

GUESTS:

REGARDING HOLY COMMUNION

We share communion every Sunday to provide an opportunity to receive Christ anew in this Holy Sacrament. All who trust in Jesus for eternal life are welcome to participate. The ushers will direct you. You will be given a wafer; you then dip the wafer into either the wine or white grape juice. *Gluten free wafers are available at the station on the right side of the altar.*

PRAYER REQUESTS:

Church of the Week

- Prayers for all churches in Tucson

Health and Healing

- Jan Schoo who was diagnosed with lung cancer (req. by Francine Rienstra, sister-in-law).

Safety and Comfort

- For Leah Jongsma as she relocates to her new home in Alexandria, Virginia (req. by Kees & Joanna Jongsma, parents).

Long Term & Military Prayer Lists are available at the Prayer Table. The Prayer Team prays for all on these lists each week.

Prayer requests can be submitted at the Prayer Table in the Narthex or added at www.deserthope.org. Please make sure you have permission for prayers printed in bulletin.



Prelude
 Welcome Pastor Jim Cords 8:30
 Heather Stein 10:30

8:30 Song *Build Your Kingdom Here*
 10:30 Opening
 Song *O Come All Ye Faithful*
 Children's Message
 Song *Pray About Everything*

Invocation and Prayer
 Confession
 Song *God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen*
 Scripture Isaiah 63:7-14 (ESV)
 Galatians 4:4-7 (ESV)
 Gospel Matthew 2:13-23 (ESV)
 Sermon **"Heartbreak and Hope"**
 Song *Desert Song*
 Prayers of the People
 Confession of Faith Apostles' Creed
 Offering Song *Great Are You Lord*
 Desert Hope Praise Team

Holy Communion
 Lord's Prayer
 Communion Song *All Hail The Power Of Jesus' Name*
 Benediction
 Announcements
 Song Hark! The Herald Angels Sing
 Dismissal

Readers:
 8:30 Donna Burman
 10:30 Linda Kress
Communion Assistants:
 8:30 Donna Burman, Gary Smith & Lynnea Wheeler-Fertal
 10:30 Dee Allen, Eva Damschroder & Linda Kress

PLEASE JOIN US FOR THESE EVENTS

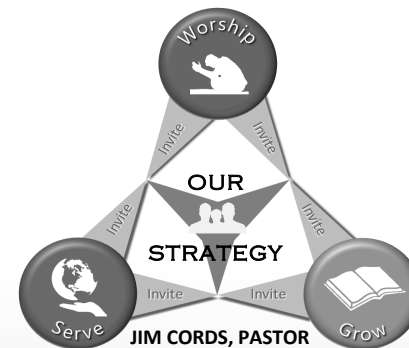
All events will be at Desert Hope Lutheran Church unless otherwise noted.

- 29 Sun Desert Hope Praise Team Rehearsal, 7:30am
 Worship, 8:30 & 10:30am
 Sunday School, 10:30am
ARISE Youth Group resumes January 5
- 30 Mon *Prayer Team will not meet*
- 31 Tue *WOW Bible Study resumes January 7*
Tuesday Evening Study Group resumes in January
Tuesday Knights resume January 7
- 1 Wed **Happy New Year**
- 2 Thu *Thursday Women's Bible Study resumes January 9*
Desert Hope Praise Team will not rehearse
- 3 Fri *Friday Women's Bible Study resumes January 10*

Additional information on these events available at deserthope.org

Upcoming Events:

- **Agua Prieta Building Trip**, Friday, January 10 & Saturday, January 11
- **Meals for Airmen**, Sunday, February 23
- **Haiti Food Packing**, Saturday, February 29



JIM CORDS, PASTOR
 HEATHER STEIN, CHILDREN & FAMILY MINISTRY COORDINATOR
 DR. GREG SILVERMAN, DIRECTOR OF MUSIC • LORI FABBRI, CHURCH ADMINISTRATOR
 LYNNEA WHEELER-FERTAL, VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR
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MISSION CENTER
 7474 E SPEEDWAY BLVD
 520-722-9134
office@deserthope.org
WORSHIP 8:30 & 10:30AM
Nursery provided at 10:30

Find resources that help you connect with God and with others at DHLc.org.

Connect with us @ deserthope.org

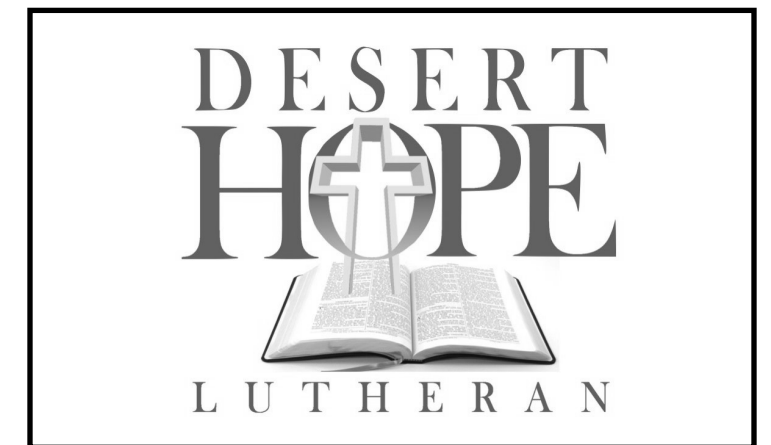
WELCOME

WORSHIP GROW SERVE
 TOGETHER

TODAY'S MESSAGE:
"Heartbreak and Hope"

December 29, 2019

HOPE NOTES



OUR MISSION:

To Be TRANSFORMED As We Follow JESUS Daily,
 Leading Others to Do the Same

If you are a first-time guest,
 please visit our Welcome Table.
 Our greeters will provide you with a gift and information about Desert Hope.

We encourage you to join us after worship for refreshments.
Please worship with us again!

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BIBLE READING PLAN

Scripture In my Bible, I read...

Observation This is what I noticed...

Application How it looks in my life...

Prayer My prayer regarding it...



WEEKLY BIBLE READINGS Week of December 30

Mon, Dec 30 Psalm 20; Isaiah 26:1-9; 2 Corinthians 4:16-18
 Tue, Dec 31 Psalm 20; 1 Kings 3:5-14; John 8:12-19
 Wed, Jan 1 Ecclesiastes 3:1-13; Psalm 8; Revelation 21:1-6a; Matthew 25:31-46
 Thu, Jan 2 Psalm 20; Genesis 12:1-7; Hebrews 11:1-12
 Fri, Jan 3 Psalm 72; Genesis 28:10-22; Hebrews 11:13-22
 Sat, Jan 4 Psalm 72; Exodus 3:1-5; Hebrews 11:23-31
 Sun, Jan 5 Psalm 72; Joshua 1:1-9; Hebrews 11:32-12:2
These Bible readings are from English Standard Version (ESV)
 Bookmarks are available in the Narthex.

ARISE YOUTH GROUP

ARISE Youth Group will resume next Sunday, January 5, with a discussion of "Can I be a Christian and Believe in Evolution?" This discussion will be led by Heather, and we will look at Genesis 1-11. Bring a friend and your opinion! All thoughts and sides are welcome! Questions? Contact Heather at 979-1563 or Heather@DesertHope.org.

BIBLE STUDY GROUPS RESUMING IN 2020

Groups meet at Desert Hope unless indicated otherwise.

ON TUESDAY:

- **Women of the Word (WOW) Bible Study**, Chick-fil-A, 6675 E Grant, 9am. Contact: Brenda McDowell, 444-0535 or bmcdowe@comcast.net.
- **Tuesday Evening Study Group**, meet in members' homes, 6pm. Contact: Linda Kress, 721-7181 or lakress@cox.net.
- **Tuesday Knights**, led by Pastor Jim, 7pm. Contact: Terry Bredehoft, 751-4115 or tbredehoft@cox.net.

ON THURSDAY:

- **Thursday Women's Bible Study**, 1pm. Contact: Amy Martin, 299-2475 or agigaxmartin@gmail.com.

ON FRIDAY:

- **Friday Women's Bible Study**, led by Pastor Jim, 9:30am. Contact: Diane Scholinski, 298-3981.

Please prayerfully consider joining one of these groups in the new year. Contact the leaders for more information regarding their studies and check the calendar for dates.

Plan to Come and Invite a Friend

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END OF YEAR GIVING

Today, Sunday, December 29, is the final day to have your donations count towards 2019 giving. Donations made after that date will process in 2020. Contact the church office, 722-9134, if you have questions.

CONFIRMATION AND BIG WORLD PROGRAMS

Wednesday, January 8, 6pm, Confirmation classes (for 6th through 9th graders) and Big World classes (for our 2nd through 5th graders) will resume. Classes begin with a family dinner at 6pm. Please RSVP to let us know you will be coming! Contact Heather (call or text) at 979-1563 or email Heather@DesertHope.org.

AGUA PRIETA BUILDING TRIP

A group of Desert Hope members and friends travel to Agua Prieta, Mexico to help build homes. The trips include an overnight in Mexico. Safe, comfortable lodging and meals for purchase are provided. *A current passport is needed.*

Upcoming dates in 2020 for shelters we will help to build:

- January 10-11
- February 7-8
- March 6-8

For questions and more information contact Frank Fountain, 299-4325 or f.fountain@comcast.net.

DESERT HOPE BENEVOLENCE FUNDS

At the Council meeting on Saturday, December 21, a motion was passed to allocate Desert Hope's remaining local benevolence balance as follows:

J17 Ministries—\$600 John 17 Weekends—\$500
 Via de Dios—\$500 Gridley Middle School—\$400



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DHLC FINANCIAL DASHBOARD

2019 Actuals	November	YTD
Actual Income	\$34,277.23	\$380,290.76
Actual Expenses	<u>\$34,209.01</u>	<u>\$365,325.88</u>
Income vs. Expenses	\$68.22	\$14,964.88
2019 Budget	November	YTD
Budgeted Income	\$35,659.00	\$385,678.00
Budgeted Expenses	<u>\$35,220.00</u>	<u>\$381,856.00</u>
	\$439.00	\$3,822.00
Average Weekly Giving	2019	2018
November	\$8,532	\$8,708
Jan-November	\$8,004	\$7,480

ANTICIPATION OF THE NEW YEAR

All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.

Romans 15:4 NLT

- As Desert Hope began, we emphasized and had good participation in a "read through the Bible in a year" plan with SOAPing.
- The benefits to us and our spiritual growth were significant.
- However, one of the challenges has been the loss of the "newness motivation." It is easy to think and feel "been there, done that, got the T shirt."
- I believe in the value of having God's voice speak into our lives daily through the scripture and the Holy Spirit. Please consider a daily discipline for 2020 of Bible reading. We are introducing a new reading schedule that is based on the Revised Common Lectionary. This means that the sermon and our daily readings will regularly reinforce one another.
- My hope is that we will often notice how God uses His Word to guide our daily lives. I also hope that doing this together will create more opportunities to discuss our thoughts with one another and receive mutual encouragement. As a bonus, many congregations (especially those in denominations) use the Revised Common Lectionary. Therefore your friends in other congregations may very well be looking at similar themes.

Walking
With
Jesus
Together
We're
Making a
Difference

Tear Here

SERMON NOTES:

December 29, 2019

Scriptures for Next Sunday:
 Isaiah 60:1-6; Ephesians 3:1-12;
 Matthew 2:1-12

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