

# New Covenant Lutheran Church

E-Weekly Newsletter  
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## NCLC Calendar

**This Sunday:**  
**"The Problem With Religion!"**  
**Hebrews 9:1-28**

**In-person and Live Stream to Facebook**  
**at 10:30 AM**

Sunday School (K - 5th grade)	Sun	10:30 AM
Baptism Class	Sept 19	11:30 AM
FROLIC Sunday School (up to 4 years old)	Oct 3	10:30 AM
Women's Bible Study	Tues	7:00 PM
Men's Bible Study	Wed	7:00 AM

### ONLINE WORSHIP INSTRUCTIONS:

New Covenant Lutheran Church continues to hold online worship services in addition to in-person worship.

**We use Facebook Live for our online worship services.**  
**You do not have to have a Facebook account to watch the service.**

Go to New Covenant Lutheran Church's Facebook page at 10:30 am Sunday to see the service live. Our Facebook page is [www.facebook.com/NewCovenantAZ](https://www.facebook.com/NewCovenantAZ)

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**BAPTISM**

September 19  
11:30 - 12:30

Questions or to sign up: [office@newcovenantaz.org](mailto:office@newcovenantaz.org)

## PASTOR'S CORNER

Good afternoon church!

I have been in a reflective mood this week. One of the phrases that I heard repeated over the "9/11 weekend" last week was **"Never Forget"**. That was our mantra from that fateful day 20 years ago. And while it conjured up a conviction that we would never forget those lives lost in that horrific day, it was also a reminder that we should never forget the great acts of love and kindness that people showed to one another.

- Firefighters who ascended the stairwells, so that others could descend.
- Police Officers and Paramedics who sought to bring aid to those able to get out of the towers.
- Pentagon workers who rushed back into the destroyed and burning portion of the building to try to help their colleagues.
- Passengers on an airplane who interfered with the hijackers and took control of the flight so that it would not crash into the US capitol in DC. Instead, it crashed in a remote field in PA.
- A nation (and a world by and large) united even in the midst of our differences.
- We grieved together! We prayed together! We sang together! We cared for one another!

**These are the things that I never want to forget. Acts of sacrifice, prayer, worship, and love shown for one another.**

Have you ever had a discussion with a friend, and they bring up to you, their problem with religion? Well, their issues may not be new. In our reading of Hebrews 9 this week, we see how even in the early church, there was a problem with "religion." If we get focused on "doing our religious things," instead of hearing the good news that Jesus has done it for us, once and for all. Then, we might have a problem too. **Join me as we look at Hebrews 9:1-28 and the theme, "The Problem with Religion!"**

Pastor Steve



## **FROLIC** *An invitation for families of babies and toddlers to:*



- Develop faith with parents and children together
- Build community among young parents
- Extend faith from home to church

Beginning on October 3, we will be offering a family Bible story time and play-based learning, held during the Sunday school time (10:30-11am). This is planned for the first and third Sundays of each month.

If you have a baby or toddler, please email [Cynthia.carsten@gmail.com](mailto:Cynthia.carsten@gmail.com) for more information on getting involved and receiving updates and monthly newsletters about this. We are looking forward to building faith together with your young families!

## **Sept. Monthly Mission**

### **Supporting Refugees with**

- New Towels
- New Queen Sized Sheets
- Monetary Donations

Drop off items at church or make a monetary donation online, in church or mail a check to the church office.



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## **Pastor Steve's teaching notes and questions**

Our website is updated weekly to include the latest Hebrews sermon as well as the teaching notes and questions for that sermon. Find the notes and questions on the Ministries tab under Bible Studies.



## **SOUL SISTERS FALL CALENDAR**

### **OCTOBER**

2nd - Yoga  
9th - Hike  
16th - Yoga  
23rd - Hike  
30th - Open

### **NOVEMBER**

6th - Yoga  
13th - Hike  
20th - Yoga  
27th - Thanksgiving Weekend

### **DECEMBER**

4th - Yoga  
11th - Jingle Bell Hike  
18th - Yoga

Yoga will meet at church on  
Saturdays at 8:45 a.m.

For Hiking, we will meet at church  
to carpool or caravan to the trailhead.

**VANCO**  
FAITH

## **Our Church's New Mobile App is Here!**

Vanco, our eGiving provider, has launched an updated mobile app called Vanco Mobile to replace GivePlus Mobile.

Please download Vanco Mobile by **September 30**.  
Vanco will be retiring GivePlus Mobile after this date.

Go to [www.newcovenantaz.church/giving-options/](http://www.newcovenantaz.church/giving-options/) for more info.

## **Rejoice and Sing!**

### **Hymn Sing Along**

3:00 PM Sunday, September 26

La Casa de Cristo  
Lutheran Church

6300 E. Bell Road, Scottsdale

No Charge

