

Quail Notes

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Desert Hills LUTHERAN CHURCH

CELEBRATING GRACE, MAKING DISCIPLES, MAKING A DIFFERENCE



Greetings Friends and Members of Desert Hills Lutheran,

The monsoon month of August is upon us. The Global Leadership Summit will be hosted by us on August 9 and 10. We are one of about 600 sites around the United States. The summit is viewed worldwide. It is unashamedly Christian and seeks to help grow all of us in our discipleship. It also helps people in all occupations become better communicators and team players. It is not too late to sign up. Read about Debbie's experience below.

On August 22 we again hold our Monsoon Concert with some of our Saturday musicians as well as others from Tucson. It is one of many musical highlights of the year. Tickets are still available.

Another new member series starts on August 2 for six weeks at either 9:30 am or 6:30 pm. This is historically a smaller class but then we can get to know each other better. If you would like to check it out, call the church office and sign up.

The Wednesday Bible Fellowship continues at both 9:30 am and 6:30 pm. We are studying Luke's Gospel. I'm experimenting with a bit more instruction. There will be time for discussion but I'll be giving more background material on the text. I'll make each class self-contained. Come and see.

Finally, Julie returns to teaching along with most of the schools in Arizona. Our prayers for all teachers and students. See you at worship. Pastor Martin



It really doesn't matter if you watch the Summit from the Fellowship Hall or the large screen in the Sanctuary. I have watched it from the tiny screens in the control room in Chicago for the past 14 years, while controlling the lighting on 5 of the 10 cameras used to make you feel like you are in the audience too. I have gained knowledge, enlightenment, and Christian-based inspiration that enables me to be a better friend, neighbor, group member, mentor, and employee at DHLC. If you haven't registered yet, there are still a few days to do so. You will be glad you spent two days listening to the most diverse variety of world-class and high-profile leaders available. Join 445,000 of your peers for two days of fresh, actionable, and inspiring ideas that stimulate you to think about life and how you can make a difference—which I know you are passionate about. I see it in action all the time here and get to publish many of the ways you do make a difference. I would love to hear about your GLS experience.

Debbie Breuer, Quail Notes Editor.

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Desert Hills Lutheran Church Council

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*Rob Bonnema, Betty Colongione, bb Haywood,
John Martin, Janice Mounce*



SUMMARY OF DHLC COUNCIL JULY MEETING – Judy opened with a prayer from a retreat she recently attended. The minutes of the May meeting were approved as written. The Pastor reported that over 300 tickets have been sold for the Monsoon Concert. Our church received “Servant of Christ” award from Lutheran Social Services at the synod assembly in June. Also announced at the assembly, the Synod’s new bishop is Deborah Hutterer. Tom Royer, treasurer, reported that giving is up and \$35,000 was received for baby Bernadette and the estate sale group has contributed over \$15,000 for the debt retirement. Melissa reported that all capital projects are on track. The Estate Sale contract was approved as written and amended. Next meeting will be August 21st.

Abiding in God’s Eternal Care

Bill Leonard

July 18, 2018



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Worship Times

Saturday — 3 & 5 pm
Sunday — 8, 9:30 & 11 am

Holy Communion is celebrated
the 1st & 3rd weekend of each month
at all services.

Holy Communion & Healing Prayer
Service 10:30 am in the Chapel
on the 2nd & 4th Sunday of each month

Sunday School Classes
9:30 am K-6th Grade / Mid Oct.—April

Office Hours

Monday-Friday — 8:30am to 4pm

Pastoral Staff

Rev. Dr. Martin Overson, *Senior Pastor*
Rev. Ken Nyhusmoen, *Associate Pastor*

Quail Notes newsletter is
published monthly.

Email articles for the September issue
by
August 15th to quailnotes@dhlc.org.

DHLC COLUMBARIUM



The Columbarium of Desert Hills Lutheran Church is for the inurnment of the ashes of our church members and their immediate family. The shape and size of urns that are provided fit this space and have an adequate capacity for the cremains. The charge for a niche is \$800/couple and \$700/single. This covers the space, one/two urns, area maintenance, identifying nameplate and engraving. Urns other than those provided with the niche are not allowed. A Columbarium Certificate is provided to those reserving niches. If you are interested in a columbarium niche at DHLC, please contact Jan Howard 520 648-1633.

HAVE YOU EVER SEEN SOMEONE IN THE CHURCH DOING SOMETHING YOU THINK LOOKS REWARDING TO DO?

Let’s connect!

Put your name, phone number, and email on the **IF** Card or
contact Susie Stewart at ssewart@dhlc.org.



Singles Fellowship

Friday, August 17 from 1:00-3:00 we will be showing "I Can Only Imagine" in Fellowship Hall.

"I Can Only Imagine" is based on the life story

of Bart Millard, the lead singer/songwriter of the Christian band Mercy Me. Bart had a traumatic and abusive childhood and he leaves his Texas home and toxic father to chase his dream of a musical career. This is a truly inspiring journey of redemption, hope and forgiveness. The story shows the healing power of having deep sorrow for the hurt you have caused others and the grace from God to ask for forgiveness. Donation is \$2.00. Refreshments served.

Movies are open to everyone at DHLC and the community and not limited to the Singles Fellowship. Invite a friend to join us. No sign up sheet. Just mark your calendar, come and join us and experience this thought-provoking story.



You can't get through a day without
having an impact on the world around you.

What you do makes a difference,
and you have to decide what kind of difference
you want to make.

- Jane Goodall-

Stephen Ministry

is one way to make a difference.

To help answer the question
Could I be a Stephen Minister?,
pick up a brochure in the office
reception area or contact Dick Hill
at (520) 499-2491

or dickehill44@gmail.com.

Training is offered annually.
This year classes will be Tuesday and
Friday mornings, Oct. 16 to Nov. 9.

CORNER

FOUNDATION



As the DHLC Foundation continues its focus on supporting seminary students, we are pleased to share that Erin Coutts has announced the next step in her ministry. It was our privilege to support Erin through her years at Luther Seminary and to provide financially for her tuition expenses. Giving the congregation an opportunity to meet her and listen to her

deliver the sermons one weekend was a time to witness God's calling her to ministry.

Erin has accepted a call to First Lutheran Church in International Falls, Minnesota. Her ordination will be on Saturday, August 4th at 3:00pm in the chapel on Luther Seminary's campus. For our friends spending the summer in the area, Erin extends an invitation for you to attend this ceremony.

The members of the DHLC Foundation board extend a continued thank you to all for the prayers and financial support. As the fall semester approaches, two more students at Luther Seminary will receive funds for their ongoing tuition and living expenses. Thanks be to God!

SEMINARY STUDENTS



Erin
Coutts

MUSIC MINISTRY

We Inspire

As we enter the "Dog Days of Summer" during August, we continue with our three Sunday morning services. Pastor Martin had a sermon a few weeks ago that mentioned the letter "P." One of the categories was Presence which meant showing up. I am so grateful to all the musicians and singers who continue to show up during the summer to lead our services.

Mark your calendars: Desert Hills Lutheran Church Christmas Concert will be Thursday, December 6, 3:30 and 6:30 pm.



BUZZINGS FROM THE BEE AND BOUTIQUE BANTER



A Happy Day!

This is a former homeless veteran family of six recently housed by the "51 Homes for Veterans" in the Tucson area and they were tickled pink to select their quilts. Unfortunately, the little guy is covered in chocolate so his mom wouldn't let him pose with the quilt. This is just one example of the results of our Sewing Bee efforts. Our regular meetings continue year round to assemble similar patchwork quilts for the needs of nearby charities. Please join us and help us make a difference. We meet in the fellowship hall every Wednesday morning from 9am until noon. You don't need to have sewing skills to be a part of this mission.

Have you marked your calendar for the 16th Annual Boutique Sale coming on November 10? We invite you to save the day for shopping, dining, and joining your friends at our fellowship hall. In addition to quilts, you will find hand-made arts and crafts, jewelry, used books, and baked goods plus lunch. What a great way to kick off the holiday festivities!

All of this happens because of your help and interest in creating new items for sale. Prices are very reasonable and quality is our motto. Marcia Cleary (507-420-2881) and Jeanette Heath are the new coordinators for the event on November 10. One hundred percent of the proceeds will be divided equally by the RISE Scholastic Advantage Program, Genesis House Shelter for Women, Youth On Their Own, and the 51 Homes for Veterans Program. These charities have great needs and rely on us for support.

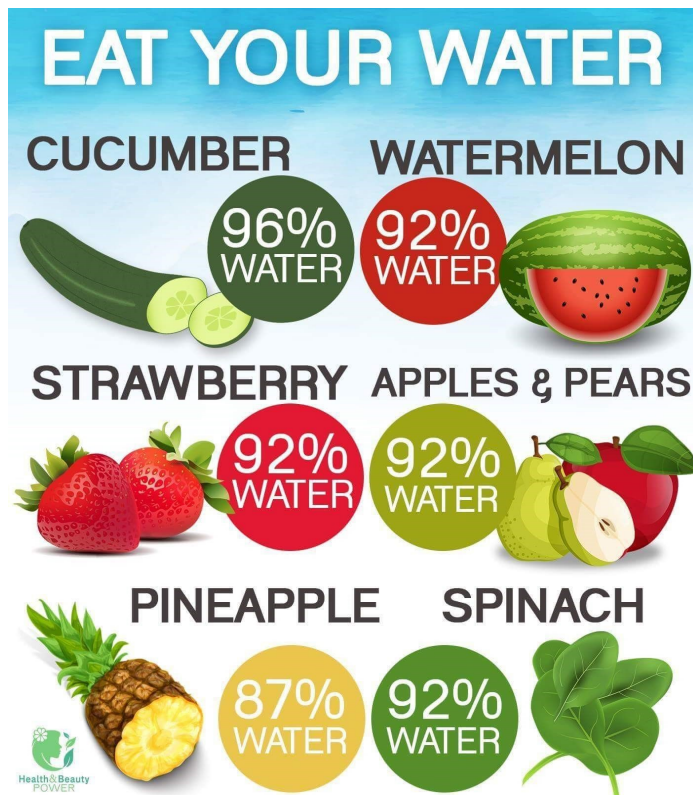
We will begin collecting sale items in October. Please dedicate some time now to prepare your donations. Only new, hand-made items are appropriate. We hope to offer practical and decorator woodworking crafts this year with help from you wood-smiths. Ladies, relay this message to your spouses! For information, contact Mary Braswell, 520-625-3742.



The Parish Nurse is in on Tuesdays & Thursdays 9am to 2pm | 648-1633 Ext 37 | parishnurse@dhlc.org

More STAY COOL & HYDRATED Tips for summer:

- ✧ **Time it right and take plenty of breaks.** Make the most of early morning and evening hours (before 11 am and after 4 pm) when temperatures are cooler to do outdoor activities such as gardening or walking. Do not engage in very strenuous activities and get plenty of rest.
 - ✧ Take regular breaks from the heat in air-conditioned areas or designated cooling centers.
- ✧ **Stay in air-conditioned buildings as much as possible.** If your home doesn't have air conditioning, contact your local health department or locate an air-conditioned shelter in your area.
 - ✧ Do not rely on just a fan as your main cooling source when it's really hot outside.
 - ✧ Don't use the oven to cook—it will make you and your house hotter.
 - ✧ Wear loose, lightweight, light-colored clothing.
 - ✧ Take cool showers or baths to cool down.
- ✧ **Stay hydrated.** Drink more water than usual and don't wait until you're thirsty to drink.
 - ✧ If your doctor limits the amount of fluids you drink or has you on water pills, ask them how much you should drink during hot weather.
 - ✧ **Stay away from very sugary or alcoholic drinks**—these actually cause you to lose more body fluid. Also avoid very cold drinks, because they can cause stomach cramps
- ✧ **Check on a friend or neighbor and have someone do the same for you.**
- ✧ **Be alert for common signs of heat exhaustion**, which include heavy sweating, paleness, muscle cramps, tiredness, weakness, dizziness, headache, nausea, vomiting and fainting. Seek medical attention right away if you notice any of these symptoms.
- ✧ **Keep your pets hydrated:** Provide plenty of fresh water for your pets, and leave the water in a shady area.



The Flower Ministry is in need of vases. Volunteers take arrangements from the altar after the week-end services, break them down, and place them into smaller vases for delivery. Flowers help brighten the days of our members who are homebound, hospitalized, in nursing homes, or to commemorate a special occasion. If you have any vases that you would like to donate to the church, please drop them off at the front desk. Or if you need a pick-up, leave a message for the Parish Nurse 520-648-1633 Ext 37. Thank you!

CROSSROADS MISSION UPDATE

Desert Hills Lutheran has an awesome record of service at Crossroads Mission in Nogales. This has been happening for many years. From this May and continuing through August, about 40 individuals have or will have served lunch on a Friday to hungry adults and children at the Mission. Thank you to each of you! You made a difference.

As the summer winds down, I hope you will let me know if you'd like to follow this tradition. Our church sends volunteers, usually 3-4 people, every Friday except the first Friday of the month. I'm about to start making calls to fill these Friday slots from September through December. Those who haven't volunteered before continue to be given priority to join an experienced person or two.

Please give me a call to express your willingness to help out. Call me at 406-459-5231 or email me at howsee@cox.net. I look forward to hearing from you! Carolyn Chaussee

QUARTERLY GIVING STATEMENTS

It's hard to believe that the second quarter of 2018 has already come and gone. Soon you will be receiving your second quarter giving statements. It is important for you to open and review your statement. It is much easier and timelier to make any necessary corrections now rather than at year-end when it is very busy at the church office. If after reviewing your statement you have questions or corrections, please contact the church office.

GLOBAL MISSION MISSIONARY OF THE MONTH: Rev. Kristin Engstrom (Senegal)



Kristin serves as Country Coordinator for the new YAGM (Young Adults in Global Ministry) program in Senegal. She is called to walk with ELCA young adults who live and serve for one year there. She forms sustainable relationships with our partner church, the Lutheran Church of Senegal/Lutheran Development Services of Senegal, with whom the YAGMs will participate in their year of service.

"I am excited to establish the new YAGM program in Senegal, a country with an amazing sense of hospitality and a unique relationship between Christians and Muslims. My time living in other cultures and countries when I was younger, as well as serving as a pastoral intern in an international church, shaped and stretched my faith in a God who is always bigger and more mysterious than we can comprehend. I look forward to the ways that our amazing God will continue to inspire and challenge the young adults who come to live and serve alongside our Lutheran brothers and sisters in Senegal."

Contact: The Lutheran Center BP 8150 Dakar, Yoff Senegal, West Africa, Email: kristin.engstrom@elca.org

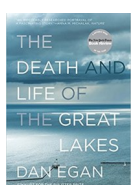
Website: <http://yagmsenegal.wix.com/blog>

WIDOWS' FELLOWSHIP

Almost every week I get a call from someone about our Widows' Fellowship – either the caller is newly widowed or the person is calling on behalf of a friend/neighbor who is newly widowed. Widowhood is a fact of life and yet we are usually so unprepared for it. Becoming a widow changes nearly everything in one's world – from the obvious to the unexpected. Emotions can be as turbulent as the monsoon rains. Finances can be drastically impacted. Loneliness can become ever-present. And then there's the mountain of paperwork! All this plus the pain of feeling like you are the only one in the world who has had to endure this event, even though you know better. Widows' Fellowship can't change the reality of our losses but it can and does remind us that we are not alone, that others are walking the same journey as we are. Widows' Fellowship is a time to share our challenges, express our emotions, grow on our journey AND be reminded that we are not alone. Widows' Fellowship meets the 1st and 3rd Sunday at 2 pm in the DHLC library. Our fellowship is open to all widows. If you are a widow, or know of a widow who may benefit from such a group, please come to a gathering. If there are questions, please call me (Debi Shippy) at 405-7005 (evenings or weekends are the best times to call me since I work during the week 8-4).



MEN'S MINISTRY AT DHLC



BOOKMEN The Bookmen meet Wednesdays weekly at 7:45 am. The location of the meeting is Manuel's Restaurant for breakfast, fellowship, and lively book discussion. All men are invited to join the group. We are still reading and discussing "The Death and Life of the Great Lakes" by Dan Egan. A new book will be selected mid August.

MEN'S PHOTOGRAPHY GROUP is on break for the summer.

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY is on break for the summer.

MEN'S HEALTH is on break for the summer.

MEN'S MONDAY COFFEE is on break for the summer.

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST AUGUST 23 – GORDON SWANSON, DHLC ORGANIST

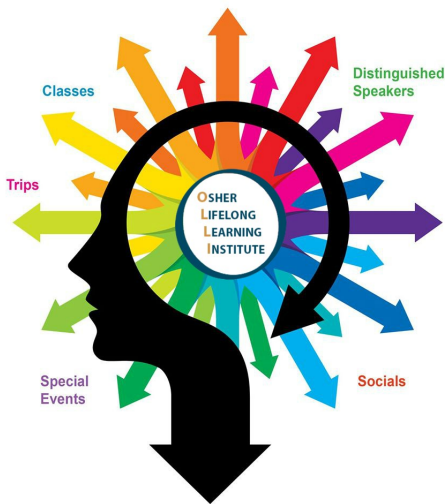


Handy Man Services is here to provide help to members and frequent visitors of Desert Hills Lutheran Church. If you would like to request services, please contact Ruben Heeszel 520 903-7188.



Bible Study— Hope you've been studying on your own. For the month of August it's again personal study on "Products of Prayer." See Gather magazine for more info.

Womens Ministries Luncheon - Monday, August 13, 2018 – 11:30 am to 1 pm in the Fellowship Hall – This luncheon will be catered by Lynne and the speaker will be Scott Aldridge, Program Manager, "Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI)."



(For ALL Women's Luncheons, scheduled on the second Monday of every month, you must register AND pay at the DHLC front desk no later than the Wednesday BEFORE the luncheon!!)

Pick up our Women of the ELCA 2018 Women's Ministry April, 2018 version of the pamphlet at DHLC, which will be your "bible" for all of the women's events for 2018.

SAVE THE DATES:

September 4, 2018: Board/Team Meeting for Women's Ministries at 10:30 am at DHLC.

November 9-11, 2018: Grand Canyon Synod WELCA convention/Gathering held at the Crowne Plaza Airport Hotel in Phoenix, AZ – Keynote Speaker will be Pastor Meghan Aelabouni. The newly elected Bishop of the Grand Canyon Synod, Rev. Deborah Hutterer, will be addressing the Gathering on Sunday, November 11. Go online to www.grandcanyonwomen.org for registration forms and more information.

Saturday, Feb. 23, 2019 will be the DHLC Women's Mini Retreat – Living in the "Present"; Yesterday is History, Tomorrow is a Mystery, Today is a gift from God—Truly a "present." Keynote speaker will be Cindy Steinbeck.

February 23-24, 2019 will be our Thankoffering weekend. Donations continue to support the Revs. Herbert and Corrine Chilstrom Scholarship Fund for Women Seminarians and the WELCA Grants for Women and children in crisis.

Saturday, March 2, 2019 will be the Sunrise/Santa Cruz Conference Spring Gathering at Desert Hills Lutheran Church. Rev. Dr. Mark Allan Powell, Trinity Lutheran Seminary, Professor/Author/Music Critic.



The July luncheon was a huge success and here's a thank you from Mary McNichols for all the gifts.

This is a letter received from Mary McNichols from Continental School in Green Valley. "Thank you so much for the opportunity to speak with the women's group at Desert Hills. The WELCA and Grand Canyon Synod were extremely generous with their time, questions and amazing donation of school supplies. This extraordinary donation, from the backpacks to all of the teacher's supplies, will benefit our students in the classroom. Such generosity as exhibited by your women's group is an excellent example to our students of civic involvement. Please extend my thanks to everyone involved. Sincerely, Mary McNichols"

The Ministry of Pre-Planning your personal memorial service begins with "family concerns." This allows individuals to think through the planning of your memorial worship service. Pastor Ken is available to comfortably plan your desires in a confidential manner. Your family will be able to respect and honor your wishes. Contact Jan Howard for an appointment at 648-1633.





6th Annual Monsoon Concert August 22nd @ 6:30pm

featuring

Alvin Blaine, Nick Coventry, Sabra Faulk, Joe Ferguson, Alex Flores,
Ralph Gilmore, Steve Grams, Danny Krieger, Seth Murzyn,
Amber Norgaard, Lisa Otey, Jay Trapp, Diane Van Deurzen,

Tickets \$20 available at the front desk or online @ www.dhlc.org



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