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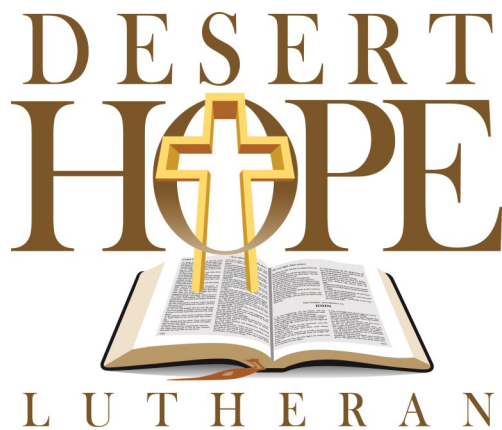
T O G E T H E R

TODAY'S MESSAGE:

"Faith in Action"

December 12, 2021

HOPE NOTES



OUR MISSION:

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

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Sunday, December 12, 9:30am—Advent 3

Prelude

Welcome Video

Song *Joy To The World (Unspeakable Joy)*

Welcome, Announcements, Prayer

Confession & Forgiveness

Song *O Come O Come Emanuel*

Kids Talk

Sunday School, K-5th grade, after in Youth Room

Scripture Readings (NIV) [Zephaniah 3:14-20](#)
[Philippians 4:4-7](#)
[Luke 3:7-18](#)

Sermon Bumper Hope Video

Sermon **“Faith in Action”**
Rev. Brian S. McGee

Song *Goodness Of God*

Baptism Liberty Rose Chang

Prayers of the People

Holy Communion

Lord’s Prayer

Communion Song *My Faith Looks Up To Thee*

Blessing

Song *Everlasting God*

Benediction

Postlude

Assisting Minister: Pastor Dave Drum
Reader: LeeAnn Sample **Communion Assistants:** Donna Burman, Brenda McDowell & Dee Allen



WORSHIP AT DESERT HOPE

Worship in-person is on Sunday at 9:30am. The service will be live streamed, <https://www.youtube.com/user/DesertHopeTucson>.

Sunday School is at 9:30am. The Nursery is not staffed but is available to parents as a Cry Room.

Communion will be at the altar. Pre-packaged communion kits are available for those who do not wish to go to the altar for communion. *Masks are optional at Desert Hope.*

CHRISTMAS FOOD BASKETS AND GIFTS

We will be delivering food baskets and gifts to families at Gridley Middle School. Delivery will be on Thursday, December 16, as that is the last day of school before the Winter Break. Our congregation has generously provided gifts for all of the children. *You can still help by donating a ham/turkey or other listed food items, volunteering to deliver or making a monetary donation to purchase fresh food.*

All food items and gifts need to be brought to church by Wednesday, December 15 at 1pm.

Items needed are:

- cereal
- peanut butter
- jelly
- stuffing mix
- rice
- snack bars
- cranberry sauce
- dried beans
- brownie mixes
- tuna
- boxed mac & cheese
- canned fruit & vegetables
- canned soup, chili & stew
- pasta
- pasta sauce
- canned pasta
- flour
- sugar

Contact Linda Fountain, 299-4325 or l.fountain@comcast.net or Delna Falk, 749-1287 or lfalk20@comcast.net.

CHRISTMAS FOR COPS

Desert Hope will provide Christmas for Cops on Christmas Day, Saturday, December 25 at 9am. You can help prepare and deliver food, donate cookies or donate money to cover the cost of food. Contact Patti Thibaut for more details, 906-8116.

MONETARY SUPPORT

Your continued monetary support is essential to the mission we share at Desert Hope. Currently we have options for making online contributions through bill pay, Zelle or the Desert Hope website, deserthope.org. You can also mail contributions to: Desert Hope, 7474 E Speedway, Tucson, AZ 85710.

Plan to Come and  Invite a Friend

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 13

Mon, Dec 13 Jude 1; Psalms 140; Joel 1-3
Tue, Dec 14 Revelation 1-2; Psalms 141; Amos 1-4
Wed, Dec 15 Revelation 3; Psalms 142; Amos 5-9
Thu, Dec 16 Revelation 4-5; Psalms 143; Obadiah 1
Fri, Dec 17 Revelation 6-7; Proverbs 30:24-33; Jonah 1-4

Bookmarks are available in the Narthex.



ADVENT THEME: A JOURNEY TOWARD HOPE

One of the greatest miracles in the Bible is the incarnation. When God became man, all of eternity changed. Our lives will never be the same because God is Emmanuel. This series will explore the journey from waiting for Jesus to be born to welcoming Him into our lives as Lord and Savior. Jesus came not so that we would live comfortable lives, but so that we might rise to the call of God over our lives to live an incarnational reality in this dark and gloomy world. Living in the light of Jesus expels the darkness and prepares us to let the light of His love shine in and through us to those around us. Jesus is our hope. Therefore, let us journey toward Him who is the hope of the world.



HOLIDAY SCHEDULE FOR STUDY GROUPS

- **Women of the Word (WOW) Bible Study** will resume on Tuesday, January 4. We will be sharing our SOAPing journals from the new reading plan.
- **Tuesday Evening Study Group** will resume on Tuesday, January 4 with a new study (*see below*).
- **Tuesday Knights** will resume on Tuesday, January 11.
- **Thursday Women's Bible Study** will meet on December 16. They will not meet on December 23 and 30 and will resume on Thursday, January 6 with a new study.
- **Friday Women's Bible Study** will meet on Friday, December 17 at the home of Sue Gigax. Following that they will meet next on Friday, January 7.

TUESDAY EVENING STUDY GROUP

Tuesday Evening Study Group will restart in the new year on Tuesday, January 4 at 6pm, in the Hope Center. We will be studying the book of Matthew led by Doug Skow. All are welcome at any point in this study. For details please contact Linda Kress at 721-7181.

GRIEFSHARE

GriefShare will begin a new 13-week session on Saturday, January 8, 1pm, in the Hope Center. If you are suffering because of grief, or you know someone who is, please pick up a brochure in the Narthex or contact Diane Scholinski at 298-3981 for more information or to register.

Schedule:

- **Sunday, December 12**
Advent 3: Luke 3:7-18, Faith In Action
- **Sunday, December 19**
Advent 4: Luke 1:39-45, Leap For Joy
- **Friday, December 24**
Christmas Eve: Luke 2:1-20, Hope Has Come

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday School will meet on Sunday, December 12 at 9:30am, following the Kids Talk. We invite kids Kindergarten through 5th grade to join us in the Youth Room for interactive Bible stories, games, music and crafts to learn about foundational stories in the Bible. Masks are optional.

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HOLY COMMUNION:

Holy Communion is for those who trust in Jesus and believe He brings the grace He promises in this Holy Meal. We are grateful that we have found a way to safely have communion together in-person and online.

Communion will be served at the altar. Ushers will direct you to the front of the church where you will be served a wafer and an individual cup of wine offered from a tray. Used cups may be disposed of in bowls stationed up front.

Pre-packaged communion kits are available for those who do not wish to go to the altar for communion. If you are worshipping at home, gather wine or grape juice and bread and take communion during the same time.

PRAYER REQUESTS:

Church of the Week

- 22nd Street Baptist Church

Health and Healing

- Jan Schoo for healing in body, mind and spirit (req. by Francine, sister-in-law).
- Rafael, father of Monica Zabel, who is hospitalized and unconscious (req. by Larry Zabel).

Praise and Thanksgiving

- For the baptism of Liberty Rose Chang. Parents: Mary and Al Chang.

Safety and Wisdom

- Captain Adam Kriete, USAF, who is deployed in the Middle East (req. by Janet Bredehoft).
- For Maria that she can get her visa so she can travel from Brazil to Nashville (req. by LeeAnn Sample).

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

Prayer requests can be submitted at www.deserthope.org or by calling the church office, 722-9134.
Please make sure you have permission for prayers printed in the bulletin.

INVITATION TO A DAILY PRAYER MOMENT

We have been inviting you to take a few extra moments to pray at lunch time. Remember you are praying to one who can and will make a difference in our situations. We are not telling God what to do, but we are humbly inviting Him to work in our lives and draw us closer to Him. We are praying that He will give our Church leadership vision, direction and courage to move our church forward on the trajectory of ministry He has started.

PLEASE JOIN US!

Scriptures for Next Sunday (NIV):

[Micah 5:2-5a](#)

[Hebrews 10:5-10](#)

[Luke 1:39-45](#)

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Sunday, December 12	Worship, Desert Hope, 9:30am (in-person & live streamed) Sunday School, 9:30am
Monday, December 13	Prayer Team, Youth Room, 2:15pm
Tuesday, December 14	<i>WOW Bible Study resumes January 4</i> <i>Tuesday Evening Study Group resumes January 4</i> <i>Tuesday Knights resumes January 11</i>
Wednesday, December 15	<i>Desert Hope Quilters will not meet</i>
Thursday, December 16	Christmas Food Baskets and Gift Delivery, 9am Thursday Women's Bible Study via Zoom, 7pm
Friday, December 17	Friday Women's Bible Study at the home of Sue Gigax, 9:30am
Saturday, December 18	<i>GriefShare begins new session January 8</i>

Live Streaming can be accessed at: <https://www.youtube.com/user/DesertHopeTucson>

Upcoming Event:

Christmas Eve Worship

Friday, December 24, 7pm



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WORSHIP
Sunday, 9:30AM (in-person & live streamed)

Find resources that help you connect with God and with others at DHLC

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