

HE HAS RISEN!

New Covenant Lutheran Church
E-Weekly Newsletter
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All worship services and activities at New Covenant have moved to an online (video conferencing) format or have been cancelled due to the COVID-19 concerns. In addition, the preschool is closed. We do not know when the social distancing restrictions will be lifted so that we will be able to resume activities on our campus. Please check our website at www.newcovenantaz.church for updates.

ONLINE WORSHIP INSTRUCTIONS:

During this time when as a church we can not meet publicly to worship, New Covenant Lutheran Church will be holding a worship service online.

There will be two ways for you to participate in our online worship – Zoom & Facebook Live.

ZOOM: Via your computer, cell phone or tablet, you will be able to join us for a brief worship service. Zoom is a video conferencing platform with unlimited viewer capability. From your cell phone or tablet, you will need to download and install the Zoom App from the appropriate App Store. To join worship, open the Zoom App and Join a Meeting using the Meeting ID below. On your computer, you can click on the link below to join the meeting. If you have not installed the Zoom Client, you will be prompted to do that before joining the meeting. We recommend setting up Zoom before worship so that you are ready to go. Information on Zoom can be found at www.zoom.us

When it is time for the worship service at 10 a.m. on **Sunday**, please use the following link or direct dial number and meeting ID to join our worship service.

<https://zoom.us/j/210493394?pwd=UXNqdGFTS3p0Rmc0SXNndUtVWJsUT09>
Or Dial: +1 669 900 9128
Meeting ID: 210 493 394 with Password: NCLChurch

FACEBOOK: go to New Covenant Lutheran Church's Facebook page at 7 p.m. Friday and 10 a.m. Sunday to see the videos live. Our Facebook page is at www.facebook.com/NewCovenantAZ

PASTOR'S CORNER

Online Worship Thursday 6:00 pm, Friday 7:00 pm,
Easter Sunday 10:00 am

Holy Week at New Covenant is not being postponed or canceled, but we are being compelled to be more creative, work online and find new ways for us to worship and connect as a church together. I can't tell you how strange, tiring and overwhelming these past few weeks have been. Yet rather than hearing from me, let's listen to what Peter said to the early church when they were suffering.

Give all your worries and cares to God, for he cares about you. Stay alert ... Stand firm ..., and be strong in your faith. Remember that your family of believers all over the world is going through the same kind of suffering you are... So after you have suffered a little while, he will restore, support, and strengthen you, and he will place you on a firm foundation. All power to him forever! Amen. (1 Peter 5:7-11)

Because we welcome Christ into our lives in this, his darkest week (Holy Week), Christ promises to also be with us in our darkest times and weeks. Prayer gives us the ability to connect with God, that which is on our hearts and minds. And scripture enables us to hear from God, what God is calling us to do during these unusual times. Worship connects us to God and to one another.

Here are some opportunities for you this Holy Week –

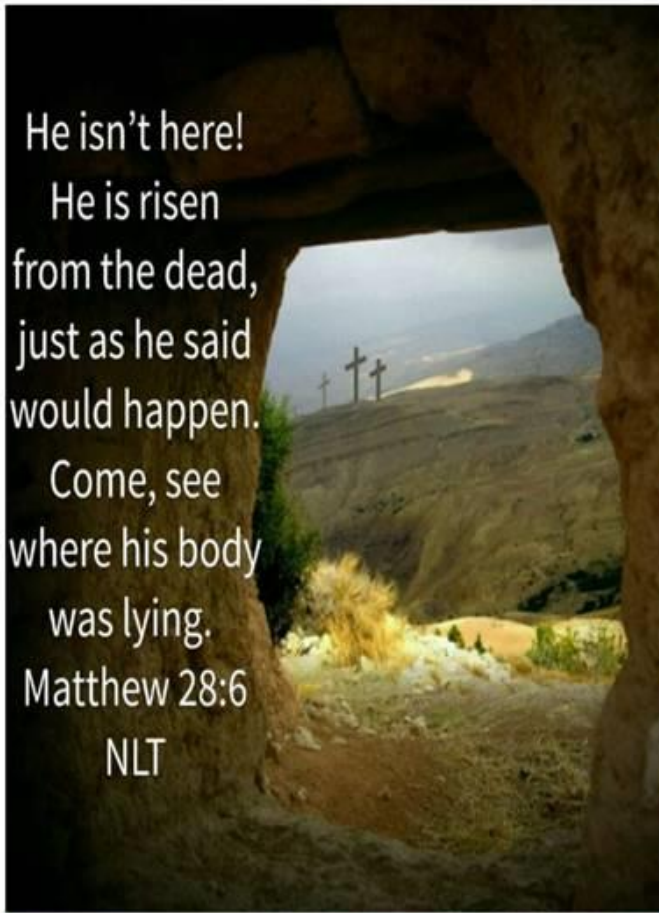
Maundy Thursday Service - will be a Zoom ONLY event at 6:00 pm. You are invited to join us for a time of worship and study. We will study the theological importance of Holy Communion. If you can, plan to have some bread and wine (or crackers and grape juice) available, we will conclude the service with Holy Communion via Zoom. The Zoom link is <https://zoom.us/j/149236840?pwd=dU1mOUFPRIHVHVGZWNBSdjhKNFFSUT09>
Or Dial: +1 669 900 9128

Meeting ID: 149 236 840 with Password: 022048

Good Friday Service – will be a Facebook Live only event. You are invited to join us for the Office of Tenebrae (the reading of the Passion Story according to St. John) and the gradual dimming of lights. Because of the musical nature of this service, Facebook provides the best sound quality for this worship service. www.facebook.com/NewCovenantAZ

Easter Sunday – will be on Facebook Live and Zoom! Join us as we conclude the three days of this holy weekend with our celebration worship! Connection information is in the article to the left.

Pastor Steve



BABY SHOWER FOR LSS-SW
Lent Mission Outreach
 Monetary donations for diaper bags
GOAL: 40
CURRENT: 37
 Donate online or mail
 check to church office

Maundy Thursday
 "This is my body ...
 this is my **blood** ...
 ... given for YOU."
Luke 22:14-20

Offerings can be mailed to:
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Online go to: www.newcovenantaz.church
 Click on Donate Now



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 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 everyone aware.

Above his head they placed
 the written charge against him:

**THIS IS JESUS,
 THE KING
 OF THE JEWS.**

Matthew 27:37