# WELCOME

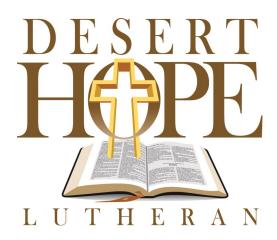
WORSHIP GROW SERVE

TOGETHER

TODAY'S MESSAGE: "Leap For Joy"

December 19, 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 19, 9:30am—Advent 4

Prelude Kees Jongsma, piano

Welcome Video

Song Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee

Welcome, Announcements, Prayer

Confession & Forgiveness

Song O Little Town of Bethlehem

Kids Talk

Sunday School, K-5<sup>th</sup> grade, after in Youth Room

Scripture Readings (NIV) Micah 5:2-5a

Hebrews 10:5-10

Luke 1:39-45

Sermon Bumper Hope Video

Sermon "Leap For Joy"

Rev. Brian S. McGee

Song Goodness Of God

Prayers of the People

Confession of Faith Apostles' Creed

**Holy Communion** 

Lord's Prayer

Communion Song Of The Father's Love Begotten

Blessing

Song Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

Benediction

Postlude

**Assisting Minister:** Pastor Dave Drum

**Reader:** Glenn Weber **Communion Assistants:** Rob Caylor, Cathy Cramer & Rod Cramer



#### WORSHIP AT DESERT HOPE

Worship in-person is on <u>Sunday at 9:30am</u>. 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 FOR COPS**

Desert Hope will provide Christmas for Cops on Christmas Day, <u>Saturday</u>, <u>December 25 at 9am</u>. 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.

#### CHRISTMAS FOOD BASKETS AND GIFTS

Thanks to everyone who helped in so many ways with the Christmas food baskets and gifts. We provided food and gifts for 27 families which included 62 kids from Gridley Middle School. For anyone who brought in food, donated a ham, contributed money for the fresh food, bought and wrapped gifts for the kids or helped pack and deliver... you are all beautiful gifts from God! Thank you to Thrivent for their financial contribution.

#### TUESDAY EVENING STUDY GROUP

Tuesday Evening Study Group will restart in the new year on <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>January 4 at 6pm</u>, 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 <u>Saturday, January 8, 1pm</u>, 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.



#### **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 20

Mon, Dec 20 Revelation 8-9; Psalms 144; Micah 1-3
Tue, Dec 21 Revelation 10-11; Psalms 145; Micah 4-7
Wed, Dec 22 Revelation 12; Psalms 146; Nahum 1-3

Thu, Dec 23 Revelation 13-14; Psalms 147:1-11; Habakkuk 1-3 Fri, Dec 24 Revelation 15-16; Proverbs 31:1-9; Zephaniah 1-3

**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.



## Schedule:

• Sunday, December 19
Advent 4: Luke 1:39-45, Leap For Joy

• Friday, December 24

Christmas Eve: Luke 2:1-20, Hope Has Come



#### **BIBLE READING PLAN FOR 2022**

Beginning on <u>Sunday</u>, <u>January 2</u>, <u>2022</u>, the Daily Bible Reading Plan will be from the <u>Revised Common Lectionary</u>. These readings complement the Sunday readings: Thursday through Saturday readings help prepare the reader for the Sunday ahead; Monday through Wednesday readings help the reader reflect on and digest what they heard in worship.

Since the beginning of Desert Hope, as a congregation, we have been involved with a daily Bible reading plan and **SOAPing**.

- <u>Scripture</u>—Open your Bible to the reading found under today's date on your Bible bookmark. Look for a verse that particularly speaks to you, and write it in your journal.
- <u>Observation</u>—What do you see happening in the text? What is the main message or situation? Write this in your journal.
- Application—Ask yourself how it applies to your life right now. Write how this scripture can apply to you.
- <u>Prayer</u>—Ask God to help you use this scripture. Now, write your prayer in your journal.

Many of us have found this to be a joyous task, and it has made a noticeable difference in our lives individually and as a community of faith.

New 2022 Bookmarks are available in the Narthex.



#### **DHLC FINANCIAL DASHBOARD**

2021 Actuals	November	January-November
Actual Income	\$28,363.33	\$364,430.40
Actuals Expenses	\$26,964.89	\$353,608.38
Actual Income vs Expense	\$1,408.44	\$10,822.02
2021 Budget		
Budgeted Income	\$41,751.00	\$382,418.00
Budgeted Expense	\$35,860.00	\$383,406.00
Budgeted Income vs. Expense	\$5,891.00	(\$988.00)
Average Weekly Giving		
2021	\$7,033	\$7,542
2020	\$6,513	\$7,539

NOTE: These numbers reflect contributions to DH's regular operating budget. Designated/restricted contributions are not included.

#### **2021 END OF YEAR GIVING**

<u>Sunday, December 26, 2021</u>, is the final day to have your donations count towards 2021 giving. Donations made after this date will process in 2022. Contact the church office, 722-9134, if you have questions.

## **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, <u>deserthope.org</u>. You can also mail contributions to: Desert Hope, 7474 E Speedway, Tucson, AZ 85710.

## **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**

• New Life Bible Fellowship

## **Health and Healing**

- Clara Caylor for recovery from a fall.
- Frank Middleton, a retired police officer, who is in ICU with COVID-19 (req. by Pastor Karen Kelly).
- For all who are struggling with COVID-19.
- Katelyn Milligan for safe delivery of baby (req. by Beth Thompson, mother).

## Praise and Thanksgiving

• Janet Bredehoft was able to go home from the hospital and no further surgery is needed. Continued prayers for healing.

#### Comfort, Peace

- For family and friends of Yolanda, aunt of Monica Zabel, who passed away (req. by Larry Zabel).
- For family of friends of Joy Kinnaman, sister of Kip Thompson, who passed way.
- For all people in the many states who lost loved ones and homes in the tornado last week.

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 <u>www.deserthope.org</u> 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):

1 Samuel 2:18-20, 26 Colossians 3:12-17

Luke 2:41-52

#### PLEASE JOIN US

Sunday, December 19 Worship, Desert Hope, 9:30am (in-person & live streamed)

Sunday School, 9:30am

Monday, December 20 Prayer Team, Youth Room, 2:15pm
Tuesday, December 21 WOW Bible Study resumes January 4

Tuesday Evening Study Group resumes January 4

Tuesday Knights resumes January 11

Wednesday, December 22 Crafters Ministry will not meet

Thursday, December 23 Thursday Women's Bible Study resumes January 6

Friday, December 24 Christmas Eve Worship, 7pm

Friday Women's Bible Study resumes January 7

Saturday, December 25 Merry Christmas

Christmas for Cops, 9am

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



#### **CHRISTMAS EVE WORSHIP**

Friday, December 24, 7pm

Rev. Brian S. McGee will be leading worship.

All are welcome to celebrate the birth of Jesus.



**REV. BRIAN S. MCGEE, LEAD PASTOR**DR. GREG SILVERMAN, DIRECTOR OF MUSIC

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#### **WORSHIP**

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

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