

New Covenant Lutheran Church

E-Weekly Newsletter

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This Sunday
I Peter 3:8-12

Series: “Keep the Faith: Lessons from I Peter”
Sermon: “Doing Good!”

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 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



Online Worship Sunday 10:00 am

Hello Church!

Some of you have been asking about Patti. She has been dealing with a constant headache since mid-June. She had an MRI last Friday morning and they called and asked her to come in for two more tests on Saturday morning. After those tests, we were called again and they asked us to come in so that they could admit her for further testing. She is not quite done with the testing (two more tomorrow) but they are leaning towards a diagnosis – RCVS (Reversible Cerebral Vasoconstriction Syndrome). The good news is that it is reversible. She is taking a medication which they think will help to calm the system down and stop the constricting of the vessels. We have sure appreciated your prayers and we ask for your continued prayers.

We finally have some good news in regard to this coronavirus. The number of new cases being diagnosed in Arizona has begun to flatten. Our positivity factor is still high (the percentage of people being tested who are positive), so we are not out of the woods yet. **Let’s do our best to be a loving neighbor** by washing our hands, keeping physically distanced and wearing masks out in public.

The Board of Ministry and the In-Person Worship Task Force have shared preliminary comments on the Task Force plan and the Board will address the plan at our next Board Meeting, August 3. This will be our blueprint for returning to worship and I want to warn you at the outset – **when we are able to gather once again for worship, it will be very different from what we have done in the past.** We will begin to highlight those changes for you in the coming weeks. And remember the important thing is that Jesus Christ is present with us through all of this, even in the confinement of our homes.

This week in worship we move from the core of Peter’s theological foundation – suffering for one another as Christ suffered for us - to a glimpse at **“Doing Good!”** Read **I Peter 3:8-12** to get a head start on our Scripture for this Sunday! Thank you for your continued participation through Facebook Live. We continue to try new technology to improve our presence. We hope to have everything working on time this Sunday! See you soon!

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)



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. Pastor Steve's 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.



Hope you are having a healthy summer! Saturday online yoga is not a weekly event over the summer. Watch this space for the next time that it will be offered.

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

July Mission

WATER FOR THE HOMELESS

GRACE LUTHERAN HEAT RESPITE

Donate online or mail your check to the church office.



Sunday School!

Sunday School is taking a summer break. We hope you've enjoyed the online Sunday School we had through May and the lessons that were emailed in June. Have a great summer!
Love, Mia and Becca



ICM has reopened and is in need of everything. ICM provides food and clothing for the working poor in central Phoenix. Donations can be taken to Mary Reynoso's home and she will arrange for the ICM truck to pick them up. Contact Mary at mreynoso1@cox.net to find out about specific donation items (for example, they can't accept furniture but need most everything else) and where items should be taken.

? 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

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