

# New Covenant Lutheran Church

## E-Weekly Newsletter

### March 12 - 19, 2020



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#### NCLC Calendar

This Sunday  
 Matthew 7: 1-6  
 "Seeking God's Kingdom"

#### Groups

Women's Bible Study	Tues	7:00 PM
Men's Bible Study	Wed	7:00 AM

#### Music Rehearsals

Children's Choir	Wed	5:30 PM
Easter Choir Rehearsal	Wed	6:45 PM
Bells of Praise	Thurs	5:30 PM
Bells of Grace	Thurs	6:30 PM
Worship Band Practice	Thurs	7:15 PM

#### Upcoming Events

Soul Sisters Hike	Mar 14	7:00 AM
Baptism Class	Mar 15	NOON

#### AA Meetings

Steps in Action (C BB W)	Monday	6:00 PM
Women's K.I.S.S. (C X W)	Monday	7:00 PM
Thompson Peak Gang (O D)	Saturday	NOON

"DO NOT JUDGE, OR YOU TOO WILL BE JUDGED. FOR IN THE SAME WAY YOU JUDGE OTHERS, YOU WILL BE JUDGED, AND WITH THE MEASURE YOU USE, IT WILL BE MEASURED TO YOU."  
 - MATTHEW 7: 1 - 2 -



*Worship Service Times:*  
 Traditional - 9:00 AM Contemporary 10:30 AM

Everywhere I go these days, people are talking about the COVID-19 virus, with varying levels of concern. Some think it's over-hyped. Others believe it will soon be declared a global pandemic. Questions regarding the potential impact this virus might have on travel, work, business, hospitals, schools, sports, community events and churches remain unanswered.

With that in mind, I want you to know at New Covenant...

We'll take every precaution to make sure this church continues to be as safe as a public space can be. We have asked our cleaning team to clean and sanitize the entire church building thoroughly. We have updated our worship protocols and will seek to eliminate physical touch for the most part during the worship service. This is a temporary response to keep us as safe and healthy as possible.

We have also updated our protocol for sanitizing of communion vessels, preparing communion and serving communion. We'll temporarily switch our Lord's Supper distribution to individual cups.

Starting this weekend, and as long as this season of concern persists, we'll encourage creative and fun no-contact greeting alternatives – waves, smiles, nods, and elbow bumps – instead of traditional handshakes or hugs.

We have asked our hospitality teams to set out only individually wrapped snack items with the coffee and juice.

It's important for a church to speak honestly and authentically to both our worries and God's promises for our lives. Can't wait to greet you with a friendly smile and wave this weekend at worship!

Pastor Steve



### Baptism Class

**March 15**  
 after the 10:30 Service  
 Childcare is available  
 To register  
 and for more info  
 contact the church office at  
[office@newcovenantaz.org](mailto:office@newcovenantaz.org)

## BABY SHOWER FOR LSS-SW

### Lent Mission Outreach

Monetary donations to purchase  
 40 diaper bags  
 for new &  
 expecting moms



Several people have reported getting an email from Pastor Steve or one of the church staff asking for gift cards or assistance. Please be aware that we have not and will not send such emails. His email is [Pastor.Steve@newcovenantaz.org](mailto:Pastor.Steve@newcovenantaz.org) Please contact the office at 480-860-0169 if you are concerned about communication that you receive claiming to be from one of us. We appreciate reports of spam so that we can make you aware.



## MARCH

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| MAR 7  | YOGA | Friendship Hall @ 8:45 a.m.                 |
| MAR 8  |      | HOSPITALITY                                 |
| MAR 14 | HIKE | Go John Trail<br>Cave Creek Regional Park   |
| MAR 21 | YOGA | Friendship Hall @ 8:45 a.m.                 |
| MAR 28 | HIKE | South Mountain Park/Preserve<br>Phoenix, AZ |



**Come sing with us!**

Rehearsals are on Wednesdays (6:45 - 8:00 PM)

March 4, 11, 18, 25, April 1, 8

**Easter Sunday, April 12<sup>th</sup>**

*"Sing praises to the Lord, for he has done gloriously; Let this be known in all the earth. Shout aloud and Sing for joy!"*  
 Isaiah 12: 5, 6

## Are you a Thrivent member?

Did you know you can direct Thrivent Choice \$\$ to New Covenant Church to use toward our mission projects? Our preschool is also approved to receive their donation dollars. Contact [office@newcovenantaz.org](mailto:office@newcovenantaz.org) to find out how you can direct Thrivent donations to New Covenant.



### Dates to Remember:

- Palm Sunday - April 5**
- Easter Sunday - April 12**
- Mother's Day Brunch - May 2**
- VBS Week - June 1-5**

### Casa Dunamis, International

A local 501-C3 charity supporting Dunamis Ecuador, an organization that helps girls in Ecuador rescued from trafficking, would like more Board Members. Contact Sue Schneider or the office if interested.

