

Splash!

*"Whoever drinks the water I give them will never thirst."
John 4:14*

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- Becky Bliefertich (Niece of Barbara Brooks)– Battling cancer
- Nancy Blazer – Health concerns
- Doug Burnett (Friend of Phil & Nancy Rogers) – Battling Cancer
- Collin Cassem -Active Military Member
- JoAnn Dearing (Friend of Michelle Brown) – Health concerns
- Vicki Dugas (Friend of Barbara & John Hannan) – Battling Cancer
- Bernie Eccles (Friend of Linda & Larry Coutts) – Battling Cancer
- Jinhong Fan (Sister-in-law of Kristin Smith) - Battling Cancer
- David Fernandez - Active Military Member
- Jeanne Folmer (Niece of Sue & Lee Stenehjem) – Battling cancer
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- Matt and Kristen Garrett (husband and wife) - Active Military Members
- Celia Giontzeneli – Health concerns
- Sharon Holland (Friend of Barbara & John Hannan) – Battling cancer
- Al Hopkins (cousin-in-law of Lee and Sue Stenehjem) - Battling cancer
- Scott Johnson (Son of Steve & Susan Johnson) – Health concerns
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- Penny Kilburn –Health concerns
- Ron Koch – Health concerns
- Hannah Lehrke (Granddaughter of Lois and Jay Lucas) – Health concerns
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- Lynne Mohr (Stepdaughter of Carol Gasser) – Battling cancer
- Elsa Nelson (Daughter of Celia Giontzeneli) – Health concerns
- Jeff Novak (Son-in-law of Mike & Lou Handley) - Health concerns
- Richard Reeder Sr. (Friend of Michelle Brown) - Health concerns
- Michael Steele (Friend of the Coutts) – Battling cancer
- Jim Tonneson – Recovering from surgery
- Karlene Wenz (Wife of Mike Kieffer) - Health concerns
- Lew Wilson (friend of Lee and Sue Stenehjem) - Battling cancer
- Chuck Woods (Friend of Beth & Steve McCarthy) - Health concerns

Send your prayer requests to prayer@lwlcaz.org or fill one out at lwlcaz.org

Happy Birthday!

Darrell	Shipley	11/1
Lance	Jacobson	11/5
Dale	Bedenkop	11/6
Jenny	Dorsch	11/6
Shirley	Koch	11/10
Conrad	Roos	11/12
James	Bernau	11/12
Heidi	Ruff	11/19
Carol	Gasser	11/20



David	Wilder	11/22
Carolyn	Stock	11/23
Colin	Decker	11/23
Tori	Titmas	11/23
Jan	Johnson	11/30

Please call the office if your birthday is not listed and we will make sure to enter it into our database.

A MESSAGE FROM PASTOR MARK



It used to be that a display of manners by an individual was simply an act of common courtesy. Those same courtesies are still part of our world today, but unfortunately they do not seem so common anymore. The terms “please” and “thank you” are ones that were ingrained into my very being at a very early age. In fact, I cannot remember life prior to knowing and using those two words.

Now don’t get me wrong, I doubt very much that they were part of a natural progression of my life. The use of such words was instilled into me – albeit at times with vigor – by my family. You were nothing, if not polite. I too find myself doing the same sort of thing. I have coaxed, pleaded, forced, and insisted that my children use those two words whenever appropriate. And they do – at least when I am around – but even at times on their own, I hope.

“Thank you” is an integral part of the life of the Christian. It is in our words and expressions of thanks that we acknowledge the abundance and the magnitude of all that God has done for us. Unfortunately, even in our relationship with God, the whole idea of offering thanks is no longer a common act. While God’s generosity has not changed, nor has it diminished, our acknowledgement of what God does for us seems to have dissipated. We simply do not take the time we need to offer the necessary “thank you.”

November is our month of thanksgiving. For Living Water Church, it is the time (Consecration Sunday on November 10) for which we consecrate our gifts to God for the upcoming year. In our country it is also our time to offer thanks. Some 200 plus years ago, George Washington suggested the date November 26 as Thanksgiving Day. Then in 1863, at the end of a long and bloody civil war, Abraham Lincoln asked all Americans to set aside the last Thursday in November as a day of thanksgiving. Are we as a society so poor at showing our gratitude that we have to set a day aside to do so? I would think not, but we always run the risk of taking certain things for granted. When something is part of our everyday lives, we can fall into the trap of taking it or granted – we simply assume it is always going to be there.

One thing that we can be assured will exist constantly within our lives are the gifts God shares with us. It is an easy statement to make based on the fact that all we are, all we have, all that surrounds us are gifts from God. These are gifts that enrich us, help us grow, and enhance the quality and value of the lives that we lead. What God shares with us comes to us in a variety of different ways. These gifts include: the gift of life, our talents and skills, our family, neighbors, money, possessions, the beauty of a day, the joy of watching the seasons change, and this is only the tip of the iceberg when it comes to that which God has given us.

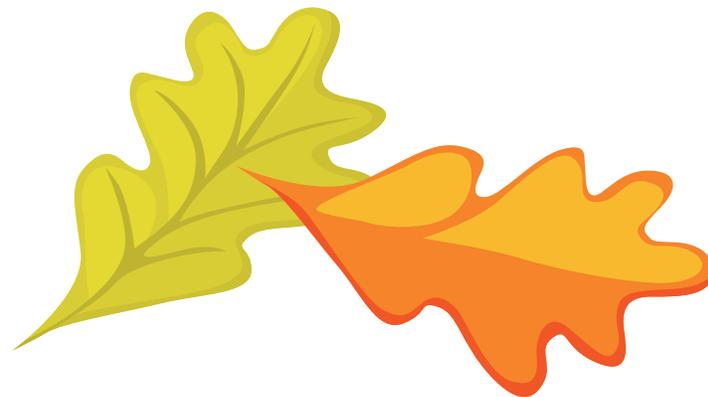
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Bottom line is this – as Christians – as those who have been truly blessed – we need to live everyday of our lives as Thanksgiving Day. We are to share ourselves with the people around us. We are to open our hearts and our homes to our family, friends, and neighbors. We are to share the gifts that God has given us – our gifts of time, talent, and treasure. We need to give back to God for those things that have been first shared with us. When we give back to God in a way that not only shows our gratitude, but also works to improve the quality of the lives of people around us, then we are living our lives in a manner fitting for the faithful. For it is in the sharing that we truly can find joy – a joy that can only come from God. In the end, perhaps that is why we find so much joy when we gather together on the fourth Thursday of the month. In the end, that is why we need to take the time and make the effort to ensure that we offer to God an ongoing offering of thanks. Thanksgiving Day allows us the moment to offer our thanks for the gift of this country in which we live. Consecration Sunday allows us the opportunity to give our thanks to God on very regular basis for the gift of our lives. In each is a very important and vital time in our lives to offer thanks to the God of live and love.

So to help us out, we have a single holiday to remind us to do so – our National Day of Thanksgiving. And ever year, the President of the United States of America reminds us that we need to take the time to offer thanks for what we have received. And for us at Living Water we set aside a single Sunday - Consecration Sunday - where we pledge to offer to God, in a tangible way, our thanks for the blessings of our lives. In a way it is a shame that we have distilled our pledge of thanks down to a single day, yet it is a very good thing that we do have these days before us.

As we gather wherever we might, to give thanks on that special Thursday, let us not forget that this is not an annual event that takes place, but rather a reminder of a daily happening that needs to be part of all of our lives. As we get ready to celebrate Thanksgiving, let us do so, by daily offering our thanks to the God who has given us life, not to mention the means to celebrate this wonderful day.

Pastor Mark Rossman





Ask Zeke

Living Water's 24/7 office fish puts in a personal plug for a pet-centric event for you, your pets, and your pals

Q. Will this year's Pet Festival feature a return visit by the Scottsdale PD K9 unit?

A. Last November's riveting demonstration of a police dog taking down a "perp" (an officer in a bite-suit) was definitely a draw. This year's Pet Festival on Nov. 17 promises to be equally entertaining. This fun-filled Sunday afternoon event will present a line-up of wild critters along with tamer animals plus a plethora of precious pets.

The Southwest Wildlife Conservation Center will kindly bring rescued native wildlife to our church campus. This 25-year-old wildlife rescue service's display will likely feature a trio consisting of a raptor, a reptile, and a mammal.

Other VIP guests will include Elvis the Camel (back by popular demand) and Zuni, a gentled BLM (Bureau of Land Management) Mustang. A miniature horse named Nickel will be on site to give cart rides for kiddos.

Does your pet need a booster blessing? An individual Blessing of the Animals is another highlight of this free, family-friendly festival sponsored by PACE (Living Water's Pro-Active Community Engagement team).

Folks who attended last year's Pet Festival may recall that dogs dominated the pet turnout (they got along famously). The event also attracted a pair of guinea pigs, a hamster, a cat, and a slightly scary snake (one of the pastors bravely blessed it).

PACE encourages everyone to invite family members, friends, and neighbors to this fun-filled event, which will also feature toe-tapping music and refreshments courtesy of a team of creative cookie makers. Please note that ALL pets, no matter how tame, MUST be leashed or otherwise secured.

Not a pet owner? No problem! You can rove without Rover at this celebration of all creatures great and small. Of course, you could borrow a pal's pet that day. Or, you still have a few weeks to visit an animal rescue center and find a new furr-ever friend. Meow? Ruff? Squeak?

*Do you have a question for Zeke?
E-mail it to him at AskZeke@cox.net or contact his writing partner,
Jill Wehr, at 480-515-4813.*



Bible Studies & Retreats

MEN'S BREAKFAST BIBLE STUDY

SoulCafe

Join us each Thursday at 7:30 am at Soul Cafe
(Pinnacle Peak, 7615 E Pinnacle Peak Rd, Scottsdale, AZ 85255)

TUESDAY WOMEN'S STUDY

November 5th, we'll finish the last session of a 3-week study from the Gather magazine titled "No hard feelings?" This study, written by the Rev. Dr. Anna Madsen, focuses on the stewardship of emotions, including the angst of anger, the ache of grief and the gift of joy. All three sessions use the Psalms. The study appears in Gather, the magazine of Women of the ELCA. Bring your issue if you subscribe! There are a few complimentary copies of the magazine on the counter in the church's entryway for non-subscribers. Copies of the study material only will be provided if needed. Beginning on Nov. 12th, we will begin a new study series. Watch the Connections for more information! We meet at 10 am every Tuesday morning for approximately 90 minutes, in the Fellowship Hall. The coffee and hot water for tea/hot chocolate is always on. Tuesday Women's Bible Study is open to all women. Bring your favorite Bible translation (electronic or paper) and bring a friend.

Questions? Contact Myrna Ulland at myrna.ulland@gmail.com or 218-340-6735

Adult Forum - November Schedule & Topics

Sundays at 9:45 am in the Education Building

November 3 - Confirmation - No Adult Forum

November 10 - Consecration Sunday - No Adult Forum

November 17 & 24:

The worship season preceding Christmas is called "Advent." Advent means "to come." Christmas celebrates the first Coming of Jesus. Advent scriptures anticipate the Second Coming of Jesus. During the last two Sundays of Nov. and the first Sunday of Dec., Pastor Gene Perry will lead our Sunday morning 9:45 a.m. Adult classes around Advent topics that explore diverse understandings of eternal Advent themes. On Nov. 17 the subject will be The Second Coming and Judgement. Nov. 24 will consider the meanings of Hell. Dec. 1 will lift up our hope for Heaven.



Wednesday, November 6

This is a great opportunity to connect to the church family!

Everyone (all ages from 1-101) is invited.

5-6 pm **Gratitude Photo Scavenger Hunt (on campus) for all ages!**

6-6:40 pm **Chicken Pot Pies, Fruit, and Homemade Texas Chocolate Sheet Cake**

6:40-7:00 pm **Worship**



News & Events

Youth Group!

When: Saturday, November 9th
5:30-8:30pm

Where: The Ruff Family House
3681 E. Adobe Drive
Phoenix, AZ 85050



***All kids in grades 5 and up are welcome**

November 24 is Women of the ELCA's "Thankoffering" Sunday



Women of the ELCA (WELCA) is the women's ministry organization of the ELCA and Living Water Lutheran Church has an active WELCA unit. At the churchwide level, Women of the ELCA is separately incorporated and is not an auxiliary of the church. It is financially independent and gets no money from the ELCA. All financial support comes from individual and group offerings and gifts.

Why a Thankoffering Sunday? For more than 100 years, Lutheran women have given thanks to God and dollars to mission through "thankofferings." The Thankoffering is a tradition dating back to the 1800s, when Christian women formed "mite" or "cent" societies to support local and international missions. Each woman collected offerings at home until the community of women gathered with thanks and praise to combine their offerings and offer them up to mission. When Women of the ELCA formed over 30 years ago, we committed to continue this tradition of giving in gratitude for blessings. Each year, in thousands of congregations, Thankofferings are collected to support the life-changing ministries of the churchwide Women of the ELCA.

The Thankoffering we collect on November 24 will support Women of the ELCA ministries that reach thousands of communities. Thankofferings provide for justice programs, support advocacy for the health and safety of women, support a publishing ministry that reaches more than 70,000 women through Gather magazine and Bible study, and create free downloadable resources in English and Spanish that bring Lutheran theology to topics that support our spiritual journey. Together with Lutheran women who gather in over 7,000 locations in the U.S. and the Caribbean, our Thankoffering will assist Women of the ELCA in carrying out our mission to mobilize women to act boldly on our faith in Jesus Christ.

A special offering envelope will be in the bulletin on November 24. If you're writing a check, make it payable to Living Water Lutheran Church. Thankofferings of any amount are encouraged. Together, we can do more than we could ever do apart.



◆ BRIDGE ♣ ♠

Why not try your hand at bridge on Nov. 15?

Are you a former bridge player? A newbie? A bridge whiz who can help others step up their game? Players of all levels are invited to participate in an enjoyable evening of casual party bridge at the home of Richard and Jill Wehr on Friday, November 15, starting at 7:00 pm. Please add your name to the signup sheet on the kiosk in the Narthex. The hosts will email you directions to their home.

For more information on this monthly fellowship opportunity, please contact Richard or Jill (480-515-4813 or jillajw@cox.net).

Our LWLC Ongoing Book Drive

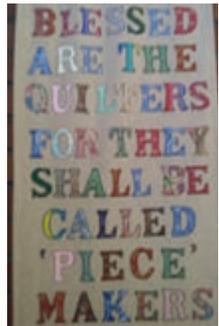
Thanks to this summer's VBS staff and students another record-breaking number of books have been distributed to grateful persons in need. A majority of children's books went immediately to ICM Food & Clothing Bank where neighborhood children were fed sack lunches and given a choice of book to own. Religious books were delivered to the UMOM New Day Centers' chapel; and it was reported they were especially pleased because their supply of children's books had been depleted. So, this is a reminder to please keep Phoenix children in mind as you shop.



Piece-Makers Mission Quilting in November

We're continuing to tie quilts that have been assembled. The fabric for the quilt tops/bottoms and batting (the middle "filler") is supported with gifts received when we blessed our quilts last April! Join us on Wednesday, November 6th and again on Wednesday, November 20th.

Come and tie quilts with us! No special skill needed. We will teach you! We meet in the Fellowship Hall from 9 am to about noon. The coffee and hot water for tea/hot chocolate will be on. Many hands make light work! Questions? Ask Lynda Cales, Cindy Ophaug, Lois Lucas or Myrna Ulland. Learn more about this ministry supporting Lutheran World Relief at www.lwr.org/quilts-and-kits



Prayers for Active Military Members

We would like to recognize all of the Active Military Members that members of our Living Water Lutheran Community would like us to place on the prayer list. Please send any requests to office@lwl-caz.org.

MOPS & MOMSnext

**Are you a mother or know a mother of preschool
or school age children?**



MOPS & MOMSNEXT

Next meetings November 7 & 21

Two years ago, Living Water Lutheran Church started our MOPS & MOMSnext Program. We would love for you to spread the word about this amazing program!

What is MOPS & MOMSnext?

MOPS stands for Mothers of Preschoolers, and by preschoolers we mean kiddos from birth through kindergarten. MOMSnext is the next step with school-aged kids. We are an open, accepting group for all mothers to experience authentic community, personal growth, practical help, and spiritual hope.

We meet from 9:30-11:30am on the First and Third Thursdays of the month. Childcare is Free!

**Check out www.lwlc.org/mops for Fall 2019 dates and to register
Questions? Contact Pastor Shari Bernau
pastorshari@lwlc.org
480.473.8400**

Women's Retreat for All Women
Friday evening, 7-9 pm, November 8
Saturday, 9-4 pm, November 9
Love of Christ Lutheran in Mesa AZ
"Beauty from Ashes" based on Isaiah 61
Keynote: Rev. Canon Debbie Royals



Music Devotions Movement Workshops Fellowship

Come and be renewed and restored, ready to respond. Registration closes on November 1. Registration forms are on the poster in the church entryway. Or register and pay online from this link: <https://grandcanyonsynodwomen.regfox.com/november-2019-grand-canyon-womens-fall-retreat>

2nd Annual PET FESTIVAL

A free, family-friendly community event
featuring furry friends & more

Blessing of the Animals
Rescued Native Wildlife

Courtesy of the Southwest Wildlife Conservation Center

Elvis the Camel

Nickel the miniature horse

Kiddos can take a ride in a cart pulled by Nickel

Music & Refreshments

Join the fun on **Sunday November 17**

from **1 pm to 4 pm**

at **Living Water Lutheran Church**

9201 E. Happy Valley Rd. Scottsdale, AZ 85255

(On Happy Valley Rd. 1/2 Mile East of Pima Rd)

All Pets and People Welcome!

Pets MUST be leashed or otherwise secured.



Sponsored by P.A.C.E (Pro-active Community Engagment Team)

Confirmation Sunday - November 3 @ 8:30 am Service



Three confirmation students will be confirmed on Sunday, November 3 at the 8:30 am service with a reception following in the fellowship hall. Please join us as we celebrate with them and their families on this very special milestone in their faith lives.

Great Gatherings Annual Advent Party



Please join us for an evening of fun and food. We celebrate the beginning of Advent this year with our friends and Church family at Spirit in the Desert. Bring a Main Dish, Appetizer, Desert, or Salad. Check the Sign up Sheet to see what is needed. We also suggest that you BYOB (Bring Your Own Bottle), if you care to imbibe.

Coffee and Tea will be provided.

A small donation of \$10 per person will be accepted to cover the incidental costs.

Date: Sunday, December 8, 2019

Place: 7415 E Elbow Bend Rd, Carefree, AZ 85377

Time: 5:00 PM

SHOP ELCA GOOD GIFTS

The Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) is a church that is called to do God's work in the world. Together as the ELCA, we do more than we could ever do alone; grow our congregations, inspire new leaders, and care for those around the world who live with hunger and poverty.

ELCA Good Gifts are a creative way to do just that. Your gifts go beyond your regular congregational offering to support the ministries of the ELCA that mean the most to you and your loved ones. Each ELCA Good Gift changes at least three lives: The life of the person helped by your gift, the life of your friend or loved one, and your own.

Catalogs, gift cards, stickers and ideas will all be available every Sunday during Advent. Now is the time to grab your holiday shopping list and browse the new ELCA Good Gifts catalog. Each of these gifts has the remarkable capacity to transform lives... all in God's name.



ITS TIME AGAIN
for
THE FUND FOR LEADERS
FALL CLASSIC

Monday, November 11, 2019
at Stonecreek Golf Club

The annual Fund For Leaders Golf Classic was established to help support the new leaders in the seven seminaries of the ELCA in their response to God's call wherever it may come from. Many of the seminary graduates receive their first call from congregations who are struggling financially and with the cost of a seminary today this means they start out being under paid and in debt. The Fund For Leaders Classic is one way you can help and have fun doing so. It is a golf event that also includes a raffle and a silent auction. The event is open to everyone and promises to be great fun.

Here are the details:

WHERE: Stonecreek Golf Club
4435 E Paradise Village Parkway S
Phoenix, AZ 85302 (near Cactus and Tatum)

WHEN: Monday, November 11, 2019 (a holiday)

WHAT TIME: 7:00 am -- Registration and warm up
7:45 am -- in your carts and ready to go
8:00 am -- Shotgun start
Noon -- Lunch and short program

COST : \$125.00 per golfer
\$20.00 non-golfer for the lunch

*If you are interested contact: Lance Jacobson 480-466-6053
-or- Dave Schoenbeck 201-218-5593*

ANGEL TREE 2019



We are delighted to be working with ICM (Interfaith Cooperative Ministry) of Phoenix again this year for our Angel Tree Ministry!

**The Angel tree will be up in the Narthex by Sunday November 17th
ICM will pick up the gifts Tuesday AM, December 10th.**

Pink Dots on the tree are for girls and Blue Dots on the tree are for boys.

We will be collecting:

1. A toy and/or a clothing item, and an age appropriate children's book (new or gently used) for **120** children/Angels. Please follow the suggestions found on the ornament ("Angel") label. If child has requested new shoes or clothes and their sizes should be noted on the label.
2. Please place the gifts in a Blue LWLC Provided Bag, and securely attach the Angel ornament.
3. Please do not wrap the gifts
4. We also ask that we keep the cost of these items to \$35.00. This year, if you select "3" Angel ornaments, you will be given a beautiful and original Glass Angel Ornament designed by Gerry and Lynda Cales.
5. The Angel tree will be up in the Narthex by Sunday November 17th, 2019 and ICM will pick up the gifts by Tuesday AM, December 10th

Our gifts will be distributed by ICM to the families beginning Saturday December 14th, 2019.

Following are some guidelines and suggestions for your gifts:

Note: sizes should be provided for clothing and shoes.

Infants (ages 6-24 months) This age group likes toys with bright colors and shapes to stimulate their senses

Toddlers (ages 2-5/clothing sizes 2T, 3T, 4T & 5/6) This age group benefits highly from learning and problem solving toys

Young children (ages 6-8/clothing sizes 6/7/8 small-medium, 8/10 large) This age group prefers dolls, cars, puzzles and board games

Pre-teens (ages 9-12/clothing sizes 9/10 large, 11/12 x-large) This age group prefers art sets, board games, sports equipment (footballs, basketball, soccer balls, etc.) girls like jewelry boxes, diary sets

God Bless our "Angels"

Thank You,

Linda Coutts, *Liaison Service/Caring Ministry Team*

Meet Jennifer Kelsh

Jennifer moved to Peoria with her husband from Mercer Island, Washington State, in 2016. Prior to working at Living Water Lutheran Church, Jennifer was a Communications Coordinator at Roger Brooks International and while in Seattle held a variety of marketing roles for cruise lines: Windstar, Holland America and Seabourn.

She earned a Bachelor of Arts in Communications/PR at the University of Washington, has a certificate in Desktop Publishing from the Art Institute of Seattle, and completed two years of MBA coursework at Seattle University. Although her true passion is her personal beauty blog: GiveMeGorgeous.com.

Jennifer has been married to her husband John for 11 years, with whom she shares a love of travel and exploring new locations. Two of their favorite places to visit are Southeast Alaska and Vienna, Austria.



Dear Family & Friends of Living Water –

This past year and a half at Living Water has been such a blessing. I am so grateful to have been a part of this special community and work with such an amazing staff. I will miss you all – but please keep in touch or if you are ever in Iowa please stop by for a visit!

All the best – Marie Kelen
mariekelen@gmail.com



Dates to Remember

NOVEMBER 2	LEADERSHIP DINNER 5:30 PM (ULLAND'S HOUSE)
NOVEMBER 3	*ALL SAINTS SUNDAY*
NOVEMBER 3	RITE OF CONFIRMATION 8:30 AM (SANCTUARY)
NOVEMBER 3	GLOW PUTT GOLF EVENT 2:45 PM (GREAT GATHERINGS EVENT)
NOVEMBER 6	PIECE MAKERS 9:00 AM (FH)
NOVEMBER 6	WAVE 5 PM (FH, SANCTUARY)
NOVEMBER 7	MOPS/MOMsnext 9:30 AM (FH)
NOVEMBER 8-9	GRAND CANYON WOMENS SYNOD FALL RETREAT (LOVE OF CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH)
NOVEMBER 9	MONTHLY YOUTH GROUP 5:30 PM (RUFF FAMILY HOME)
NOVEMBER 10	CONSECRATION SUNDAY BRUNCH 9:45 AM (FH)
NOVEMBER 11	ANGEL TREE STARTS
NOVEMBER 11	COUNCIL MEETING 6 PM (ESTHER)
NOVEMBER 11	FUND FOR LEADERS GOLF CLASSIC 7 AM - 12 PM (STONECREEK GOLF CLUB)
NOVEMBER 15	MONTHLY BRIDGE GROUP 7:00 (WEHR'S HOUSE)
NOVEMBER 17	CHRISTMAS PAGEANT KICKOFF 9:45 AM (ED BUILDING)
NOVEMBER 17	CONFIRMATION CLASS 6:30 PM (YOUTH ROOM)
NOVEMBER 17	PET FESTIVAL 1:00 PM (COURTYARD)
NOVEMBER 20	PIECE MAKERS 9:00 AM (FH)
NOVEMBER 20	SPLASH! NEWSLETTER DEADLINE
NOVEMBER 21	MOPS/MOMsnext 9:30 AM (FH)
NOVEMBER 24	THANKOFFERING SUNDAY
NOVEMBER 24	ADVENT FAIR 9:45 AM (ED BUILDING)
NOVEMBER 27	THANKSGIVING SERVICE 7 PM (SANCTUARY)
NOVEMBER 28	*THANKSGIVING* OFFICE CLOSED

Weekly Events

TUESDAY WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY
Tuesday 10 am (FH)

CHOIR REHEARSAL
Wednesday 7 pm (Psalms Room)

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY
Thursday 7:30 am (Soul Cafe)



FRIDAY MORNING CLUB
Friday 10:00 am (FH)

ADULT FORUM & SUNDAY SCHOOL
Sunday 9:45 am

WORSHIP
Sunday 8:30 am (Liturgical Worship)
Sunday 11 am (Praise Worship)

Publication Deadlines:

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

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STEWARDSHIP MINISTRY MESSAGE

ANNOUNCEMENT from the LIVING WATER MISSION ENDOWMENT FUND COMMITTEE

It is with great enthusiasm and gratitude that we wish to announce that a substantial gift has been made to the Living Water Mission Endowment Fund (the Fund). The Fund was established by our congregation in 2006.

The purpose of the Fund "is to receive, hold and manage designated bequests and special gifts from all sources and make distributions from this Fund in a manner that is in accordance with the mission of Living Water Lutheran Church. It is not intended to replace memorial funds or specially designated bequests trusts and other gifts." Distributions from the Fund for the mission work of Living Water will commence at such time as the Fund balance reaches \$100,000. In the past 12 months the Fund has received gifts of \$50,000 and is now well on its way of achieving its accumulation amount so that distributions will be made to support the mission work of the church.

This presents us the opportunity to thank our contributors and to share with you this great news in hope that you may be aware of this opportunity for giving as this year comes to an end.

These gifts were made now rather than in the estates of the donors in hope that others in the congregation will see the benefits of a lifetime gift to the Fund. The donors also took advantage of the tax law regarding gifts from an IRA.

Your endowment committee will be presenting more information about the Fund and its purpose, but if you wish to speak individually with a member of the Fund committee or Pastor Mark you are encouraged to do so.

This Fund is not in competition with our annual giving, which supports the work of the church, including mission work, but is a way of providing resources now that will help support our mission work now and into the future.

Your Mission Endowment Fund Committee:

Robert Winter, Chair Lance Jacobson, Secretary Pastor Mark Rossman
Frank Stock, Treasurer Ken Bash, At Large

