

New Covenant Lutheran Church

March 25 - April 1, 2021



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NCLC Calendar

This Sunday:
The Passion Story of Jesus
The Gospel of Mark

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 Hike	3/27	7:30 AM
Palm Sunday Livestream	3/28	10:00 AM
Maundy Thursday Zoom	4/1	7:00 PM
Good Friday Livestream	4/2	7:00 PM
Easter in-person on the patio	4/4	8:00 AM
Easter Livestream	4/4	10:00 AM

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

PASTOR'S CORNER

Good evening New Covenant!

You are an amazing church! In January, you contributed nearly \$1,000.00 to NourishPHX (formerly ICM) to help with food and clothing assistance for families in the Valley suffering from poverty. Now just after your phenomenal giving to NourishPHX, we challenged you to give to Lutheran Social Services of the Southwest. We asked for you to contribute so that we could donate 50 \$25 Gift cards to LSS for their ministry programs. Two weeks ago, I was told that we hit 50, so last week we challenged you to give 60 gift cards. Laurie Gerlach emailed me this morning to let me know that you have already contributed enough for 64 \$25 gift cards! Even as we seek pledges and gifts for our own needs (Building Fund goal of \$50,000.00) you still find room to help others as well. Your Christ-like compassion, generosity, and passion for outreach never cease to amaze me.

Some of you might be wondering, just to whom will those gift cards help? Here are some of the people that LSS works with as they seek to care for the most vulnerable. They support Seniors with disabilities, Foster Care families, families who are experiencing extreme poverty and unemployment, Immigrants and Refugees. Did you know that over 50 % of the world's refugees come from three nations? They are from South Sudan, Afghanistan and Syria. But whether they are coming from far away or whether they might be just a few blocks down the street, LSS is there to help. And because of you and your gifts, more will receive the needed help!

This Sunday, join us as we try something old, but new for us. We are bringing together a group of readers to share the Passion Story of Jesus from the Gospel of Mark. You might call this group a Reader's Theater but what we really intend is for the story of Jesus' suffering and death to come to life for you as hearers. So, join us on Facebook Live at 10:00 am.

Here are our upcoming Services for Holy Week:

Sunday, March 28 - Palm Sunday (Facebook Live 10:00 am)
 Thursday, April 1 - Maundy Thursday Service (Zoom 7:00 pm)
 Friday, April 2 - Good Friday Service (Facebook Live 7:00 pm)
 Sunday, April 4 - Easter Patio Service (In person 8:00 am)
 Easter Online (Facebook Live 10:00 am)

And thank you again for your generosity!

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



We hope you will prayerfully consider giving to our 2021 Building Fund. Pledge cards can be completed online, as for the General Fund Pledge a few months ago, or you can mail your pledge to the office. Identified projects include an upgrade to our livestreaming environment for online worship, painting the church trim, refinishing the narthex doors and landscape concerns.

Gifts to New Covenant Lutheran Church

Thank you for your continued financial gifts that allow us to carry out God's mission for Hope!

Giving online is quick, secure and easy. Give once, or schedule recurring gifts using your checking account, debit or credit card! During this season of no weekly offering baskets being passed, consider switching your gifts to online!

**Visit our website at www.newcovenantaz.church
And click on Donate Now**

Holy Week Services

- **Palm Sunday**

March 28 at 10:00 AM (Facebook Live)

- **Maundy Thursday**

April 1 at 7:00 PM (Zoom)

- **Good Friday**

April 2 at 7:00 PM (Facebook Live)

- **Easter Sunday**

April 4 at 8:00 AM (in person on Patio)
and 10:00 AM (Facebook Live)



Honor a loved one this Easter!

Reserve your flowers for Easter now. Lilies are **\$20 each**. Please make checks payable to New Covenant Lutheran Church and mark "Easter Lily flower fund" on the memo line, or pay online. Please email the church office to specify who the dedication is In Honor Of, In Memory Of, or In Celebration Of. Payments and dedication information must be received by **March 31**.

Hosanna!

**Blessed is he
who comes in the name of
the Lord!**

Mark 11:9



Sunday School for 3rd - 5th graders 11:15 John 20: 11-18

SUNDAY SCHOOL After Jesus was mocked, tortured, crucified, and buried, he became victorious over death. New life is possible. Death does not have the final word! Jesus sent Mary to spread the word of his resurrection. She came to care for his body, but she found herself in the middle of the biggest news story in history; she is the apostle to the apostles!

(Sunday's Call to Worship Hymn)

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

All glory, laud, and honor to you, redeemer, king
To whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring
You are the king of Israel and David's royal Son
Now in the Lord's name coming, our King and Blessed One

All glory, laud, and honor to you, redeemer, king
To whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring
The multitude of pilgrims with palms before you went
Our praise and prayer and anthems before you we present

All glory, laud, and honor to you, redeemer, king
To whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring
To you, before your passion, they sang their hymns of praise
To you, now high exalted, our melody we raise

All glory, laud, and honor to you, redeemer, king
To whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring



(Sunday's Sermon Song)

King of Kings

In the darkness we were waiting, without hope, without light
Till from Heaven You came running. There was mercy in Your eyes
To fulfil the law and prophets, to a virgin came the Word
From a throne of endless glory to a cradle in the dirt

Praise the Father, praise the Son
Praise the Spirit, three in one
God of Glory, majesty
Praise forever to the King of kings

To reveal the kingdom coming and to reconcile the lost
To redeem the whole creation You did not despise the cross
For even in Your suffering, You saw to the other side
Knowing this was our salvation, Jesus, for our sake You died

Praise the Father, praise the Son
Praise the Spirit, three in one
God of Glory, majesty
Praise forever to the King of kings

And the morning that You rose all of heaven held its breath
Till that stone was moved for good, for the Lamb had conquered death
And the dead rose from their tombs, and the angels stood in awe
For the souls of all who'd come to the Father are restored

And the Church of Christ was born, then the Spirit lit the flame
Now this Gospel truth of old shall not kneel, shall not faint
By His blood and in His Name, in His freedom I am free
For the love of Jesus Christ who has resurrected me

Praise the Father, praise the Son
Praise the Spirit, three in one
God of Glory, majesty
Praise forever to the King of kings
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(Sunday's Sending Song)

Hosanna

I see the King of glory
Coming on the clouds with fire
The whole earth shakes
The whole earth shakes. Yeah

I see His love and mercy
Washing over all our sin
The people sing
The people sing

Hosanna, hosanna
Hosanna in the highest
Hosanna, hosanna
Hosanna in the highest

I see a generation
Rising up to take their place
With selfless faith
With selfless faith

I see a near revival
Stirring as we pray and seek
We're on our knees
We're on our knees

Hosanna, hosanna
Hosanna in the highest
Hosanna, hosanna
Hosanna in the highest

Heal my heart and make it clean
Open up my eyes to the things unseen
Show me how to love like You have loved me
Break my heart for what breaks Yours
Ev'rything I am, for Your Kingdom's cause
As I walk from earth into eternity

Hosanna, hosanna
Hosanna in the highest
Hosanna, hosanna
Hosanna in the highest