New Covenant Lutheran Church E-Weekly Newsletter May 14 - 21, 2020



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This Sunday Acts 4:1-21

Series: "Characteristics of Christians

Sheltering in Place"

Sermon: "Experiencing and Enduring

in Challenge"

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.newcovenenataz.church for updates.

ONLINE WORSHIP INSTRUCTIONS:

During this time when as a church we cannot meet publicly to worship, New Covenant Lutheran Church will hold our worship services online.

We are now using only Facebook Live for all of our worship services. No Zoom access will be available. You do not have to have a Facebook account to watch the service.

FACEBOOK: go to New Covenant Lutheran Church's Facebook page at 10 am Sunday to see the video live.

Our Facebook page is at

www.facebook.com/NewCovenantAZ

¹³ The members of the council were amazed when they saw the boldness of Peter and John, for they could see that they were ordinary men with no special training in the Scriptures. They also recognized them as men who had been with Jesus.

Acts 4:13 (NLT)



Online Worship Sunday 10:00 am

Dear friends,

When will we be able to gather together again for worship? I am not sure. We do have a team working on those logistics for when we do get clearance. In the meantime, we are looking at how we can **continue and improve our streaming of worship**. We are aware that either one can hear me or the music, but usually not both. And for some, it is difficult to hear anything. We are working on potential solutions and we'll keep you posted. Remember that the music is always listed on the last two pages of the E Weekly. You can print that off and sing along on Sundays.

We have several opportunities to gather via Zoom this Sunday. At 11:00 am, Sunday School will meet and Confirmation meets at Noon. After Worship, we will attempt to host our first virtual fellowship gathering at 11:00 am. Plan to join in and reconnect with all your friends. Bring your own coffee and treats and we will have an opportunity to check in with one another.

Our series "Characteristics of Christians Sheltering in Place" continues this weekend with a look at Acts 4: 1-21. We will explore the theme "Experiencing and Enduring in Challenge!" We are experiencing some of the most challenging times that we have ever encountered. A friend shared with me this week that Satan is attacking us with fear. I agree but I also think that Satan is attacking us with division. We are all God's people and we are called to love and care for our neighbor, even if we don't agree with their theology – their politics – or their view on when we should open up! We are the Church! The body of our Lord! The challenges during this pandemic are great. But our God is much greater! Let's work on having courage instead of fear and building unity instead of dividing. We can do this church!

Pastor Steve

Hospitality

Missing hospitality time after worship?
Join us at 11 am on Sundays for Coffee & Donuts on Zoom and be a part of face-to-face conversations with one another! Zoom with meeting id: 515 037 9119 (No password)







Virtual Sunday School!

Join Miss Becca and Miss Mia Sunday at 11:00 am for a Zoom Sunday School Class!
Use this Zoom link:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82786825094? pwd=ZW4xeXVaRE94NTdFdllicTlpeTlVQT09 Meeting ID: 827-8682-5094 Password: 123





Saturday online yoga is taking a break for now. Previously recorded zoom sessions are available to watch. Contact the office.

Offerings can be mailed to:

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Online go to: www.newcovenantaz.church
Click on Donate Now



Baptism Class

May 31

11:00 a.m. via Zoom

To register and for more info contact the church office at office@newcovenantaz.org (Sunday's Call to Worship Hymn)

Children of the Heavenly Father

Children of the heav'nly Father Safely to his boson gather Nestling bird nor star in heaven Such a refuge e'er was given

God his own doth tend and nourish In his holy courts they flourish From all evil things he spares them In his mighty arms he bears them

Neither life nor death shall ever From the Lord his children sever Unto them his grace he showeth And their sorrows all he knoweth

Though he giveth or he taketh God his children ne'er forsaketh His the loving purpose solely To preserve them pure and holy



(Sunday's Sermon Song)

Great Are You Lord

You give life You are love You bring light to the darkness You give hope You restore ev'ry heart that is broken And great are You Lord

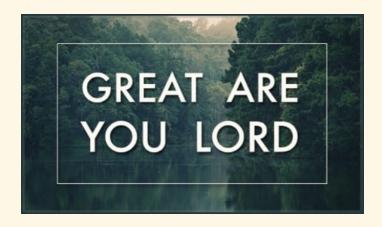
It's Your breath in our lungs
So we pour out our praise we pour out our praise
It's Your breath in our lungs
So we pour out our praise to You only

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It's Your breath in our lungs
So we pour out our praise we pour out our praise
It's Your breath in our lungs
So we pour out our praise to You only

And all the earth will shout Your praise
Our hearts will cry these bones will sing
Great are You Lord
And all the earth will shout Your praise
Our hearts will cry these bones will sing
Great are You Lord

It's Your breath in our lungs
So we pour out our praise we pour out our praise
It's Your breath in our lungs
So we pour out our praise to You only



(Sunday's Sending Song)

How Can I Keep From Singing

There is an endless song echoes in my soul
I hear the music ring
And though the storms may come
I am holding on to the rock I cling

How can I keep from singing Your praise
How can I ever say enough
How amazing is Your love
How can I keep from shouting Your name
I know I am loved by the King
And it makes my heart want to sing

I will lift my eyes in the darkest night
For I know my Savior lives
And I will walk with You knowing You'll see me through
And sing the songs You give

How can I keep from singing Your praise
How can I ever say enough
How amazing is Your love
How can I keep from shouting Your name
I know I am loved by the King
And it makes my heart want to sing

I can sing in the troubled times sing when I win
I can sing when I lose my step and fall down again
I can sing cause You pick me up sing cause You're there
I can sing cause You hear me Lord when I call to You in prayer
I can sing with my last breath sing for I know
That I'll sing with the angels and the saints around the throne

How can I keep from singing Your praise
How can I ever say enough
How amazing is Your love
How can I keep from shouting Your name
I know I am loved by the King and it makes my heart
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