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***Leading all people to follow Jesus to the fullness of life. Together.***

**Transformation - Generosity - Community**

Join us for worship at 10:00 AM on Sunday at our facility, [1249 N LINDSAY RD, Gilbert, AZ 85234](#)  
(at the Arizona Korean Seventh-Day Adventist Church).



**Sermon Title: Our Worst, His Best**

**Text: Luke 22:47-53**

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*Welcome Emma Johnson as our new Worship Director*

We are excited to welcome Emma Johnson to The Bridge as our new Worship Director! Emma graduated in 2023 from Grand Canyon University's Worship Arts department and has spent time on the mission field with an organization called The World Race. Be sure to introduce yourself to Emma some Sunday to welcome her to our community! We will have a welcome party on March 23rd after worship (with ice cream!) to celebrate her arrival!

*We are switching platforms from PayPal to Planning Center Giving*

Below is the link to the new site:

[NEW GIVING SYSTEM](#)

From now on, PayPal will be shut down, and no forms of payment will be accepted through that provider. If you have any questions or need help, please contact [operations@bridgechurchaz.org](mailto:operations@bridgechurchaz.org), and they will walk you through the process.

**SAVE THE DATE**

- **March 8th - Feed My Starving Children**

We have time slots to volunteer at Feed My Starving Children, 1100 W Grove Pkwy Ste 101 in Tempe, AZ, from 7:00 to 9:00 PM.

Contact Justin Kistler at [justin.a.kistler@gmail.com](mailto:justin.a.kistler@gmail.com) for more details. Help fill a belly (that's not your own) today!

- **March 10 -16 - Pastor Joel is on vacation.**

If you have a pastoral care need, contact a Leadership Team member directly, or email [info@bridgechurchaz.org](mailto:info@bridgechurchaz.org).

- **March 16th - Pastor Rick Efrid returns as a guest preacher**

Join us as Pastor Rick Efrid, the long time Pastor of Desert Springs Bible Church in Phoenix and the Director of Church Partnerships at Phoenix Seminary, returns to preach.

- **March 23rd - ICE CREAM - Welcome Party for Emma Johnson**

Plan to stay after worship to enjoy some ice cream treats and introduce yourself to our new Worship Director, Emma Johnson!

- **March 30th - Women's Ministry Tea (after worship)**



The Bridge Women's Ministry invites all women and girls to the annual Women's Ministry Spring Tea: **The Fruit of the Spirit.** Join us for a delightful time spent with friends for tea, fancy sandwiches, scones and desserts! We will share a brief devotional and discussion, games, and of course, door prizes!

Date and Time: Sunday, March 30th, at 11:30 AM

Location: Barn Door Rooms on The Bridge campus

What to bring: Invite your family and friends!

**RSVP** to Cathy Kalin at [cathykalin@gmail.com](mailto:cathykalin@gmail.com) or [women@bridgechurchaz.org](mailto:women@bridgechurchaz.org).  
**by Sunday, March 23rd.**

- **April 17th - Maundy Thursday Event**

- April 20th - Easter



# EASTER EGG HUNT

## Sunday, April 20

**10:00 am-Service & Kids Program (0-12 yrs)**

**11:30 am- Egg Hunt and Games**

**Snacks and drinks will be provided.**

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Lent begins this week. Soon we'll be sharing and celebrating the resurrection of Jesus! Volunteers are needed to help ensure that all who we invite to that celebration feel welcomed and encouraged.

Volunteer areas include: the Easter egg hunt, games for children, food service, welcoming and greeting our visitors. We are looking for seven more egg hunt baskets. If you have a used basket that can be donated for the event, we would appreciate it.

Contact Lisa Rempel at [lisagrempe@gmail.com](mailto:lisagrempe@gmail.com) or Keiko Garcia at [Kategarcia77@gmail.com](mailto:Kategarcia77@gmail.com) for more information.

- **May 3rd - Global 6k Walk for Water**
- **May 4th - Baptism Sunday**

If you are interested in exploring baptism, see Pastor Joel or email [joel@bridgechurchaz.org](mailto:joel@bridgechurchaz.org).

**LOVE MATURES: COPYING JESUS IN THE HABITS OF RENEWAL**

**REDISCOVERING THE STORY OF THE OLD TESTAMENT**

For many people, the Old Testament, which is only the first 2/3 of the content of our Bibles, seems hard to connect to the New Testament – it's written very differently with poems and stories and many prophecies that are hard to understand and are seemingly not relevant to understanding the gospel message. Bridge member Chuck Russell is inviting you to explore how the Old Testament fits into the full story of the Bible and becomes a meaningful introduction to the gospel message.

8 sessions online starting March 26th at 7:00 p.m. If you want more information and want to sign up to attend, contact Chuck at [chuck.russell@zmail.com](mailto:chuck.russell@zmail.com)

**LOVE MOVES: COPYING JESUS IN THE HABITS OF MISSION**

**BRIDGEKIDS TEACHERS AND ASSISTANT TEACHERS**

Our children's ministry is growing. Join our Bridgekids team and teach our children about Jesus through songs, crafts, Bible lessons, and play. Interested? Contact Robyn Wootton ([rlmccleery@yahoo.com](mailto:rlmccleery@yahoo.com)) or Keiko Garcia ([Katesgarcia77@gmail.com](mailto:Katesgarcia77@gmail.com)).

***Background checks are required, and training is provided.***

**CLEANING & FACILITIES TEAM**

We ask each member and attendee to stay after our worship gathering to tidy up the sanctuary. [CLICK HERE](#) to find your spot in the rotation, or contact Daniel Williams at [operations@bridgechurchaz.org](mailto:operations@bridgechurchaz.org) to be added to the schedule.

**FAMILIES SCHEDULED TO CLEAN ON THE SECOND SUNDAY ARE**

*GARCIA, HANSON, HOLBERT, JOHNSON, KALIN & LONGENECKER*

**GIVING** Please visit our website at <https://www.bridgechurchaz.org/giving>.

February total income: \$13,144.38

March 1-2 Income: \$1,590.00

Monthly Budget: \$15,802.00

***Need Prayer?*** Email [prayer@bridgechurchaz.org](mailto:prayer@bridgechurchaz.org)

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*[Season 2 of the Love the Cov Podcast just launched. Check it out!](#)*

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