

CONNECTIONS

Living Water
Lutheran Church



August 16, 2026



Weekly CONNECTIONS Deadline—*Tuesdays at NOON*

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



We Remember in Our Prayers

- v Sylvia Behler (Mother of Laurie Shabbick)—Hospice Care
- v Jeff & Eric Bembry (Friends of Diane vanMaanen)—Health Concerns
- v Brian (Judy Tornowske's nephew)—Cancer
- v Lizzy Caddow (Friend of Diane Salinas)—Cancer
- v Christi (Daughter of Charlie and Sue Boyd)—Health Concerns
- v Julia Conner (Friend of Frances DeBruyn)—Health Concerns
- v Larry Coutts (Father of Missy Laudenschlager)—Recurring Health Issues
- v Gene Dehnbostel (Brother of Marilyn Nartker)—Health Concerns
- v Don Doench (Brother-in-law of Joan Sprinkle) – Health Concerns
- v Angelika Dumpf (Wife of Brett Stone)—Health Concerns
- v Jenna Fjeld—Health Concerns
- v Dave and Joy Gallimore—Health Concerns
- v Frank Gasparino—Health Concerns
- v Paul Heinze (Friend of the Pettengill's)—Knee Replacement and Broken Femur
- v Sandy Heinze (Friend of the Pettengill's)—Upcoming Surgery
- v Robert Hutson—Health Concerns
- v John (Friend of Diane vanMaanen)
- v Tom Kelland—Health Concerns
- v Pastor Robert Klein—Health Concerns
- v Matt (Jim and Alison Swanson)—Health Concerns
- v Jeff Millis (Son of Karen Welnhofner)—Recovering from Back Surgery
- v Sandy Moses—Health Concerns
- v Marilyn Nartker—Health Concerns
- v Terry Nelson—Recovering from Hip Surgery
- v Prestyn Oglesby (David's grandson)—Air Force Deployment
- v Gene and Shirley Perry—Health Concerns
- v Roy Pester (Friend of Dave Oglesby)—Health Concerns
- v Jana Richter (Family Member of Henri & Lynda Breault)—Health Concerns
- v Karen Roessler—Health Concerns
- v Del Rogge—Heart Concerns
- v Dale Schoenbeck (David's Brother)—Health Concerns
- v Regan Shea (Friend of Pastor Mark)—Health Concerns
- v Roger Smedberg (Nephew of Karen and Ronald Roessler)—Brain Cancer
- v Kristen Stenehjerm (Niece of Sue and Lee Stenehjerm)—Health Concerns
- v Bob Ulland—Health Concerns
- v Michael Umland (Son of Steve & Sue Umland)—Health Concerns
- v Iris Van—Eyesight Issues
- v Peter Vasiliades (Nephew of Rick Sherrin)—Health Concerns
- v Marge Vessey (Close Friend of Carol and Lance Jacobson)—Health Concerns
- v Kelly White (Niece of Sharon Westergreen)—Health Concerns
- v Pr. Nanette Christofferson (Love of Christ, Mesa, AZ)—Health Concerns

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.*

Prayer of the Week:

God of all peoples, your arms reach out to embrace all those who call upon you. Teach us as disciples of your Son to love the world with compassion and constancy, that your name may be known throughout the earth, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

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

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***



Join us to celebrate the life of

Kathie Roenigh

March 9, 1947 - April 24, 2026

Saturday, Aug. 22, 2026

Memorial Lunch

Tavern 333

333 N. Michigan Ave.

Noon to 2 p.m.

Sunday, Aug. 23, 2026

Memorial Casting

111 N. Lake Shore Dr.

Meet at 9:15 a.m. at the

Fred A. Busse fire boat

RSVP by Aug. 10 at

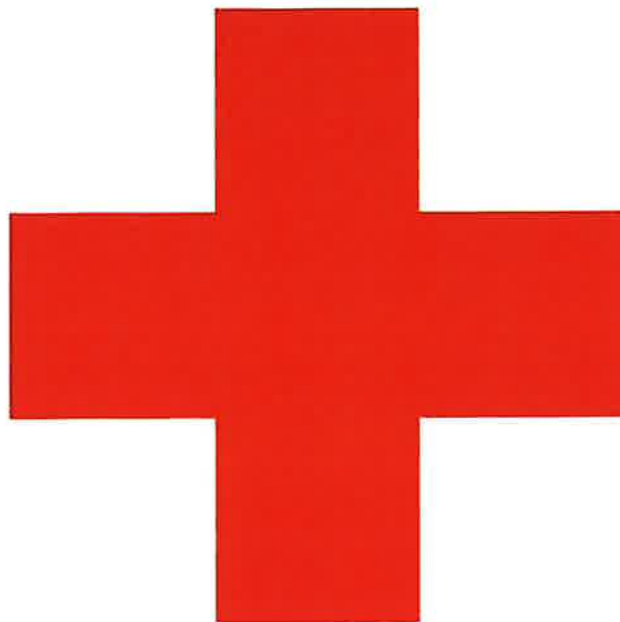
tinyurl.com/KATHIE2026

These places and times are for Chicago. Subtract two hours for corresponding local Phoenix times. You can rsvp for remote viewing at the address above as well.

American Red Cross

Every 2 seconds, someone
in the U.S. needs blood.

*Give blood.
Help save lives.*



Blood Drive
Living Water Lutheran Church

Fellowship Hall
9201 E Happy Valley Rd
Scottsdale, AZ 85255

Wednesday, August 26, 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 www.redcrossblood.org and use sponsor code: LivingWater



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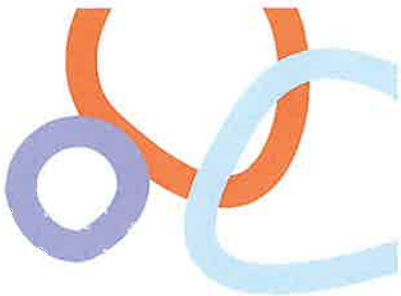
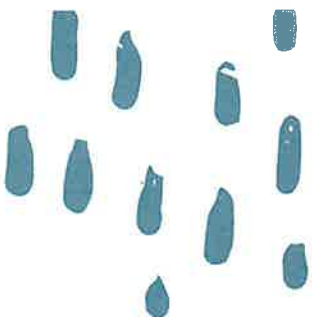
**Come to give blood in August for a \$20 Amazon Gift
Card by email. Terms: rcblood.org/August.**



Scan to schedule
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**CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILIES,
PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS:**



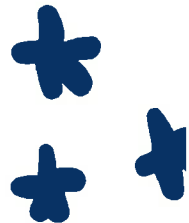
**SUNDAY, AUGUST 23
AT 10:00AM**

BACK TO SCHOOL BLESSING



**ALL STUDENTS, TEACHERS AND STAFF WHO ARE GOING BACK TO
SCHOOL THIS MONTH ARE INVITED FOR A SPECIAL BLESSING TO
BEGIN THE NEW SCHOOL YEAR SURROUNDED IN PRAYER.**

MISSION TRIP REFLECTIONS



**THE STUDENTS WHO PARTICIPATED IN THE MISSION TRIP TO
PENNSYLVANIA WILL SHARE STORIES AND PICTURES.**



**SUNDAY, AUGUST 30
AT 10:00AM**

SING WITH THE CHOIR



**THE CHOIR IS SINGING JESUS LOVES ME. CHILDREN AND
YOUTH ARE WELCOME TO JOIN AND SING ON THAT SUNDAY!**

PLEASE COME AT 9:00AM FOR PRACTICE.



God's Work, Our Hands Sunday, September 13, 2026

100 Blue Bags

Every year in September, the congregations of the ELCA participate in service work entitled "God's Work, Our Hands." In the past two years, Living Water has assembled backpacks with school supplies for international distribution (2024) and care kits for the homeless (2025). This year, after the service on Sunday, September 13, the congregation will be invited to pack our Living Water blue bags with household cleaning supplies: *laundry detergent, dish soap, sponge, and paper towels* for distribution through Foothills Food Bank.



Why household cleaning supplies?

- SNAP benefits (food stamps) *allow ONLY food purchases.*
- Foothills Food Bank has identified cleaning items as a crucial need: once a month, clients are given household supplies IF they are available.



In order to meet our goal of 100 blue bags, we are asking the congregation to donate the following over the next 3 weeks:

***LAUNDRY DETERGENT**
(any size up to 84 ounces)

***DISH SOAP** (any size)

AND/OR *CASH/CHECK

The sponges have been donated, and Thrivent has provided a \$250 grant we will use for the paper towels. *We still need \$150.00 to cover the cost of 2 rolls of paper towels per blue bag.*

Pastor Shari will share an *Amazon Wish List* code with the congregation through an e-blast coming your way soon.

Thank you in advance for your generosity!

Gathering Hymn... "All Are Welcome"



1 Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safe - ly
4 Let us build a house where hands will reach be - yond the wood and
5 Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and vi - sions



live, a place where saints and chil - dren tell how
stone to heal and strength - en, serve and teach, and
heard and loved and trea - sured, taught and claimed as



hearts learn to for - give. Built of hopes and dreams and
live the Word they've known. Here the out - cast and the
words with - in the Word. Built of tears and cries and



vi - sions, rock of faith and vault of grace; here the love of
strang - er bear the im - age of God's face; let us bring an
laugh - ter, prayers of faith and songs of grace, let this house pro -



Christ shall end di - vi - sions:
end to fear and dan - ger: All are wel - come,
claim from floor to raf - ter:



all are wel - come, all are wel - come in this place.

Text: Marty Haugen, b. 1950

Music: TWO OAKS, Marty Haugen

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Psalm 67— "Oh God, Let All The Nations Praise You"

refrain



2-3 May God have pity on us and bless us, may he let his face shine upon us. So may your way be known upon earth; among all nations; your salvation.

5 May the nations be glad and exult because you rule the peoples in equity; the nations on the earth you guide.

6, 8 May the people praise you, O God, may all the people praise you! May God bless us, and may all the ends of the earth fear him!



Today's altar flowers were donated by
Ron Roessler in honor of
Karen's 85th birthday!

Happy Birthday Karen

Sermon Hymn... "My Hope is Built On Nothing Less"



- 1 My hope is built on noth-ing less than Je-sus' blood and righ-teous-ness;
- 2 When dark-ness veils his love-ly face, I rest on his un - chang-ing grace;
- 3 His oath, his cov - e - nant, his blood sus - tain me in the rag - ing flood;
- 4 When he shall come with trum-pet sound, oh, may I then in him be found,



no mer-it of my own I claim, but whol - ly lean on Je - sus' name.
in ev-'ry high and storm - y gale my an - chor holds with-in the veil.
when all sup-ports are washed a-way, he then is all my hope and stay.
clothed in his righ-teous-ness a-lone, re - deemed to stand be - fore the throne!

Refrain



On Christ, the sol - id rock, I stand; all oth - er ground is



sink - ing sand, all oth - er ground is sink - ing sand.

Text: Edward Mote, 1797-1874, alt.

Music: THE SOLID ROCK, William B. Bradbury. 1816-1868

Sending Hymn... "Oh, For A Thousand Tongues To Sing"



- 1 Oh, for a thou-sand tongues to sing my great Re-deem-er's praise.
- 2 My gra-cious Mas-ter and my God, as-sist me to pro-claim,
- 3 The name of Je-sus charms our fears and bids our sor-rows cease,



the glo-ries of my God and king, the tri-umphs of his grace!
to spread through all the earth a-broad the hon-ors of your name.
sings mu-sic in the sin-ner's ears, brings life and health and peace.

- 6 To God all glory, praise, and love
be now and ever giv'n
by saints below and saints above,
the church in earth and heav'n.

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707–1788, alt.

Music: AZMON, Carl G. Gläser, 1784–1829; arr. Lowell Mason, 1792–1872

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

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The Living Water
QR code for giving:



In case of Pastoral Emergency, please call Pastor Mark at 973-699-7777 (mobile)

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