

# New Covenant Lutheran Church E-Weekly Newsletter October 1, 2020



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## This Sunday

Matthew 13:10-17, 44-46

**Series:** Acts 20:20 in 2020,  
“The Scattered Church”

**Sermon:** “What is Good News?”

*In-person Worship Sunday 10:00 am*  
*Online Worship Sunday at 10:00 am*

**In-person worship begins this Sunday at 10:00 am. Preregistration via the link at the top of the email is required. Facemasks must be worn. Please check our website at [www.newcovenantaz.church/regathering](http://www.newcovenantaz.church/regathering) for details.**

## ONLINE WORSHIP INSTRUCTIONS:

New Covenant Lutheran Church will continue to hold online worship services.

**We use Facebook Live for our online 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](http://www.facebook.com/NewCovenantAZ)

## Sunday School for 3rd - 5th graders continues Sunday at 11:15 am

The zoom link is at the top of this E-Weekly email.



In this week’s lesson we learn that the story of the flood is about more than Noah, animals, and a big boat! The flood is about God’s unwillingness to let the world remain broken. The flood is about God’s promise to recreate and restore - both us and all creation - and provide a rainbow to remind us of His unending mercy.

## PASTOR’S CORNER

Hello Church!

I hope that you are all well and that those of you who are preparing for Fall Break will have opportunities to relax and recreate – have some fun! We continue to adapt during these unusual times but we also look forward to new ways of connecting and reconnecting.

In the meantime, our Regathering continues! **We held another Prayer Service last night.** These opportunities for prayer and reflection will continue on the third Wednesday of each month. So our next one will be Wednesday, Oct. 21. Sign-up and masks are required and attendance is limited to 10.

**And now, we prepare for in-person Temple Worship, THIS Sunday, Oct. 4 at 10:00 am!** We have spoken about the things that will be different and you can *see our FAQ at the end of this E-Weekly or on our website* for more information. What will remain the same is feeling the presence of God. We gather together as brothers and sisters in Christ and gaze upon the beautiful altar furniture and the Chalice Stained Glass Window, remembering the promises of God that have sustained us during this time. I think you’ll be pleasantly surprised when you see how beautiful and peaceful the sanctuary looks. I think you’ll agree that it’s hard to describe the feeling you get when you’re “back.”

Do remember that reservations and masks are required. The reservation link is at the top of this E-Weekly. We are limiting attendees to 50. If you have trouble with the SignUp Genius reservation system or have questions about attendance, including the health screening form you will sign, please email Mary Cole at [office@newcovenantaz.org](mailto:office@newcovenantaz.org). Reservations guarantee you a reserved seat in the sanctuary and help us ensure we can maintain social distancing.

Whether we gather in person or on Facebook Live for our virtual worship service, we will look at Matthew 13:10-17; 44-46, as we look at the theme of What is Good News? Either in person or online, I hope that you will join us!

Pastor Steve



## Soul Sisters Fall Calendar

<u>Yoga</u>	<u>Hiking</u>
October 3	October 10
October 17	October 24
November 7	November 14
November 21	December 12
December 5	
December 19	


Yoga will be held in the church courtyard at 8:45 a.m.  
 For Hiking, we will meet at church at 7 a.m. to carpool or caravan to the trail head.

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

### 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're healthy, we need you!





The Soul Sisters are kicking off their Fall Schedule this Saturday on the church patio with an hour of Christian Yoga from 9-10 am! All are welcome and you are encouraged to arrive at 8:45 am with your mask, water bottle, and yoga mat. Thankfully we will have plenty of room to social distance! Our new yoga instructor is Naomi St. John. Please bring a 'thank offering' for her time and talents.

### 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)



## October Mission Project



Packing Session  
 Saturday, Oct. 17  
 3 p.m - 5 p.m.

Raise \$2,000 to provide a pallet of food

Go to [newcovenantaz.church/nlc-monthly-missions](http://newcovenantaz.church/nlc-monthly-missions) to register and/or donate.