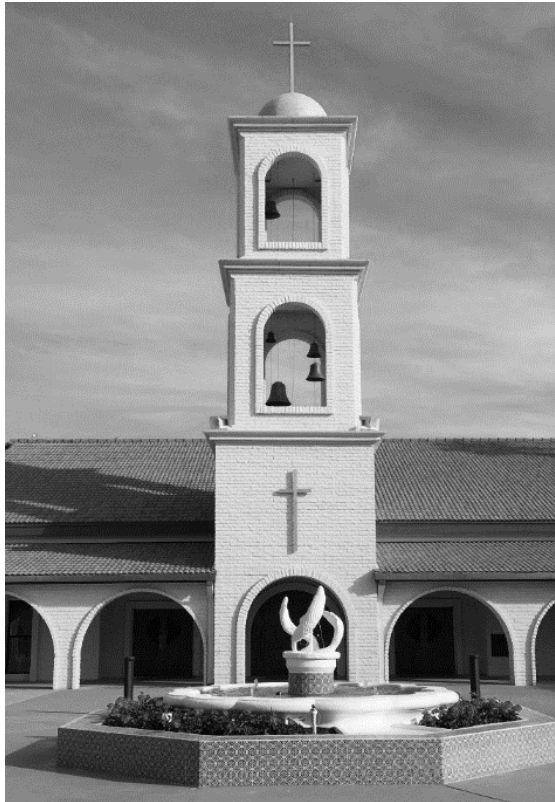


**American Lutheran Church of Sun City**

**November 2019  
Outreach Newsletter**



**MISSION STATEMENT:**

*To proclaim the love of Jesus Christ, invite others to participate in our faith community, and be a blessing to all in word and deed.*

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Dear American Lutheran Church Family & Friends,

Welcome to November, 2019! As we prepare for a month of exciting ministry, please recall these thoughts I shared in our August Outreach:

“I hope you enjoy the word “generous” as much as I do. Generous is a great theological word as it describes a key attribute of God who gives us every life resource out of extravagant love. Generous is a great ministry word as it connects being **generous** with **generating** enhanced ministry. Generous is a great personal value to guide our decisions to share God’s graces forward to people in need and strengthening faith in all generations.”

At that time, we celebrated God’s generosity flowing through our efforts to wisely match expense to incoming offering cash flow- this has been a good year of financial stewardship! I give thanks to our congregation for the sake of our mission to proclaim Christ, invite others and be a blessing in Word & Deed. Thank you!

Now, the month of November is a time of preparation for bringing our **2020 pledge**- an estimate of giving from within our membership. Pledging is a great theological word as it describes our intent to respond with generosity, secure within God’s amazing grace. Pledging is a great ministry word as it directly connects and energizes our 2020 ministry plans. Pledging is a great personal value to guide our decisions throughout next year as we, the members, take personal responsibility to follow-through on our estimate of giving.

Our members will receive a mailing the 2<sup>nd</sup> week of November with a pastoral letter, a pledge card and a return envelope. We will spend 2 weekends, November 16<sup>th</sup>/17<sup>th</sup> and November 23<sup>rd</sup>/24<sup>th</sup> highlighting stewardship within our worship services. On November 16<sup>th</sup>/17<sup>th</sup>, we are blessed to have Rev. Melissa Maxwell-Doherty of California Lutheran University share how this ministry we invest in is impacting the next generation of leaders. November 23<sup>rd</sup>/24<sup>th</sup> is Christ the King weekend where we place God as our Leader in life and celebrate another new member class joining us in ministry.

You are invited to bring your 2020 pledge to the November 30<sup>th</sup>/December 1<sup>st</sup> weekend services to place in the special offering plate. That weekend is the first weekend of the new Church Year, the first weekend in Advent, the start of another year in ministry moving towards our 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary in January, 2025. Please mail your pledge if you’re out of town.

As you prayerfully discern your 2020 pledge, enjoy the excitement of ministry in November including Rev. Judith Rainforth starting her pastoral ministry, Rev. Gary & Diane Garvey returning for Visitation and Bible study ministry, and welcoming new staff members Toni Holck/Operations Coordinator, Oddey Hernandez/Communications & Media and Betty Jo Gomez/Receptionist. Please come to Wednesday Night Alive's Gala celebration on Wednesday, November 13<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 pm and Thanksgiving Service on Wednesday, November 27<sup>th</sup> at 4 pm.

Love,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Pastor Lowell". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Pastor Lowell

## **PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL**

Good stewards

November is the month that reminds us to remember how thankful we are for all the blessings we have received. It is helpful for me to try to list them from time to time to help me realize there are way more than I can easily recite.

In addition to being thankful, we are reminded this month that the operation of this organization called American Lutheran Church of Sun City, doesn't just happen on its own. Each of us is asked to prayerfully consider our expectation of giving and we are encouraged to use the pledge cards that allow the more accurate offerings estimates upon which our budget is based. Through this intentional giving there are funds available to help accomplish parts of our Mission.

So, is American Lutheran a good steward of what is received? The business part of our organization as overseen by your Council is very aware of the need to be good stewards. This month, the budget process is in full swing. Each council person is a liaison to one or more of the Congregational Committees and thus responsible to prepare, on the committee's behalf, a budget request. A fair question would be is there a system in place to evaluate these requests? An example is the Benevolence Committee. In the Bylaws to our Constitution the Benevolence Committee “. . . shall invite applications for benevolence funds and evaluate and make recommendations for benevolence programs and activities to the Congregational Council.” Bylaw 12.04.06(D). What do they actually do?

Each year a Benevolence Request Form is sent to those we are currently funding and to any new requests or suggestions made by members of the congregation. The Benevolence Committee acting with Pastoral guidance, will approach all giving with Christian integrity and transparency so that we are a representative of God's mercy, grace and charity. Our benevolence should reflect American Lutheran Church to all as a loving body of Christians. Accountability of the recipients is an important factor in deciding whether to continue existing gifts as well as how appropriate the new request is in relation to the mission of our congregation.

As we strive to be good stewards of the funds made available to us, your church council invites you to take part in the upcoming informal budget meetings that will happen in the next few months to learn about how your tithes and offerings would be allocated to the programs. Please contact any Council member with questions.

Dick Jorgenson  
Congregation President

## WORSHIP AND MUSIC

### The ALC Concert Series

\*Denotes ticketed event

Sunday, November 3, 3:30 pm

ProMusica\*

pmaz.org

Sunday, November 24, 3:00

Lorraine Miller

Organ Recital

All concerts are open to the public. You are encouraged to invite friends and neighbors to take advantage of the opportunity to experience magnificent music without leaving the West Valley. See the full calendar of events on the music bulletin board in the Narthex. A color brochure listing the concerts through December is located in the tray below the bulletin board. *Websites are included for programming and ticket information, if applicable.*

### Celebration Choir

“Next to the Word of God, the noble art of music is the greatest treasure in the world.”  
Martin Luther

In addition to weekly anthems and service music, we are preparing for All Saints Sunday with violinist Wendy Perry on November 3 and for the Thanksgiving Eve service on Wednesday, November 27 at 4:00.

As the choir numbers grow week to week with returning members, keep in mind the open invitation to join us at any point in the season. Rehearsals are Thursdays, 2:30-4:00 and we would love to include you in our music ministry.

Janet MacDonald, Interim Choir Director     [janetamacdonald@gmail.com](mailto:janetamacdonald@gmail.com)

### Calling all singers and instrumentalists

Would you like to be part of our worship services in any of the following ways?

- as a singer, pianist or instrumentalist
- as an instrumentalist with the choir or other ensemble
- play or sing in a small ensemble

If so, please let us know-we'll be happy to involve you. Linda, Jan and George

## WELLNESS MINUTE

### **Signs that it's a cold:**

\*Things typically start with a scratchy throat or runny nose and gradually gets worse. Symptoms tend to be mild and include sneezing, nasal congestion, a sore throat, slightly swollen glands and coughing.

### **\*Treatment:**

Take it easy, rest up and stay hydrated. Pain relievers like ibuprofen and acetaminophen can provide temporary relief. A cold may last 10 days, but you're less contagious as soon as you start to feel better.

### **Signs that it's the flu:**

\*It hits you fast. You may feel feverish in the afternoon, but have full-body aches by dinnertime. You have all the joy of cold symptoms plus a fever over 100 degrees, headache, fatigue, chills and fun stuff like vomiting and diarrhea.

### **\*Treatment:**

You'll probably need to stay put for three to seven days. Ask your doctor if they recommend Tamiflu, an antiviral prescription. Although you may be tired, you can resume your routine when the fever disappears.

### **When to see a Doctor:**

- \*It's hard to breathe or keep fluids down-get help right away.
- \*Your headache is extreme and your neck is stiff, or you're sensitive to bright lights-sign of meningitis.
- \*Your fever is higher than 100.4 and won't break
- \*Vomiting is severe
- \*You have upper-respiratory symptoms that drag on for more than 10-14 days.

Lori Kellar: ALC Wellness Ministry

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## TRUST COMMITTEE

If you have a 401K or an IRA and need to do a Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) because you have reached the young age of 70 ½, there is a method that could save you taxes and benefit American Lutheran Church of Sun City at the same time.

You can designate a portion of your required withdrawal amount as a donation to the church and it would not be taxed, provided it goes directly from your account to the church.

Your contribution can be designated as a gift, a memorial, or an offering. If you choose to use this contribution method, please advise the church office so they can direct it to the appropriate account.

This article is for informational purposes only and is not intended to offer tax advice. You should consult a tax professional on your specific situation.

## WOMEN'S MINISTRY

November is the beginning of Lefse season here at ALC! Our annual **Lefse Sale and Holiday Bazaar** is Saturday, November 23 from 8:00 a.m. to 12 noon in the church fellowship hall. Offerings include holiday crafts, quilts, baked goods, and plants. Baked goods featuring lefse, a Norwegian flat bread, other delicious Nordic treats, brownies, breads, and pies will be offered for sale. Tickets for our raffle baskets will be sold beginning November 10th. Each of the baskets contain gift cards and/or an amazing array of items. Tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5. Spend the morning browsing among the many offerings and enjoying a cup of coffee and a scone or a muffin at our Cafe. Woodworkers and crafters, please bring your donations to the Fellowship Hall by noon on Friday, November 22. Bakers please bring your donations between 8 and noon.

November's monthly **Women's Bible Study** will be November 6 beginning at 9:30 in the Multi-Purpose room. This will be a special gathering as we welcome Pastor Judith Rainforth to ALC. We look forward to meeting her as she becomes a new member of our church family.

The next meeting to make diapers and bandages for Global Health Ministries will be Monday, JANUARY 27 at 1:00 p.m. We will NOT meet in November or December. Please continue to donate white t-shirts of all sizes and white sheets. All donations can be placed on the food gathering table in the narthex.



**Looking Ahead!** Women's Ministry is hosting a **Christmas Brunch** on Wednesday, December 18. Social time is 10 a.m. with brunch beginning at 10:30 am. The annual "**Cookie Walk**" will be held after brunch. Tickets are \$8.00 and will go on sale in December.

During Advent each year the women of American Lutheran Church prepare boxes of freshly baked cookies to deliver to our shut-ins. This year the boxes will be filled the morning of our December 18th Christmas Brunch. Extra cookies will then be offered for sale at our annual **Cookie Walk**. It will be a wonderful opportunity to purchase delicious Christmas cookies and other treats. Proceeds from the Cookie Walk will be donated to charities supported by our Women's Ministries. In order to make both of these events a success, we need lots of cookies!! Sign-up sheets will be available after services beginning the end of November. Sign-up forms asking for volunteers to deliver cookies to our shut-ins will also be available.

**Altar Guild for November**-Judy Jensen\*, Linda Cain, Karen Severson, Marty Livingston, Carol Moe, and Pam Geiger.

## **ANGEL TREE**

Christmas is just around the corner and that means that the ALCSC tradition of supporting the Angel Tree ministry is preparing for your participation. This ministry provides an opportunity to bring a little joy and reassurance to the life of a child whose parent is incarcerated by buying a gift for the child on behalf of that parent. Perhaps you might want to add one of these children to your Christmas list this year. That's the opportunity the Angel Tree program is all about.

American Lutheran Church will again partner this year with Central Baptist Church for the 2019 Prison Fellowship Angel Tree Christmas Program. Central Baptist will provide the names of the children along with the suggested gifts and we will purchase gifts on behalf of the prisoners for their children. The gifts will then be distributed to the families by Central Baptist Church along with a message of the birth of our Savior at a special Christmas party. This is a wonderful opportunity for us to help these parents bring joy to their children at this blessed Christmas season.

The need for this program continues to be so great that the Angel Tree Christmas Program has become a major part of the Prison Fellowship Ministry nationwide and our greater Phoenix area is no exception. If you would like to be a part of this ministry but

are not able to shop for a gift you may make a donation and the committee will do the shopping. You may give your donation to a volunteer at the Angel Tree table in the narthex or drop it off at the church office. Be sure to mark the gift "Angel Tree".

Watch for the Angel Trees in the narthex on the weekend of November 23/24. You will be able to choose your "angel" at that time. More information will be coming in the Sunday bulletins.

## **FELLOWSHIP COMMITTEE**

Thank you to all the committee members who volunteered this summer. The coffee hour committees and the potlucks committees (Hamburger/Hot Dog in June, Christmas in July, and Soup/Chili in August) did a superb job and the church members appreciate your work and dedication.

There were over 200 people who attended the Pancake Breakfast in September. The committee did a great job and we are grateful that we were able to have this event again.

And a thank you to those of you who continue to step forward and help us serve at the last minute when we are shorthanded. And a **special thank you** to those of you have donated funds to help us buy coffee, cookies, food and supplies.

On Wednesday, Nov. 6, 2019, we will have our next Fellowship meeting at 8:30AM in AB to plan/volunteer for the upcoming potlucks and coffee hours. Please join us for coffee, light refreshments and fellowship. We welcome new members and would love to have you join our committee. It is a great way to meet new people and make friends.

If you are unable to attend and would love to volunteer, please email Madeline Niccore ([mdniccore@gmail.com](mailto:mdniccore@gmail.com)).

Gratefully yours,  
Madeline Niccore

## **BENEVOLENCE COMMITTEE**



There is an old saying: “You can walk around the barn a 100 times but nothing will happen until you go in.” Now, is the time for action as the date for the Navajo Walk for Water is fast approaching. (January 11<sup>th</sup>) Some reminders:

1. Thrivent Members: All members have Thrivent Choice Dollars already” banked” at Thrivent to be used for special projects like our Navajo Water Walk. There is no cost to you or the church. Please do the following ASAP.
  - Call the Thrivent office in Appleton, WS – 800 – 847- 4836
  - Tell the prompt: Thrivent Choice Dollars
  - They will ask: Your date of birth and your ID number (they have it)
  - Ask how much in your account
  - Tell them to designate the amount to ALC – Sun City
  - It will be used for the Walk project
2. Walkers: Anyone can walk for any length up to 5K / 3 miles for a cost of \$25 per walker. Your friends / family / dogs are welcomed.
3. Non-Walkers: Support this project by writing a check, any amount, to American Lutheran Church Walk.
4. Matching Gifts: You are invited to join others by giving a challenge gift over \$2,000.

The registration form and information is available at the church or on-line: [alcsuncity.org](http://alcsuncity.org) under the “giving” column. All gifts are tax deductible.

## **CALLING ALL STEPHEN MINISTERS** **PAST PRESENT FUTURE**

Excitement is in the air here at ALC and our Stephen Ministry team would like to welcome everyone to our 2019-2020 season. Our new year for Stephen Ministry will start on Thursday, Nov 14<sup>th</sup> at 9 am in the Fellowship Hall with a catered breakfast. We would like to invite ALL STEPHEN MINISTERS, PAST AND PRESENT, and ALL ALC MEMBERS WHO ARE THINKING ABOUT POSSIBLY BECOMING A STEPHEN MINISTER to attend. Following the breakfast, we will hear from our pastoral staff about current trends in Stephen Ministry and the place of Stephen Ministry in our care ministry outreach here at ALC. Our Programs Coordinator will provide a preview of some of our upcoming programming for our monthly Continuing Education sessions; and our Pastoral Support Coordinator will lead us in sharing Holy Communion.

The second portion of our morning will be devoted to our new Peer Support Groups, which will be assigned, and then meet for planning and orientation. This is an essential meeting for ALL current Stephen Ministers.

PLEASE NOTE: there is no charge for the breakfast, but this is a catered meal, so an accurate count is essential. There will be an opportunity to sign up for the event at our table in the courtyard on the weekends of Nov 2-3 & Nov 9-10. We look forward to seeing you on Nov 14<sup>th</sup>.

## **FACILITATOR TRAINING FOR 2019-2020**

PLEASE NOTE: Our Peer Support Group Facilitator Training date has been changed. All Facilitators will meet for training on Friday, November 8 from 8:30-12:00 in Education C. This is a required meeting for all Facilitators. Any commissioned Stephen Minister who is interested in becoming a Facilitator is encouraged to attend this session. Attending the session is not a commitment to become a Facilitator; but will help you decide if you would like to do so. If you will attend this training or if you would like further information, please contact Kathy Ulrich @ 419-560-0153, Anna Spradlin @ 303-877-0475, or Glen Schulz @ 623-875-1011 by Wednesday, November 6.

## WEDNESDAY NIGHT ALIVE!



Welcome back ALC “Snow Birds!” As has been announced, the 2019 WNA Gala will happen on November 13 this year. WNA Program brochures are available in the church office, Narthex, and at the WNA ticket tables each week. We on the WNA committee, are looking forward to another successful event with exceptional inspirational, educational, and entertaining programs. We hope you will plan to attend. Tickets will be on sale beginning October 19. They will be available after the 4pm service on Saturday, between the 9:30am and 10:30am services on Sunday, and on Wednesday night after dinner. They are always available in the church office at the Receptionist’s desk.

***Remember please: Your ticket is your reservation. We are making exceptions for people who have gone away for the summer and will not return until the week of the Gala. So if this is you, please call the church to reserve your tickets until you arrive back in Sun City that week.***

\*\*\*On another note: a very generous donor has given monies to cover the cost of the WNA brochure this year. That is why you will see some of the brochure in color. The WNA committee is grateful for this generous gift. Thank you very much!

WNA is a tremendous outreach for ALC, which requires many people to make it successful. Just procuring programs is a huge responsibility, not to speak of the people who help with dinners each week. We are so thankful for Jane and Rob Coughlin, our caterers, who have been with us for many years. They are the best!! Also, Dennis and Lori Kellar, our WNA Dinner Chairs - thank you both for your tremendous efforts each week.

The WNA programs are an assortment this year, as always, so we are hoping you will take advantage of a “night out” with dinner, and quality programming of all types. Bring your friends, bring your neighbors - as we look forward to another successful year for Wednesday Night Alive!

See you soon!

Maryanne Winters, WNA Chair  
Connie Brodland  
Deb Hjortland  
Van Judd

Vicki Merlak  
Alan Olson  
Gil Thoele

## **NEIGHBORHOOD GROUPS**

With the changes Fall (or Autumn in UK) brings, in terms of climate change and more hustle and bustle, we all have something new to appreciate.

Activities in each of the groups are picking up speed again after the summer recess. We can look forward to attending Wednesday Night Alive (WNA) events and seeing old friends again at various food festivals, concerts, church services and Stephen Ministry events and even the Walk for Water in January 2020.

### **NG Meeting**

The leaders of each active Neighborhood Group should have received a letter from me by email, or USPS Mail, through Diane Lewis at ALC.

The letter invites all NG Leaders to attend a meeting at ALC November 12<sup>th</sup> 2019 at 11:00am. It will be in rooms A & B and light refreshments will be provided. If you are unable to attend please ask one of your group members to be there.

I have asked Pastor Lowell Nelson to be there as he has very strong views on the role NGs can play in preserving and extending the life of the church as a whole. Please let Diane Lewis or me know if you did not receive the letter. Also let us know if you will be attending this important meeting.

Blessings to all our returning winter NG members after your summer spent elsewhere. For those of you who do not regularly attend any of the NG activities please make an effort to attend one soon. You may be surprised at what interesting things happen there.

Bryan Cooper-Keeble  
623 376-6666  
banddck@aol.com

## **BOOK CLUB**

Dear Book Lovers:

Please feel free to join us for the next meeting of the ALC Good Book Group, November 11, 2019 at 10:30 am in Room C. We will be discussing *Where the Crawdads Sing* by Delia Owens. Beulah Jenson will be reviewing this widely acclaimed book for us, and we look forward to a robust discussion.

## “STORIES IN OUR STAINED GLASS WINDOWS” PART 1

When I first joined our new member orientation class at American Lutheran Church our class was given a small booklet: “The Gifts of God as Portrayed in the Stained Glass Windows of American Lutheran Church”. I took that booklet to church and was so happy to discover what each stained glass window meant. I am not sure if every new member continues to get that book but I thought that a review of the meanings of the windows would be a great source for several articles in our Outreach.

Let’s start with an overview.

### **Did you know:**

- Stained church windows had the beginnings in Gothic Christian cathedrals of northern Europe during the 12<sup>th</sup> century?
- Church walls were knocked out and replaced by colored glass to give light to the church interior?
- Stained glass windows were sometimes called the “Bible of the poor” because they told scripture stories?
- Pastor Elmer Hjortland and members of the original building committee of ALC suggested concepts to Herbert Meinke, the chief artist?
- The stained glass windows in the ALC sanctuary were made at the Walter Judson studios in Los Angeles?



Now, the Stained Glass Windows: as you enter the sanctuary, immediately in front you see the window “**SALVATION**”. **You see the Living Christ inviting us heavenward through His Cross.** The candelabra symbolize the Old Testament and the cross and crown represents the New Testament. The angel sounding the trumpet is reminding us of when we will be called to our eternal home. The wheat and grapes, incorporated throughout the window, symbolize the Sacrament of the Altar and the blue water symbolizes the Baptism. God’s grace is symbolized by the white from above and the small cross. **This window presents the great message of Jesus Christ who comes to us through his word and Sacraments.**

Above information was taken from the pages of the booklet “The Gifts of God as Portrayed in the Stained Glass Windows of American Lutheran Church”.

Yours in Faith,  
Terri Polk; Vice-President; ALC Council

## NEIGHBORHOOD GROUPS

### **First Thursday**

12:00 **2L** Royal Oaks @ Royal Oaks

### **First Saturday**

8:30 **2H** Happy Hour @ Royal Café

9:00 **2D** Thunderbirds @ ALC-9

### **Second Friday**

11:00 **2A** Birds of Pray @ 5 & Diner

### **Second Saturday**

9:00 **3C** CCC @ Carol Jones home

9:00 **3H** Jolly Comrades @ Coco's

9:00 **3J** Joy Joy Joy @ Georges (bell center)

### **Third Thursday**

8:30 **1A** Quail Run @ Mercer's

### **Third Friday**

11:00 **2A** Birds of Pray @ 5 & Diner

### **Third Saturday**

8:00 **2C** Early Birds @ JiMichael's

8:00 **5C/5E/5F** Grand West @ Memo's

9:00 **5A** Westers @ Birt's Bistro

9:30 **3A** Wanderers - in homes

### **Fourth Saturday**

9:00 **2M** El Dorado @ El Dorado

## GIFTS AND MEMORIALS

### **Gifts that were given to American Lutheran Church in Memory of:**

#### **Bruce Leonardi**

Gerald Hayes

#### **David Danielsen**

Corine Whinnery, Erwin and Arlene Johnson, Sheila Harmell, John and Betty Drew, Char Riebe, Glen Schulz, Denice and Chuck Louderback, Ardith Fuglie, Nola Mellstrom,

Linda and Bob Shirk, Don and Violet Anderson, Lola Spitz, Janet and David MacDonald,

Joan Hugill, Richard and Judith Laur, Joan Jordahl, and Audrey Wedul

#### **Del Nelson**

Helen Teply, Duane and Linda Reuer, Audrey Wedul, Duane and Delores Hovick, Ellen Olson, Jean English, Kay and Arvid Peterson, Bob and Kim Spacey, Violet and Don Anderson, Mike and Pam Lucas, Denice and Chuck Louderback, Janet and David MacDonald, Larry Stage and Judy VanDevere-Stage, Ann Jones,



Judith and Richard Laur, Linda Schwartz, Char Riebe, and Pete & Rita Van Stelle

**Eleanor Simons**

Gerald Hayes

**Jim Blair**

Erwin and Arlene Johnson, Sheila Harmell, and Pete & Rita Van Stelle

**John Hugill**

Joan Hugill

**Julian and Marie Qualley's son, Julian "Jay"**

Jim Becker and Terri Polk

**A gift was given in loving memory of her son, Douglas Johnson, by Jean Johnson**

**ALC GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP**

A NEW DAY - ALC grief support group meets on **Tuesdays at 10 am** in the Lounge. It's not necessary to sign up...just show up. We welcome you.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT**

The financial position of the church is better than budgeted. This is due directly to reduced overhead and hard work by staff and volunteers. Through September, we have a positive cash flow of approximately \$40K dollars. Thank you to everyone for there support. Dennis Kellar, Chair Finance Committee

**THANK YOU**

Thank you all for your thoughts, prayers, support, and donations in David's name. Your expressions of sympathy and encouragement during this most difficult time have meant more than you'll know. It's my pleasure and privilege to express how thankful, grateful and appreciative I am to each one of you.

God's blessings, Mrs. David (Marliss) Danielsen

"A big thank you to all who contributed to the courtyard flowers." This was a good expression of your generosity...The Property Committee

## ALC CAMPUS BIBLE STUDIES

**Pastor's Bible Study ~ Tuesdays, 10 am in the Fellowship Hall.**

**Men's Bible Study ~ Thursdays, 8 am Edu A/B** (see calendar) Lectionary study.

### **Mark your calendars!!!**

Friday Morning Bible Study will begin again on **November 1 at 9:00 am**. The study will be "Seamless" by Angie Smith. "Seamless" covers the people, places, and promises of the Bible, tying them together into the greater story of Scripture. Whether you've grown up hearing Bible stories or you're exploring Scripture for the first time, the full story of the Bible can be overwhelming. See you then!...Dianne Garvey

### **Pan de Vida needs tutors/mentors**

Looking for tutors for Pan de Vida's tutoring program starting Nov. 11. Works one-on-one with school aged kids Mondays, 4:30-5:30. Off on school holidays. Not a huge time commitment, but brings lots of smiles to kids. Both "full-time" and substitutes needed! Contact Pastor Mitch at 623-680-7363 or [mneeick@aol.com](mailto:mneeick@aol.com) for more details

### **Alcoholics Anonymous**

The AA Group meets at American Lutheran Church. These are referred to as "closed meetings". Closed meetings are for AA members only or for those who have a drinking problem and desire to stop drinking. Meetings are **Mondays, 7:00 pm** and **Wednesdays, 6:00 pm** in Education Room C. For more information, call Judie at (623) 337-7747.



**Al-Anon** is a worldwide, 12-step fellowship, which offers hope, support, and self-care information to anyone concerned about the drinking or drug use of a friend or family member. It has one purpose: To help loved ones of alcoholics by practicing the 12 steps. Meetings are **Tuesdays at 6:30 pm** in Education Room A/B. For more information, call Claire at (507) 288-6353 or Nancy at (858) 735-7456.

## **Directory Changes**

*We express our deepest sympathy to those who have lost loved ones.*

Sandy Doyen on the death of her Great-grandson, Hunter

Julian & Marie Qualley on the death of their son, Julian

Ken & Sharon Friedrichsen on the death of Ken's brother, Ron Schmidt

### **Centenarians**

Mary Graybiel (104)

Norma Carlsson (104)

Dorothy Noren (102)

Dorothy Hootman (101)

Milan Susina (101)

Florence H. Johnson (100)

### **LOCAL ADDRESS CHANGES**

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### **REMOVED FROM ROLLS BY DEATH**

Delbert (Del) Nelson (09/28/19)

Carol A. Howland (10/09/19)

Henry W. (Bud) Roufs (10/11/19)

Elmer (Bud) Eckland (10/12/19)

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