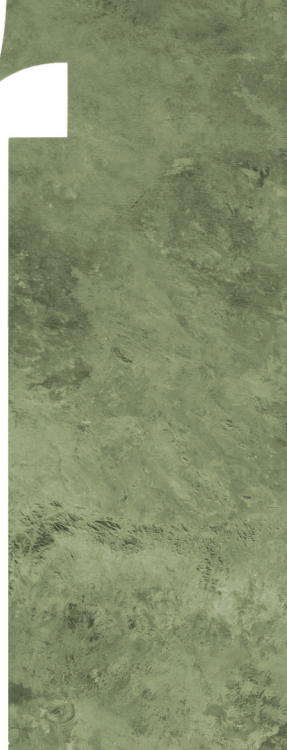


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Little Kitchen, Lots of Love

Last Sunday we dedicated the little kitchen, which was in much need of renovation! I give thanks for all those who were a part of this process, whether the investigation process, the building, the designing, the decorating, or the funding. After much discussion, we have named it He-Brews. It says in Hebrews 13:8 that "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever."

In a world that constantly changes, we are reminded that God never changes; much like many of us who have an enduring love for coffee, which remains a constant in our daily routines through the ups and downs of life. This verse reassures us of the unchanging nature of Jesus's presence and support.

The comparison here lies in the comfort we find in things that remain constant. Just as we rely on our daily coffee to start our day right, this verse invites us to lean on the steadfast presence of Jesus Christ as a



source of strength and comfort through all of life's changes.

"Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever."

-Heb. 13:8

We hope that this new space will welcome people on Sunday mornings to gather, have conversation, support one another and love one another through the constant changes in life.

-Pastor Chris



WHAT'S NEW?

Souper Bowl of Caring

February 9 @ 8:30am & 10:00am

Lutheran Day at the Legislature

February 10 @ 8:45am

Footsteps of Faith 5K

February 15 @ 8:30am

Mad Hatter's Tea Party

February 15 @ 2:00pm

Ash Wednesday Services

March 5 @ 2:00pm & 7:00pm

Pastor Luis Installation

March 15 @ 2:00pm

Lutherans at the Legislature

Monday, 10 February 2025 will be our fifth annual Lutheran Day at the Legislature. Lutheran Day is an outgrowth of our baptismal promise to seek peace and justice throughout the world.

It is an opportunity to hear directly from members of the legislature (Senate President and Senate minority leader are both scheduled to appear), hear about legislative priorities for the current session, and learn more about the legislative process in Arizona and how to contact and address your legislators.

This year we are adding a tour of the Capitol.

Separate meetings are also being scheduled with district representa-



► The Wesley Bolin Plaza at 1700 W. Washington St. in Phoenix.

tives and senators as they are available.

Registration begins at 8:45am and general comments begin at 9:30 at the Wesley Bolin Plaza. At 10:30 we will move to the senate majority caucus room to hear additional speakers and meet with legislators who choose to pop in (almost all

have been invited). Lunch will also be available.

Carpooling arrangements are available. Please contact Mark Engel if you have any questions or wish to attend; pre-registration is encouraged.

-Mark Engel

It's T-Shirt Time!

Let us know if you need a "God's work. Our hands." t-shirt by signing up on the patio.

The last day to order shirts is Feb. 16!



► Thurman Gilbert.



Members since 1979, Thurman Gilbert and his wife, Sharon, have seen Holy Trinity and the wider Lutheran community change and progress over the years.

"If there's no growth, there's no church," says Thurman, citing youth and family involvement as well as fa-

HT Hero: Thurman

cility usage as key areas of growth that have helped make HTLC what it is today.

While many know him as our 'resident photographer,' Thurman has worked in the industry for decades, photographing school sports events all around the Valley, ASU sports, the Phoenix Suns, and more. "I'm driving everywhere," he says.

Thurman has donated his time and talents for just about as long as he and his wife have attended Holy Trinity. If you've checked our social media in recent months, you've likely come across many of Thurman's pictures.

"I'm telling a story. If I can't tell that story, I don't press the button."

He views taking pictures in church as part of his discipleship, saying, "You can help and be a part of the church. You don't need to be up front; you can be in the back doing a task that needs doing."

"If you can help just a little bit, it helps another piece of the puzzle to be set forth."

A deep-thinker, Thurman always makes time to chat with people, discuss photography and pass on wisdom from his over-30-year career as a special education and English teacher.

"Don't worry about things too much. Meet the needs, take the picture—be satisfied with that," he says.

-C.Z.