

Lutheran Church of the Foothills



JUNE 2010 Footnotes

Our Mission: Together we celebrate New Life in Christ as we seek to love God with our whole being, and love our neighbors as ourselves.

Worship ... Serve ... Nurture ...Grow

Grand Canyon Synod Assembly coming to Tucson

The yearly synod assembly is held in Tucson every three years. Fellow Lutherans from all over Arizona, Las Vegas and St. George, Utah will be assembling at **Loew's Ventana Canyon Resort June 17-19**. Volunteers are needed for many duties like registration, hosting the cookies and coffee table, ushering or helping with communion at the opening or closing worship services, helping people find the grand ballroom. Also, this is an excellent opportunity to see your synod assembly in action. You may sign up to attend all sessions and workshops as a visitor, or just drop in as time permits. You may register as a guest, which is free, by going online at the synod website, www.gcsynod.org and following the directions to attend the assembly. Foothills will be hosting one of the "theme dinners" for Assembly participants on Friday June 18.

Please mark these dates on your calendar to either volunteer or to attend as a guest. A schedule of events will be distributed soon. Watch for more information or talk with Pastor Bonnie or Pastor John.

Continue to pray at home

As members depart for various parts of the country we'll continue to pray from our summer locations for those on the prayer list and for our church community, country and world. It's been very meaningful to pray together on the 1st and 3rd Monday of each month and we'll let you know, via the newsletter, when the group will begin in the fall.

Those who have prayed together during the past months are Monica Coté, June Hensela, Carol Lundberg, Pat Walker and Ruth Anne Osenberg. We invite you to consider giving prayer group a try after the summer break. May the Lord bless you and keep you!

Be joyful always; pray continually; give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus. 1 Thessalonians 5: 16 -18

Summer devotional booklets available soon

Christ In Our Home, the quarterly ELCA devotional booklet, will be available soon in the church lobby. This booklet contains excerpts from the Revised Common Lectionary which we use in our Sunday Bible readings, and the meditations are a nice addition to what we hear on Sundays.

We have recently increased the number we receive to make sure all who want a quarterly devotional booklet will be able to have one. Large print editions are also available.

Welcome the new piano



The Music & Worship Committee has been accepting "Key Donations" since Easter to pay for the Petrof III-M, 6'4" Ebony grand piano that we have purchased for our sanctuary. We have now collected enough to pay for the piano and associated expenses. We are grateful for the generous donation that began our

Piano Fund from Trinkets and Treasures money donated by The Guild. We are truly blessed by our generous and giving Congregation who supported this campaign by donating Keys, Chords, and Octaves.

A grand piano by Petrof is one the finest handmade pianos in the world today. Our Church Council, with the help and expertise of the Music Committee, has purchased a proper and worthy instrument, moving Lutheran Church of the Foothills' music ministry forward. Our church is filled with the remarkable sounds of music for the whole community to enjoy. We plan to dedicate the New Piano in September or October, but meanwhile enjoy the outstanding music during Sunday Service at 9:30 am.

We all thank the Lord and the power of the Holy Spirit for working in our worship community to provide our new piano; we offer praise and thanksgiving through song and voices.

Blessings, ~The Music & Worship Committee

The future is here!

On May 8 the Church Council had a retreat where we talked about what we would like to see happen during the next year or two. Some of the things we talked about came out of the Long Range Planning Committee's recommendations.

Here are the items that we decided to address this year:

- Get some estimates to make some physical changes to the building. This includes a door between the narthex and the activity room, along with new partitions and a projection system for the activity room. Also we will explore the feasibility of some small windows between the narthex and the sanctuary. This is all in preparation for some changes in our education program coming this fall.

- Investigate some changes to our staffing to include a youth director. This could be a shared position with another congregation or possibly a UA student from Lutheran Campus Ministry. We see this as a way to jump start a renewed emphasis on our youth program.
- The possibility of some changes to our Sunday morning schedule to allow family participation in Christian education and services together. We are also looking into the possibility of a Saturday evening service.
- Consideration of a youth program that is combined with another congregation.

- An improved caring ministry to include training for lay visitations to hospitals and home bound servants. This would not replace pastoral visits but would augment them. This could be for long term patients or the homebound who need more frequent visits.

What does this mean to individual servants? As we move forward with some of these ideas we will need support from everyone. This could mean volunteering to teach, participation in new programs, working with the youth, painting/carpentry work, etc. While none of the above is set in concrete we believe that these all could lead to exciting new times at Lutheran Church of the Foothills and making Christ known in our community.

Pray seven ways with Lutheran Church of the Foothills

General information about prayers at LCF:

- Please always ask someone for their permission to add them to any of our published prayer lists.
- We do like to know the relationship to the requestor of the person being prayed for.
- We do not need to know the details of situation being prayed for, but a general category of need is helpful.
- While we limit the time any prayer request may remain on any list, you are certainly welcome to renew your prayer request over and over again, or ask for prayers for a specific time period.
- We very much appreciate being notified when a specific current prayer need changes, or when someone may be removed from the prayers.
- We will keep a name on our printed prayer list on our Sunday insert for three weeks, or for a longer period of time as requested. You can always "renew" any prayer request.

Here are seven ways to pray at LCF:

1. Sunday Prayer Notebook

Please print clearly in the notebook on the counter in the lobby any special petition you wish the worship leader to offer on your behalf. These will:

- Be included in the Prayers of the People during the upcoming Sunday worship for that one Sunday only.
- Be included (as appropriate) in the prayer list of the Foothills Prayer Group on either the first or third Monday of the month, for one time only.

2. Before each Sunday worship service

Just before each Sunday worship service, the pastors and worship assistants gather in Pastor John's office for a brief prayer for the worship service; you may join in that prayer either in Pastor John's office or in your pew before worship.

3. "In our prayers" in Sunday Announcement Sheet

Prayer petitions on this list will remain for three consecutive Sundays unless the pastors receive other instructions.

4. During worship services

In addition to participating in the formal prayers of worship, you are welcome to silently pray throughout our worship services.

5. Email

Emailed prayer requests are used for special needs of our community, often before or after surgery, or at times of death.

6. Foothills Prayer Group

This group does spoken and silent intercessory prayer. If you have a person or situation you wish prayers for, feel free to come to the Sanctuary at 10:30a on the first and third Mondays of each month; you may also contact Ruth Anne Osenberg to ask the group to pray your special petition.

7. Personal time of prayer

You are welcome to enter the sanctuary for personal prayer whenever the Church Office is open during the week. People regularly use our worship space as a place of peaceful sanctuary in the midst of a busy week. You are welcome!

Celebrating Life's Milestones

Birthdays

Ann Haab	6/1
Bob Reitz	6/2
John Kautz	6/6
Kent Klopping	6/6
Maxine Mathews.....	6/6
Hellene Henrikson	6/8
Jane Hodgson.....	6/8
Pat Zumbusch.....	6/8
Patricia Adams	6/13
Kathleen Johnson.....	6/15
Walt Belter.....	6/16
Keith Anderson	6/19
Jim Coté	6/19
Jean Waddle.....	6/19
June Sercer.....	6/20
Darlene Burgess.....	6/21
Edward Grafe.....	6/24
Evan Krause.....	6/25
Wendy Krause.....	6/26
Holly Hope.....	6/27
Ginnie Hinkle.....	6/28
Sandra Nelson.....	6/28

Anniversaries

Virginia & Ronald Rogers	6/1
Jackie & Emery Barker.....	6/3
Pat & Bob Walker.....	6/4
Kelly & Bob Ingram.....	6/6
Marlene & Matt Pushkar	6/9
Peg & Pat Zumbusch	6/9
Janet Johnson & Brian Shon	6/10
Elinor & Mike Weuve.....	6/12
Ruth & Chuck Waldron.....	6/15
Carolyn & Jim Parsons	6/16
Jean & John Waddle.....	6/17
Claudia & Bob Rasmus.....	6/21
Ginnie & Jim Hinkle	6/28

Our apologies if we missed your birthday or anniversary—please let us know so we can recognize you next time (and so our records are correct).



Lutherans hold camp for kids

Lutheran Summer Camp "Amazing Grace" for children grades 3-5 and 6-8 will be held in Oracle at the Triple Y Ranch. Camp is scheduled for July 25 - 30 at a cost of \$280. For more information, pick up a flier from the activities table in the church lobby, go to www.mysalca.com, call 520-468-7075 ext. 115, or see Pastor Bonnie. Register now!

Worship Assistants for June

Please contact Holly Hope at 204-7906 if you cannot serve as scheduled.

From June 6 through September 5, 2010, we will have one worship service each Sunday, at 9:30a. The format will alternate between Desert Song and Traditional.

June 6 — 9:30a — Desert Song

Communion Servers - TJ Ford, Rosemarie Schulz
Greeters - Dorothy Loescher, Virginia Sampson
Reader - Dennis Lynton
Ushers - Rene & Vic Stockbridge

June 13 — 9:30a — Traditional

Assisting Minister - Christina Butler
Communion Servers - Ken Ahlstrand, Babbie Lynton
Greeters - Judy & Tom Gjestson
Reader - Bruce Osenberg
Ushers - Joan Peyton, Clive Warrilow

June 20 — 9:30a — Desert Song

Communion Servers - Dorothy Loescher, Joan Nolan
Greeters - Kathy Humphrey, Joyce Steiner
Reader - Darlene Burgess
Ushers - Dawn Keller

June 27 — 9:30a — Traditional

Assisting Minister - Vicky Kuzel
Communion Servers - Bruce Seligmann, Babbie Lynton
Greeters - Ginnie & Jim Hinkle
Reader - Karen Junghans
Ushers - Rene & Vic Stockbridge

'Come Grow with Us' is theme for fall Sunday school

If you enjoy children who are eager to learn more about their relationship to Jesus and one another, volunteer for the Children's Sunday School program starting in September. Planning is currently underway and we are looking for two or three teachers in our congregation who are the right people to guide the elementary children in their faith.

For further information please call Philip Stephan through the church office or email your inquiry to step_4267q.com; Pastor Bonnie can also answer some of your questions.

Women, mark your calendars!!

Our annual Women's Retreat will be **February 25 -27, 2011** at the beautiful Redemptorist Renewal Center in west Tucson. Plans are underway for a Spirit-filled, fun-filled, weekend that you will not want to miss. Mark your calendars now, and watch for more information. Questions? See Pastor Bonnie.

Guest to preach on June 27

Pastor Ron Rude, our good friend and University of Arizona campus pastor for the ELCA, will preach on Sunday, June 27. Come and offer Pastor Ron a warm Foothills welcome.

Help LCF while you buy groceries at Safeway

Go to www.escrip.com and register your existing Safeway Club card, then choose Lutheran Church of the Foothills as the organization to receive one percent of all your purchases!

'Friday with Friends' begins in Fall

A special "Thank You" to everyone who hosted this group the first part of the year.

We will be taking a break during the summer and will resume in September. It's not too early to sign up for the remainder of the year. Our gatherings will be held on Fridays, September 24, October 22, and December 3. Enjoy your summer and we look forward to seeing you in September. If you have any questions, please call Darlene Burgess at 299-4099.



Thank you received

Dear Lutheran Church of the Foothills,

Deborah and I want you to know that your generous gift of \$374.50 is greatly appreciated.

We are introducing a new curriculum into the school, ever mindful of increasing the quality of education for our children. Our Health Clinic continues to offer health education and see patients, both for the school and the wider community. Attendance at the House of Prayer is slowly increasing as we try to honor the Navajo culture within our Christian tradition.

Your continued involvement is crucial to our work at the Mission in Rock Point—please continue to pray for our ministry.

Blessings for 2010,

~The Rev. Dr. Lynn Hubbard, Executive Director,
Navajo Evangelical Lutheran Mission
(a "Wednesdays in Lent" offering recipient)

Dear Lutheran Church of the Foothills,

Thank you, and your members, for your generous donation of \$374.50 to Interfaith Community Services.

The demand for ICS services has increased dramatically in these tough economic times. More seniors, disabled persons and families in financial crisis are turning to us for assistance even as local governments and other funding sources are cutting their support.

We don't always know how the services we provide will change someone's life. Thank you for your generous support that helps ICS help those who turn to us.

We wish you many blessings.

~Bonnie Kampa, Executive Director
(a "Wednesdays in Lent" offering recipient)



Dear Friends,

We want to thank everyone for your prayers, cards, visits and meals during Bill's surgery and recovery. We truly do believe in the power of prayer. We are blessed to be surrounded by caring friends and family.

~Love, Bill, Wendy, Evan & Erin Krause

Dear Fellow servants and Pastors of LCF,

Rosemarie and I thank you from the bottom of our hearts (including my repaired) for the many prayers, cards and well wishes we received in regards to my recent open heart surgery. It was quite an ordeal and I am convinced that the many prayers contributed to a very successful operation and routine recovery. Each and every one at LCOF have my sincere gratitude.

~Don Hagen

Dear Friends,

It is with much gratitude that we acknowledge and thank you for contributing Personal Care Items for Care Packages at Poz Café and Food for the February Poz Café. We are grateful that when a need exist, generous people such as you step forward to help.

Thank you, Lutheran Church of the Foothills, for putting your faith into action and serving those in need in our community.

With gratitude,

~Scott Blades, Executive Director

Tucson Interfaith HIV/AIDS Network (TIHAN),
a compassionate interfaith response to HIV/AIDS

To Lutheran Church of the Foothills,

Thank you for your generosity!

Love you,

~Rita, Joan, Phoenix, Jeff, Zoë, Sarah, and Barry
Center Pima Dorm,

Arizona School for the Deaf and Blind
(recipient of Thrivent matching gifts)

From the desk of Pastor Bonnie . . .

Summer is quickly approaching. The days are getting longer, and the thermometer is rising higher and higher. Many of us will be going on vacations, traveling either to summer homes or places we want to visit. We will be on journeys to escape the heat, find time away for rest and relaxation, or time with family and friends.

Our lectionary for the summer months (the scripture that is read on Sunday mornings) follows Jesus' journey through the towns and villages, on the dusty roads in and around Palestine. We are told of His encounters with people, and the conversations and teachings with the disciples. These scripture readings invite us to not only follow Jesus in His travels, but to learn the marks of discipleship.

Our journey of life happens whether we are prepared or not. Much preparation goes into planning a trip, even for a weekend. This summer we have the opportunity to hear how our journey of life, whether difficult or easy, is always a journey with a friend. Jesus says, "Remember I am with you always, to the end of the age" (Matthew 28:20).

So whether we are traveling far or near, or not at all, we know Who we belong to, and Who is with us.

Joyful travels.....

~Pastor Bonnie

Help LCF build a home for Abullahi's family



Love sunrises? Enjoy the satisfaction of a job well done? Cherish the experience of helping others? Eager to learn about green building? Join your friends from LCF as they work every second Saturday of the month through September 11; talk with Beth and Bryan Daum for more information.

Thrivent Builds volunteers enjoy beautiful mornings, while they create a home and stability for Abullahi Abdi and his family of five, who arrived in the United States in 2004 from Somalia, through United Nations assistance.

The 2009 Thrivent Builds home was the first gold certified energy efficient home in the City of Tucson. We hope to match or exceed that rating with the 2010 home. Volunteers are regularly working at the site on the second and third Saturdays of the month. Summer hours begin at 6:30am.

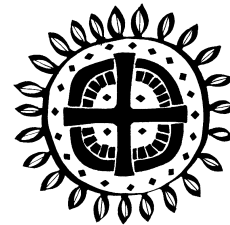
While we are over halfway toward our local commitment of \$18,000, your contributions may be eligible for the Arizona Tax Credit for the Working Poor.

If your congregation or family would like to join us, please contact Jo Riester, 742-2882. To organize other workdays, please contact 326-1217 x 210.

Eat, Pray, Love with the 'Read & Yak' group

In search of her spiritual self, author Elizabeth Gilbert recalls the first time she prayed: "It was all I could do to stop myself from saying, 'I've always been a big fan of your work.'" Gilbert's *Eat, Pray, Love*, is the next choice of the Read & Yak women's book club. The *New York Times* bestseller tells the tale of Gilbert's yearlong trip of self-discovery, with stops in Italy, India and Indonesia.

Priority at the Saturday, June 26 meeting will be choosing books and organizing hosts/facilitators for the next six months. Bring your book suggestions and calendars. Yakking begins at 10 a.m. at the church. A sign-up sheet is in the church lobby. For more information, see Pastor Bonnie.



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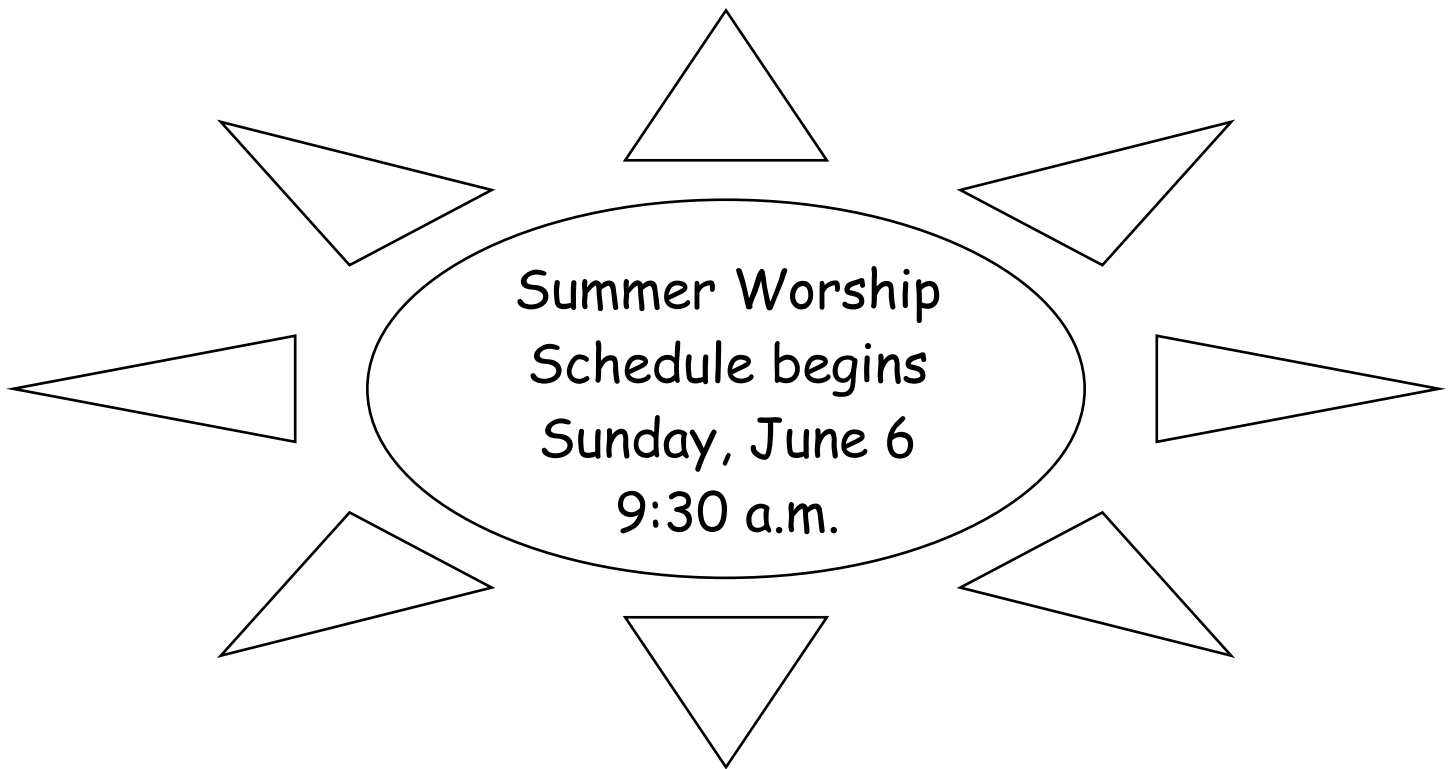
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Our Vision: We are a community rooted in Christ striving to grow in faith, in love for all, in service to our community and world.

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