

# Desert Hills

## LUTHERAN CHURCH

### Quail Notes

July  
2018



#### CELEBRATING GRACE, MAKING DISCIPLES, MAKING A DIFFERENCE



*Greetings Friends and Members of Desert Hills Lutheran, So, July has arrived. I'm writing this on the first day of summer and the longest day of the year for light. Sweet! First, July means we have returned to our original worship times for Sunday: 8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 am. I think the later time of 11:15 am hurt the attendance of that service. Come winter we will have to adjust the first two services to make them slightly shorter to give us time to empty and refill the parking lot, but we can do it.*

*Next, we welcome Pastor Ken back and I'm really going to be happy to have him with us again. I got a picture from him with his grandsons and a walleye breakfast and Grandpa Ken had a wonderful grin.*

*I want to draw attention to the Bernadette Homecoming Fund. Baby Bernadette is scheduled to be home sometime in July. Please consider a gift for Joe and Mariam Ferguson for their daughter and the road of medical bills.*

*Looking ahead, new member classes start in August on Thursday August 2. We also have the Global Leadership Summit on August 8 and 9. I hope you will consider attending. Finally, the Monsoon Concert on August 22. Summer is wonderful around here. The monsoons usually start the first week of July, but we have already had rain. See you at worship. Blessings, Pastor Martin*

#### Bernadette Quinn Ferguson Homecoming Fund

If you would like to help Joe and Mariam Ferguson with the Neonatal Intensive Care Hospital expenses due to the early arrival of their daughter, Bernadette Quinn Ferguson, you may use either a check payable to DHLC or a credit card at the front desk during office hours M-F 8:30 - 4. You may also call the front desk 520 648-1633 with your credit card information. Joe is our Saturday Worship Band Director.



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## Desert Hills Lutheran Church Council

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<i>President</i>	<i>Vice President</i>	<i>Treasurer</i>	<i>Secretary</i>	<i>Pastor</i>

*2nd row left to right*

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

### SUMMARY OF DHLC COUNCIL MEETING – THERE WAS NOT A MEETING IN JUNE.



*A member of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America*

2150 S. Camino del Sol  
Green Valley, AZ 85622-8352  
520-648-1633 | [www.dhlc.org](http://www.dhlc.org)

#### **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 August issue by  
July 15<sup>th</sup> to [quailnotes@dhlc.org](mailto:quailnotes@dhlc.org).

## Abiding in God's Eternal Care

*Brian Bell*

May 26, 2018

*Leon Meyer*

May 27, 2018

*Rachel Malcolm*

May 29, 2018

*Marv Van Englehoven*

June 6, 2018

*Karen Holden*

June 8, 2018

*JoAnn Crandall*

June 10, 2018

*Tom Logelin*

June 13, 2018

*Dave Reitan*

June 20, 2018

*Sandi Neill*

June 21, 2018

*Jim Carey*

June 21, 2018



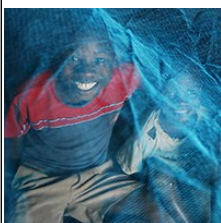
## **DHLC COLUMBARIUM**

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.

## WEEKENDS OF JULY 21 & 22 AND JULY 28 & 29



**Come by the tree in Fellowship Hall and purchase an ornament to place on the tree to support those less fortunate.**

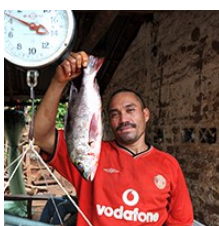


To most of us in the United States, mosquitoes are nothing more than a pest. But in many places, especially in Africa, **just one bite from an infected mosquito could transmit malaria and lead to death.** A mosquito net treated with long-lasting insecticide, coupled with instruction and education on how it is used, helps ensure that families are protected from this life-threatening disease. (Cost is \$10.)



In sub-Saharan Africa, only 19 percent of rural households have access to electricity. Without a reliable source of light, it's difficult for children and families to walk home, read, study or complete other household tasks without burning costly fuel and breathing in dangerous fumes. A portable, solar-charged lantern is a perfect solution. Let that little light shine! (Cost is \$30.)

If there's a superhero of the barnyard, it just might be the goat. Why? Because goats can go where other animals can't, surviving in some of the world's harshest environments – rocky terrain, drought-prone areas, small plots of land, you name it. Fresh milk from a goat provides daily nutrition for children and their families. And what's more, offspring can rapidly transform a community when shared with other families in need. (Cost is \$50.)



Give your neighbor a fish, and they'll eat for a day. Give your neighbors a community fish farm, and they'll eat for a lifetime. A fish farm begins with a pond, training and a few fast-growing fish, such as tilapia. Very quickly, the pond teems with enough fish to provide healthy meals for families in the community. (\$250.)

### Mark your calendars for 2 summer movies sponsored by Singles Fellowship



First on Friday, July 20 from 1:00-3:00 we will be showing "The Zookeeper's Wife" in Fellowship Hall. This is a captivating, emotional and remarkable World War II film. It is based on a true family in Warsaw, Poland from 1939-1945. The zookeeper's heroic family is involved in the resistance of the Nazis and saved many Jews from the Warsaw Jewish ghetto. "The Zookeeper's Wife" was nominated for best picture in 2017. This is the type of movie that helps you feel that there is hope for humanity and it is a story that will stick with you and be remembered. Donation \$2.00. Refreshments served.



Second on 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 Foot-loose Singles. Invite a friend to join us. No sign up sheet. Just mark your calendar, come and join us and experience two thought-provoking stories.



**Grand Canyon Synod**  
**Evangelical Lutheran Church in America**  
God's work. Our hands.

**"HEARING THE CALL TO LEAD"**

**GRAND CANYON ELCA SYNOD**

**ASSEMBLY**

**JUNE 14 -16, 2018**



**Bishop Chilstrom's 60th Ordination  
Anniversary**

### **Bishop Chilstrom honored at the Synod.**

Gratitude for the life

And ministry of the

Rev. Dr. Herbert W. Chilstrom

First presiding Bishop of the

Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

**The Rev. Deborah K. Hutterer**, Phoenix, was elected June 16 to serve a six-year term as bishop of the Grand Canyon Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA). The election was held during the Synod Assembly June 14-16 at Resurrection Lutheran Church in Oro Valley, Ariz. The bishop-elect has served as chief development officer for Lutheran Social Services of the Southwest in Phoenix since 2012. She was executive director of Faith in the City in Minneapolis from 2008 to 2012 and served as pastor of St. Paul Lutheran Church in Pontiac, Ill., from 2004 to 2007. Hutterer received a Bachelor of Arts in Mass Communications from Augsburg College in Minneapolis in 1999 and a Master of Divinity from Luther Seminary in St. Paul, Minn., in 2004. Augsburg is one of 27 ELCA colleges and universities and Luther is one of seven ELCA seminaries.

Hutterer will be installed Sept. 8 at Valley Lutheran Church in Phoenix.

### **Congratulations to the 2018 Servant of Christ Award Winner (email received from LSS)**

"DHLC of Green Valley has been a steadfast partner for many years. They are passionate about supporting seniors who are isolated in their homes. They have hosted drives for critical needs like sheets and cleaning supplies on many occasions. They collected over \$800 worth of gift cards last Christmas, for teens in foster care that simply longed to be able to go shopping with a friend and purchase something for themselves. Desert Hills is also a financial partner giving over \$55,000 to LSS since 2001. There are also many good neighbors at Desert Hills that share their gifts, passion, and hard work on a continual basis. You have been the face of God's unconditional love to so many."

## **MUSIC MINISTRY**

### ***We Inspire***

In July, our services revert back to our former times—8am, 9:30am, and 11am. The warmup time for Summer Chancel will remain the same – 7:30am. The warmup time for Celebration Singers will be 8:45 am. Soloists and small ensembles singing at the late service need to be ready by 10:45 for a sound check. At the 9:30 service, Mark Dec has joined us as a drummer this summer. We are so glad to add him to the music ministry. His playing helps add energy to our choral music. Welcome, Mark. Gordon Swanson continues to lead our worship with beautiful music from our organ. The congregations sing strongly under his musicianship.

Note: DHLC Christmas Concert will be Thursday, December 6, 3:30 and 6:30 pm.

Congratulations to Mary Lou Catania for being selected as the accompanist to Green Valley Chorus.



## NOTES

*Incorporating spiritual values into health education*

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

As a health professional, the Parish Nurse is a registered nurse with specialized training, and available to all people to discuss personal health problems, to recommend medical intervention when necessary, and to make home, hospital, nursing home, and assisted living visitations. At no time is any physical care provided. A Parish Nurse keeps confidential assessment records and respects the confidentiality of the person they are working with. The Parish Nurse works in consultation with the pastors, and provides spiritual guidance.

- As a health educator, the Parish Nurse educates through classes, small discussion groups, individual sessions, newsletters, and educational material promoting an understanding of the relationship between faith, lifestyle, health and well-being of body, mind, and spirit.
- As a health advocate/resource person, the Parish Nurse provides an understanding of our healthcare system, what services they are entitled to receive using community resources.
- As a liaison to community services, the Parish Nurse will assist the individual or family and help find the appropriate community resources for home care.
- As a teacher of volunteers and facilitator, the Parish Nurse guides volunteers to reach out to individuals who have recently sustained a loss. These needs are met through our prayer chain, healing meals, flower ministry, card ministry, shawl ministry, Sunday services via DVD tapes and sermons online, and pastoral visitation/communion homebound ministry.
- As a health counselor, the Parish Nurse makes confidential home, hospital, and nursing home visits to monitor health status, provide emotional support, discuss health concerns, and encourage compliance with medical treatment.

May the Lord be gracious to you in your life's journey and grant you rest, peace, knowledge, love, protection, and good health in body, mind and spirit...

Anna Tometczak, RN, Parish Nurse



**Blood Drive Tuesday, July 24, 2018**  
**9 am to 2 pm**

For more information or to schedule an appointment please call Anna Tometczak , RN, Parish Nurse

(520) 648-1633 Ext 37

Or call the American Red Cross at

1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767)

Or visit [redcross.org](http://redcross.org) and enter sponsor code

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Walk-ins are welcome. But appointments take priority.

## CORNER

FOUNDATION



### HOW CAN I MAKE AN EFFECTIVE GIFT TO THE DESERT HILLS LUTHERAN FOUNDATION? BY MAKING AN OUTRIGHT GIFT OF CASH SUCH AS A MEMORIAL OR CURRENT GIFT.

- 1) You could make a gift of appreciated stock and avoid capital gains tax.
- 2) You could name the Foundation as a beneficiary of your will.
- 3) You could name the Foundation as a recipient of an insurance policy, annuity or IRA.
- 4) You could name the Foundation as a beneficiary of a charitable trust

These are just a few possibilities for making an effective charitable gift. DHLC Foundation exists for the purpose of extending the outreach of our congregation. We are pleased that the Foundation Board is currently able to dispense grants totaling \$50,000 and we are committed to increase this amount annually. On the weekend of April 6, 7 and 8 our congregation hosts two seminary students who have received scholarship grants from the Foundation. Development of Christian leadership for the future of our church is a high priority for our Board. Desert Hills Lutheran Foundation also makes grants to several Christian service agencies including our congregation. Local service organizations are included in our mission. Thank you for your generosity. It matters.

## GLOBAL MISSION MISSIONARY OF THE MONTH

### PASTOR MEGHAN BROWN SAAVEDRA

#### Mexico

Meghan serves as the country coordinator for the Young Adults in Global Mission program in Mexico. She supports, guides, and accompanies the young adults as they participate in a year of global service, spiritual development and cross cultural immersion, as well as supporting various organizations and individuals.

#### Contact

Calle Samuel Ramos Magaña 9 Departamento 302, Colonia del Valle Delegación Benito Juárez CP 03100 Ciudad de Mexico, MEXICO email [meghan.brown-saavedra@elca.org](mailto:meghan.brown-saavedra@elca.org)

#### Hobbies

Traveling, spending time with friends and family, swimming, drawing, sculpture (metal sculpture and welding), print-making, photography, snowboarding, cooking

#### Connect

Home-base States:

Arizona, California, Georgia, Oregon, South Carolina

#### Additional Information

Meghan has served as a Young Adult Volunteer with the Presbyterian Church, USA, with Frontera de Cristo, living and working on the US-Mexico border in Arizona in 2006-2007. Her husband's name is Raul Saavedra Conta.



### WIDOWS' FELLOWSHIP

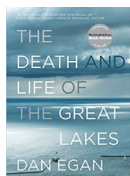
Widows' Fellowship (the very exclusive group that no woman really wants to be eligible to join) is an outreach ministry of DHLC and it's awe-inspiring. We meet in the Church library the 1st and 3rd Sunday of every month from 2-3 PM. We laugh; we cry; we encourage each other; we share our victories and bucket-list ideas; we discuss books we've read that are helpful and poems that touch our hearts.

Widowhood is a season of life that none of us aspired for when we were growing up and most of us were ill-prepared for, yet here we are and this group encourages us to not just survive this season, but to live it to the fullest! At one of our meetings, we discovered that together we have 193+ years of widowhood ---- talk about having a wealth of wisdom. This fellowship is truly a blessing!

If you are a widow please come and join us! If you have a friend who is a widow, encourage her to come! If you have questions about our group, please call me – Debi Shippy 405-7005 (if possible, call after 5 PM as I work 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.



Our next read will be "The Death and Life of the Great Lakes" by Dan Egan, which we will begin discussing at our first meeting in July.

**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 FELLOWSHIP** is on break for the summer.



**MEN'S FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST JULY 26 – JOE GUNSON, CIVIL AIR PATROL**

**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 Heeszal 520 903-7188.



**Bible Study**– July, 2018- This summer you will be on your own. For the month of July it's personal study on "Practices of Prayer." See Gather magazine for more info. Have a great summer studying on your own.

**Womens Ministries Luncheon** - July 9, 2018 – 11:30 am to 1 pm in the Fellowship Hall – Pizza and Salad – "Back to School – In Kind Gifts for Teachers." Mary McNichols, Continental School Principal, will be our speaker. *(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!! )*

**Save your Box Tops Only** – no labels, coupons or barcodes - for the Navajo Evangelical Lutheran Mission School, Rock Point, AZ. The collection box is attached to the Women's Ministries bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall. Questions – contact Mira Johnson-Ensign 520 400-3092.

#### SAVE THE DATES:

**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. See [www.womenoftheelca.org](http://www.womenoftheelca.org) for more information.

**Saturday, Feb. 23, 2019** will be the 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. Feb. 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.



#### BUZZINGS FROM THE BEE AND BOUTIQUE BANTER



Celebrate "Christmas in July" by creating items to donate to our Fall Boutique Sale coming on November 10. Your donations don't have to have a Christmas theme, any holiday or occasion can be celebrated. We appreciate all of your new handmade crafts. Suggestions include baby items, knitwear, housewares, purses, jewelry and pillows, in addition to quilts and wall decor. Don't forget to perfect some interesting baking recipes to present at the bake sale as well.

Be inspired at Sewing Bee Wednesdays from 9 am until noon in the back of the fellowship hall. No sewing skills are necessary. Coffee and conversation are shared at 10 am during our social time.

Contact: Mary Braswell, 625-3742 or Diane Johnson, 399-2810.



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](mailto:dickehill44@gmail.com).  
Training is offered annually.

This year classes will be Tuesday and Friday mornings  
Oct. 16 to Nov. 9.

# 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Monsoon Concert



**Wednesday, August 22<sup>nd</sup> @ 6:30 pm**

***Tickets \$20 available at the front desk  
or online @ [www.dhlc.org](http://www.dhlc.org)***



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