

# New Covenant Lutheran Church

## E-Weekly Newsletter

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**This Sunday**

Acts 6:1-7

**Series:** “Characteristics of Christians  
Sheltering in Place”

**Sermon:** “The Mission of the Early Church”

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](http://www.newcovenantaz.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](https://www.facebook.com/NewCovenantAZ)

**SERVE**  
ONE ANOTHER

### PASTOR'S CORNER

*Online Worship Sunday 10:00 am*

Good afternoon friends,

This Sunday, we will once again have a Fellowship time on Zoom. I invite you to join this Zoom event and connect with others from New Covenant. Last Sunday, we had some of our regulars from Scottsdale, along with our dear friend Ali from San Diego and Penny from the hospital. This is a really great way for us to continue to connect with one another!

Our Task Force for Re-Gathering is preparing their report for the Board of Ministry this next week. We will give you an update after the Board of Ministry has had a chance to digest the information and clarify our process for re-gathering. Please know that we want to keep the health and safety of our most vulnerable at the center of our plans and process. And as I write this I am also aware that we are experiencing an increase in Covid-19 cases and hospitalizations in our state. Please stay tuned and in the meantime, know that we will continue to offer our worship services online.

This leads me to our next issue – the quality of the sound of our worship service online. We are very aware that we have sound issues. We have purchased equipment that should resolve the sound quality, however, it will take us a couple of weeks, working with the consultant, to get the settings established.

This past Sunday we also had interference with my microphone which usually you can hear. Our best guess is that we received interference from another radio on our frequency. There was a first responder event across the street at the apartments and we think that is the location of the interference. This kind of event we have no control over. I don’t know a lot about sound, but I do know how frustrating it can be when the quality of the sound is inferior or missing altogether. As I have said to several of you who have reached out to me, please know that we hear you – even if you can’t hear us – and we are working on improving the sound!

This Sunday we will finish our series on “Characteristics of Christians Sheltering in Place.” Our theme will be “The Mission of the Early Church” and our scripture comes from Acts 6:1-7. This scripture is a report of a conflict within the early church as it grows with Jew and Gentile believers in Jesus. There is a familiar resolution to the conflict and it prepares the church for its future mission which we will look at to help us evaluate our future mission for New Covenant! Tune in and join us this Sunday on Facebook Live!

Thank you for your patience! Thank you for your support! Thank you for your love for God!

God bless you!  
Pastor Steve

## Hospitality

Join us at 11 am on Sundays for time together on Zoom and be a part of face-to-face conversations with one another!  
 Zoom with meeting id: 841 5937 9421  
 (No password)  
 Last week we got to be with Penny!



**Congratulations on the birth of Sanford (Sandy) Arthur Erickson!!**  
 6/6/2020

**Mom and Dad are Meredith and Seth**

**Proud grandparents are Pastor Steve and Patti.**



**Saturday online yoga is not a weekly event over the summer. Watch this space for the next time that it will be offered.**

## Sunday School!

**Online Sunday School is taking a summer break. Contact the office at [office@newcovenantaz.org](mailto:office@newcovenantaz.org) if you would like to be included on the email distribution of Sunday School materials (videos, songs, activities) to do at home with your family.**



**? Did you miss Sunday's Service?**

**Can't find the last E-Weekly?**

**Want to hear Pastor Steve's Sermon?**

Go to [www.newcovenantaz.church](http://www.newcovenantaz.church)

Under the Communications menu

Find the E-Weekly, podcasts & videos **?**

**Offerings can be mailed to:**

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**Online go to: [www.newcovenantaz.church](http://www.newcovenantaz.church)  
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**Happy 1st Birthday Easton Andrews! Enjoy the flowers on the altar Sunday, put there by Grammy and Grandpa, Debby and Dave Andrews.**



*(Sunday's Call to Worship Hymn)*

## **I Love to Tell the Story**

I love to tell the story of unseen things above  
Of Jesus and his glory of Jesus and his love  
I love to tell the story because I know it's true  
It satisfies my longings as nothing else would do  
I love to tell the story 'twill be my theme in glory  
To tell the old old story of Jesus and his love

I love to tell the story how pleasant to repeat  
What seems each time I tell it more wonderfully sweet  
I love to tell the story for some have never heard  
The message of salvation from God's own holy word  
I love to tell the story 'twill be my theme in glory  
To tell the old old story of Jesus and his love

I love to tell the story for those who know it best  
Seem hungering and thirsting to hear it like the rest  
And when in scenes of glory I sing the new new song  
I'll sing the old old story that I have loved so long  
I love to tell the story 'twill be my theme in glory  
To tell the old old story of Jesus and his love



*(Sunday's Sermon Song)*

## Goodness of God

I love You Lord  
For Your mercy never failed me  
All my days I've been held in Your hands  
From the moment that I wake up  
Until I lay my head  
Oh I will sing of the goodness of God

And all my life You have been faithful  
And all my life You have been so so good  
With every breath that I am able  
Oh I will sing of the goodness of God

I love Your voice  
You have led me through the fire  
In darkest night You are close like no other  
I've known You as a father  
I've known You as a friend  
And I have lived in the goodness of God yeah

And all my life You have been faithful  
And all my life You have been so so good  
With every breath that I am able  
Oh I will sing of the goodness of God

'Cause Your goodness is running after it's running after me  
Your goodness is running after it's running after me  
With my life laid down I'm surrendered now  
I give You everything

'Cause Your goodness is running after it's running after me

And all my life You have been faithful  
And all my life You have been so so good  
With every breath that I am able  
Oh I will sing of the goodness of God

*(Sunday's Sending Song)*

## You Never Let Go

Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death  
Your perfect love is casting out fear  
And even when I'm caught in the middle of the storms of this life  
I won't turn back I know You are near

And I will fear no evil for my God is with me  
And if my God is with me  
Whom then shall I fear  
Whom then shall I fear

### CHORUS

Oh no You never let go  
Through the calm and through the storm  
Oh no You never let go  
In every high and every low  
Oh no You never let go  
Lord You never let go of me

And I can see a light that is coming for the heart that holds on  
A glorious light beyond all compare  
And there will be an end to these troubles  
But until that day comes  
We'll live to know You here on the earth

And I will fear no evil for my God is with me  
And if my God is with me  
Whom then shall I fear  
Whom then shall I fear

Oh no You never let go  
Through the calm and through the storm  
Oh no You never let go  
In every high and every low  
Oh no You never let go  
Lord You never let go of me

Yes I can see a light that is coming for the heart that holds on  
And there will be an end to these troubles  
But until that day comes  
Still I will praise You still I will praise you

(Sing chorus two times)