

# January 12, 2020

# CONNECTIONS

## SUNDAY – JANUARY 12

- 8:30 am Liturgical Worship (Sanctuary)
- 9:45 am Adult Forum (Ed. Building)
- 11:00 am Praise Worship (Sanctuary)

## MONDAY - JANUARY 13

- 9:00 am PEO Meeting (FH)
- 9:30 am Pastoral Care Meeting
- 6:00 pm Council Meeting (Esther)

## TUESDAY - JANUARY 14

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

## WEDNESDAY - JANUARY 15

- 7:00 pm Choir (Psalms)

## THURSDAY - JANUARY 16

- 7:30 am Men's Breakfast (Soul Café)

## FRIDAY - JANUARY 17

- 10:00 am Friday Morning Club (FH)
- 7:00 pm Monthly Bridge Group (Wehr's Residence)

## SATURDAY - JANUARY 18

- 8:30 am AA (Matthew/Mark)
- 5:00 pm Saints & Sinners Season Kick-Off Party (MCDOWELL CTR)

## SUNDAY – JANUARY 19

- 8:30 am Liturgical Worship (Sanctuary)
- 9:45 am Adult Forum (Ed. Building)
- 11:00 am Praise Worship (Sanctuary)



Weekly CONNECTIONS Deadline—\*Tuesdays at Noon\*

# *We Remember in our Prayers*

- Judi Bechhoefer (Friend of Michelle Brown) – Battling cancer
- Becky Bliefernich (Niece of Barbara Brooks)– Battling cancer
- Nancy Blazer – Health concerns
- Doug Burnett (Friend of Phil & Nancy Rogers) – Battling Cancer
- Collin Cassem - Active Military Member
- Vicki Dugas (Friend of Barbara & John Hannan) – Battling Cancer
- Bernie Eccles (Friend of Linda & Larry Coutts) – In gratitude for healing
- Jinhong Fan (Sister-in-law of Kristin Smith) – Battling Cancer
- David Fernandez - Active Military Member
- Mary Anne Fisher (Tracy Paul's Aunt) – Heart issues
- Jeanne Folmer (Niece of Sue & Lee Stenehjem) — Battling cancer
- Joy Gallimore – Health Concerns
- Matt and Kristen Garrett (husband and wife) – Active Military Members
- Lourdes Gasparino — Health Concerns
- 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
- Tom Kelland – Health concerns
- Mike Knytch – Battling cancer
- Hannah Lehrke (Granddaughter of Lois and Jay Lucas) – Health concerns
- Lynne Mohr (Stepdaughter of Carol Gasser) – Battling cancer
- Annika Nelson & Family (Heidi Ruff's cousin's daughter) - Health concerns
- Richard Reeder Sr. (Friend of Michelle Brown) - Health concerns
- 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
- Family & Friends of Joan Ophaug (Ron & Cindy Ophaug's Sister-in-law)
- Family & Friends of Michael Steele (Friend of the Coutts Family)



*Altar flowers are given by Frances DeBruyn*



# News & Events

## **SAINTS & SINNERS 2020 Season Kick-Off Party.**

**Saturday, January 18; 5-8pm @ McDowell Center; 16116 N. McDowell Mountain Ranch Road  
(8.7 miles south, and a bit east, of Living Water Lutheran Church).**

The purpose of the Saints and Sinners program is to build closer social ties with new members, prospective members and existing members of Living Water Lutheran Church. We do this by forming a number of small fellowship groups, each of which is led by a "Captain." Each Captain plans, organizes, promotes and leads an "event" or get-together of some sort for his/her group. This can be as simple as a "happy hour" get-together or more involved such as an activity followed by a dinner.

These "events" happen in **February and March** only.

All are welcome! Sign-up sheets in the Narthex.

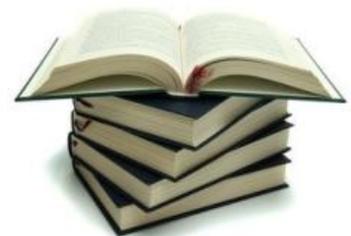
## **Living Water Scholarship Proposal**

A member of our congregation has proposed creating a **Living Water college scholarship program** for the youth of our church. The program would have a Matching Financial Gift Component and be funded entirely by donations, not from the church budget.

The purpose of the Living Water scholarship program is to share the love of Christ by making a difference in the lives of young people in our congregation who are pursuing further education after high school. We believe that hope, confidence, opportunities, the ability to dream and succeed are the blessings that can come from an education. The benefits of such a program would be very rewarding to everyone involved.

Financial scholarships would be awarded to deserving first year students attending a college or trade school. Scholarship requests would go through an application process and be reviewed by the pastors and members of a Scholarship Team.

All members of Living Water will be receiving a **survey in mid-January** to gather your input on this proposal. Please take the time to complete the survey. In the interim, please feel free to provide any feedback, ideas or address your questions to Pastor Shari at the church office:  
480-473-8400 or at [pastorshari@lwlcaz.org](mailto:pastorshari@lwlcaz.org).



## **MOPs & MOMSnext Group**

**Next meeting January 23 @ 9:30 am**

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.***

***Childcare is Free!***



Consider joining us 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)

## **Bridge Group**

**Why not give bridge a whirl in 2020?**

Are you an ex-bridge player? A newbie? A bridge buff who can help others improve their skills? 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, Jan. 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 (480-515-4813 or [jillajw@cox.net](mailto:jillajw@cox.net)).

## Hands Only CPR and AED Training Class

All LWLC members and attendees are welcome to join us for a valuable learning experience presented by the Scottsdale Fire Department. This one hour class will give you the basic skills needed to provide life saving aid to you family, friends or anyone. After the Hands Only CPR portion the Instructor will show us how to use the Automated External Defibrillators we have at LWLC and you will find in most public buildings. Training will be held in the Fellowship Hall, on Saturday, Jan 18, 2020, starting at at 1.00PM. Dress in casual clothing as you will be able to practice these life-saving skills on the floor on training devices (models a human upper torso) and training AED's.

Please sign-up via email to (Phil Pounds, [pbpounds@yahoo.com](mailto:pbpounds@yahoo.com)) or on the sheet in the Narthex. Please Register by January 16th, so we can ensure the Instructor brings sufficient materials.



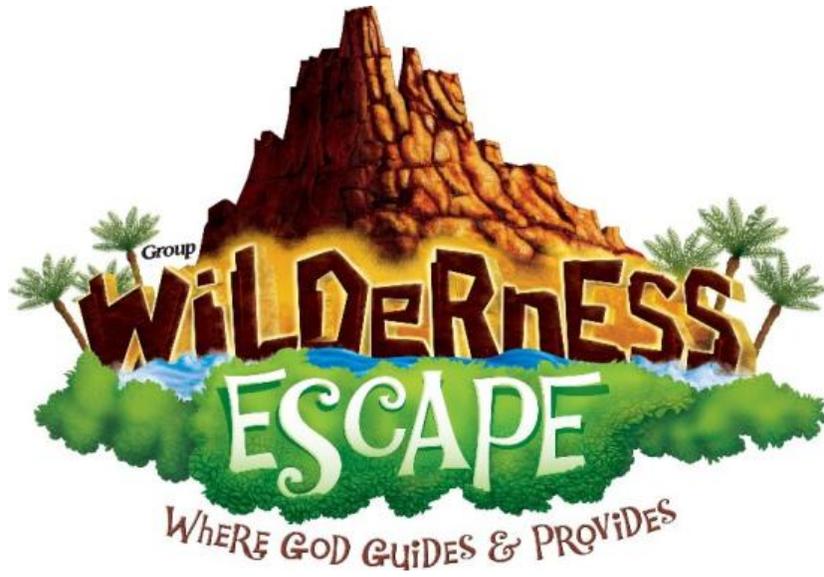
## Adult Forums for Jan 12 and 19 “Ask the Pastors”



Back by popular demand! Join us after the 8:30 worship service in the Psalms Room (second floor of the Education Building) for more “Ask the Pastors” panel discussion. Several questions were received after our last such session to begin our discussion. Retired pastors Dennis Nelson and Gene Perry will respond to our questions. Grab a cup of coffee and bring any questions you’ve always wanted to ask a pastor. You can submit questions in writing if you’d prefer.

**Two sessions planned: January 12 and January 19.**

## Vacation Bible School 2020



Mark your calendars now for our 2020 edition of Vacation Bible School at Living Water Lutheran Church on **June 15-19**. Our theme will be **“Wilderness Escape – Where God Guides & Provides.”** Throughout the week we will take an exciting journey with God’s people, the Israelites, that brings God’s Word to life for kids and adults. Moses will be our guide as we escape Egypt and see, hear, touch and even taste what it might have been like to live in the Bible-times wilderness.

All children ages 4 through 6<sup>th</sup> grade are invited to participate in our **free** Vacation Bible School program. Each child will receive a “Wilderness Escape” t-shirt and will participate in large and small group discussions, join Moses in his tent for our daily Bible stories, burn off some energy in the Fun & Games area, make innovative crafts, enjoy a healthy snack and sing and cheer in our opening and closing celebration times. The week will conclude with the children leading our worship service on Sunday, June 21.

If you are interested in joining us for our VBS program as a youth or adult volunteer, please contact Kris Crow at [kcrow737@gmail.com](mailto:kcrow737@gmail.com) or Janice Moore at [jlb.moore@yahoo.com](mailto:jlb.moore@yahoo.com). We hope to see you this summer!



# Studies

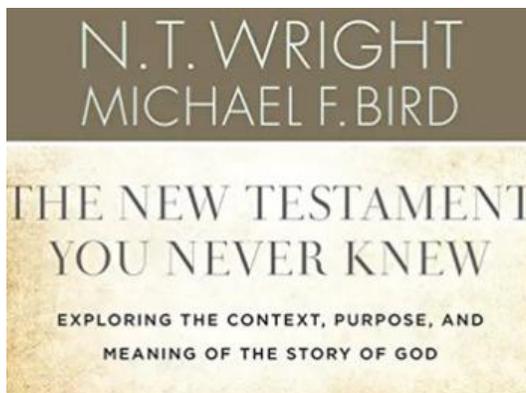


## **MEN'S BREAKFAST BIBLE STUDY 2020**

Join us Thursday **January 16** at 7:30am at Soul Café  
(7615 E Pinnacle Peak Rd, Scottsdale, AZ 85255)

## **Tuesday Women's Study in January**

Join us on **Tuesday mornings at 10 am in the Fellowship Hall.**



On **January 7**, we began a new 8-session video series study on the New Testament. This study is designed to help us see the Bible's New Testament in new ways, an "epiphany" perhaps. Join us to discover things about the New Testament you never knew! The study's authors are N.T. Wright and Michael Bird. There is a recommended Study Guide and I've ordered 20 copies at \$11.33 each. The Guide is also available as a Kindle download. We meet every Tuesday morning for about

**90 minutes.** The coffee and hot water for tea/hot chocolate will be ready! Questions: contact [myrna.ulland@gmail.com](mailto:myrna.ulland@gmail.com).

## **YOU ARE INVITED TO FAMILY SUNDAY SCHOOL**

**SUNDAYS AT 9:45-10:45 AM STARTING AGAIN ON JANUARY 26**

**KIDS AND ADULTS ARE WELCOME!**

### **At 9:45 am**

- Adults and Kids (3 years old and up) meet together for the opening of Sunday School in the **Matthew/Mark** rooms

### **At 10:15 am**

- Club 5 & UP (Adults and Kids in 5<sup>th</sup> grade and up) in **Ruth** room

## 8:30 AM SERVANT TEAM

- **Leaders:** Jan & Don Johnson
- Steven & Susan Johnson
- Hunter Brown
- Lisa Moehn
- Steven & Susan Johnson
- **Lector:** Denny & Shaon Dumler
- **Altar Guild:** Pam Landon
- **Sound Desk:** Stephen Page
- **Hospitality:** Deb Bash & Debbie Anderson
- **Servant Team Leaders for January 19:**  
Lee & Sue Stenehjem

## 11 AM SERVANT TEAM

- **Leaders:** Patti & Don Pick
- **Lector:** Kris Crow
- **Altar Guild:** Janis Fjeld
- **Sound Desk:** Mason Rossman
- **Servant Team Leaders for January 19:**  
Darryl & Tana Harlan

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## 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:

155 (8:30 am) 32 ( 11 am)

**General Fund:** \$8,280

**Building Fund:** \$75

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

**Pastor:** Mark Rossman

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**Accompanist:** Scott Sims

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*In case of Pastoral Emergency, please call*

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