


*June 16, 2019*



**CONNECTIONS**

**SUNDAY – JUNE 16 —The Holy Trinity**

**Father's Day**

9:30 am Summer Worship (Sanctuary)

**MONDAY—JUNE 17**

9:00 am VBS Week (Ed Building & Sanctuary)

9:30 am Pastoral Care Meeting

6:00 pm Council Meeting (Esther)

**TUESDAY - JUNE 18**

9:00 am VBS Week (Ed Building & Sanctuary)

6:00 pm AA (Mark/Matthew)

**WEDNESDAY - JUNE 19**

9:00 am VBS Week (Ed Building & Sanctuary)

10:15 am Staff Meeting (Office)

**THURSDAY - JUNE 20**

SPLASH Newsletter Deadline

9:00 am VBS Week (Ed Building & Sanctuary)

7:30 am Men's Breakfast (Soul Café)

5:00 pm Youth Poolside Get Together (Ruff House)

**FRIDAY - JUNE 21**

9:00 am VBS Week (Ed Building & Sanctuary)

9:00 am Friday Morning Club (FH)

12:00 pm VBS Festival & BBQ

3:00 pm Richard Andersen Memorial (Ascension Lutheran Church—Paradise Valley, AZ)

7:00 pm Monthly Bridge Group (Wehr's House)

**SATURDAY - JUNE 22**

8:30 am AA (Matthew/Mark)

**SUNDAY – JUNE 23 —VBS Celebration Sunday**

9:30 am VBS Celebration Sunday Worship (Sanctuary)

# *We Remember in our Prayers*

- Family & Friends of Rev. Richard Andersen – Mourning his death
- Doug Burnett (Friend of Phil & Nancy Rogers) – Battling Cancer
- Denny Carrow (Jennie & Scott Stemm's Brother in Law) – Battling Cancer
- Family & Friends of Rev. John Cockram – Mourning his death
- Beckett Elias Dallmann (Grandson of Mitch & Marti Novak) – In thanksgiving of the birth of the Novak's new grandson Beckett
- Jeanne Folmer (Niece of Sue & Lee Stenehjem) – Battling cancer
- Joe Franck (Brother of Kathie Roenigk) – Recovering from surgery
- Joy Gallimore – Health Concerns
- George P. Gorinac (Relative of Dominique Gorinac) – Health concerns
- George M. Gorinac (Relative of Dominique Gorinac) – Health concerns
- Family & Friends of Dean Greenstreet (Shirley Perry's brother) – Mourning his death
- Sharon Holland (Friend of Barbara & John Hannan) – Battling cancer
- Scott Johnson (Son of Steve & Susan Johnson) – Health concerns
- Tom Kelland – Health concerns
- Michael Kieffer – Health concerns
- Penny Kilburn – Health concerns
- Shirley Koch – Health concerns
- 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
- Pastor Dennis Morreim (Friend of Bob & Myrna Ulland) - Recovering from heart surgery
- Elsa Nelson (Daughter of Celia Giontzeneli) – Health concerns
- Terry Powers (Niece of Marty & Gordon Lindert) – Battling cancer
- Michael Steele (Friend of the Coutts) – Battling cancer
- Karlene Wenz (Wife of Mike Kieffer) – Health concerns



## **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

## Happy Father's Day! We're NUTS about the Men in Our Lives!

**Father's Day** is a celebration honoring fathers and celebrating fatherhood, paternal bonds, and the influence of fathers and father figures in society. The tradition was said to be started from a memorial service held for a large group of men who died in a mining accident in Monongah, West Virginia in 1907. It was first proposed and promoted by Sonora Dodd of Spokane, Washington where the nation's first Father's Day was celebrated on June 19, 1910.



However, it was not until President Lyndon B. Johnson promoted the concept of a Father's Day in 1972--58 years after President Woodrow Wilson made Mother's Day official--that the day honoring fathers became a nationwide holiday in the United States to be celebrated on the third Sunday of June. – Submitted by Liturgical Arts

## VBS Book Drive 2019

Help us support this year's VBS Children's Book Drive! For the fourth year, our VBS Mission Project is once again a book drive for the purpose of helping improve literacy in the Phoenix core area.

Books for elementary aged kids are our focus during VBS but we always accept any book donations. Books should be new or gently used (meaning no rips, tears, writing or worm holes!) Last year, we collected 917 books during this drive. Can we meet or exceed this in 2019?

Through our church's relationship with the Assistance League of Phoenix, these books find their way to several different agencies in our community, including K-8 students in Title I schools where 90% of the children qualify for free and reduced lunches, ICM (Interfaith Cooperative Ministries) Food & Clothing Bank and UMOM New Day Center. We have received another Thrivent Action Team grant of \$250 to help purchase new books for this drive, which we will do through our connection with First Book.



Bring your new or gently used books to the church through June 23rd. Watch for the special display area as VBS begins to take shape! Help us support our VBS kids mission project and share the importance of a book in the hands of a child.

## Contact Information Updates

Have you recently moved? Changed phone numbers? Updated your email address?

Are you leaving for cooler climates this summer?

We want to stay in touch!

If you have any updates to your contact information please contact the church office at  
[office@lwlcaz.org](mailto:office@lwlcaz.org)



## The Parking Lot is Getting a Facelift!

### Adopt a Parking Spot

- The cracks will all be filled
- The entire lot will be seal coated
- Parking spaces will be restriped
- The red curbs will be painted
- Handicap spots will be freshened up

All of this for less than \$75 per parking space! The maintenance fund could use some help, consider helping out with one or more parking spots.



## BRIDGE

**A fun evening is in the cards on June 21**

Former, current, and prospective bridge players of all levels are invited to a fun evening of party bridge at the home of Richard and Jill Wehr on Friday, June 21, starting at 7:00 pm. Please add your name to the sign-up sheet on the kiosk in the Narthex. The Wehrs will email you directions to their home. For more information on this monthly fellowship opportunity, please contact Richard or Jill (480-515-4813). Please contact Richard or Jill Wehr .



## POOLSIDE GET TOGETHER FOR YOUTH IN GRADES 5-12



Come and relax with friends, enjoy a pizza dinner, talk about faith and life, and then jump in the pool!

Please bring your swimsuit and towel.

Where: The home of the Ruff family

When: Thursday June 20 from 5-8pm



# Studies



## Men's Breakfast

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

**Adult Forum, Tuesday Women's Bible Study, & Sunday School  
will resume in September**

### Summer Bible Study Opportunity for Tuesday Women

Tuesday, July 23, 2019 9:00 am to 1:00 pm

Spirit in the Desert Retreat Center

Join us for a special summer session of our Tuesday Women's Bible Study at Spirit in the Desert Retreat Center. Following our study, we'll have lunch. Mark your calendars now and look for a reminder from Myrna Ulland in early July. We'll need to confirm our lunch reservations by July 16th.

The summer issues of Gather magazine (June and July/August) feature a three-session study on the book of Esther, one of the latest writings of the Old Testament. Esther was perhaps written to inspire Jews who had been scattered in the diaspora. The narrative takes place in the court of the King of Persia, King Ahasuerus. Some think that it was written to explain and establish the Jewish festival of Purim. This three session-study is written by Kay Ward, a retired bishop of the Moravian Church who now lives in Watertown, Wisconsin. Kay was the first woman to be elected a bishop in the 541 years of the Moravian Church. We will use all three sessions when we meet on July 23.

#### **Session one: For such a time as this: Esther the queen—Voices in the king's court**

Session one sets the scene for the story of Esther and her adopted father, Mortecai. Esther and Mortecai are Jews living under the rule of the Persian king, King Ahasuerus. When Esther becomes the queen, her faith is tested. The Jews, those who have been carried off from their homeland, struggle with living as strangers in a foreign land. In this session you'll think about how our culture may challenge our faith.

#### **Session two: For such a time as this: Esther saves the Jews—Finding our voices**

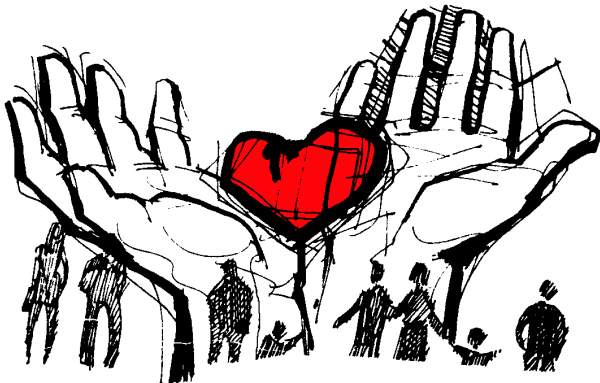
In session two we learn how, when the Jews are threatened, Esther uses her strong faith and the love of her people to embolden her to act. Through some clever schemes, intelligence and a realistic assessment of her situation, Esther is able to save her people. "For such a time as this" is Mortecai's gentle reminder to Esther that God has placed her in the king's court to use her voice. How might God be reminding us of our need to find our voice as we live out our faith?

#### **Session three: For such a time as this: Remembering Esther: Using our voices**

In session three, we'll examine the last chapters of the book of Esther, which are full of hope for the future for the Jews. The defeat of their enemies is to be celebrated in a feast, the festival of Purim. Directions are given for the celebration of the festival. As women of faith, full of love for God and others, we will consider ways to find and use our voices in our present circumstances - "for such a time as this."

## 9:30 AM SERVANT TEAM

- **Leaders:** Darrell & Ed Shipley
- **Usher/Greeter:** Darrell & Ed Shipley, Don & Patti Pick
- **Communion Servers:** Darrell & Ed Shipley, Don & Patti Pick
- **Lector:** Patti Pick
- **Altar Guild:** Sheila Fankhauser
- **Sound Desk:** Stephen Page
- **Hospitality:** Carol Gasser & Pam Landon
- **Servant Team Leaders for June 23:** Lee & Sue Stenehjem



## LIVING WATER IN WORSHIP

*Purpose Statement: "To Be and Make Disciples of Jesus Christ."*

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### Last Week's Attendance:

139 (9:30 am)

**General Fund:** \$5033

**Building Fund:** \$50

**Ministers:** All the members of Living Water

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