

November 12, 2017

CONNECTIONS



23RD SUNDAY IN PENTECOST – NOVEMBER 12

- 8:30am Liturgical Worship
- 9:45am Building Bridges (Multi Generational Program)
- 11:00am Praise Worship

MONDAY - NOVEMBER 13

- 9:30am Pastoral Meeting (Office)

TUESDAY - NOVEMBER 14

- 6:00pm AA (Matthew/Mark)
- 10:00am Women's Bible Study (FH)
- 6:30pm Women's Bible Study (FH)

WEDNESDAY - NOVEMBER 15

- 9:00am Piecemakers (FH)
- 10:15am Staff Meeting (Office)
- 6:45pm Confirmation
- 7:00pm Choir practice (Psalms)

THURSDAY - NOVEMBER 16

- 7:30am Men's Bible Study (Soul Café)
- 9:30am MOPS/MOMSnext Meeting (FH)

FRIDAY - NOVEMBER 17

- 10:00am Friday Morning Club (FH)
- 7:00pm Bridge (Coutt's home)

SATURDAY - NOVEMBER 18

- 8:30am AA (Matthew/Mark)

24TH SUNDAY IN PENTECOST – NOVEMBER 19

- Bishop Lowell Almen preaching (both services)
- 8:30am Liturgical Worship
- 9:45am Adult Forum & Sunday School
- 11:00am Praise Worship
- 12:30pm Golf Outing (Tatum Ranch Golf Club)



We Remember in our Prayers

- Judy Bechhoefer (Friend of Michelle Brown) – Battling cancer
- Family & friends of Rev. Russel Bolm (uncle of former LW Pastor Marcia Kifer) - Mourning his death
- Jackie Curdy (Gene Perry's sister) – Critical condition with brain tumors
- Family & friends of Madeline Donner – Mourning her death
- Jeanne Folmer (Niece of Sue & Lee Stenehjem) – Diagnosed with cancer, strength during chemo
- Krista Gullickson Ghiara & husband Abehay (Family of Joan Halverson) – Krista is battling cancer and strength for her husband
- Scott H (Friend of Carol Gasser) – Battling cancer
- Family & friends of Harry McGovern (Friend of the Stemm's) – Mourning his death
- Greer Neal (Friend of Vern & Rita Reamer) – Fighting brain tumor
- David Olive (Pete Pritt's son-in-law) – Battling cancer
- Susan Purewal – Cancer treatment
- Henry Roenigk – Recovering from heart procedure
- Michael Stevens (Friend of Michelle Brown) – Brain tumor
- Family & friends of Glen Trigg (Friend of the Coutt's) – Mourning his death
- Stan Tutman (Friend of Karen and Ron Roessler) – Health concerns
- Peter Versteeg (Brother-in-law of Barbara & John Hannan) – Health concerns
- Jill Wehr – Health concerns
- Jordan Wehr (Granddaughter of Richard Wehr) – Recovery from car wreck



Prayer Requests

Email Prayer@lwlcaz.org, Fill out a prayer request online www.lwlcaz.org, Fill out a prayer request card in the Narthex or Call the office at 480.473.8400



Altar flowers are from Ernie & Linda Goodwin in honor of grandson's (Wynn Simpson) Birthday



News & Events

ANNUAL GOLF OUTING—NOVEMBER 19, 2017

Tatum Ranch Golf Club at approx 12:30pm (scramble format and shotgun start)
Open to LWLC members and friends and family (put your own 4some together) - Prizes awarded!!
Dinner to follow at approx 5:45pm, Cost for Golf and Dinner: \$65, Cost for Dinner Only: \$15
Please contact Frank Stock or Julie Ann Walker with questions. Sign Up sheets in Narthex.



Living Water's Annual Advent Party (for adults)

Saturday, December 2, 2017 at 5 pm

At the home of Bob and Myrna Ulland

9686 E Preserve Way, Scottsdale (in Legend Trail)

5 pm arrival to facilitate driving before it's dark!

Ullands will provide buffet meat and buns, wine, hot cider, coffee, and water. Sign up sheet is in the kiosk in the church entryway. Sign up by November 26 and bring an appetizer, salad or dessert for 8-10. All adults are invited! See you there!

Save the date:

"The Star" Movie Event on Sunday, December 3

Experience the greatest story ever told (the first Christmas) from a unique perspective. Time/Location of Theater TBA . Sign up today!



Christmas Cantata rehearsals are starting! Beginning Wednesday, November 15th the choir will be rehearsing for our annual Christmas Cantata. If you are interested in singing, this will be a short-term commitment. Rehearsals are held at 7pm on Wednesday evenings in Psalms, and include one Saturday rehearsal on December 16th. The choir cantata will be presented at the 9:30 worship service on December 17th. For more information, please speak with Marcie Donavon, [602-321-2561](tel:602-321-2561), or email MLC123@cox.net.



SAVE THE DATE—Sunday, January 7, 2018 at 11:30 (following one service at 9:30am) You are invited to the 2018 Epiphany Champagne Brunch at Spirit In The Desert. More information will follow.

Being a mom is beautiful and hard and we get that sometimes you just need a safe place to breathe. A place to get some encouragement that what you are doing matters.

Consider stopping by and joining us on the First and Third Thursdays of the month from 9:30am-11:30am. Pre-registration is not necessary. Childcare is free. Even though MOPS stands for Mothers of Preschoolers, we are a combined **MOPS and MOMSnext** group, which means that we welcome moms who are pregnant, and moms of infants up to high school. Discussions will be tailored to the different groups, meeting the needs of moms in different stages of parenting.

See more on our website at <http://www.lwlcaz.org/mops/>

SCHEDULE (2017-18)

December 7, January 18, February 1 and 15, March 1 and 15, April 5 and 19, May 3 and 17



Join us to make Lefse in December at the home of Myrna and Bob Ulland



Lefse (leff'-sah) is a traditional Norwegian flatbread made from potatoes, flour, cream, butter, and a little salt and sugar. It's much like a soft tortilla and eaten with a meal or as a little dessert, spread with butter and sprinkled with sugar or brown sugar or topped with your favorite jam or jelly. It's traditionally made and enjoyed around the holidays. This December, Ullands are hosting five lefse-making sessions at their home in Legend Trail to introduce you to lefse (if you've never made it or tried it) or to "get your lefse on" if you love the stuff! We'll meet on Monday, December 4 at 7 pm; Wednesday, December 6 at 2 pm; Sunday, December 10 at 7 pm; or Thursday, December 14th at either 2 pm or 7 pm. Space is limited to 8 people each session to allow for "hands on" fun and learning! Sign up on the sheets in the narthex. Lefse is for lovers!

MEET GREYSEN WEST, LIVING WATER'S NEW FINANCE MANAGER

Greysen earned his Bachelor of Science in Finance from Oral Roberts University (Tulsa, OK). He has over 25 years of finance and accounting experience within a variety of industries. Born and bred in the Midwest (Iowa) he knows the value of faith, family and work ethic.

He comes from a family of entrepreneurs and small business owners. As such, he has a high appreciation for fostering relationships. Upon successful completion of his studies at ORU, Greysen began the journey a bit farther south, from Oklahoma to Texas, where he applied his skills within the Construction industry. After twenty years in the Dallas metro area, he moved much farther west to land in The Valley.



Greysen is the proud father of a successful young man (Garrett) who is aspiring to attend Moody Bible Institute (Chicago, IL). He and his wife, Staci, reside in North Phoenix along with their Labrador (Blondie) and three cats (Leo, Casey and Sam). He holds the tenets of Contribution, Value, Service and Giving Forward close to heart. Greysen is very blessed and honored to be part of the Living Water Lutheran Church family. He is excited to contribute as called upon. 2 Timothy 1:7 (NKJV)



Studies



JOIN US FOR ADULT FORUM EACH SUNDAY

At 9:45am in the Ed Building



Men's Breakfast

Bible Study Every Thursday @ 7:30am

At Soul Cafe (7615 E Pinnacle Peak Rd)

Join us for Women's Bible Study

Tuesdays at 10am & 6:30pm

On November 14, we'll look at the final part of the study from the November issue: "I believe in the Holy Spirit." When we study the Holy Spirit, we actually learn more about the nature of our Divine prayer partner and teacher. Bring your *Gather* issues of October and November if you have them. Copies of the study only will be available if you don't have the magazine. Join us at 10 am or 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall. The coffee and hot water (for hot chocolate/tea) is always on. Bring your favorite Bible translation, and bring a friend. Questions? Contact Myrna Ulland at myrna.ulland@gmail.com



Educational Opportunities for Kids!

Sunday School

Kids who are 3 years old through 4th grade meet for Rotational Sunday School in the Matthew/Mark rooms (from 9:45-10:45am) on the first floor of the Educational Building. The teachers are Kris Crow, Janice Moore and Najwa Stuck.



Club 56

This is a class for 5th and 6th grade students that is offered during Sunday School time (from 9:45-10:45am) in the Esther room. Heidi Ruff and James Bernau will be facilitating this class.

Youth Sunday School

This is a class for 7th grade students and up that is offered during Sunday School time (from 9:45-10:45am) in the Youth Room. Pastor Shari and Paula Mortensen will be facilitating this class.

Confirmation

This is a two-year program that is geared for 7th and 8th grade students (which goes above and beyond Sunday School) and provides an instruction/experience in the Christian faith in the Lutheran Church. This class will meet on the following Wednesdays of the month from 6:45-8:00pm:

November 15, December 6, January 17, February 7,
February 21, March 7, April 4, April 18, April 25, May 2

What can I find at www.LWLCAZ.org?

Calendar of events, online signups for events, serving & flowers, youth news, bible studies, mission programs, SPLASH!, Connections, Sunday School registration, photo gallery, sermons, columbarium information, prayer list and online request and much more!!

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STEWARDSHIP MESSAGE

As we approach Consecration Sunday on December 3, it is a good time to revisit some of the meanings and philosophies regarding Stewardship.

We don't seem to hear the words "steward" and "stewardship" much anymore outside of its relationship to the church. Stewards, historically, are people who cared for things owned by someone else. So, in reality, we are all stewards of the earth, things entrusted to us, as well as our possessions, wealth and even our physical bodies. As stated in Psalm 24:1, "The earth is the Lord's and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it." Stewardship should be a priority, therefore, we need to take care of what we have and put it to the right use.

Some specific thoughts about stewardship that I extracted from an article entitled "Understanding Stewardship" follow:

Stewardship is the giving of ourselves and our resources with joy and gratitude for what we have been given.

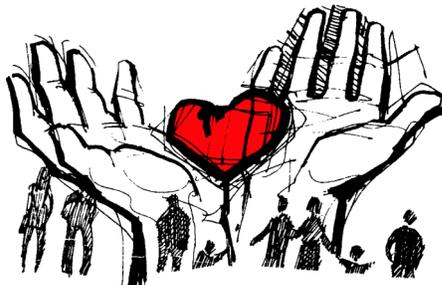
Stewardship means knowing that God is concerned with us personally, what we go through, deal with and how we manage what He entrusts to us.

Stewardship is recognizing our gifts and abilities as well as opportunities to work as a team with other stewards.

Stewardship is focusing on God and not on the material things in and of themselves. And, stewardship is proportionate to what we are able to give. The poor person's small gift is just as important as the rich person's big gift! Sometimes we cannot give as much as we would like to due to economic conditions, such as a job loss, illness or poor business conditions, so we give honestly and efficiently whatever we can, knowing God is in control.

As followers of Jesus, we are given the authority to be stewards. Our responsibility as stewards can be summed up in one word – faithfulness – regardless of how much He has entrusted to us.

Frank Stock



You can find us on Facebook. Let Facebook friends know you can be found here at Living Water by "CHECKING IN" each Sunday.

8:30 AM SERVANT TEAM

- **Leaders:** DJ & Jan Johnson
- **Ushers/Greeters:** Lois & Jay Lucas, Mark & Roz Andersen
- **Communion Servers:** DJ & Jan Johnson
- **Lector:** Pam Landon
- **Altar Guild:** Penny Kilburn
- **Sound Desk:** Stephen Page/Mason Rossman
- **Hospitality:** Pam Landon, Cindy Ophaug
- **Servant Team Leaders for November 19:** Lee & Sue Stenehjerm

LIVING WATER IN WORSHIP

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.



Last Week's Attendance: 161 (8:30am)
& 48 (11:00am)



General Fund: \$10,172

Building Fund: \$1,145



11:00 AM SERVANT TEAM

- **Leaders:** Don & Patti Pick
- **Ushers/Greeters:** Don & Patti Pick
- **Communion Servers:** Don & Patti Pick
- **Lector:** Scott Sims
- **Altar Guild:** Patty Sell
- **Sound Desk:** Stephen Page/Mason Rossman
- **Servant Team Leaders for November 19:** Darryl & Tana Harlan

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