

# New Covenant Lutheran Church

## E-Weekly Newsletter

### September 10, 2020



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**This Sunday**

**Matthew 28:16-20**

**Series:** Acts 20:20 in 2020,  
"The Scattered Church"

**Sermon:** "What is the Purpose of the 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. 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. 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)

## Confirmation Classes begin this Sunday for youth in 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grades

Students and parents should plan to zoom with Pastor Steve Sunday, 9/13, at Noon. Use the link at the top of the E-Weekly Newsletter or use id: 863 5161 7789  
Passcode: 0cQepD



### Online Worship Sunday 10:00 am

Hello Church,

I want to share a quick update with you on **Regathering for Public Worship**. As the positivity rate across Arizona and Maricopa County continue to decline, we are getting closer to the point of where we can once again gather for worship. Please stay tuned for an announcement after worship this Sunday!

In the meantime, I want to clarify some confusion about who should be coming to worship. The CDC changed their guidelines this summer and what they state is that "COVID health risks increase with age and for those with underlying health conditions". **While we previously listed age requirements, we are choosing NOT to limit participation or service based on age. Please consider your health and make the choice that is right for you, your family and for your brothers and sisters in Christ.** This guideline pertains to attending worship and to serving as a Worship Host.

This Sunday we will continue our look at **ACTS 20:20 in 2020** as we continue to explore what it means to **Worship in the Temple and from House to House**. This week we will read **Matthew 28:16-20** as we look at the question, "What is the Purpose of the Church?"

**After worship this Sunday, Patti will meet at 11:00 with the older elementary aged children** as she introduces them to a new online curriculum and they get reacquainted with one another. **At Noon, I will meet with 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders and their parents** as we discuss our plans for confirmation this year.

**Patti and I are praying for you each night** – that the church might remain healthy, focused on our care for our neighbor and that we might be responsive to God's call.

Pastor Steve



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 a truck will pick them up Wednesday, 9/16. Contact Mary at mreynoso1@cox.net to get more specifics.



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.

### Hosts Needed!!

As we reconvene for in-person worship, hosts will be needed to greet, explain procedures and direct everyone to their seats. Training will be provided! Be a hero and contact the office today to express interest and ensure you'll have a seat at the worship service. If you are healthy, you are needed!



### 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 passcode)



### September Monthly Mission

Monetary donations to



for the Beirut Blast

Donate online or mail your check to the church office



Offerings can be mailed to:

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Online go to: [www.newcovenantaz.church](http://www.newcovenantaz.church)  
Click on Donate Now

### Sunday School begins this Sunday!

11:00 am Zoom id: 494 792 9494  
with passcode: 176532

From Miss Patti:

Our first lesson will be about ... creation! (So shocking, right?!) We often think creation only happens in Genesis, but this theme happens across the whole Bible. God continues to RECREATE

AND MAKE ALL THINGS NEW. And, it is good! How do you see God still creating and recreating? Hope to 'see' you on Sunday 3rd - 5th graders!



*(Sunday's Call to Worship Hymn)*

## Here I Am, Lord

I, the Lord of sea and sky  
I have heard my people cry  
All who dwell in dark and sin  
My hand will save  
I, who made the starts of night  
I will make their darkness bright  
Who will bear my light to them?  
Whom shall I send?

Here I am, Lord. Is it I Lord?  
I have heard you calling in the night  
I will go, Lord, if you lead me  
I will hold your people in my heart

I, the Lord of snow and rain  
I have borne my people's pain  
I have wept for love of them  
They turn away  
I will break their hearts of stone  
Give them hearts for love alone  
I will speak my word to them.  
Whom shall I send?

Here I am, Lord. Is it I Lord?  
I have heard you calling in the night  
I will go, Lord, if you lead me  
I will hold your people in my heart

I, the Lord of wind and flame  
I will tend the poor and lame  
I will set a feast for them  
My hand will save  
Finest bread I will provide  
Till their hearts be satisfied  
I will give my life to them.  
Whom shall I send?

Here I am, Lord. Is it I Lord?  
I have heard you calling in the night  
I will go, Lord, if you lead me  
I will hold your people in my heart

*(Sunday's Sermon Song)*

## Way Maker

You are here moving in our midst  
I worship You I worship You  
You are here working in this place  
I worship You I worship You

You are  
Way Maker Miracle Worker Promise Keeper  
Light in the darkness my God that is who You are  
Way Maker Miracle Worker Promise Keeper  
Light in the darkness my God that is who You are

You are here turning lives around  
I worship You I worship You  
You are here healing every heart  
I worship You I worship You

You are  
Way Maker Miracle Worker Promise Keeper  
Light in the darkness my God that is who You are  
Way Maker Miracle Worker Promise Keeper  
Light in the darkness my God that is who You are

Even when I don't see it You're working  
Even when I don't feel it You're working  
You never stop You never stop working  
You never stop You never stop working

You are  
Way Maker Miracle Worker Promise Keeper  
Light in the darkness my God that is who You are  
Way Maker Miracle Worker Promise Keeper  
Light in the darkness my God that is who You are

*(Sunday's Sending Song)*

## **Build Your Kingdom Here**

Come set Your rule, and reign  
In our hearts again.  
Increase in us, we pray.  
Unveil why we're made.  
Come set our hearts ablaze with hope,  
Like wildfire in our very souls;  
Holy Spirit, come, invade us now.  
We are Your Church and we need Your power in us

We seek Your kingdom first,  
We hunger and we thirst;  
Refuse to waste our lives,  
For You're our joy and prize.  
To see the captives' hearts released;  
The hurt, the sick, the poor at peace.  
We lay down our lives for Heaven's cause.  
We are Your church and we pray, revive this earth.

### **(Chorus)**

Build Your kingdom here.  
Let the darkness fear.  
Show Your mighty hand.  
Heal our streets and land.  
Set Your church on fire.  
Win this nation back.  
Change the atmosphere.  
Build Your kingdom here,  
We pray!

Unleash Your kingdom's power,  
Reaching the near and far.  
No force of hell can stop  
Your beauty, changing hearts.  
You made us for much more than this;  
Awake the kingdom seed in us.  
Fill us with the strength and love of Christ.  
We are Your church and we are the hope on earth.

(Chorus 2 times)