



Grace Alone
Faith Alone
Scripture Alone



Wittenberg, Germany - October 31, 1517

REFORMATION CELEBRATION

In honor of Reformation Day, remember to **wear red** as you join us in worship the weekend of **October 26-27**.

OKTOBERFEST

October 26 @ 5pm

HYMN FESTIVAL

October 27 @ 3pm

(See page 2)

MARTIN LUTHER NAILED IT!

When Martin Luther famously nailed his Ninety-Five Theses to the door of the Wittenberg Castle Church, he wasn't just sparking a theological upheaval — he was setting the stage for a faith revolution that continues to resonate with us today. This pivotal moment in history emphasized the Bible as the foundation of our faith, urging us to connect directly with God's Word amidst the clutter of tradition and human authority.

Today, that call to Scripture remains crucial. In a world brimming with information, grounding ourselves in the Bible provides the clarity and conviction we need to navigate modern challenges with wisdom and integrity.

The Reformation also revolutionized the concept that all believers have direct access to God — known as the priesthood of all believers—empowering each of us to live out the Gospel right where we are, be it at work, at home, or in our neighborhoods.

Here at Victory, let's celebrate the enduring impact of those historic hammer strikes. By embracing the truth of Scripture, engaging actively in our communities, and cherishing our religious freedoms, we continue to live out the legacy of the Reformation. Let's "nail it" in our actions and faith, honoring the profound changes sparked so many years ago.

Celebrating Christ Jesus,

Pastor Todd Mathison



Todd Mathison, Lead Pastor
Susan Westland, Chaplain
Renee Bennett, Pastoral Intern

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COUNCIL CORNER

Dear Victory Church Family,

Welcome Pastor Denton Bennet! It is official. VLC has called Denton Bennet to be our associate pastor and he accepted. Thank you for your prayers and support during this long journey. This call process has taught me patience and to trust the Lord without question. In some ways our transition period has felt like a rollercoaster with highs and lows, but God was always in control.



We have the pastors and staff in place for strategic and spiritual growth as we press on towards our mission and vision. Paul said in Philippians 3:14, "I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus." I pray that we all press on in Christ Jesus towards our mission and vision.

What is next? Pastor Denton will be coordinating his move to Arizona and we are targeting a start date in early November.

Please continue to pray for Victory Lutheran Church, pray for our pastors, staff, council, and leadership.

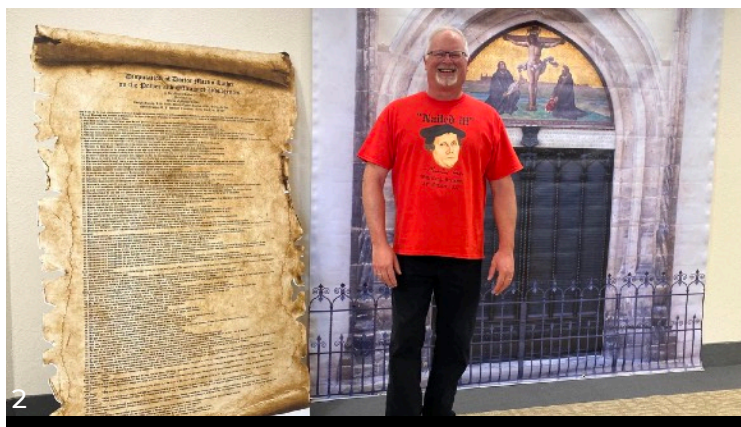
Mission: VLC is to serve and glorify God by being and making disciples for Jesus Christ.

Vision: VLC is a joyful and loving community that transforms and deploys Christ-centered disciples who lead others into God's mission frontier empowered by the Holy Spirit.

For your information, church financial information is available in the church office.

On behalf of your church council, we thank you for your prayers and support.

With Joy,
Andrew Lund
Church Council President



2024 REFORREST

Please join us for our 2024 "Reforrest" — Reformation + Oktoberfest — an annual Victory celebration that combines some of the rich traditions of Lutheran Germany. This year enjoy delicious German cuisine, beverages and lively entertainment on Saturday evening at our very own Oktoberfest. Sunday we raise our voices in a Reformation Hymn Festival as we kick off our concert season. Immerse yourselves in the harmonious melodies of timeless hymns that have shaped our beliefs. Don't miss this unique blend of faith, culture and history, where we come together to commemorate the Reformation and its enduring legacy.

OKTOBERFEST

Saturday, October 26 @ 5pm

Get ready to savor mouthwatering brats, raise a toast with delicious root "beer," and dance the night away to the infectious rhythms of a live accordion band. Please reserve your spot by signing up at the Welcome Desk or online (VictoryLutheran.com). Dinner is free, but generous donations are accepted.

HYMN FESTIVAL

Sunday, October 27 @ 3pm

Timeless Praise — Join us as we celebrate the Reformation through music! Martin Luther wrote, "next to the Word of God, music deserves the highest praise!" On Reformation Sunday the Victory choir, together with organ and instruments, will lead as we sing great hymns of faith and celebrate music inspired by the Reformation. Invite a friend and come raise your voice and heart as we honor over 500 years of the reforming and transforming work which Luther began.



THE CHURCH'S
ROLE IN THE WORLD

October 7
9:00am

NO B STOP WASTE PLASTIC

"THE CHRISTIAN DOES NOT LIVE IN A VACUUM, BUT IN A WORLD OF GOVERNMENT, POLITICS, LABOR AND MARRIAGE."
WHAT DOES THAT MEAN FOR US AS CHRISTIANS IN TODAY'S SECULARIZED WORLD?
WHAT ABOUT THE SEPARATION OF CHURCH AND STATE?
SHOULD CHRISTIANS JUST STAY OUT OF POLITICS ALL TOGETHER?

SIGN UP AT THE WELCOME DESK

The Church's Role in the World
Presented by Renee Bennett on Monday,
October 7 @ 9:00am

Famous German Lutheran Pastor, Dietrich Bonhoeffer, wrote "The Christian does not live in a vacuum, but in a world of government, politics, labor and marriage." This means that Christian ethics cannot exist in a vacuum. So, what does that mean for us as Christians in today's secularized world? Do God's commandments apply to the secular world as well as the non-secular world? If yes, what role should we as Christians play in making sure God's commandments are followed? What about the separation of church and state? Should Christians just stay out of politics all together? Join Pastoral Intern Renee Bennett as she explores "The Church's Role in the World" on Monday, October 7 @ 9:00am.

Scan the QR code to register or sign up at the Welcome Desk.



VLC CONCERT SERIES

Welcome to the 2024/2025
Concert Series at Victory Lutheran!

Come, let us sing to the Lord! Let us shout joyfully to the Rock of our salvation! - Psalm 95

This season we are thrilled to be showcasing several preeminent ensembles from our East Valley community. The diverse range of music provides something for everyone and is an excellent opportunity to invite your friends and neighbors to join you for an enjoyable afternoon. Freewill offerings are gladly accepted. Please join us as we share the joy of Christ through music. Soli Deo Gloria!

All concerts are at 3pm on Sunday*

October 27

"God Our Help" - A Festival of Praise

November 24

Alisson Unglaub & Kristin Holton Prouty

December 15

Christmas Concert - Victory Choir & Bells

January 19

East Valley Chorale

February 16

East Valley Pops Orchestra

March 9

Main Street Brass

March 30

Moravian Music Concert

***April 18 - 4 & 6pm**

Good Friday Cantata



Starting
Oct 15 @1pm

Dementia | Alzheimer Care Partner Seminar

Educational Series with
Tools & Resources

Meets
2nd Tuesdays of
the month @ 1pm



Victory Lutheran Church is proud to present an educational seminar series on Dementia and Alzheimer's. If you or a loved one is suffering from Dementia or Alzheimer's, and you have wondered about their behavior or how to care for them then we invite you to attend these powerful seminars. Each session is a 90-minute seminar where participants will learn more about the causes of the disease, how it progresses, and best practices on ways to care for our loved ones as the disease progresses.

If you are interested in finding out more about Dementia or Alzheimer's, please plan to join us for the following seminars. Adult day care is available for anyone you bring that will be needing an activity while you attend the seminar. Please sign up at the Welcome Desk so that we may plan appropriately for those who will attend.



DISCOVERING VICTORY

NEW MEMBER 101 CLASS



Discovering Victory 101 Class Sun, November 3 @ 12:30-2:30pm

You will learn how Victory's mission (being and making disciples) and vision (building people) directly affect your life. We will explore how Victory provides a specific grace-center to your beliefs, life and mission, answering the question: Of all the churches to be part of, why choose Victory? This session counts as our "membership class" and you will be given the opportunity to become a member or associate member of Victory. But this is far more than an orientation; this is the starting point for everyone — members and non-members. And it could revolutionize the way you engage Victory as a spiritual-growth engine in your own Christian faith and life.

Please sign up at the Welcome Desk or online. Free lunch included.

I-HELP News for October

I-HELP, the Interfaith Homeless Emergency Lodging Program continues to serve single women who are currently unsheltered. Victory provides a safe, secure place where they can sleep, eat nutritious meals, shower, rest and rejuvenate. The ladies call Victory "the Hilton" because of the delicious meals, shower, spaciousness, comfortable beds, and amenities such as Wifi and TV.

In the past, Victory has hosted the ladies for extra days over Thanksgiving. This year, they will be with us Wednesday and Thursday only, BUT we will host them several days over the Christmas holiday, including Christmas Day. We would like to provide each woman with a \$25 movie pass so they can go to the movies as many families traditionally do. **If you would like to contribute to this gift, please use a donation envelope and mark "I-HELP Christmas" on the memo line.**

Current needs for lunches: soft nutrition bars such as NutriGrain, individual cups of sugar-free pudding and fruit and tiny bars of soap from hotels. Your items can be put in the Food Pantry bin, marked for I-HELP. Thank you in advance for your support.

We are also looking for groups, couples or individuals who would like to prepare and serve a meal or bring a special skill to share over the Christmas holiday. Contact Bev Locke by text at 602-421-3279 or email blocke1206@gmail.com to join in this local ministry that helps change lives one person at a time.

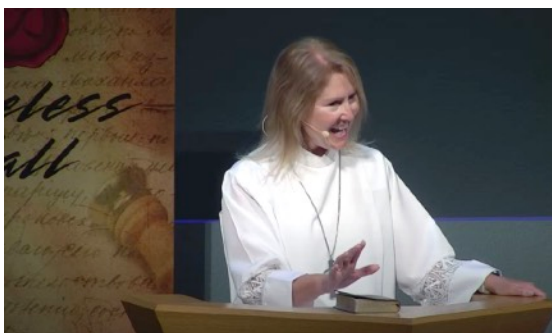
Sermon Series Continues:

TIMELESS CALL

In October, we continue our sermon series "Timeless Call" exploring the enduring nature of God's promises through pivotal biblical narratives. We begin with the story of the golden calf, reflecting on God's mercy in the face of Israel's disobedience, and continue with Hannah's answered prayer for a son, emphasizing deepened trust and prayerfulness. The series culminates with God's covenant with King David about a future eternal King, and the fulfillment of this promise in the construction of Solomon's Temple, connecting us to the core truths celebrated during the Protestant Reformation.

October 5 & 6, 2024 – Golden Calf – Exodus 32:1-14

Here we come to a dark time, among many, for God's people, where amidst human failure — Israel worships a golden calf — God's mercy still prevails as He remembers His covenant with Abraham to multiply his descendants as numerous as the stars. Even in our darkest moments of disobedience or despair, God's promises remain steadfast, delivering on His eternal commitment to grace and redemption. We are reminded that our mistakes are never the end of the story; rather, they are opportunities for God to reaffirm His everlasting promises and for us to embrace a deeper understanding of His unchanging love.



October 12 & 13, 2024 – Hannah – 1 Samuel 1 & 2

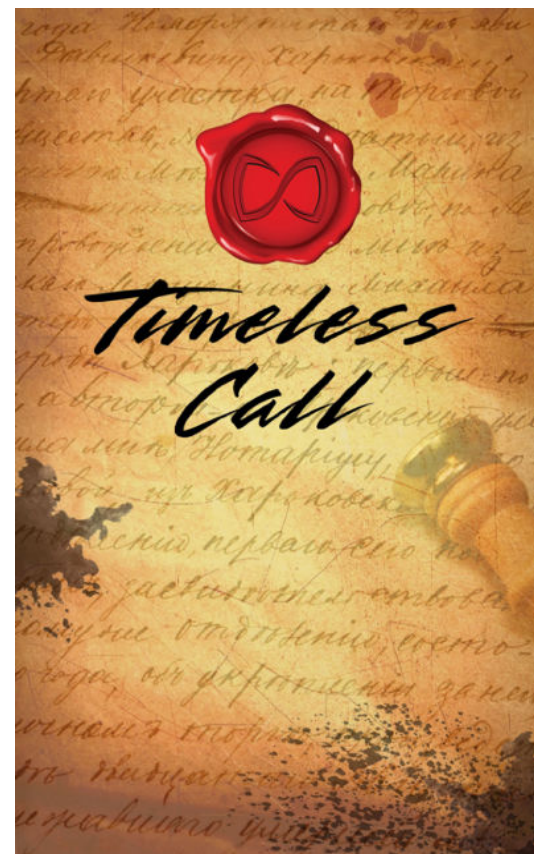
Consider the moving narrative of Hannah in 1 Samuel chapter one, where her fervent prayer for a son is graciously answered by God, naming him Samuel, a name echoing the Hebrew for "heard by God." There are profound echoes between Hannah's prayer of heartfelt praise in 1 Samuel and Mary's Magnificat in Luke, both of whom celebrate God's might and mercy in their lives. Deepen your own prayer life, approaching God with the same authenticity and trust, inviting His transformative power into your daily walk of faith.

October 19 & 20, 2024 – David – 2 Samuel 7:1-17

There is a pivotal moment where God reveals His divine plan to King David, not only promising him a son to build a literal temple, but also foretelling the coming of an eternal King — Jesus Christ. Unpack the layers of this prophecy and how it transcends time to culminate in the birth of Christ, whose kingdom knows no end. Be encouraged to live with a purpose that aligns with God's grand narrative.


October 26 & 27, 2024 – Solomon – 1 Kings 5 & 8

We witness King Solomon's construction of the temple, fulfilling God's promise to create a house of prayer for all nations. Remembering Jesus' later affirmation of the temple's sacred purpose as a house of prayer, we celebrate the Protestant Reformation and this pivotal return to the foundational gospel truths of Christ alone, faith alone, grace alone, inspiring us to worship God "in spirit and in truth" as we embrace a Gospel-centered faith.



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
<p>1527: Luther writes "A Mighty Fortress"</p> <p>A Mighty Fortress is Our God</p> <p>"The LORD of Heaven's Armies is here among us; the God of Israel is our fortress." ~ Psalm 46:11</p> 		<p>1</p> <p>1pm S.A.F.E. Singles Event Board & Card Games, FH</p> <p>4pm Confirmation Class, LR</p> <p>6:30pm Women's Bible Study, LR</p> <p>7pm AA Men's Meeting, FS</p>	<p>2</p> <p>9-11:30am Food Pantry</p> <p>9:30am Women's Ministry Board Meeting, FS</p> <p>12:30pm AI-Anon, C4</p> <p>1pm Men's Bible Study, LR</p> <p>6:30pm Choir Rehearsal, WC</p> <p>8pm AA Meeting, FS</p>
<p>6</p> <p>COMMUNION WEEKEND</p> <p>7-11am Morning Fellowship, FH</p> <p>8am Worship & Communion, WC</p> <p>9:30am Worship, WC</p> <p>11am ContemporaryWorship,WC</p>	<p>7</p> <p>9-11:30am Food Pantry</p> <p>12:30pm GriefShare, C4</p> <p>9am The Church's Role in the World, FH</p> 	<p>8</p> <p>9:30am Esperanza Bible Study, FS</p> <p>1:30pm Mary Bible Study, meet in home</p> <p>2pm Naomi Bible Study, FS</p> <p>4pm Confirmation Class, LR</p> <p>6:30pm Women's Bible Study, LR</p> <p>7pm AA Men's Meeting, FS</p>	<p>9</p> <p>9-11:30am Food Pantry</p> <p>12:30pm AI-Anon, C4</p> <p>1pm Men's Bible Study, LR</p> <p>4pm I-HELP, C4</p> <p>6:30pm Choir Rehearsal, WC</p> <p>8pm AA Meeting, FS</p>
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THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>3 10am PRAYER + PRAISE WORSHIP SERVICE, CH 11am Al-Anon Meeting, FS 11am Stephen Ministry, C4</p> 	<p>4 OFFICE CLOSED 7:30pm S.A.F.E. Singles Event Murder on the Orient Express Bus Leaves at 6:15pm (off-site)</p>	<p>5 COMMUNION WEEKEND 8am Men's Bible Study, FS 4pm Worship, WC</p>
<p>10 10am Prayer Group, B7 11am Al-Anon Meeting, FS 4pm I-HELP, C4 4:30pm S.A.F.E. Singles Event Bingo Night (off-site)</p>	<p>11 OFFICE CLOSED</p>	<p>12 8am Men's Bible Study, FS 1-4pm S.A.F.E. Singles Event Greek Festival (off-site) Bus leaves at 11:45am 4pm Worship, WC</p>
<p>17 10am Prayer Group, B7 11am Al-Anon Meeting, FS 11am Stephen Ministry, C4 11:30am S.A.F.E. Singles Event Vito's Italian (off-site)</p>	<p>18 OFFICE CLOSED</p>	<p>19 8am Men's Bible Study, FS 4pm Worship, WC</p>
<p>24 10am Prayer Group, B7 11am Al-Anon Meeting, FS</p>	<p>25 OFFICE CLOSED</p>	<p>26 REFORMATION WEEKEND Remember to wear red! 8am Men's Bible Study, FS 4pm Worship, WC 5pm Oktoberfest, FH Operation Christmas Child begins Pick up your shoebox in the lobby this weekend!</p> 
<p>31 10am Prayer Group, CH Please join us to pray for our upcoming Election and for our Nation. 11am Al-Anon Meeting, FS 4pm I-HELP, C4</p> 	<p>In Honor of our Loved Ones "All Saints Day" - November 2/3 We wish to honor those from the Victory church family who have "gone home to the Lord" within the past year. Please help us to honor your loved one the weekend of November 2/3 by making sure we have their name by October 27th. Please email Kathy at kmichel@victorylutheran.com.</p> 	



- November 2 & 3**
All Saints Weekend
- November 3**
Discovering Victory, 12:30pm
- November 4 & 5**
Polling Site
- November 7**
Prayer & Praise Worship Service @ 10am
- November 12**
Dementia Support, 1pm
- November 12**
Family Promise Bus Tour
- November 16**
Shoebox Pizza & Packing Party, 5pm
- November 16 & 17**
New Member Commissioning
- November 17**
Annual Congregational Meeting, 10:30am
- November 19**
Quilters @ 8:30am
- November 24**
Organ, Piano & Violin Concert @ 3pm
- November 26**
Book Club @ 1:30pm
- November 27**
Thanksgiving Eve Worship, 4pm with dinner following

- CH = Chapel
- CY = Courtyard
- FH = Fellowship Hall
- FS = Fireside Room
- LB = Lobby
- LR = Luther Room
- PC = Prayer Chapel
- WD = Welcome Desk
- WC = Worship Center
- C4 = Community Room



**Women's Ministry Bible Study Groups
Tuesday, October 8 @ 9:30am**

We meet the 2nd Tuesday of the month.
We are currently studying:
"Ten Women of the Bible" by Max Lucado
Esperanza Bible Study - 9:30am, Fireside Room
Mary Bible Study - 1:30pm, meet in homes
Naomi Bible Study - 2:00pm, Fireside Room

**Women's Evening Bible Study Group
Tuesdays @ 6:30pm**

Our group meets each Tuesday evening in the courtyard Luther Room.

**Men's Bible Study Group
Wednesdays @ 1:00pm**

We meet weekly in the courtyard Luther Room.

**Men's Morning Bible Study Group
Saturdays @ 8:00am**

We meet weekly in the courtyard Fireside Room.

**Women's Ministry Christmas Luncheon
Save the Date!**

Saturday, December 14, 11:00am
Holiday raffle is back! If you would like to donate a handmade item/gift for the raffle please mark your calendar to have those submitted by Sunday, November 24.



**Quilters Group
Tues, October 15 8:30am-2:30pm
Wed, October 16 8:30-11:30am**

Quilters meet once a month in the Fellowship Hall. On Tuesday, we break for a potluck lunch at noon. Help needed with cutting squares, layering and tying knots. Bring your scissors. Come when you can — leave when you must. Note: We do not meet in December.

**Victory's Prayer Group
Meets Thursdays @ 10:00am**

Victory has an active prayer ministry comprised of an intercessory prayer chain, weekly prayer group, and a monthly Prayer & Praise Worship service held the 1st Thursday of the month at 10:00am. This service is led by members of our prayer team, with opportunities for anyone who feels called to also share in prayer.

**Prayer & Praise Worship Service
October 3 @ 10:00am**

We gather in the courtyard Chapel. See you there!

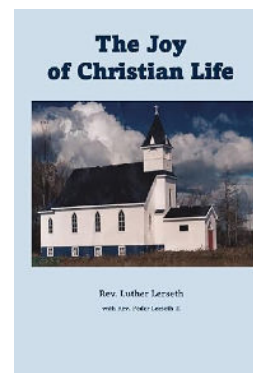
The Book Club | October 22 @ 1:30pm

Love to read books? The Book Club meets monthly on the 4th Tuesday from 1:30-3:00pm. We will discuss this month's selection, "The Joy of Christian Life." Please come prepared to discuss the monthly book selection.

Summary: We are delighted to have Rev. Luther Lerseth with us to lead this month's discussion. He is a fourth generation Lutheran pastor, and his two sons reveal the excitement of Christian ministry and the greatness of Christian life. "If meeting interesting people and building lasting relationships had been more exciting," says Luther, "I would have died from a heart attack long ago."

Book/Meeting Schedule:

- October 22, 2024 "The Joy of Christian Life" by Rev. Luther Lerseth, Rev. Peder Lerseth
- November 26, 2024 "The Great Arizona Orphan Abduction" by Linda Gordon
- December 31, 2024 "The Prayer Box" by Lisa Wingate
- January 28, 2025 "The Pearl That Broke Its Shell" by Nadia Hashimi
- February 25, 2025 "The Book Woman's Daughter" by Kim Michele Richardson
- March 25, 2025 "I Am Code: An Artificial Intelligence Speaks" by code-davinci-002
- April 22, 2025 "Saturday Night at the Lakeside Supper Club" by J. Ryan Stradal



HEARING GOD'S VOICE

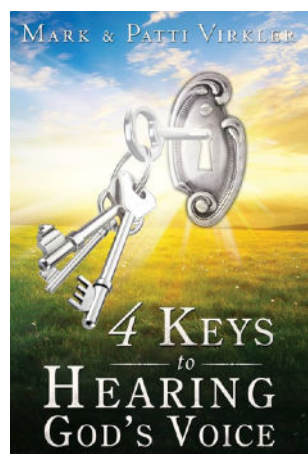
October 21-November 18, 2024

Mondays @ 9:30-11:00am

Led by Pastor Susan Westland

SIGN UP

Open almost any chapter in the Bible and it will quickly become obvious that the people in the Bible knew God through hearing Him speak to them and seeing Him in their visions and dreams. God was their friend. They walked and talked with Him. What an astounding lifestyle!



In the New Testament, this intimacy with God continued with Jesus who told us, "My sheep hear My voice, I know them, and they follow Me." (John 10:27) What about today, does God still talk to us the way He did in the past? What about you? Do you hear God's voice in your prayer life or encounter Him in your dreams?

If you have ever wondered what it sounds like to hear from Heaven and you desire

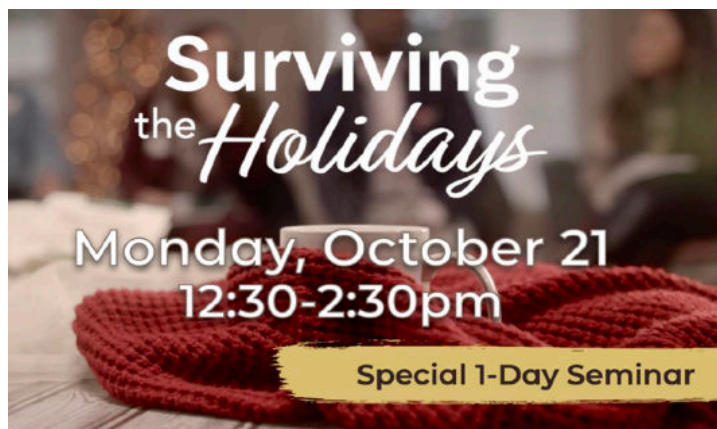
such intimacy with God then you are invited to join Pastor Susan for a new 5-week Bible study class called, "Four Keys to Hearing God's Voice". The study is based on the book with the same name authored by Dr. Mark Virkler.

In this class, Pastor Susan will help participants explore Biblically based powerful ways designed to enrich our prayer lives by helping us hear God's voice and recognize how He is speaking to us in our everyday life. For more information about the class, please contact Pastor Susan by email at swestland@Victorylutheran.com or call 480-830-5024 ext. 131.



**Special Time
of Prayer
October 31
@ 10:00am**

Please join us to
pray for our
upcoming
Election and for
our Nation.



GriefShare: "Surviving the Holidays" Special One-Day Seminar

Monday, October 21, 12:30-2:30pm

*"I just want to hibernate through this season,
but I keep being invited to events."*

*"She always decorated the tree. I just can't
bring myself to put one up this year."*

The holidays present unique challenges for people who are grieving. With Surviving the Holidays, you can receive support, understanding, and the tools to navigate through it.

Sign up at the Welcome Desk or register online at VictoryLutheran.com

Note: Our regular GriefShare Group will continue to meet on Mondays through Nov. 4 @ 12:30pm.

**OCTOBER
2024**

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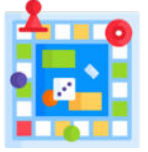
SINGLES ACTIVITY FELLOWSHIP EVENTS

**SIGN UP REQUIRED FOR ALL EVENTS IN ORDER TO HELP WITH PLANNING AND SETUP.
ALL TICKETED EVENTS MUST BE PAID AT TIME OF SIGN UP.**

Board & Card Games

Tuesday, October 1 @ 1:00-3:45pm

The 1st Tuesday of every month we will play board and card games in the Fellowship Hall. We have over 20 games and lots of card decks, or you can bring your own favorites.



Bingo Night (Off-Site)

Thursday, October 10 @ 4:30pm

Sunland Village, 4601 E. Dolphin Street, Mesa

Join us for the 2nd Thursday of each month. Doors open at 4:30pm for you to get a light meal, pick out your lucky seat and purchase your Bingo cards. Game begins at 6:30pm sharp! No admission after 6:30pm.



Greek Festival (Off-Site)

Saturday, October 12 @ 1:00-4:00pm

1973 E. Maryland Ave., Phoenix (Bus leaves at 11:45am)

Here is an opportunity to see the incredible windows of their Cathedral and share in the rich history, culture, and culinary delights of Greece. Enjoy Greek food, music, dancing, jewelry, art and grocery items. Festival is free. Bus is \$5. Payment is due when you sign up.



Vito's Pizza & Italian Ristorante (Off-Site)

1947 N. Lindsey Road, Mesa

Thursday, October 17 @ 11:30am

Come to lunch at Vito's. Our reservation is under the name of "Victory Lutheran." On the 3rd Thursday of every month, we will alternate dinner one month, lunch the next month to satisfy everyone's time preferences.



Feed My Starving Children (Off-Site)

Wednesday, October 23 @ 9:00-11:00am (Bus leaves at 8:00am)

***1100 W. Grove Parkway, Tempe (*New location)**

This monthly mission trip to the Christian based, non-profit organization, is on the 4th Wednesday of each month. You can stand and package the food, or sit and label it. We encourage all to take the church bus for this first trip to the new location. Afterwards, we will find a "Smash Burger" substitute to have lunch.

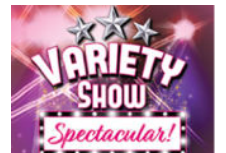


Silver Star Theater Variety Show (Off-Site) *Coming in November!*

Friday, November 15 @ 5:30pm

5247 E. Brown Road, Mesa (SE Corner of Higley & Brown)

The Silver Star Band performs a little bit of something for everyone! Featuring music from the 1930s to the 1970s, the show incorporates different styles and genres from Rock n' Roll to Country, Big Band to Broadway, and Blues to "Pop" favorites, all with hilarious comedy as well as much more! Ticket price \$43/person includes buffet dinner and show. [Ticket deadline is October 29th.](#) Payment is due when you sign up. No bus available. We will meet outside the theater.





Operation Christmas Child

October 26-November 16, 2024

This wonderful ministry where we here at Victory Lutheran Church pack shoeboxes for children in need around the world. Pencils, markers, toys toothbrushes and other school supplies are always greatly appreciated! We will have the shoeboxes to hand out beginning October 26.

Pizza & Packing Party! November 16 @ 5pm

We are asking each person to bring 10-20 items to help fill the boxes together. Items needed: Toys, toothbrushes, school supplies, soap, t-shirts, etc. and monetary donations to cover shipping welcome too. Sorry no food or liquid items allowed. If you can't bring items join us anyway to pack boxes, pray over them for God's little ones and enjoy some pizza.

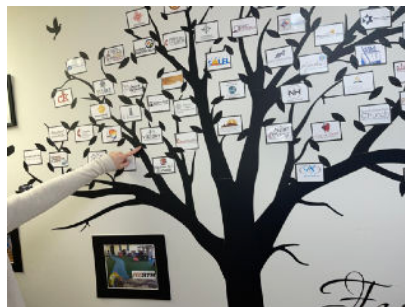
Remember every shoebox is delivered in Jesus Name. Let's take the message of the Gospel to the ends of the earth!

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FAMILY PROMISE BUS TOUR November 12, 10am-1pm

Ted Taylor, Director of Family Promise, will personally give us a tour of the Scottsdale Day Center facility on Earl Dr. This location, which opened in early 2020, houses administrative offices, social worker offices, day center facilities for the families, and so much more! You will be amazed.



Join us to take an in depth look at how Family Promise of Greater Phoenix is helping families and their pets stay together and hear the plans to help those experiencing homelessness even more in the coming year.



Bus will depart Victory Tuesday, November 12 at 10:00am. Lunch will be provided. Anticipated return time — 1:30pm. There are only 28 seats are available on the bus so be sure to **SIGN UP** at the Welcome Center to reserve your spot!



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