



# May 5, 2019

CONNECTIONS

**SUNDAY – MAY 5 — Third Sunday of Easter**

- 8:30 am Liturgical Worship (Sanctuary)
- 9:30 am Cinco de Mayo Breakfast (FH)
- 9:45 am Sunday School (Ed. Building)
- 11:00 am Praise Worship (Sanctuary)
- 5:00 pm Congregational Picnic (McCormick-Stillman Park)

**MONDAY—MAY 6**

- 9:30 am Pastoral Care Meeting

**TUESDAY - MAY 7**

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

**WEDNESDAY - MAY 8**

- 9:00 am Piece-Makers Mission Quilting (FH)
- 10:15 am Staff Meeting (Office)
- 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal (Psalms)

**THURSDAY - MAY 9**

- 7:30 am Men's Breakfast (Soul Café)

**FRIDAY - MAY 10**

- 10:00 am Friday Morning Club (FH)

**SATURDAY - MAY 11**

- 8:30 am AA (Matthew/Mark)

**SUNDAY – MAY 12—Fourth Sunday of Easter**

**Mother's Day**

- 8:30 am Liturgical Worship (Sanctuary)
- 9:45 am Adult Forum & Sunday School (Ed. Building)
- 11:00 am Praise Worship (Sanctuary)
- 6:45 pm Confirmation Class (Youth Room)

Weekly Connections Deadline—Tuesdays at Noon

# *We Remember in our Prayers*

- Don Benson – Recovering from pneumonia
- Kay Bonar – Recovering from knee replacement surgery
- Doug Burnett (Friend of Phil & Nancy Rogers) – Battling Cancer
- Rev. John Cockram – Battling cancer
- Jeanne Folmer (Niece of Sue & Lee Stenehjem) – Battling cancer
- Joe Franck (Brother of Kathie Roenigk) – Recovering from surgery
- Joy Gallimore – Health Concerns
- Sharon Holland (Friend of Barbara & John Hannan) – Battling cancer
- Rebecca Jensen (Friend of Barbara Brooks) – Recovering from hip replacement
- Michael Kieffer – Health concerns
- Penny Kilburn – Health concerns
- Shirley Koch – Health concerns
- Family & Friends of Shirley Maki (Friend of Myrna & Bob Ulland) – Mourning her death
- Jon & Tamey Manalli – Health concerns for Jon
- Maren McKay (Daughter of Lance & Carol Jacobson) – Health Concerns
- Lynne Mohr (Step-daughter of Carol Gasser) – Battling cancer
- Elsa Nelson (Daughter of Celia Giontzeneli) – Health concerns
- Cynthia Norvell (Friend of Ron & Joan Halverson and Dorie) – Battling cancer
- Terry Powers (Niece of Marty & Gordon Lindert) – Battling cancer
- Darnell & Darlene Powers (Relatives of Marty & Gordon Lindert) – Health concerns
- Penny Priest (Friend of Sharon Westergreen) – Health concerns
- Janice & Mark Rogers (Friends of Frances DeBruyn) – Health concerns
- Family & Friends of Joya Shepard (Friend of Steve McCarthy) – Mourning her death
- Michael Steele (Friend of the Coutts) – Battling cancer
- Jay Stemm (Brother of Scott Stemm) – Battling cancer

## **Prayer Requests**

Email [Prayer@lwlcaz.org](mailto:Prayer@lwlcaz.org) or Fill out a prayer request card in the Narthex or Call the office at 480.473.8400



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# News & Events

## Reminder: Annual Church Picnic—TODAY at 5 pm

### McCormick Stillman Railroad Park

Once again the Great Gatherings committee presents our ANNUAL CHURCH PICNIC at McCormick Stillman Railroad Park (Scottsdale Rd and Indian Bend) in the Papago Ramada. Our ramada is located at the southeast corner of the park by the gazebo.

**For those that have signed up** - hamburgers and hot dogs will be on the grill. Please bring your dish to share (with serving utensil) and your own beverage. No glass bottles are allowed. There will be games provided and LOTS of time for fun and fellowship. At 7:30 PM, the park provides a summer concert series. On May 5, it is a Neil Diamond tribute band, Diamond in the Rough. Bring your lawn chair and enjoy a special evening.



## Piece-Makers Mission Quilting in May

Join us in May to continue tying quilts that have been assembled. On April 28, we blessed 88 quilts before they were sent off to Lutheran World Relief. We're now working on the quilts for next year!

Thank you to those who have contributed fabric, or monies toward purchasing fabric and batting! Your gifts extend this ministry!

Come and tie quilts with us! We meet in the Fellowship Hall on Wednesday, May 8 and again on Wednesday, May 22, 9 am to about noon. The coffee and hot water for tea/hot chocolate will be on. Many hands make light work! Questions? Ask Cindy Ophaug, Lynda Cales, Lois Lucas or Myrna Ulland. Learn more about this ministry at [www.lwr.org/quilts-and-kits](http://www.lwr.org/quilts-and-kits)



# Join us for the annual Dollars and Diapers Drive for Alleluia Diaper Closet—through Mother’s Day May 12

Living Water’s Service Ministry Team initiated a ***Dollars and Diapers Drive*** to support the Alleluia Diaper Closet in the spring of 2018. By Mother’s Day this year, May 12, 2019, our goal is to collect enough dollars and diapers (and wipes, unscented preferred) to supply the needs for this ministry for one month. With our gifts of dollars, diapers and wipes, we can help provide diapers to the 150 babies and toddlers in need whose parents visit Alleluia’s Diaper Closet twice each month. We welcome your donations of diapers, especially diapers sizes 3, 4 and 5, and diaper wipes. Drop your donations in the pack ‘n play in the church entryway through Mother’s Day. There will also be a special offering envelope in the bulletin on Mother’s Day for this Diaper Drive. Make your checks payable to Living Water and note “Alleluia Diaper Closet” on the memo line. The children in need of diapers will be blessed by your generosity.



Last Sunday we blessed 120 Personal Care Kits and 88 quilts, all destined for a Lutheran World Relief (LWR) warehouse, where they will be repackaged and prepared for international shipment to partner agencies working with LWR. In 2018, LWR sent 323,610 quilts to 18 countries, including India, Georgia, Ethiopia, Angola, Burkina Faso, Mali, Peru and Tanzania. And they sent 119,865 Personal Care Kits to 18 countries, including Ethiopia, Pakistan, Lebanon, Peru, Tanzania, Ukraine, Senegal, El Salvador and Angola. You can learn more about these ministries from [www.lwr.org](http://www.lwr.org)

Through your overwhelming generosity, we collected \$1,140 last Sunday in the quilt offering envelopes, plus another \$75 in checks made directly to LWR. We met our goal to send \$500 to LWR to offset the costs of shipping our quilts and kits from Living Water. The remaining money will be used to purchase materials to continue our Piecemakers Quilting ministry. Thank you!

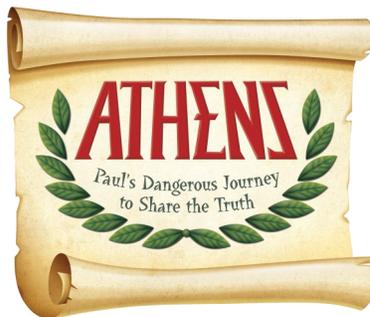
## Vacation Bible School— June 17—21, 2019

**Register at [lwlc.org/vbs](http://lwlc.org/vbs)**

Mark your calendars now for our next edition of Vacation Bible School on June 17-21 with our traditional Celebration Sunday Worship Service on June 23. This year we will be traveling to Athens with Paul. We will learn that Paul left a life of privilege and power to face angry mobs, painful imprisonment and chain-breaking earthquakes – all to spread the life-changing truth of God’s love! Children and volunteers will enjoy lively music, small group interactions in “Oikos Time”, interesting and creative crafts in the Marketplace Shops, fun-filled activities in the Arena Games, educational drama in “Paul’s Adventure’s” and delicious snacks. Registration is open for all children age 4 and up at [lwlc.org/vbs](http://lwlc.org/vbs). Be sure to tell all of your family, friends and neighbors about Living Water’s Vacation Bible School with no registration fee and a free t-shirt for every child!

We need many volunteers to bring our VBS program to life. Please see Kris Crow or Janice Moore if you can lend a hand with the set, help us out during the week of VBS as a small group leader, craft, snack shop or games assistant or maybe do some behind the scenes work.

See you in Athens! Kris Crow – [kcrow737@gmail.com](mailto:kcrow737@gmail.com) & Janice Moore – [jlb.moore@yahoo.com](mailto:jlb.moore@yahoo.com)



## PENTECOST READERS NEEDED

PENTECOST, the 50th day after Easter, commemorates the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles and other followers of Jesus as described in the book of Acts. This year it will be celebrated on Sunday, June 9. We are looking for individuals who can read and speak a language other than English on the two services that day. A printed reading will be provided. Interested? Please contact Joyce Bash at 480-473-2034 or [kbash@cox.net](mailto:kbash@cox.net)

## Youth Fundraiser:

**Join us TODAY at 9:30 am for a Cinco de Mayo Breakfast & Silent Auction!**

### *Cinco de Mayo Breakfast*

This delicious breakfast is prepared by Julie Ann Walker's Team and the Youth of our congregation. A free-will offering will go toward the Youth Mission Trip to Portland this summer.

### *Original Piece of Artwork for Silent Auction this Week*

In addition we have an original piece of artwork that is up for silent auction until today. This wonderful flower (pictured below) is the result of a collaboration between Lynda & Gerry Cales and Tracy Paul. This indoor/outdoor work of art is valued at approximately \$475.00. The piece is 66 inches high and will be delivered locally free of charge. The proceeds from this auction will also go toward the Youth Mission Trip. If you are interested in bidding on this piece you can stop by the Fellowship Hall today from 8 am until 12 pm.

Thank you for your support!



## BRIDGE

### **Why not try your hand at bridge on May 17?**

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 Ron and Karen Roessler on Friday, May 17, 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 Wehr (480-515-4813) or [jillajw@cox.net](mailto:jillajw@cox.net).





# Studies



## Men's Breakfast

**Bible Study Every Thursday @ 7:30 am**  
**At Soul Cafe (7615 E Pinnacle Peak Rd)**

### Join us for Women's Bible Study - Tuesdays at 10 am

Join us for a 3-session study on prayer: **"Let Us Pray."** This study appeared in the Summer 2018 issues of Gather magazine and is authored by Rev. Dr. Anna Madsen, a freelance theologian and proud mama to daughter, Else, and son, Karl. She works with OMG: Center for Theological Conversation ([omgcenter.com](http://omgcenter.com)) and enjoys seeing the occasional moose and bear in their woods.

We meet on Tuesday mornings at 10 am in the Fellowship Hall for approximately 90 minutes. All women are invited. Copies of the material will be provided. Bring your Bible (hard copy or electronic). The coffee and hot water are always on. Bring a friend! Questions: contact Myrna Ulland at [myrna.ulland@gmail.com](mailto:myrna.ulland@gmail.com)

#### **May 7: Session one: the paradoxes of prayer (1 Samuel 12:16-23)**

Called to pray, but for what purpose? Can we persuade God with prayer? Do we actually encounter God in prayer? Is the practice of prayer intended for the sake of the one praying or for the One to whom we pray? The Bible references all of these scenarios; however, each comes with biblical, theological and practical questions. In this first session on prayer, we'll investigate the paradoxical truths of this spiritual practice.

#### **May 14: Session two: the practices of prayer (Psalm 19:14)**

Jesus taught us how to pray by way of the Lord's Prayer. But both in Scripture and in the Christian tradition, people of faith have developed a wide variety of ways to come before God. In this session, we'll look at different ways to pray, what each might offer and how knowing an array of prayer styles can enrich our devotional life.

#### **May 21: Session three: the products of prayer (Romans 8:26-28)**

It is indeed true that many results of prayer are intangible—and even impossible—to discern. But it is also true that prayer can demonstrably change the brain, reduce stress levels and, some studies say, appear to correlate to otherwise inexplicable healing in those for whom people have prayed. In the final session of this series, we will investigate the effects of prayer personally, communally and on the mission of the church.

### **Join us for Adult Forum @ 9:45 am**

**May 5 – No Adult Forum—Cinco de Mayo Breakfast**

**May 12 – Holy Land Trip Recap**

Join us for an exciting review of our recent trip to the Holy Land

## 8:30 AM SERVANT TEAM

- **Leaders:** Debbie Anderson
- **Usher/Greeter:** Debbie Anderson, Lisa Moehn, Gerry Cales, Hunter Brown
- **Communion Servers:** Debbie Anderson, Lisa Moehn
- **Lector:** Lois Lucas
- **Altar Guild:** Carolyn Stock
- **Sound Desk:** Stephen Page
- **Hospitality:** Living Water Youth
- **Servant Team Leaders for May 12:** DJ & Jan Johnson

## 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:

150 (8:30 am) 33 (11 am)

**General Fund:** \$4,590

**Building Fund:** \$50

## 11:00 AM SERVANT TEAM

- **Leaders:** Gene & Dee Eilers
- **Usher/Greeter:** Gene & Dee Eilers
- **Communion Servers:** Gene & Dee Eilers
- **Lector:** Ed Kilburn
- **Altar Guild:** Patty Sell
- **Sound Desk:** Stephen Page
- **Servant Team Leaders for May 12:** Don & Patti Pick

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