

# New Covenant Lutheran Church

## February 25, 2021



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### NCLC Calendar

**This Sunday:**

**Exodus 18: 1,6,13-27**

**“Jethro’s Advice to Moses -- Multiply!”**

**Sermon Series -- Conversations with the Prophets!**

### Groups

3rd - 5th grade Sunday School	Sun	11:15 AM
Hospitality Zoom	Sun	11:00 AM
Women’s Bible Study	Tues	7:00 PM
Men’s Bible Study	Wed	7:00 AM

### Upcoming Events

Soul Sister's Hike	Sat	7:30 AM
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### ONLINE WORSHIP INSTRUCTIONS:

New Covenant Lutheran Church continues 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](https://www.facebook.com/NewCovenantAZ)

**Velda Stokke**  
**Celebration of Life Service**  
**Saturday, March 13, 11:00 a.m.**  
**New Covenant Lutheran Church**  
**via Facebook Live**



**In celebration of Velda's love for God, music and education, a memorial fund has been established at New Covenant Lutheran Church for continued growth in the music and dance ministries. Donations can be sent to New Covenant Lutheran Church or made online on our website.**

### PASTOR'S CORNER

Greetings dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Baseball season is almost here, and it has nearly been a year since we were shut down by this Pandemic. I am praying that we will begin to experience what they call “herd immunity” – some say this summer – others say this fall. But nonetheless, it still remains that wherever we are, we are the church!

As the church we continue our outreach into the community with our Preschool. More and more families are coming back or coming for the first time. We continue to raise funds for our monthly missions. During the season of Lent, we are collecting gift cards for LSS-SW to hand out to clients that they work with. Thus far, we have received money for 35 gift cards out of our goal of 50. And we continue to worship – via online streaming through Facebook Live. I look forward to the day when we will be able to all be together once again. In the meantime, we wait upon the Lord, knowing that our strength will rise!

One of the most challenging aspects of our past year is the disruption that this virus has inflicted upon our relationships. Maybe it is because of the disruption, but when I read through Exodus 18, I realized for the first time the importance of relationships. Jethro could advise Moses on how to deal with the Israelites because relationships had been restored. Moses had been separated from his wife and two sons, ever since he led Israel out of Egypt. Now they are reunited, and the Exodus movement takes on a whole new look. What does this mean for us as we (hopefully) come to the end of this global pandemic? Tune in this Sunday as we seek to mine some of these biblical insights. Perhaps, they will speak a word for us today!

Pastor Steve



## **Lent Mission Outreach**

**\$25 gift cards for  
Lutheran Social Services  
of the Southwest**

**Walmart, Target, Fry's preferred**

**Donate online or mail your check or gift  
cards to the church office.**

**Goal: 50 cards**



## **Livestream scripture readers needed!**

Please consider reading the scripture for worship this year. You would read and record the scripture, email it to the church office and it would be added to the livestream worship service on Sunday. It's only a few verses, you could use your smart phone to record and send the video, and you can have do-overs if you stumble over a word or name! You would be given the scripture well in advance and it would be needed by the Thursday before your worship service. Sign up on the link at the top of this E-Weekly email and contact the office with questions. Thank you!



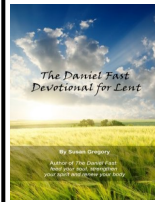
**Offerings can be mailed to:**

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

## **The Daniel Plan**

Join us daily throughout this season of Lent as we participate in the Daniel Plan. Clarey Dees is posting daily podcasts as she reads from the pictured "The Daniel Fast Devotional for Lent."



You can access the podcasts and find the link to this free devotional on our website. Daniel Plan recipes and ingredients will be added soon. Enjoy the fruits, vegetables and legumes!



**Sunday School for  
3rd - 5th graders 11:15  
Last Supper  
Luke 22: 14-20**

Jesus and his disciples gathered around the supper table for the Passover meal. At the end of the meal, Jesus took the common, everyday bread and wine and declared that his own body and blood would be shed for the salvation of Israel. The Messiah would become the Passover lamb sacrificed to save others. "God, who holds power over life and death, thank you for the gift of communion. Please help us remember. Amen." **NO Sunday School March 7!**



**A truck from NourishPHX  
(formerly ICM) will be at  
Mary Reynoso's soon.  
Contact Mary at  
[mreynosol@cox.net](mailto:mreynosol@cox.net) and get  
your items to her by 3/2.**



**Alpha Marriage Course (via Zoom)  
March 4 - April 22  
Thursdays 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm**

The Marriage Course is designed to help married couples build strong foundations, learn to communicate more effectively, and resolve differences better. Visit the link at the top of this email for more information and to register.

*(Sunday's Call to Worship Hymn)*

## Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service

Lord, whose love in humble service  
Bore the weight of human need  
Who upon the cross, forsaken  
Worked your mercy's perfect deed  
We, your servants, bring the worship  
Not of voice alone, but heart  
Consecrating to your purpose  
Ev'ry gift which you impart

Still your children wander homeless  
Still the hungry cry for bread  
Still the captives long for freedom  
Still in grief we mourn our dead  
As you, Lord, in deep compassion  
Healed the sick and freed the soul  
By you Spirit send your power  
To our world to make it whole

As we worship, grant us vision  
Till your love's revealing light  
In its height and depth and greatness  
Dawns upon our quickened sight  
Making known the needs and burdens  
Your compassion bids us bear  
Stirring us to ardent service  
Your abundant life to share

Called by worship to your service  
Forth in your dear name we go  
To the child, the youth, the aged  
Love in living deeds to show  
Hope and health, goodwill and comfort  
Counsel, aid, and peace we give  
That your servants, Lord, in freedom  
May your mercy know and live



*(Sunday's Message Song)*

## The Wonderful Cross

When I survey the wonderous cross on which the Prince of Glory died  
My richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride

See from His head, His hands, His feet, sorrow and love flow mingled down  
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet, or thorns compose so rich a crown?

O the wonderful cross, O the wonderful cross  
Bids me come and die and find that I may truly live  
O the wonderful cross, O the wonderful cross  
All who gather here by grace draw near and bless Your name

Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were an off'ring far too small  
Love so amazing so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all

O the wonderful cross, O the wonderful cross  
Bids me come and die and find that I may truly live  
O the wonderful cross, O the wonderful cross  
All who gather here by grace draw near and bless Your name



*(Sunday's Sending Song)*

## Blessed Be Your Name

Blessed be Your name  
In the land that is plentiful  
Where Your streams of abundance flow  
Blessed be Your name

Blessed be Your name  
When I'm found in the desert place  
Though I walk through the wilderness  
Blessed be Your name

Every blessing You pour out I'll turn back to praise  
When the darkness closes in Lord still I will say  
Blessed be the name of the Lord  
Blessed be Your name  
Blessed be the name of the Lord  
Blessed be Your glorious name

Blessed be Your name  
When the sun's shining down on me  
When the world's all as it should be  
Blessed be Your name

Blessed be Your name  
On the road marked with suffering  
Though there's pain in the offering  
Blessed be Your name

Every blessing You pour out I'll turn back to praise  
When the darkness closes in Lord still I will say  
Blessed be the name of the Lord  
Blessed be Your name  
Blessed be the name of the Lord  
Blessed be Your glorious name

You give and take away  
You give and take away  
My heart will choose to say  
Lord blessed be Your name

Blessed be the name of the Lord  
Blessed be Your name  
Blessed be the name of the Lord  
Blessed be Your glorious name