



# July 21, 2019

# CONNECTIONS

**SUNDAY – JULY 21 —Sixth Sunday after Pentecost**

9:30 am Summer Worship (Sanctuary)

**MONDAY—JULY 22**

9:30 am Pastoral Care Meeting

**TUESDAY - JULY 23**

9:00 am Summer Women's Bible Study Session (Spirit in the Desert)

6:00 pm AA (Mark/Matthew)

**WEDNESDAY - JULY 24**

10:15 am Staff Meeting (Office)

**THURSDAY - JULY 25**

7:30 am Men's Bible Study (Soul Café)

**FRIDAY - JULY 26**

9:00 am Friday Morning Club (FH)

**SATURDAY - JULY 27**

8:30 am AA (Matthew/Mark)

**SUNDAY – JULY 28 —Seventh Sunday after Pentecost**

9:30 am Summer Worship (Sanctuary)

Weekly Connections Deadline—Tuesdays at Noon

# *We Remember in our Prayers*

- Hunter Brown – Recovering from a broken ankle
- Doug Burnett (Friend of Phil & Nancy Rogers) – Battling Cancer
- Denny Carrow (Jennie & Scott Stemm’s Brother in Law) – Battling Cancer
- Hal Dawson (Son of Tod & Bonnie Dawson) - Health concerns
- Family & Friends of Pete DeBruyn (Frances DeBruyn’s Father-in-law) – Mourning his death
- Bernie Eccles ( Friend of Linda & Larry Coutts) – Battling Cancer
- Jeanne Folmer (Niece of Sue & Lee Stenehjem) – Battling cancer
- Joe Franck (Brother of Kathie Roenigk) – Recovering from surgery
- Joy Gallimore – Health Concerns
- The Gorinac Family (Dominique Gorinac) – Health concerns
- 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
- Kiran Lane Montgomery (Great-grandson of Shirley and Gene Perry)-In Thanksgiving for the healthy birth of the Perry’s fifth great-grandchild.
- 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



*Altar flowers are given to the glory of God by Frances DeBruyn in memory of her father-in-law Pete DeBruyn*



# News & Events

## MOPs & MOMSnext Group

### Join us in September!

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. A MOPs & MOMSnext group is an open, accepting place for all mothers to experience authentic community, personal growth, practical help, and spiritual hope. ***We meet from 9:30-11:30 am on the 1st & 3rd Thursdays of each month starting September 5th. Childcare is Free!***



Consider joining us this fall and/or inviting your friends and neighbors!

For more information visit: [www.lwlcaz.org/mops](http://www.lwlcaz.org/mops) or

Contact Pastor Shari for more details: [pastorshari@lwlcaz.org](mailto:pastorshari@lwlcaz.org)

## 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)



## Sign Up for the Campus Crew!

Are you handy? Do you know how to paint or hammer? We would love to have you as a part of our new Campus Crew. We rely on many volunteers at Living Water to keep our campus looking top-notch. If you are interested in joining the Campus Crew—please sign up in the Narthex. Ron Ophaug is leading the crew and will contact you when a project comes up.



## PRAYER PARTNER PROGRAM

### What is a Prayer Partner Program?

The purpose of a Prayer Partner Program is to set in motion faith mentor relationships between adults and kids. By matching a child/youth with an adult in the congregation, we are providing the child with another adult in their life who knows their name, cares about them, offers security, assures them they are not alone facing day-to-day challenges; and makes them feel that they matter.

### What does a Prayer Partner do?

- Fill out a “Discovering Your Interests” form and place in basket in narthex.
- Wait until Pastor Shari contacts you with the name of your Prayer Partner.
- Pray for your Prayer Partner.
- When you see your Prayer Partner at a church event, check in with them and see how they are doing, and ask how you can pray for them.

### Can I be a Prayer Partner?

Yes, all kids and adults can be Prayer Partners. Please note, if you are an adult who has not received a background check yet this year at Living Water, Pastor Shari or Financial Manager, Greysen West will be happy to give you the form to get that simple process started.

Please contact Pastor Shari: [pastorshari@lwcaz.org](mailto:pastorshari@lwcaz.org) if you have additional questions





# Studies



## 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)

### **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**

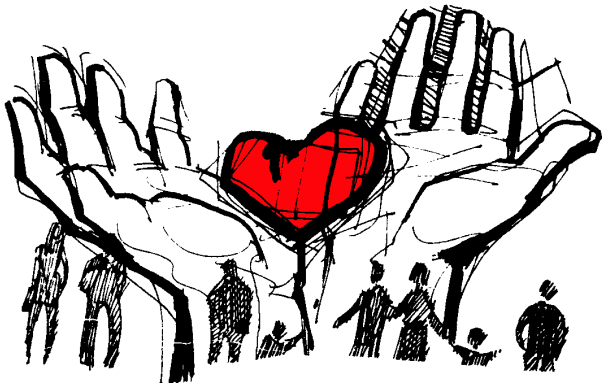
In session two we learn how, when the Jews are threatened, Esther uses her strong faith and the love of her people to embolden her to act. Through some clever schemes, intelligence and a realistic assessment of her situation, Esther is able to save her people. "For such a time as this" is Mortecai's 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:** Debbie Anderson
- **Usher/Greeter:** Debbie Anderson, Deb Bash, Lisa Moehn
- **Communion Servers:** Jennie Stemm, Lisa Moehn
- **Lector:** Pam Landon
- **Altar Guild:** Ellen Schoenbeck
- **Sound Desk:** Stephen Page
- **Hospitality:** Carol Gasser & Pam Landon
- **Servant Team Leaders for July 28:** Ed & Darrell Shipley, Sue & Charles Boyd



## 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:

133 (9:30 am)

**General Fund:** \$5,570

**Building Fund:** \$35

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

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**Accompanist:** Scott Sims

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*In case of Pastoral Emergency, please call*

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