



A Multi-Campus Ministry

Our Savior's Lutheran Church

Our Savior's Newsletter

January 2020

EAST MESA CAMPUS

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CHURCH COUNCIL

President - Ron Rock

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COUNCIL MEMBERS

Susan Drane, Administration

Richard Falk, Missions

Leonard Schroeder, Evangelism

Suzy Cavoto

Cindy Reichert

Robert Kolafa

COORDINATING COMMITTEES

Mike Kraklow, East Mesa

Janice Cunningham, Gold Canyon

EAST MESA SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

M-Th: 8:00am - 4:00pm

Friday: 8:00am - 12:00pm

GOLD CANYON OFFICE HOURS

Monday—Friday: 9:00am - 12:00pm

Of the Father's Love begotten, ere the worlds began to be.
He is Alpha and Omega, he the source, the ending He.
Of the things that are and have been,
and that future years shall see.
Evermore and evermore.
Amen.

These words are the first verse of my favorite Christmas hymn, "Of the Father's Love Begotten." It comes from the ancient poem Cordenatus written by Aurelius Prudentius. It was used as a chant by the church at least as early as the 10th century.

These ancient words and thoughts convey a message that we still struggle with comprehending today. The message that God is the beginning and the end, the very source of all time.

I find the words to this verse so comforting.

Yet I also find them a challenge. They challenge how society views time. They challenge how we have been trained to view value. These words challenge how we look at our own accomplishments. This poem, written long before any of our modern views and understandings came to be, challenges every way we view the world and life and God, because it understands the mystery that is God's existence.

We don't always deal well with mystery in our modern age. We like facts and proofs, straight lines and logical explanations. This idea of God gives us none of those things.

It instead wraps us in the unexplainable love of the God who exists beyond our time or logic.

As you begin a New Year, take comfort in knowing that the God who is, who was, and who forever will be, IS all of your new beginnings and your endings.

*Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Pastor Tina

(*It is Christmas until January 6th!)

OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

ABBREVIATED COUNCIL MINUTES

December 17, 2019 7:00 pm Gold Canyon Campus

PRESENT: Ron Rock, Mike Kraklow, Barb Reurink, Suzy Cavoto, Leonard Schroeder, Janice Cunningham, Cindy Reichert, Richard Falk, Susan Drane, John Malmberg

ABSENT: Robert Kolafa, Kim McCracken

STAFF: Pastor Bill Rindy, Pastor Tina Mills, Dave Reurink

CALL TO ORDER: (7:00 PM) by President Ron Rock

DEVOTIONS: Pastor Bill Rindy led in prayer.

Approval of Agenda: A motion was made to adjust Agenda to include Staff Reports by Mike Kraklow and seconded by Janice Cunningham. MC

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Motion by Cindy Reichert and seconded by Mike Kraklow to accept the November Council Minutes as written. MC

TREASURER'S REPORT: Cindy Reichert gave the treasurer's report and then turned it over to John Malmberg to present a draft of the 2020 budget.

PASTORS' REPORTS:

Pastor Bill Rindy: 1. Provided a copy of a bulletin for the Christmas Morning service. 2. Pastor Bill along with the Endowment Committee traveled to Carefree to learn more about how a Legacy Program will work.

Pastor Tina Mills: 1. Synod Council Retreat will be in September 2020. 2. Synod Assembly will be in Las Vegas. 3. Bishop Convocation will be in October 2020 in Flagstaff. 4. There are two (2) new Eucharistic Ministers from Gold Canyon. The Advent Devotional is reaching to 250+ on Facebook.

EAST MESA CAMPUS COORDINATING COMMITTEE: Report submitted. No action items.

GOLD CANYON COORDINATING COMMITTEE: Report submitted. No action items. Thursday, Dec. 19 is the Christmas Potluck at Gold Canyon.

MISSIONS: Report included with Coordinating Committee minutes.

EVANGELISM: Working on a new brochure.

MISSIONS: 762 pounds of food was donated to the Apache Junction Food Shelf. The Food Bank will donate food for the snack packs. There were knitted hats donated for the Angel Tree and 25 more for the I-Help women.

ADMINISTRATION/WELCA: The Roaster Pans at EM brought in \$3400 for Christmas dinners.

FACILITY: New toilet paper dispensers have been ordered. Titan is coming on Thursday morning to try to fix the problems at Gold Canyon.

Pastor Tina Mills led the Prayer.

A motion to adjourn was made by Mike Kraklow and seconded by Leonard Schroeder. MC

UPCOMING MEETING: January 21, 7pm at the East Mesa Campus

December 9, 2019 EM Coordinating Committee (CC) Meeting Write up

Revised Time: 7pm –7:40pm

Attending: Pastor Tina, Kim McCracken, Phyllis Edmond, Robin Tomlinson, Susan Drane, John Weber, Linda Gerke, Al Gerke and Mike Kraklow

Mike opened with prayer

Mike – Praise the Lord! The parking lot was approved by the County today, 12/9/19. It looks like the Curtis Swanson House will be transferred to the Church around Christmas.

Robin – Family Promise –The next Family Promise event will be April 19-26, 2020 and September 20-27, 2020. The MOU was approved in October. The MOU needs to be forwarded to Family Promise.

Robin & Linda – I-Help – The November Mission was \$15 Gift Cards given to I-Help. 30 gift cards were collected. In December, it was noted that Christmas Day and New Year's Day fall on a Wednesday. Because of scheduling, the I-Help Ladies would normally leave on Wednesday morning and go to the next Church at 5:30pm. LSS is arranging for the I-Help ladies to stay at another location on Christmas Day and New Year's Day.

Phyllis – Kitchen – Pie was served after both Thanksgiving Eve services. It was very successful. Phyllis will be helping at the AA potluck this coming Saturday. Phyllis wanted to thank Dave for fixing the sink.

Mike – Property - SRP fixed the two parking lot lights on the West Side. SRP replaced a new head on the light in the East Parking Lot by Weir Street. The light above the office door is now operational - by-passed the ballast - now using a LED lights; The two lights above the East door are operational - by-passed the ballast - now using a LED lights; The two lights above the staff canopy parking are operational - purchased two New LED lights; One light above the Sanctuary doors is operational - there was a loose connection; Outlet in the NE corner of the Overflow is now working - the ground wire was not making contact; South tall light was always on - the photo eye was replaced. An outlet was added in the safe room; The Spot light on the exterior stain glass is now operational - the photo eye was replaced; The two lights that are 15 ft. high on the wall next to the East door are operational - wiring was replaced and new LED light Kit added; A total of four photo eyes were replaced; Monies for these items were donated. The solar panel on the light for the Flag was readjusted. New curtains in the Community Room; Curtains in the nursery are now child safe. To Do List at EM - Sound & Video issues – AV to fix this Thursday; A few leaks on the roof – the roof is under warranty & the leaks will be addressed; The lights in the Chapel along the stain glass windows are on during the day – to be fixed this Tuesday; We need to pump the septic tank

Kim – Children, Youth and Family– On November 27th – 87 people attended the three Feed My Starving Children events. Poinsettias were offered for purchase in memories of loved ones at both campuses on 11/30, 12/1, 12/7 & 12/8; 44 were sold at EM and 20 were sold at GC. There were a total of 228 tags (gift purchase for children) on the Angel Trees. There are still 45 tags to be picked up. The Boy Scouts delivered the purchased Christmas Wreaths on 12/1. Ron & Denice Rock put on a training session on how to make jewelry for Christmas Gifts on 12/1 – 20 families – 60 kids attended. We want to thank the Rocks for doing this.

Upcoming events - December 12th Dinner, Movie and Discussion- “Green Book” GC 6pm- 8pm; December 14 – Biscuits & Gravy at Genesis Project in AJ; December 14th /15th - Angel Tree Gifts DUE and orders for Poinsettias; Sunday, December 15th - Barbershop Christmas Concert- Sanctuary 2pm EM;; December 19 – Hosting a potluck at GC – Singing Christmas Carols & Playing bells

December 9, 2019 EM Coordinating Committee (CC) Meeting Write up

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Kim – Discipleship – In December, We will have a short study (two classes) on Jesus' Birth Stories from the 4 Gospels; Studies will resume in January.

Kim – The Forge will have a Christmas Eve service at 7pm in the Chapel. They are aware that the I-Help Ladies will be in the Community room during these hours and that the choir will be arriving at 10:15pm for the 11pm candle light service. Please note that 50 to 70 people attend a normal Sunday noon service.

John – Music – On Sunday 12/1 in the Chapel, there was an Advent Santa Lucia Procession and Hymns sing. It went well. On Sunday 1/12 at 2pm, there will be an Epiphany Hymn sing. Everyone is invited to come to the East Mesa Chapel. Free-will donations will be given to the fund the Chapel Organ updates; In order for the Chapel organ to remain relevant for generations to come, it is in need of some updates. These updates can be completed in the following order, based on the availability of funding. These projects can be completed in 2 to 3 years.

1. Complete Swell, Flute 4, 2 stop additions (\$4000)
2. Remove current capture / memory system which doesn't stop additions (\$1000)
3. Rearrange stops on stop rail to correspond to current organ standards (\$4000)
4. Install new capture / memory system (Price to be determined based on available options at time of installation)

On December 15th at 2pm, there will be a Barbershop concert in the Sanctuary. This group is aware of the Forge being in the Chapel until 1:15pm

Susan - WELCA – The annual WELCA breakfast was on 12/7. 45 people attended. Skyline Choir was the entertainment and they did a great job. Next year, the WELCA is considering inviting the spouses for the breakfast. \$2600 was collected in the roaster pans on the weekend of 12/1. Already over \$2000 worth of gift cards have been given to schools. The roaster pans will be put out this coming weekend 12/14 & 12/15. The WELCA Bazaar will be on Friday February 21st and Saturday February 22nd. Judy and Ed will be charge of the 2020 Bazaar.

Mike – Worship – As Dec. 21 falls on Saturday, there will be no Blue Christmas service this year. Christmas Eve Services at EM: 2pm, 4pm, 6pm, 11pm; GC: 4pm, 9pm; Christmas Day at EM: 9am

Christmas Program at EM: 12/22 @ 10:30 and at GC: 12/29 @ 10:30 Communion via intinction at all Christmas Eve and Christmas Day Services. We are need of Ushers for the 2pm, 6pm, and 11pm Christmas Eve Services and the 9am Christmas Day Service. Next Worship Meeting: Wednesday 1/8 at 11 am.

Pastor Tina closed with Prayer

Next meetings: Monday January 13th at 7pm Monday February 10th at 7pm

Our Saviors Lutheran Church Gold Canyon Coordinating Committee December 3, 2019

Attending: Janice Cunningham, Robert Cunningham, Leonard Schroeder, Suzy Cavoto, Susan Drane, John Malmberg, Kitty Daniels, Ron Rock

Staff: Pr. Bill Rindy, Dave Reurink, Pr. Tina Mills, Kim McCracken

Absent: Karen Howard, Mike Johnson, Anita Pope, Richard Falk

Pastor Tina opened the meeting with a devotion and prayer.

New Business – Janice moved to allow a group to hold a book club meeting every 3rd Monday of the month. It will be called the “Book Brunch Buddies”. It will meet at noon and each member will be encouraged to bring a brown bag lunch. The first book is to be “The Moment of Lift” by Melinda Gates. Robert seconded the motion and it was carried.

Old Business – Kim informed us that the youth will assist in setting up for the Christmas Potluck to be held on Dec. 19th starting at 3:00 pm. There are signup sheets at both campuses. The telephone voice recording has been changed to indicate that the office hours at Gold Canyon are limited to Monday, 9 until noon.

Pastor and Staff

Pr. Bill – Training is continuing for Dianna Phillips. Because Mike Johnson is the only volunteer in the Gold canyon office he sent a notice to Dianna to be printed in the Newsletter, the Ad-Loop and the Bulletin asking for volunteers for Tuesday through Friday mornings in the office. Dianna apologized for missing this and one more announcement for the November Newsletter, etc. Mike will need to resend with any updates for December. We were reminded that the Bazaar will be held February 21st and 22nd, items for the Bazaar can be brought in during the week prior to the event. February 26th is Ash Wednesday with Easter on April 12th. Pastor Nancy will be joining us January 2nd to the end of April. The preaching schedule has been set for this time period. A book study on C.S. Lewis’ “Screw Tape Letters” will start at 9:00 am January 2nd at the Gold Canyon campus. It will last for 12 weeks. The book will be available through the Pastors for \$12. Bible study will follow.

Pr. Tina – Pr. Tina welcomed Kitty to the CC. She needs more members as Eucharistic Ministers and in the Steven Ministry. If any of us wants to volunteer or if we know someone we would recommend, please contact her. She is working on a Facebook based worship for Advent.

Kim McCracken – Kim has a written report that is attached. Trunk or Treat at East Mesa was an extreme success. There were around 300 children attending. The Phantom (John Weber) played music on the chapel organ from “Phantom of the Opera”. Free books were provided to all the children. Pr. Charles from Crossroad Church at San Tan Valley will hold a Leadership Meeting Saturday, Nov. 16th at the Gold Canyon campus. There will be 10 people from 9:00 am until 3:00 pm. Kim will check to see what their plans are for lunch. The Fun Van from the AJ Library is interested in meeting at our campus again on Thursdays from 9:30 to 11:30 this Dec. through March of 2020. She will prepare a MOU. **Action item for Council meeting.**

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Dave The parking lot is completed at East Mesa. As soon as the County has conducted their final inspection, Entrance and Exit signs will be installed. Titan is scheduled to be at Gold Canyon tomorrow, November 6th to work on our alarm and lock problems. Both Dave and Robert will be with them. Robert met with an electrician and several of the lighting problems were fixed. However the lights above the SE entrance door still do not work. Dave will contact the electrician again.

Ministry Chair Reports (only those with current activity are shown below)

Administration – Susan Drane had nothing to report over the fact that Dianna Phillips had joined us as Communications Coordinator.

Care – Kitty Daniels is excited to be working with the Coordinating Committee as the Chair of this committee.

Discipleship –Suzy Cavoto reminded us that Dinner and a Movie starts up again this month. East Mesa is hosting on November 14th. The movie is “Miracles from Heaven”. The December movie will be shown at Gold Canyon on December 12th. The film is “The Best Little Christmas Ever”. January 9th movie is the “Green Book” at East Mesa. “Break Through” will be shown at Gold Canyon on February 13th and “Risen” will be shown at East Mesa on March 12th. Dinner starts at 5 followed by the movie. The suggested donation is \$5.00 per person to cover the cost of the dinner. The bible study, Introduction to Jesus in the Gospel will continue until January 7th. Then a book of Exodus will start. The book is \$9 and will be available through the pastors. This study will last 12 weeks.

Evangelism – Leonard reported that the multi campus Evangelism Committee will not meet until December because the office is closed for Veteran’s Day. The committee is working on the AJ Festival of the Superstitions and needs volunteers to stop by to help November 9th from 9:00 am until 8:00 pm at the Flatiron Park in AJ. Jackie Rothbard has put together a flyer for each campus. They will be available before this coming Saturday to be used at the Festival. Dutchman’s Days will be held February 28th, 29th and March 1st 2020. He is unsure whether we will have a booth at this event.

Good News – Mike Johnson was pleased to see 4 new people, out of 16, attending the Saturday night service. There were 26 people attending the Sunday 7:30 service. The 9:00 continues to be the most highly attended. The choir sang at the 9:00 service and at 10:30 for the prelude. Mike will see if he can have the information on the Gold Canyon Award Program, which named the Gold Canyon campus of OSLC as the best church in Gold Canyon, placed in the Superstition Living Magazine and the local papers. The Snack Pack program continues to go well. Thanksgiving is on Thursday November 28th. Snack Packs will be delivered on Tuesday, November 19th and then on Tuesday, December 3rd.

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Missions - Richard Falk delivered food and water donations from East Mesa to the food bank in Gold Canyon. He also will deliver several children's hand knit sweaters for the Navaho School. Janice and Robert Cunningham, Suzy Cavoto and Lore Stark attended the 6th anniversary of the Native American Urban Ministry Church at Grace church on October 19th. They were presented with an original painting as a thank you for being partners in ministry with NAUMC. This painting will be placed in the sanctuary. Carol Ronen's husband has been admitted to a residential memory facility in Mesa. The Prayer Shawl group suggested she choose a shawl for each of the 10 residents of this home. She will deliver them this week. The November mission food items are rice and peanut butter. Cash contributions will be used to purchase \$15 gift cards from Fry's to give to the I-Help women.

Property Team – Robert met with an electrician and several of the lighting problems were fixed. However the lights above the SE entrance door still do not work. Dave will contact the electrician again. The electronic locks in the door from the courtyard to the sanctuary are not working. He and Dave will refer this problem to Titan when they meet tomorrow.

WELCA - The Bazaar date has been changed. It will be held at East Mesa the third week of February 2020. Items can be dropped off February 17th through the 20th with the Bazaar held February 21st and 22nd. Roaster pans will be placed at both campuses November 16th and 17th and December 14th and 15th. The funds collected will be used to provide holiday meals for those in need. The new staff members were confused by the use of the words "roaster pans". They wondered if we were collecting the pans themselves. The references will be changed to avoid this confusion.

Worship – Anita reported that John Weber has accepting the position of Chairman for this committee. Her painting has not yet been hung. Dave and Robert will do so tomorrow when they are on site for Titan.

Next meeting will be December 3 at 1:00 pm in the Forum Room.

Pr. Tina adjourned us with prayer followed by the Lord's Prayer.

Janice Cunningham, Chair
Gold Canyon Coordinating Committee

Our Savior's Lutheran Church

Statement of Financial Position For All Funds as of 11/30/2019

Assets		Net Assets	
Bank		Restricted	
Chase Business Checking	\$ 182,908.87	Adult Education Materials Fund	\$ 2,052.54
ELCA Federal Credit Union	\$ 25.00	Angel Tree Fund	\$ 883.64
MIF Investment Acct	\$ 5,154.64	Capital Projects - Vanguard	\$ 3,818.59
		CYF Noisy Offerings	\$ 2,132.41
Vanguard - OSLC Endowment	\$ 627,411.73	CYF Trunk or Treat	\$ (650.82)
Education Portion	\$ 6,468.58	CYF VBS	\$ (975.79)
Other Portion	\$ 4,358.73	CYF Youth-Sunday School	\$ 875.68
Total Vanguard - OSLC Endowment	\$ 638,239.04	CYF Youth Gatherings	\$ 582.01
		CYF Youth Scholarships	\$ 422.15
Vanguard Capital Projects	\$ 343.59	Designated Offerings	\$ 44,149.91
- Columbarium Niches	\$ 3,475.00	Endowment Fund - Vanguard	\$ 638,239.04
Total Vanguard Capital Projects	\$ 3,818.59	Family Promise Fund	\$ 3,056.47
		Food Shelf Fund	\$ 120.00
Vanguard Reserve Account	\$ 29,228.81	GC Choir Fund	\$ 574.00
Petty Cash	\$ 172.94	Gods Work Our Hands Fund	\$ 2,895.34
Total Bank	\$ 859,547.89	Holiday Flowers Fund	\$ (103.97)
		I-Help Fund	\$ 2,746.38
Accounts Receivable	\$ 3,150.00	Local Emergency Aid Fund	\$ (581.08)
Fixed Assets	\$ 5,226,455.05	Mesa AV Project Fund	\$ 420.07
		Mesa Sign Project Fund	\$ 1,982.34
Total Assets	\$ 6,089,152.94	MIF Investments	\$ 5,154.64
		Music Fund	\$ (1,170.27)
Liabilities		Parking Lot Fund	\$ (104,319.16)
Accounts Payable	\$ 18,758.84	Property and Equipment	\$ 3,376,471.49
Payroll Withholding & Taxes	\$ (704.19)	Reserve Fund - Vanguard	\$ 29,228.81
Clearing acct	\$ 40,006.16	Snack Pack Fund	\$ 2,388.38
Mortgage Payable	\$ 1,849,718.56	Thrivent Sponsored Events	\$ 2,908.96
Mission Investment Fund Parking Lot Loan	\$ 98,126.68	Undesignated Memorials	\$ 2,974.17
		WELCA Fund	\$ 280.00
Total Liabilities	\$ 2,005,906.05		
		Total Restricted	\$ 4,016,555.93
		Unrestricted (General Fund)	\$ 66,690.96
		Total Net Assets	\$ 4,083,246.89
		Total Liabilities + Net Assets	\$ 6,089,152.94

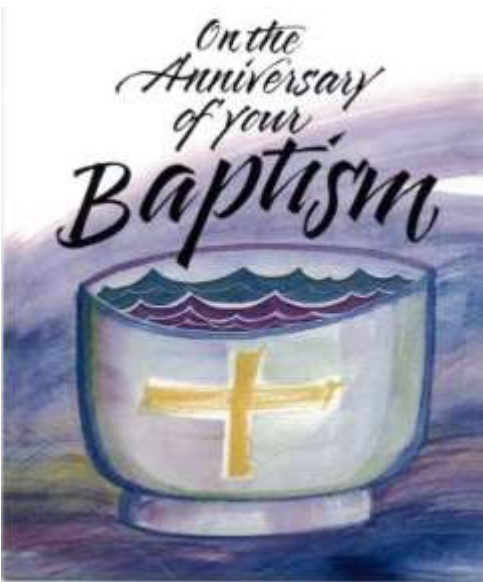


Birthday	Name	Birthday	Name
01/01	Margaret Wilson	01/14	Carolyn Collis
01/02	Marla Weissert	01/14	Susan Cavoto
01/02	Susan Barrow	01/14	Elbert Kirk
01/02	Kathryn Thompson	01/16	Inez Iverson
01/03	Bonnie Lindquist	01/16	Gary Hagen
01/04	Ann Lester	01/16	Leonard Rybczyk
01/04	Hellen Markwart	01/17	Carroll Anderson
01/04	Marlene Wood	01/18	Max Justmann
01/05	Brenda Flatgard	01/18	Lucille Downing
01/05	Robert Holmes Jr	01/18	Ruth Ann Maslar
01/06	Lilian Gilman	01/18	Marie McKay
01/06	Sharon Nasset	01/18	Patricia Fuller
01/07	Skylar Patton	01/20	George Carley
01/08	James Beutel	01/20	Rosanne Casterton
01/08	Dodie Larson	01/22	Naomi Polzin
01/08	Carol Murray	01/22	Hailey Carr
01/09	Vera Hartman	01/23	Glenn Graham
01/09	Margie Pillsbury	01/24	Vern Bloom
01/09	Christy Gjerde	01/24	Janis Lofthus
01/10	Arlene Nunes	01/24	Keith Slater
01/10	Delmer Voss	01/24	Kaitlyn Patton
01/10	Earl Ballou	01/25	Muriel Langerud
01/10	Albert Gerke	01/25	Mary Walker
01/10	Odell Braaten	01/25	Sharon Lewis
01/10	Karen Stanko	01/25	Linda Slinde
01/10	Jenny Gottlieb	01/27	Richard Halverson
01/12	Edward Henderson	01/28	Bette Syvrud
01/12	Robert Thibodeau	01/28	Barb DuFour
01/12	Aurora Arnett	01/28	Eugene Anderson
01/13	Donna Groth	01/29	Jerome Finnegan
01/13	Donald Wygle	01/29	Robert Ryall
01/13	Peggy Tabor	01/29	Emory Struck
01/13	Catharine Longman	01/29	Klayton Kemper
01/13	Sarah McCracken	01/30	June Brudvik
01/13	Hunter Huish	01/31	Jean Anderson



Wishing You a Happy Anniversary!

Anniversary	Name
01/01	Thull, Lona Lee & Edward
01/01	Wall, Joyce & Tom
01/01	Hanson, Dale & Diane
01/02	Urdahl, Margie & Marlowe
01/04	Roscoe, Ashley & Aaron Bearden
01/08	Aasen, Bob & Patty Aasan
01/09	Cochran, Cookie & Bob
01/10	Teske, Linda & Tom
01/11	Langerud, Muriel & Cal
01/15	Pierson, Shannon & Mort
01/19	Jordan, Geraldine & David
01/21	Tabor, Peggy & Al
01/23	Dittus, Janet & Marvin
01/24	Strang, Aline & Don
01/27	Sonnenburg, Louise & Curt
01/27	Struck, Dennis & Candis
01/28	Slinde, Linda & Darryl
01/28	Ulmer, Faye & George
01/30	Vogl, Shirley & Gene



Baptism	Name	
1/1/2006	Joe	Carstensen
1/14/2007	Alexander	Holmes
1/1/2009	Cash	Kemper
1/11/2009	Charles	Dempsey
1/15/2009	Veva Blu Evangeline	Wright
1/1/2012	Margaret	Wilson
1/20/2013	Jett	Kemper
1/27/2013	Marin	Heistan
1/19/2014	Hayden	Carr
1/19/2014	Hudson	Carr



Thank You TO OSLC

From Packages From Home (December 5, 2019): Now more than ever, our thoughts turn gratefully to those who have made our success possible. In this spirit we say, simply but sincerely, Thank you and best wishes for the holiday season. Warmest Regards.

From the Food Bank of Gold Canyon, United Methodist Church (March 27, 2019):

To Our Savior's WELCA Members: The Gold Canyon United Methodist Church would like to thank you for your generous donation in the amount of \$250 for our food bank. We are most thankful and grateful for your support of this mission. Thank you, too, for the delicious lunch. Our statistics through February 2019 show that we served 2,014 individuals, distributed 2,5445 food bags and 632 families. Your donation helps us meet the needs of many in our extended community. You are indeed a unique blessing to our food bank.

Thank you and bless you, Linda Clise, Food Bank Manager

From the Food Bank of Gold Canyon, United Methodist Church (December 11, 2019):

To Our Savior's Lutheran Church Congregation, The Gold Canyon United Methodist Church would like to thank you for your extremely generous donation in the amount of \$500 for our food bank. We are most thankful and grateful for your support of this mission. Our statistics this year through November 2019 show that we served 11,793 individuals and 3,752 families. Your donation helps us meet the needs of many in our extended community. You are indeed a unique blessing to our food bank.

Thank you and bless you, Rush Tucker, Food Bank Manager

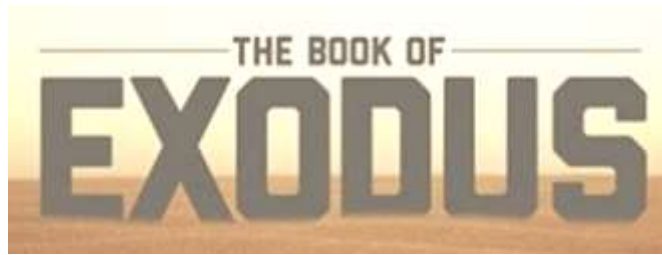
From First Evangelical Lutheran Church (December 16, 2019):

Dear Sisters and Brothers Christ, Thank you so much for your recent gift of \$1,215 to First Evangelical Lutheran Church Food Pantry to help us provide a distribution site for our neighbors who are experiencing food insecurity. We serve in mission partnership with Lutheran Social Services of the Southwest and United Food Bank, as well as sister churches who regularly provide food stuff for our shelves. The pantry at First has been active for over 35 years and we fell blessed by this continuing opportunity to truly do God's work with our hands.

We also feel very blessed by your generosity and thoughtfulness. We have already purchased some much needed supplies and promise that we will be good stewards of the fund you have entrusted to us.

May God bless Our Savior's and keep you in His care today and in all the days ahead.

In His Service, Dana Reardon, Interim Pastor



New Bible Study on Exodus

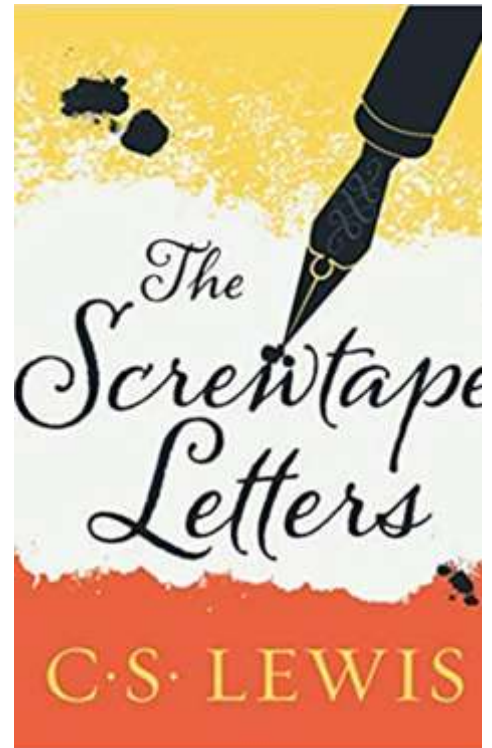
Beginning January 4th
at the EM campus at 9 am
January 7th at the GC campus at 10:30 am.

New Book Study

The Screwtape Letters
by C.S. Lewis

EM – Saturdays at 10:30 am beginning
January 4th

GC – Tuesdays at 9 am
beginning January 7th



What Going On?

On Saturday, November 9, 2019, Apache Junction hosted an event at Flat Iron Park. Our Savior's had a booth and passed out tri-fold pamphlets. We passed out many. We were "Making Jesus known" all day long. Came home with only 74 pamphlets.

Thanks to all who stopped by from both campuses.

This is the best exposure our church can get. We need to do more of this.

It was a great day to be Lutheran.

Your siblings in Christ, Leonard and Mike

Looking Ahead

Youth Winter Retreat

January 24-26, 2020 @Camp Pinerock in Prescott

Youth 7th-12th Grade are invited to participate in a Winter Retreat at Camp Pinerock in Prescott, January 24th -26th. The cost of the trip is \$135.00 per person. We have 12 youth who could possibly attend for an approximate cost of \$1,500.00 The youth hope to fundraise most of the cost.

Tirosh

February 15th-17th @ Shepherd of the Valley

Tirosh is a 3-day spiritual retreat held Feb 15th - 17th at Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran in Phoenix for youth ages 15 - 17 years old. We have 2 young adults and one youth serving on the team. Sarah will be the only youth attending. There is a service held Sunday, February 16th that our church family is invited to show love and support. We will also be asking for Agape (letters, cards or small trinkets) to show love and support

Lutheran Campformation

Planning for Lutheran Campformation has begun for summer 2020! Last year we had 7 young women attend camp; 2 as counselors, 1 as a counselor-in-training and 4 as campers! The young ladies shared their experiences in youth-led services at both East Mesa and Gold Canyon. Camp is \$325.00 per person. We hope to fundraise most, if not all, the expense. Lutheran Campformation is July 5th – 10th, 2020 with counselors and executive staff reporting on the 4th of July.

Vacation Bible School – June 15th -19th

Planning for VBS 2020 has begun! Our theme this year is Rainforest Explorers. Vacation Bible School will be held the 3rd week in June from 5:30pm- 8pm. Please prayerfully consider serving as an adult leader during VBS. To sponsor a child a donation of \$20.00 would be appreciated That \$20.00 covers: dinner, crafts for 5 days, a music cd and t-shirt.

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE!

(East Mesa and Gold Canyon)
Ushers Greeters
Communion Servers
Readers

Volunteers (Couples or Singles) are needed to greet members and visitors at all services.

In addition, we need communion servers and readers.

Please sign up for when you are available on the sign-up sheet in the Narthex.



Educational Endowment Grant Scholarship

The application for the Educational Grant Scholarship may be picked up and returned to the East Mesa Church Office.

College, technical school or continuing education for career development will be considered.

Applications must be completed and returned by February 14, 2020.

For more information, contact Norma Elser at 480-474-9873.



Women's Breakfast

The 4th Wednesday of the Month

Village Inn, 575 Apache Trail, Apache Junction

Come and enjoy the fellowship!

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY & BREAKFAST

Every Thursday at 6:30 am

Mickey D's

1408 W Apache Trail, Apache Junction



The Prayer Shawl group meets every Monday at 10 am in the Forum Room at the Gold Canyon campus. Do you knit or crochet, or want to learn? Come join us and see what's going on!

For more information contact Janice Cunningham at 480-507-6696, cell at 602-672-2110 or email at jrcunningham@centurylink.net



Save the Date

A new book club is being formed at the Gold Canyon Campus beginning **January 20, 2020!**

(That's not a misprint)

The **Book Brunch Buddies** suggest you bring a brown bag lunch and meet in the Forum Room at noon.

The book to be discussed at this first meeting will be **"The Moment of Lift" by Melinda Gates.**

A list of of suggested books to be read in the future will be discussed at this first meeting.

Snack-Pak Update

In 2018 we served 35 children each week. In 2019 we are now serving 64 children. This is 64 kids in our area going hungry each weekend. Last year's funds are long gone. Each bag is worth about \$5.00. Both campuses' shop and pack. Martin Luther said to Katy one day that you cannot feed all the beggars. However you can feed the one at the door. We have 64 at the door who have little to eat over each weekend of the school year.



Your monetary support is very much needed and very much appreciated.

Your siblings in Christ,
The Snack-Pak packers



OSLC Annual Church Bazaar

February 21 & 22, 2020

Stay tuned for more details!

Donations **AFTER** January 31st

Our Savior's December Calendar

Wednesday- 1

EM & GC Offices Closed - New Years Day
10am EM Grief Support Group (NOT Meeting)
10am GC AA Sobriety is Gold
11:30am EM AA Arbor Group Open Mtg
1pm EM AA Womens 12X12 Mtg
1pm EM Weekly Bible Study (NOT Meeting)
3:30pm EM Discipleship Meeting (NOT Meeting)
6:30pm EM Affirmation (NOT Meeting)
6:30pm EM Choir Rehearsal (NOT Meeting)
7:30pm EM Bell Choir Rehearsal (NOT Meeting)

Thursday- 2

6:30am Men's Breakfast/Bible Study
8am EM Quilters
10am EM AI-Anon Beginners Family Meeting
10am GC Snack Pack Assembly
10am WELCA Women's Leader Bible Study (NOT Mtg)
11:30am EM AA Arbor Group Open Mtg

Friday- 3

7am EM Go-Fers
7:30am EM Bulletin Folders
10am GC Choirs Practice
10am EM AA Arbor Group Womens Meeting
11:30am EM AA Arbor Group Open Mtg

Saturday- 4

EM & GC Noisy Offering
9am EM Bible Study
9am GC AA Sobriety is Gold
10:30am EM Book Study-*Screwtape Letters*
12pm EM AA Arbor Group Open Meeting
4pm EM Worship Service w/communion
4pm GC Worship Service w/communion

Sunday- 5

EM & GC Noisy Offering
7:30am EM Worship Service w/communion
7:30am GC Worship Service w/communion
9am EM Worship Service w/communion
9am GC Worship Service w/communion
10:30am EM Worship Service-Family Style w/communion
10:30am GC Worship Service w/communion
11:30am The Forge Fellowship
11:59am The Forge Fellowship
12pm EM AA Arbor Group Open Meeting
1pm EM Girl Scouts
3pm EM Venture Crew

Monday- 6

EM I-HELP Women Sheltering
10:00am GC Prayer Shawl Group
11:30am EM AA Arbor Group Open Mtg
1:00pm EM AA Womens Big Book Study
6:30pm EM Boy Scouts
6:30pm GC AA 12X12 Meeting

Tuesday- 7

EM I-HELP Women Sheltering
8:30am EM WELCA General Board Meeting
9:00am GC Book Study -*Screwtape Letters*
10:30am EM WELCA Bazaar Planning Meeting
10:30am GC Bible Study
11:30am EM AA Arbor Group Open Mtg
1:00pm GC Coordinating Committee
4:45pm EM AI-Anon Beginners Meeting
5:30pm EM AI-Anon Serenity Group

Our Savior's December Calendar

Wednesday- 8

9:00am EM WELCA Lydia Circle
 9:00am GC WELCA Gold Canyon Circle
 9:30am WELCA SVE Friendship Circle
 10:00am EM Grief Support Group
 10:00am GC AA Sobriety is Gold
 11:00am Worship Team Meeting
 11:30am EM AA Arbor Group Open Mtg
 1:00pm EM AA Womens 12X12 Mtg
 1:00pm EM Weekly Bible Study
 6:30pm EM Affirmation
 6:30pm EM Choir Rehearsal
 7:30pm EM Bell Choir Rehearsal

Thursday-9

6:30am Men's Breakfast/Bible Study
 8:00am EM Quilters
 10:00am EM Al-Anon Beginners Family Meeting
 10:00am GC Snack Pack Assembly
 11:30am EM AA Arbor Group Open Mtg
 5:00pm Dinner& A Movie "Green Book"

Friday-10

7:00am EM Go-Fers
 7:30am EM Bulletin Folders
 10:00am GC Choir Practice
 10:00am EM AA Arbor Group Women's Meeting
 11:30am EM AA Arbor Group Open Mtg

Saturday-11

9:00am EM Bible Study
 9:00am GC AA Sorbriety is Gold
 10:30am EM Book Study-*Screwtape Letters*
 12:00pm EM AA Arbor Group Open Meeting
 4:00pm EM Worship Service
 4:00pm GC Worship Service w/communion

Sunday-12

7:30am EM Worship Service
 7:30am GC Worship Service w/communion
 9:00am EM Worship Service w/communion
 9:00am GC Worship Service w/communion
 10:30am EM Sunday School
 10:30am EM Worship Service
 10:30am GC Worship Service w/communion
 11:30am EM The Forge Fellowship
 11:59am The Forge Worship
 12:00pm EM AA Arbor Group Open Meeting
 1:00pm EM Girl Scouts
 3:00pm EM Venture Crew
 3:00pm Crew Meeting
 3:00pm Season of Epiphany Chapel Hymn Sing

Monday-13

EM I-HELP Women Sheltering
 10:00am GC Prayer Shawl Group
 11:30am EM AA Arbor Group Open Mtg
 1:00pm Evangelism Committee Meeting
 1:00pm EM AA Womens Big Book Study
 6:30pm EM Boy Scouts
 6:30pm GC AA 12X12 Meeting
 7:00pm EM Coordinating Committee

Tuesday-14

COUNCIL REPORTS DUE IN OFFICE
 EM I-HELP Women Sheltering
 9:00am GC Book Study -*Screwtape Letters*
 9:00am WELCA Mary Circle
 9:30am EM WELCA Rebecca/Naomi Circle
 10:30am GC Bible Study
 11:30am EM AA Arbor Group Open Mtg
 4:45pm EM Al-Anon Beginners Meeting
 5:30pm EM Al-Anon Serenity Group

Our Savior's December Calendar

Wednesday-15

- 10:00am EM Grief Support Group
- 10:00am GC AA Sobriety is Gold
- 11:30am EM AA Arbor Group Open Mtg
- 1:00pm EM AA Womens 12X12 Mtg
- 1:00pm EM Weekly Bible Study
- 1:00pm WELCA Hope Circle
- 6:30pm EM Affirmation
- 6:30pm EM Choir Rehearsal
- 7:30pm EM Bell Choir Rehearsal

Thursday-16

- 6:30am Men's Breakfast/Bible Study
- 8:00am EM Quilters
- 10:00am EM AI-Anon Beginners Family Meeting
- 10:00am GC Snack Pack Assembly
- 11:30am EM AA Arbor Group Open Mtg

Friday-17

- NEWSLETTER ARTICLES DUE
- 7:00am EM Go-Fers
- 7:30am EM Bulletin Folders
- 10:00am GC Choir Practice
- 10:00am EM AA Arbor Group Women's Meeting
- 11:30am EM AA Arbor Group Open Mtg

Saturday-18

- EM & GC New Member Weekend (All Service Times)
- 9:00am EM Bible Study
- 9:00am GC AA Sorbriety is Gold
- 10:30am EM Book Study-*Screwtape Letters*
- 12:00pm EM AA Arbor Group Open Meeting
- 4:00pm EM Worship Service
- 4:00pm GC Worship Service w/communion

Sunday-19

- EM & GC New Member Weekend (All Service Times)
- 7:30am EM Worship Service
- 7:30am GC Worship Service w/communion
- 9:00am EM Worship Service w/communion
- 9:00am GC Worship Service w/communion
- 10:30am EM Sunday School
- 10:30am EM Worship Service
- 10:30am GC Worship Service w/communion
- 11:30am EM The Forge Fellowship
- 11:59am The Forge Worship
- 12:00pm EM AA Arbor Group Open Meeting

Monday-20

- 10:00am GC Prayer Shawl Group
- 11:30am EM AA Arbor Group Open Mtg
- 1:00pm EM AA Womens Big Book Study
- 6:00pm EM Sons of Italy
- 6:30pm EM Boy Scouts
- 6:30pm GC AA 12X12 Meeting

Tuesday-21

- 9:00am GC Book Study -*Screwtape Letters*
- 10:30am GC Bible Study
- 11:30am EM AA Arbor Group Open Mtg
- 4:45pm EM AI-Anon Beginners Meeting
- 5:30pm EM AI-Anon Serenity Group
- 7:00pm CHURCH COUNCIL Meeting (EM Campus)

Our Savior's December Calendar

<p>Wednesday-22</p> <p>9:00am Women's Breakfast</p> <p>10:00am EM Grief Support Group</p> <p>10:00am GC AA Sobriety is Gold</p> <p>11:00am EM Stephen Ministries Meeting</p> <p>11:30am EM AA Arbor Group Open Mtg</p> <p>1:00pm EM AA Womens 12X12 Mtg</p> <p>1:00pm EM Weekly Bible Study</p> <p>6:30pm EM Affirmation</p> <p>6:30pm EM Choir Rehearsal</p> <p>7:30pm EM Bell Choir Rehearsal</p> <p>Thursday-23</p> <p>6:30am Men's Breakfast/Bible Study</p> <p>8:00am EM Quilters</p> <p>10:00am EM AI-Anon Beginners Family Meeting</p> <p>10:00am GC Snack Pack Assembly</p> <p>11:30am EM AA Arbor Group Open Mtg</p> <p>Friday-24</p> <p>7:00am EM Go-Fers</p> <p>7:30am EM Bulletin Folders</p> <p>10:00am GC Choir Practice</p> <p>10:00am EM AA Arbor Group Women's Meeting</p> <p>11:30am EM AA Arbor Group Open Mtg</p> <p>Saturday-25</p> <p>FOOD SHELF</p> <p>9:00am EM Bible Study</p> <p>9:00am GC AA Sobriety is Gold</p> <p>10:30am EM Book Study-<i>Screwtape Letters</i></p> <p>12:00pm EM AA Arbor Group Open Meeting</p> <p>4:00pm EM Worship Service</p> <p>4:00pm GC Worship Service w/communion</p> <p>Sunday-26</p> <p>FOOD SHELF SUNDAY</p> <p>7:30am EM Worship Service</p> <p>7:30am GC Worship Service w/communion</p> <p>9:00am EM Worship Service w/communion</p> <p>9:00am GC Worship Service w/communion</p> <p>10:30am EM Sunday School</p> <p>10:30am EM Worship Service</p> <p>10:30am GC Worship Service w/communion</p> <p>11:30am The Forge Fellowship</p> <p>11:59am EM The Forge Worship</p> <p>12:00pm EM AA Arbor Group Open Meeting</p>	<p>Monday-27</p> <p>EM I-HELP Women Sheltering</p> <p>10:00am GC Prayer Shawl Group</p> <p>11:30am EM AA Arbor Group Open Mtg</p> <p>1:00pm EM AA Womens Big Book Study</p> <p>6:30pm EM Boy Scouts</p> <p>6:30pm GC AA 12X12 Meeting</p> <p>6:30pm EM WELCA Bible Study Sarah</p> <p>Tuesday-28</p> <p>EM I-HELP Women Sheltering</p> <p>9:00am GC Book Study -<i>Screwtape Letters</i></p> <p>10:30am GC Bible Study</p> <p>11:30am EM AA Arbor Group Open Mtg</p> <p>3:00pm EM Eucharistic Ministers</p> <p>4:45pm EM AI-Anon Beginners Meeting</p> <p>5:30pm EM AI-Anon Serenity Group</p> <p>Wednesday-29</p> <p>10:00am EM Grief Support Group</p> <p>10:00am GC AA Sobriety is Gold</p> <p>11:30am EM AA Arbor Group Open Mtg</p> <p>1:00pm EM AA Womens 12X12 Mtg</p> <p>1:00pm EM Weekly Bible Study</p> <p>6:30pm EM Affirmation</p> <p>6:30pm EM Choir Rehearsal</p> <p>7:30pm EM Bell Choir Rehearsal</p> <p>Thursday-30</p> <p>6:30am Men's Breakfast/Bible Study</p> <p>8:00am EM Quilters</p> <p>10:00am EM AI-Anon Beginners Family Meeting</p> <p>10:00am GC Snack Pack Assembly</p> <p>11:30am EM AA Arbor Group Open Mtg</p> <p>Friday-31</p> <p>7:00am EM Go-Fers</p> <p>7:30am EM Bulletin Folders</p> <p>10:00am GC Choir Practice</p> <p>10:00am EM AA Arbor Group Women's Meeting</p> <p>11:30am EM AA Arbor Group Open Mtg</p>
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Gold Canyon Campus



“Gold Canyon Church” is a mission church. We need to think of it as a “mission” church. What is needed is a warm body each day in the office in case a pilgrim stops in and wants to inquire about us. This is a 9 am to noon each day. Nothing else is needed. Just think should we have 20 people each person would only need to be on site one morning a month. Taking a staff person from East Mesa is a poor use of time and money. Do you have some time? See Janice Cunningham.

January 2020



A Multi-Campus Ministry

Our Savior's Lutheran Church

A Multi-Campus Ministry

East Mesa Campus

612 S. Ellsworth Road
Mesa, AZ 85208

Saturday Service
4:00pm

Sunday Services

7:30am
9:00am
10:30am

Gold Canyon Campus

5301 S. Kings Ranch Road
Gold Canyon, AZ 85118

Saturday Service
4:00pm

Sunday Services

7:30am
9:00am
10:30am

For more information

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