns
- Dave and Joy Gallimore—Health Concerns
- Frank Gasparino—Health Concerns
- Kyle and Tyler Hornacek (Grandsons of John and Sue Hornacek)—Life Concerns
- Carol Jacobson—Recovering from Surgery
- Dick Johnston—Health Concerns
- Dan Kempf (Brother of Myrna Ulland)—In Hospice
- Tom Kelland—Health Concerns
- Jill Knorra—Health Concerns
- Jana Richter (Family Member of Henri & Lynda Breault)—Health Concerns
- Kathie Roegnik—Health Concerns
- Del Rogge—Heart Concerns
- Pastor Mark Rossman—Recovering from Surgery
- Mel Simms (Friend of Frances DeBruyn)—Life Concerns
- Kristen Stenehjelm (Niece of Sue and Lee Stenehjelm)—Health Concerns
- Bob Ulland—Health Concerns
- Michael Umland (Son of Steve & Sue Umland)—Health Concerns
- Peter Vasiliades (Nephew of Rick Sherrin)—Health Concerns
- Friends and Family of Gabriele Laudenschlager
- Friends and Family of Ted Stump

*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, the Father of our Lord Jesus, you are the city that shelters us, the mother who comforts us. With your Spirit accompany us on our life's journey, that we may spread your peace in all the world, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

# Confirmation



## Starting in September...

- Confirmation classes will be held two Sundays each month from 6:30-8:00pm.
- This is a two and a half-year program for middle school and high school students.
- We will be learning about the Old Testament, New Testament, Lutheran History, the Catechism and Lutheran Living. We look forward to a fun and relationship-building learning environment!
- Please let Pastor Shari [pastorshari@lwlcaz.org](mailto:pastorshari@lwlcaz.org) know if you have any questions.



Join us on Sunday, September 14 at 10am  
We will be sharing our stories and pictures from  
the 2025 Youth Mission Trip to South Dakota!



BUT THE GREATEST  
OF THESE IS  
*Love*  
1 CORINTHIANS 13:13

Café

[boldcafe.org](http://boldcafe.org)

Monthly dinner  
with Boldcafe  
writers + friends  
(B.Y.O.D.)

**July 17**  
**@ 7 pm (CST)**



Join us for our next **Boldcafe**  
**Monthly Dinner, Thursday, July 17 at 7pm** CST hosted  
by Kamila Gutierrez, Women of the ELCA's Communication intern.

She will lead our conversation about Process Theology.  
Granddaughters, daughters, nieces, and others are invited!  
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.

(Please note, we will hold only the July dinner on the 17th, the dinner is  
usually the first Thursday of every month.)

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

## 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!



## 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)



**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.



Peter's Hope

# THANK YOU

*For Your Support*

Dear Bible Study Group Members,

On behalf of all of us at Peter's Hope, thank you for your recent generous gift. We are so grateful for your support and for the heart behind it. Your donation is already making a meaningful impact by helping us continue our mission to educate children and empower women in Bamburi, Kenya.

Your partnership reminds us that we are not alone in this work, and with friends like you walking alongside us, we are able to offer brighter futures and life-changing opportunities to those who need them the most.

May your generosity return to you many times over!

Gratefully,

Christine Kyuya, Peter's Hope

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*

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.

## Gathering Hymn... "We All Are One In Mission"



1 We all are one in mis - sion; we all are one in call,  
2 We all are called for ser - vice, to wit - ness in God's name.  
3 Now let us be u - nit - ed, and let our song be heard.



our var - ied gifts u - nit - ed by Christ, the Lord of all.  
Our min - is - tries are dif - f'rent; our pur - pose is the same:  
Now let us be a ves - sel for God's re - deem - ing Word.



A sin - gle great com - mis - sion com - pels us from a - bove  
to touch the lives of oth - ers with God's sur - pris - ing grace,  
We all are one in mis - sion; we all are one in call,



to plan and work to - geth - er that all may know Christ's love.  
so ev - 'ry folk and na - tion may feel God's warm em - brace.  
our var - ied gifts u - nit - ed by Christ, the Lord of all.

Text: Rusty Edwards, b. 1955

Music: KUORTANE, Finnish folk tune

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## Psalm 66 Let All The Earth Cry Out To God With Joy

*Refrain.*



1-3 Shout joyfully to God, all the earth, sing praise to the glory of his name; proclaim his glorious praise. Say to God, "How tremendous are your deeds!" *Refrain.*

4-5 "Let all the earth worship and sing praise to you, sing praise to your name!" Come and see the works of God, his tremendous deeds among the children of Adam.

6-7 He has changed the sea into dry land; through the river they passed on foot; therefore let us rejoice in him. He rules by his might forever. *Refrain.*

16, 20 Hear now, all you who fear God, while I declare what he has done for me. Blessed be God who refused me not my prayer or his kindness! *Refrain.*

## Sermon Hymn... "Spread, Oh, Spread Almighty Word"



1 Spread, oh, spread, al - might - y Word, spread the reign of God the Lord.  
2 Tell of our Re - deem - er's grace, who, to save our hu - man race  
3 Tell of God the Spir - it giv'n now to guide us on to heav'n,  
4 Lord of har - vest, great and kind, rouse to ac - tion heart and mind;



Send forth our Cre - a - tor's call, heav - en's gifts ex - tend to all.  
and to pay re - bel - lion's price, gave him - self as sac - ri - fice.  
strong and ho - ly, just and true, work - ing both to will and do.  
let the gath - 'ring na - tions all see your light and heed your call.

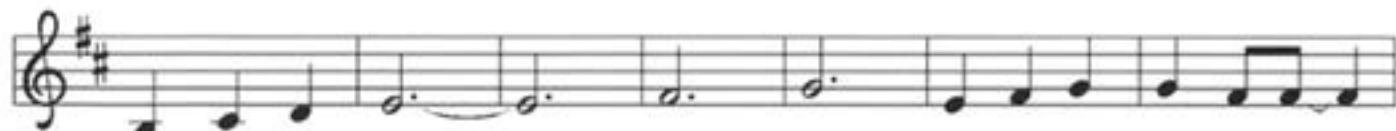
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# Sending Song... "Spirit Of Gentleness"

*Refrain*



Spir - it, Spir - it of gen - tle - ness, blow through the wil - der - ness



call - ing and free; Spir - it, Spir - it of rest - less - ness,



stir me from plac - id - ness, wind, wind on the sea.



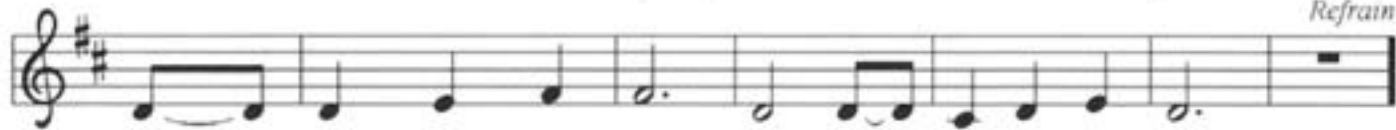
- 1 You moved on the wa - ters, you called to the deep,
- 2 You swept through the des - ert, you stung with the sand,
- 3 You sang in a sta - ble, you cried from a hill,
- 4 You call from to - mor - row, you break an - cient schemes.



then you coaxed up the moun - tains from the val - leys of sleep;  
and you goad - ed your peo - ple with a law and a land;  
then you whis - pered in si - lence when the whole world was still;  
From the bond - age of sor - row all the cap - tives dream dreams;



and o - ver the e - ons you called to each thing;  
and when they were blind - ed with i - dols and lies,  
and down in the cit - y you called once a - gain,  
our wom - en see vi - sions, our men clear their eyes.



*Refrain*

"A - wake from your slum - bers and rise on your wings."  
then you spoke through your proph - ets to o - pen their eyes.  
when you blew through your peo - ple on the rush of the wind.  
With . . . bold new de - ci - sions your peo - ple a - rise.

# 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 JUNE 29: 104**

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