



# Community Lutheran Church

*Jesus said, "Whoever believes in me, streams of living water will flow from within them."  
John 7:38*



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**Pastor Tim Eighmy**



**OFFICE HOURS:**  
Tues.– Fri., 9 am to 1 pm;

**SUNDAY WORSHIP:**  
September:  
Sunday, 9:00 am

Starting October 2nd:  
Sunday, 9 & 11 am  
Last Sunday of every  
month: 10:00 am

**Mission Statement of Community Lutheran Church:**  
*Living Christ's love in all we do.*



## A MESSAGE FROM PASTOR TIM

### *"God's Work, Our Hands"*

On the first anniversary of the terrorist attacks on September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2001, the ELCA designated the Sunday closest to September 11<sup>th</sup> as "God's Work, Our Hands" Sunday in order for the church to show God's healing peace to the world around us. On this day, ELCA congregations are encouraged to do a service project for their community or for the world. And this year on Sunday, September 11<sup>th</sup>, we are doing two projects here at CLC; we are making personal care kits and fabric kits that will be distributed by Lutheran World Relief most likely to refugees in various places in the world.

I think this is a great way for us to kick off our fall schedule in September. And during this month I am hoping and praying that our 'task force' on reaching out to young families will also have some ideas for us to do as a congregation, as well.

In the month of September, the temperatures are still hot, but we are beginning our programming as our winter residents will soon be returning. So the bible study that I lead will begin meeting at 2 pm on Thursdays again and the women's group is preparing in earnest for their chili dinner and silent auction for pies on October 15<sup>th</sup>. Throughout September, we will still be having only one worship service at 9 am on Sundays and in October we will go back to having two services again.

But remember, all of the work we do together as a congregation is really God's Holy Spirit working through us to make Christ's peace and healing presence known to the world. It may be our hands that are doing it, but it is always the work of God.

*In Christ's peace,*

**PASTOR TIM**



God's Work ~ Our Hands

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# CHURCH COUNCIL



## Notes from your Church Council

We are happy to let you know our plans for city water have been sent to the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality. We are hoping to hear soon that those plans have been approved. This will allow Bullhead City and Community Lutheran to begin the process of getting our facility on city water.

We are looking for a new landscaping company, our previous company has stopped coming and is not answering any of our emails or phone calls. If you know of one, we would appreciate your giving that name and number to a council member.

Looking forward to seeing you all on September 11<sup>th</sup> for “**Gods Work, Our Hands**” day of putting Personal care and Fabric kits together following the service. A light lunch will be served.



### Pastor Tim's Vacation!

Pastor Tim enjoyed a beautiful vacation. Yet in spirit, he was with us during Sunday morning's service as he visited **Spirit Mountain**, the place he wrote his sermon about and spiritually preached it from. Thank you to our council members and congregants for doing such a wonderful job in leading the worship service in Pastor's absence!



## Life Stewardship Lessons From the Danes

*And Jesus said to them, 'Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions.'* -**Luke 12:15**

The people of Denmark, about six million living in a nation smaller than West Virginia, routinely count among the world's most contented. This year's World Happiness Report ranks the Danes No. 2, behind Finland. The United States ranks 19.

What do the Danes know that we don't?

Several key principles for living help explain Danish happiness, Meik Wiking, chief executive officer of the Happiness Research Institute in Copenhagen, told the *New York Times*:

**Decoupling wellbeing from wealth.** Jesus did teach us that our lives do not consist in the abundance of possessions, though our consumer culture relentlessly tells us otherwise. How much happier would Americans be if our culture taught us to be content regardless of our wealth?

**Hygge.** This is a Danish term that Wiking describes as “the art of enjoying the simple pleasures in life.” Getting together with friends, enjoying the outdoors, experiencing joy with family, finding peace in your own home – things that are readily at hand, without fuss or expense.

**High levels of trust.** Scandinavians tend to trust one another and their institutions. “We consider the collective ‘we’ versus ‘me,’” Amy Clotworthy, a professor at the University of Copenhagen, told the *Times*.

As Christians looking for guidance on how we can be good stewards of our lives, these principles provide inspiration and guidance. How might you incorporate them into your life?

### **Rob Blezard**

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## Grand Canyon Synod Growing in Faith: The Diakonia Program Fall 2022 Foundation Year Class Enrollment in Progress!



Diakonia is a call to discipleship! After 40+ years, the Diakonia program has been re-imagined, taking the best of the current program and adding new elements and more flexibility.

When Jesus told his disciples, 'Come, follow me,' (Mathew 4:19 NIV), it wasn't simply a call for them to follow Jesus on the road. It was an invitation to life-long discipleship. That meant learning, listening, and sharing Jesus directly through his Word. In fact, the definition of disciple means follower or student.

### **Growing in Faith: Foundation Year - Six 5-week classes (for new students starting Sept 2022)**

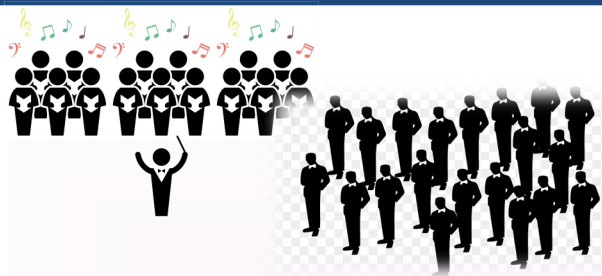
This first year of study will provide a strong foundation which will be built upon in year 2 and subsequent study. This foundation year of classes will be offered each year with in-person classes in various locations in the Grand Canyon Synod in order to establish the community that has been so important to this program. Zoom options should also be offered for those either not close enough, or with physical limitations, which prevent attending in person.

1. Christianity in a Lutheran Key
2. Intro First Testament/Hebrew Scriptures
3. Intro New Testament
4. Lutheran Creeds and Confessions
5. Living as a Christian in the world
6. Worship Matters

### **Growing in Faith: Practical Year - Six 5-week classes Road to Service or Faith Formation Tracks (for second year students starting Sept 2023)**

Students who wish to earn a Growing in Faith: Diakonia graduation certificate need to choose a track for the practical year. This second year is designed to put flesh on the skeleton of the foundation year courses. Additional classes may be taken after completing the two-year program as continuing education or Beyond Diakonia. These classes will be a combination of hybrid and on-line classes.

For more information visit our website at <https://www.diakonia.education> or email [admin@diakonia.education](mailto:admin@diakonia.education)



# CHURCH Choir Notes

***“Make a Joyful Noise Unto the Lord...!”***

“All those who enjoy hearing our church choir sing on Sunday mornings and for other special occasions throughout the church year, raise your hands!”

“Now, all those who DON’T give a feather or a fig about the church choir singing on Sunday mornings or for other special occasions, raise YOUR hands.!”

Were I a betting person my odds would be on far more hands going up in response to the first question than to the second; that would be my hoped-for response, anyway. But here comes the Big Surprise: You can’t have a choir if you don’t have singers! Hold that thought.

Those of you who have experienced our magnificent Holy Week or Christmas Cantatas have seen our choir loft filled with singers. Who are all these people? Some come from the community choir, Voices of the River; others from local church choirs; a few are simply non-churched individuals, friends who

enjoy the unmatched “togetherness” of raising their voices in song within a closely-knit group... The remaining singers are members of our Sanctuary Choir, the ones you faithfully see on Sunday mornings. We need more of these. More of YOU.

To be even more specific, we need more men in our choir, to join those already sharing their gifts. Without the brightness of tenor voices, or foundation and fullness added by the bass section, well - a choir just doesn’t seem like a choir, talented sopranos and altos aside. Now, if this doesn’t tell you men how important you are, I don’t know what will.

Shawn Bristle, our marvelous choir director, begins rehearsals again on Wednesday, September 7, 6:00 p.m. All who love to sing are welcome, especially MEN OF GREAT COURAGE. Remember the biblical exhortation that states, “Make a joyful noise unto the Lord!” As far as I can recall, it doesn’t say anything about knowing how to read music or understand four-part harmony. You just let all that joy come pouring out! How easy and wonderful is that!

*Blessings to all,  
Peggy Boone*



***“The wolf and the lamb shall feed together,  
the lion shall eat straw like the ox;  
but the serpent – its food shall be dust!  
They shall not hurt or destroy on all my holy  
mountain, says the LORD.”  
(Isaiah 65:25; NRSV)***



## Blessing of the Animals



Our annual pet blessing service will be in the Memorial Garden at 2 pm on Saturday, Oct. 1<sup>st</sup>.

There are several places in Scriptures that tell us that the peace that God gives is for all creation – especially the animals that we love. And this was an important teaching the St. Francis of Assisi taught. The Festival of St. Francis is actually on October 4<sup>th</sup>, but our pet blessing will be on the weekend before in the Spirit of Francis of Assisi.

So please bring your pets - whether they are dogs, cats, turtles, birds, snakes, or whatever – so they may receive a special blessing in Christ’s name to remind us that God loves them just as much as we do.



# Women of the ELCA

## CHILI LUNCH & SILENT PIE AUCTION FUNDRAISER

**Calling all ladies of Community Lutheran**

The WELCA group is planning a fund raiser for **October 15th.**

The group is planning a Chili fest with a Silent auction for pies as well as baskets to raffle off.

But help is needed to accomplish all this.

If you can donate a pie or make some chili for this event ...or have any questions please contact

**Reva Sparks, 928-768-3071**

The proceeds from this event will be going to support our move to city water.

The Chili fest will start at 11:00 am on Oct 15th, here at Community Lutheran Church. Chili will be sold for \$6.00 a bowl with onions, cheese, sour cream, cracker and/or corn chips to add to your bowl to make it just how YOU like it.

So mark your calendars for

**October 15<sup>th</sup>, 11:00 am.**

for a delicious lunch and maybe a



### CLC Women's Bible Study

**The women are meeting every second Tuesday of every month here at the church, at 10:00 AM.**

We are serving coffee and pastries! All the ladies of the church are welcome to join us. Bring a friend! Stay tuned for upcoming events and projects!



## Grand Canyon Synod WELCA Retreat

### Save the Date

October 21-22, 2022

MORE DETAILS COMING

### SPIRIT IN THE DESERT

Retreat Center  
7415 E Elbow Bend Road  
Carefree, AZ 85377

*Empowering Women*  
... stories that change lives



We are His work. He has made us to belong to Christ Jesus so we can work for Him. He planned that we should do this. Ephesians 2:10 NLV

#### Featured Speakers :

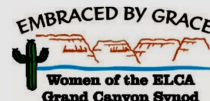
Rev. Dr. Meghan Aelabouni - Bible Study  
(Zooming from Jerusalem)



Pastor Rebecca Boardman, UofA Campus Ministries - Chaplain/Presenter



Carolyn Tonneson, Peter's Hope/Bamburi Women's Empowerment Center  
(Mombasa, Kenya, Africa)





## Birthdays & Anniversaries

### September Birthdays

- 5—Dee Schneider
- 6—Linda Grumbine
- 7—Jan Parrott
- 15—Dean Leuthauser
- 17—Linda Kyle
- 18—Carol Smock
- 30—Jean Thompson



### October Birthdays

- 3—Alice Grondahl
- 4—Lois Meyer
- 8—Murl Shaver
- 18—Ron Parrott
- 22—Ed Wiebe
- 23—Gary Cochran
- 25—Doug Dyrdaahl
- 25—James Smock
- 28—Elfine Lemke



### September Anniversaries

- 17—Don & Dolly Orth (55)
- 29—Don and Marlys Weyer (32)

### October Anniversaries

- 6—David & Susan Brusby (21)
- 25—Don & Jean Oman (42)
- 27—Emil & Joan Marques (43)



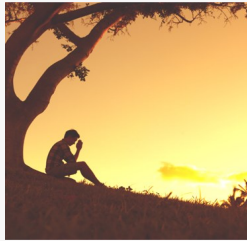
## *Welcome Our New Members!*

*Carol Gallagher  
Kurtis Nielson  
Lou & Bea Padilla  
James Snaadt*

08/28/2022



## Prayer Corner



### PRAYER REQUESTS

*We are here to pray for you!*



*Please continue to pray for all the persons whose names have been offered up by members and friends of the congregation.*

*We pray for healing, comfort, guidance, strength, recovery, safe travel, and unrevealed needs, as well as for those with thankful hearts and for those who grieve.*

Let us remember the ones God called home out of our midst, and keep their families and friends in our prayers.



*If you know someone who would like to be included in the ongoing monthly prayer list, be it for prayer or thanksgiving, please let the office know!*



# September 2022



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				1 2:00 pm Bible study	2	3
4 9:00 AM Worship Service	5 Office Closed	6	7 6:00 pm Choir Practice	8 9:30 am WMCM 2:00 pm Bible study 6:00 pm Council Meeting	9	10
11 9:00 AM Worship Service	12 Office Closed	13 10:00 am Women's Bible study	14 6:00 pm Choir Practice	15 2:00 pm Bible study	16	17
18 9:00 AM Worship Service <i>God's Work, Our Hands</i>	19 Office Closed	20	21 6:00 pm Choir Practice	22 2:00 pm Bible study	23	24
25 9:00 AM Worship Service (Noisy Offering)	26 Office Closed	27	28 6:00 pm Choir Practice	29 2:00 pm Bible study	30	

# October 2022



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
						1 2:00 pm Pet Blessing 
2 9:00 & 11:00 am Worship Service	3 Office Closed	4	5 6:00 pm Choir Practice	6 2:00 pm Bible study	7	8
9 9:00 & 11:00 am Worship Service	10 Office Closed	11 10:00 am Women's Bible study	12 6:00 pm Choir Practice	13 2:00 pm Bible study 6:00 pm Council Meeting	14	15 WELCA Lunch; silent Pie auction 
16 9:00 & 11:00 am Worship Service	17 Office Closed	18	19 6:00 pm Choir Practice	20 2:00 pm Bible study	21	22
23 9:00 & 11:00 am Worship Service <i>Noisy Offering</i>	24 Office Closed	25	26 6:00 pm Choir Practice	27 2:00 pm Bible study	28	29
	Bishops' Fall Gathering, Franciscan Center, Scottsdale				WELCA Retreat	
30 Reformation SUN 10:00 AM Worship Service	31 Office Closed					

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