

CONNECTIONS

Living Water
Lutheran Church



February 1, 2026

do everything
in love

1 Corinthians 16:14

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 Bembry (Friends of Diane vanMaanen)—Health Concerns
- Lizzy Caddow (Friend of Diane Salinas)—Cancer
- Christi (Daughter of Charlie and Sue Boyd)—Health Concerns
- Debbie Connor (Friend of Frances DeBruyn)—Terminal Melanoma
- Adrian Corr (Brother-in-law of Brian Goebel, living in Turks)—Cancer
- Larry Coutts—Recurring Health Issues
- Katie Dawson (Daughter of Tod and Bonnie 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
- John (Friend of Diane vanMaanen)
- Tom Kelland—Health Concerns
- Matt (Jim and Alison Swanson)—Health Concerns
- Gene and Shirley Perry—Health Concerns
- Jana Richter (Family Member of Henri & Lynda Breault)—Health Concerns
- Kathie Roenigk—Health Concerns
- Del Rogge—Heart Concerns
- Regan Shea (Friend of Pastor Mark)—Health Concerns
- Geri Skogen (Friend of Myrna Ulland)—Post-operative Treatment
- Kristen Stenehjem (Niece of Sue and Lee Stenehjem)—Health Concerns
- Janet L. Swim (Sister of Brian Goebel)—Cancer
- Bob Ulland—Health Concerns
- Michael Umland (Son of Steve & Sue Umland)—Health Concerns
- Iris Van (Eyesight Issues)
- Peter Vasiliades (Nephew of Rick Sherrin)—Health Concerns
- Marge Vessey (Close Friend of Carol and Lance Jacobson)—Health Concerns
- Kelly White (Neice of Sharon Westergreen)—Health Concerns
- Pr. Brian Weinberger (Bethlehem Lutheran in Mesa)—Recovering from auto accident
- Family and Friends of Mike Handley

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.*

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: **lwicaz.org***

Prayer of the Week:

Holy God, you confound the world's wisdom in giving your kingdom to the lowly and the pure in heart. Give us such a hunger and thirst for justice, and perseverance in striving for peace, that in our words and deeds the world may see the life of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

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*

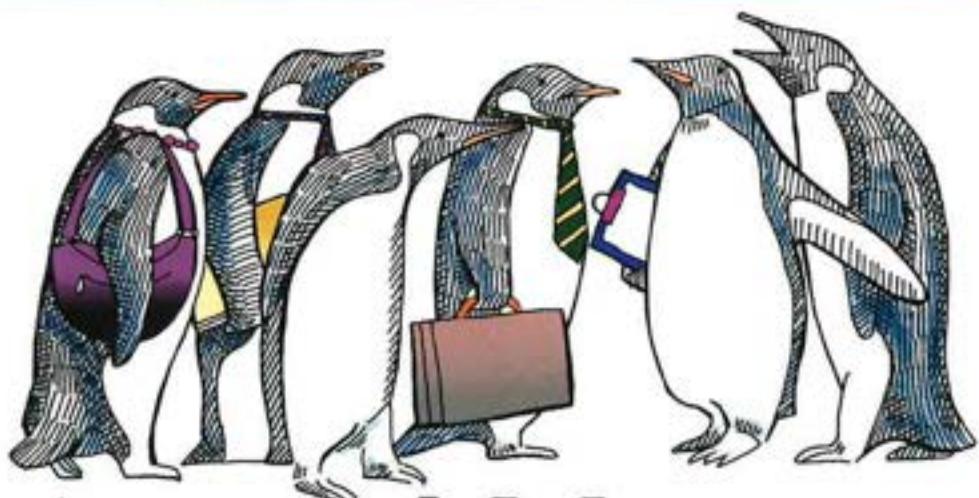


note your calendar:

The LWLC
ANNUAL
MEETING

It's that time of year again!
Living Water's Annual Meeting
will be held on:

**Sunday, February 8th
following worship service**



Join us for



Ash Wednesday Service

Wednesday, February 18th at 7:00pm

YOU ARE INVITED TO A

Gourmet Breakfast Fundraiser

WE HOPE YOU CAN JOIN US AFTER
THE ANNUAL MEETING TO ENJOY
DELICIOUS FOOD, FABULOUS
COMPANY, AND AN OPPORTUNITY TO
SUPPORT THE YOUTH MISSION TRIP
TO PENNSYLVANIA THIS SUMMER.



APPROX 11:45 AM | FEBRUARY 8, 2026
LIVING WATER LUTHERAN CHURCH
Please make a reservation on the
patio after worship. \$25/person

Angel Tree Assistance Needed:

HELP WANTED: Patient, dedicated person who is not too perfectionistic and has a little bit of woodworking skill to join the Angel Tree team as a cutter.

DUTIES: Each February- Cut out/free up approximately fifty-five angels from a board of wood and sand them up a little so others can make them pretty.

INCIDENTAL REQUIREMENT: Scroll saw- if you don't have one, you can purchase one for around \$100 and on your own time, use it to make all kinds of cute things.

CONTACT: JAY LUCAS, ANGELIC COORDINATOR
480-419-8166 jayloislucas4@gmail.com



Upcoming Dates to Remember:

Ash Wednesday

Wednesday, February 18th at 7:00pm

Wednesdays in Lent:

February 25, March 4, 11, 18 and 25th

5:30pm Soup Supper

6:00pm Lenten Bible Study

7:00pm Lenten Worship

Maundy Thursday Worship Service

Thursday, April 2nd at 12 noon

at Spirit in the Desert Retreat Center



Maundy Thursday Worship Service

Thursday, April 2nd at 7:00pm



Good Friday Worship Service

Friday, April 3rd at 7:00pm



Easter Sunday Worship Service

Sunday, April 5th at

6:30am (SUNRISE SERVICE),

8:00am and 10:00am

9:15am Brunch



Give blood.
Help save lives.



Blood Drive
Living Water Lutheran Church
Fellowship Hall
9201 E. Happy Valley Rd.
Scottsdale, AZ 85255

Wednesday, February 25, 2026
9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

For more information or to schedule an appointment,
please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767)
or visit redcrossblood.org and use sponsor code: LivingWater



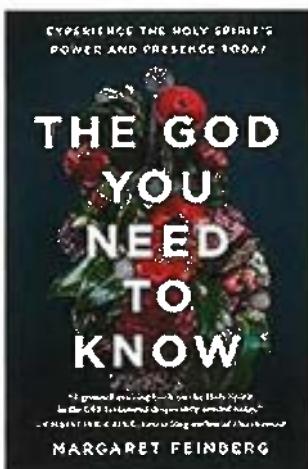
Come give blood 1/26-2/28 for a \$20 e-gift card to your choice of merchant. See rcblood.org/heart



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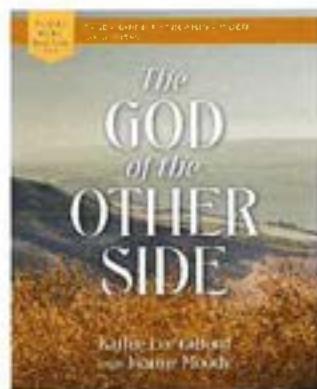
TUESDAY WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY FOR FEBRUARY



We finish up our six-week video study using material from Margaret Feinberg titled "The God You Need to Know." This study focuses on the work of the Holy Spirit throughout the Old Testament. We meet on Feb 3 and Feb 17. **NO STUDY ON FEB. 10th.**

Beginning on February 17th we'll move to a new six-week video study called "The God of the Other Side"

with material from Kathie Lee Gifford and Joanne Moody. This study illuminates how Jesus breaks the barriers to reach those whom society has abandoned, those who are lonely, lost or left out.



All women are welcome! Just bring yourself and your favorite Bible translation. We meet on Tuesday mornings at 10 am in the Fellowship Hall and also by Zoom for approximately 90 minutes each week. If you aren't on our email communication list, please contact myrna.ulland@gmail.com to be added.

Men's Bible Breakfast

We meet on Thursdays at **8:00am**

\$8 for breakfast

Spirit in the Desert Retreat Center

7415 East Elbow Bend Rd.

Carefree, AZ 85377

Food Donations

Food insecurity is a continuous problem. Living Water contributes food and daily essentials, such as products for oral hygiene, diapers, school supplies and more, to local organizations on a continuing basis. We have two main destinations for our donations:

La Sagrada Familia Church: The grocery cart found in the Narthex during the week and outside on Sundays is for food and daily essential products.

Foothills Food Bank: Collection tubs placed in the Narthex with the sign “food donations” are for **tuna, peanut butter, and soups.**

THANK YOU for any and all donations you make. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

Living Water Lutheran Church Grief Support Group



**Have you lost a loved one recently or are you still grieving from
a former loss? Everyone is welcome.**

Group Facilitator: Diane Klumpp

Pastoral Support: Pastor Shari Bernau

**This is an 8-week program on Wednesdays 1:00-2:30pm
running from February 4 – March 25**

Please call or email Pastor Shari Bernau to sign up,
and note that this group is capped at 8 people.

480-473-8400 - pastorshari@lwlcaz.org



Living Water Lutheran Church
9201 E Happy Valley Road
Scottsdale, AZ 85255
*Education Building

New accounting assistance

Living Water has hired Shellee Snoke to supplement Stephanie McLean with financial duties. Shellee's email is ssnoke@lwicaz.org. She will be in the church office every Tuesday morning from 9:00 am to Noon. Stephanie will continue to be in the church office the second Sunday of every month.

Medical Lending Library Ministry

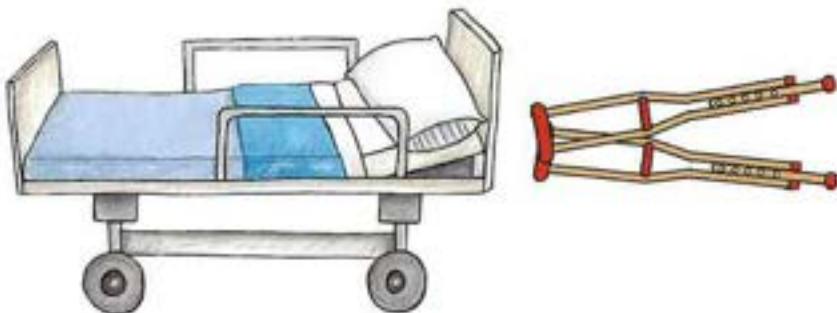
What: It's the same as a book library but lends durable medical equipment.

Who: Will be used by our partner La Sagrada Familia Church members who are mostly low-income and uninsured.

How: Donate your used crutches, commode, wheelchair/cushion, walker, hospital bed, cane, etc.

When: We will collect them on Sundays,

March 10 and 17 at Living Water.



Souper Bowl of Caring

February 8th is not only Super Bowl Sunday, but it is also "Souper Bowl of Caring" Sunday.

Each February LWLC Youth solicits an offering to combat hunger and

Super Bowl Sunday is traditionally set aside to do this. And we can help!

On February 8th look for the three boxes labeled with the name of the two Super Bowl football teams and a third box labeled with, "I don't care." These will be located near the Hunger Jar. Please vote with your checks or cash for your preferred team and let's see how many dollars we can raise for Hunger in the process! Go Team!



Living Water's "Hunger Jar"



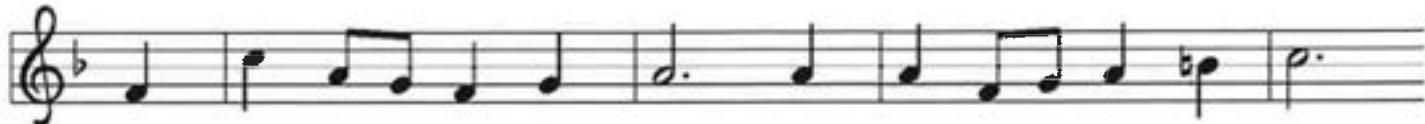
The large Hunger Jar is in the sanctuary during services, to the right of the water fountain. Offerings placed in the Hunger Jar are typically distributed 50/50 between local and international/global organizations or initiatives.

The Service and Caring Team Ministry at LWLC periodically determines how to distribute offerings to the Hunger Jar. Most recently, we split the 12/31/25 balance of **\$ 2,042**. We allocated 50% locally to Foothills Food Bank and 50% internationally to ELCA World Hunger. Each will receive \$1021.

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!

Gathering Hymn... "Rejoice, Ye Pure In Heart"

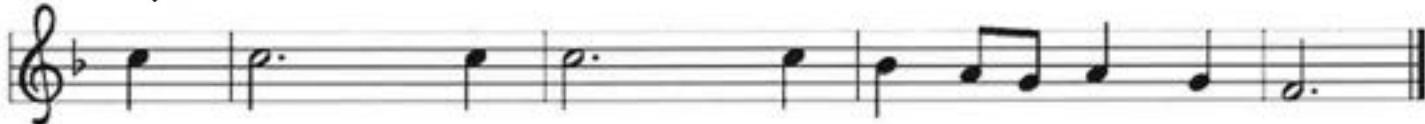


1 Re - joice, ye pure in heart! Re - joice, give thanks, and sing;
2 With voice as full and strong as o - cean's surg - ing praise,
3 With all the an - gel choirs, with all the saints on earth
4 Still lift your stan - dard high, still march in firm ar - ray,



your fes - tal ban - ner wave on high, the cross of Christ your king.
send forth the stir - dy hymns of old, the psalms of an - cient days.
pour out the strains of joy and bliss, true rap - ture, no - blest mirth.
as pil - grims through the dark - ness wend till dawns the gol - den day.

Refrain



Re - joice! Re - joice! Re - joice, give thanks, and sing!

Text: Edward H. Plumbire, 1821-1891, alt.
Music: MARION, Arthur H. Messiter, 1834-1916

Psalm 15 He Who Does Justice

Refrain



The one who does jus-tice will live in the pres-ence of the Lord.

2-3 One who walks blamelessly and does justice; who thinks the truth in his heart and slanders not with his tongue.

Refrain.

3-4 Who harms not his fellow man, nor takes up a reproach against his neighbor; by whom the reprobate is despised, while he honors those who fear the Lord.

Refrain.

5 Who lends not his money at usury and accepts no bribe against the innocent. One who does these things shall never be disturbed.

Refrain.

Sermon Hymn... "Let Streams of Living Justice"



1 Let streams of liv - ing jus - tice flow down up - on the earth;
2 For heal - ing of the na - tions, for peace that will not end,
3 Your ci - ty's built to mu - sic; we are the stones you seek;



give free - dom's light to cap - tives, let all the poor have worth.
for love that makes us lov - ers, God grant us grace to mend.
your har - mo - ny is lan - guage; we are the words you speak.



The hun - gry's hands are plead - ing, the work - ers claim their rights,
Weave our var - ied gifts to - geth - er; knit our lives as they are spun;
Our faith we find in ser - vice, our hope in oth - ers' dreams,



the mourn - ers long for laugh - ter, the blind - ed seek for sight.
on your loom of time en - roll us till our thread of life is run.
our love in hand of neigh - bor; our home-land bright - ly gleams.



Make lib - er - ty a bea - con, strike down the i - ron pow'r;
O great weav - er of our fab - ric, bind church and world in one;
In - scribe our hearts with jus - tice; your way—the path un - tried;



a - bol - ish an - cient ven - geance: pro - claim your peo - ple's hour.
dye our tex - ture with your ra - diance, light our col - ors with your sun.
your truth—the heart of stran - er: your life—the Cru - ci - fied.

Text: William Whittle, b. 1934
Music: THAXTED, Gustav Holst, 1874-1934
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Sending Hymn... "To Be Your Presence"



1 To be your pres - ence is our mis - sion here, to show com -
2 To be your pres - ence is our mis - sion bold, to feed the
3 To be your pres - ence is our mis - sion blest, to speak for
4 We are your heart, O Christ, your hands and voice, to serve your



pas - sion's face and lis - tning ear, to be your heart of mer - cy
poor and shel - ter home-less cold, to be your hands of jus - tice,
all the bro - ken and op - pressed, to be your voice of hope, your
peo - ple is our call and choice, and in this mis - sion we, the



ev - er near,
right up - hold,
love ex - pressed,
church, re - joice,

Text: Delores Dufner, OSB, b. 1939

Music: ENGELBERG, Charles V. Stanford, 1852-1924

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The Living Water
QR code for giving:



**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.**

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