

# WELCOME

WORSHIP GROW SERVE

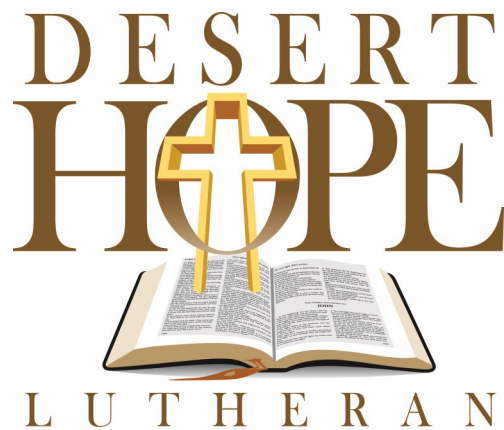
TOGETHER

TODAY'S MESSAGE:

**"Light Is Here"**

January 2, 2022

## HOPE NOTES



### OUR MISSION:

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

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**Sunday, January 2, 9:30am—Second Sunday of Christmas**

Prelude Vanessa League, harp

Welcome Video

Song *Glorious Day*

Welcome, Announcements, Prayer

Confession & Forgiveness

Song *How Firm A Foundation*

Kids Talk

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

Scripture Readings (NIV) [Jeremiah 31:7-14](#)  
[Ephesians 1:3-14](#)  
[John 1:1-14](#)

Sermon Video *Baptism: Let Your Light Shine*

Sermon **“Light Is Here”**  
Rev. Brian S. McGee

Special Music *Come and Behold*  
Sarah and Gabe Marshall

Song *Whom Shall I Fear (God of Angel Armies)*

Prayers of the People

Confession of Faith Apostles’ Creed

Song *Come Down, Oh Love Divine*

Blessing

Song *Hosanna (Praise Is Rising)*

Benediction

Postlude

**Reader:** Ray Pulsifer



## WORSHIP AT DESERT HOPE

Worship in-person is on Sunday at 9:30am. **Masks are required**. 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.

We will be moving back to giving out individual communions sets to each person. The individual communion sets have been ordered but have not arrived. Until they arrive, Communion will be suspended.

## MASK UPDATE AT DESERT HOPE

Your Leadership Council continues to monitor developments related to COVID-19. As most of you know, the world is now grappling with the Omicron variant. On December 21, the Pima County Board of Supervisors passed a resolution (2021-87) that applies to all county residents. It states, "Every person must wear a face covering that completely and snugly covers the person's nose and mouth when the person is in an indoor public place and cannot easily maintain a continuous distance of at least six feet from any other persons."

An indoor public space is defined as "any indoor place that is open to the public or a segment of the public and includes, but is not limited to, businesses, venues or other establishments where people assemble or members of the general public may enter: schools, offices, public buildings, and public transportation, including taxicabs and ride sharing." Churches meet the definitions of an indoor public place.

**Masks are required for attending any function taking place indoors on our campus, both the main building and the Hope Center.** This includes working in the office, attending meetings or studies on campus and all worship services. Per the Board of Supervisors resolution, the mask requirement will remain in effect at least through February 28, 2022, pending COVID-19 case counts and hospitalization rates in our community and any further action by the Board.

Members uncomfortable with wearing masks can still attend services via live stream through the Desert Hope website.

## 2022 COMMITMENT CARDS

***IF you have not returned your 2022 Commitment Card it is not too late.*** It can be placed in the offering plate at Desert Hope or you can bring it or mail it to Desert Hope Lutheran Church, 7474 E Speedway, Tucson, AZ 85710.

## 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](https://deserthope.org). You can also mail contributions to: Desert Hope, 7474 E Speedway, Tucson, AZ 85710.

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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 January 2

Sun, Jan 2	Jeremiah 31:7-14; Psalm 147:12-20; Ephesians 1:3-14; John 1:1-18
Mon, Jan 3	Psalm 72; Job 42:10-17; Luke 8:16-21
Tue, Jan 4	Psalm 72; Isaiah 6:1-5; Acts 7:44-53
Wed, Jan 5	Psalm 72; Jeremiah 31:7-14; John 1:10-18
Thu, Jan 6	Isaiah 60:1-6; Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14; Ephesians 3:1-12; Matthew 2:1-12
Fri, Jan 7	Psalm 72; Daniel 2:1-19; Ephesians 4:17-5:1
Sat, Jan 8	Psalm 72; Daniel 2:24-49; Ephesians 5:15-20

**New Reading Plan begins Sunday, January 2, 2022**

**Bookmarks are available in the Narthex.**



## BIBLE MEMORY CHALLENGE 2022

Everyone is challenged to memorize a passage of scripture each month. On the first Sunday of each month, a card printed with the monthly passage of scripture will be available at church. The passage will also be in Hope Notes each week.

**Adults:** Sometime during the month, visit the Connect Center and share the memorized memory verse. You can make up to 3 mistakes when sharing the verse in order to be considered successful in memorizing. If successful, write down your name as having completed the challenge for the month.

At the end of the month, all the names of those who completed the challenge are entered into a raffle for a gift card. The raffle is held on the first Sunday of the following month. At the end of the year, anyone who has successfully completed and checked in for 6 out of 12 memory verses receives a prize of Desert Hope merchandise.

**Kids:** Each month, the kids will be given a coloring page containing a portion of the memory verse for the month. Coloring pages will also be available in the Narthex. The last Sunday of the month, the kids will recite their memory verse during the Kids' Talk for a prize.

**Don't miss out on this fun challenge!**

## TUESDAY EVENING STUDY GROUP

Tuesday Evening Study Group will resume on Tuesday, January 4 at 6pm, at the Skow home. We will be studying the book of Matthew led by Doug Skow. All are welcome at any point in this study. Contact Linda Kress at 721-7181.

## THURSDAY WOMENS BIBLE STUDY

Thursday, January 6 at 7pm, Thursday Womens Bible Study will begin a new study, *Awaken: 90 Days with the God Who Speaks*, by Priscilla Shirer. Participants will need to purchase the devotional book and begin reading one devotion each day starting January 1. We will continue to meet weekly via Zoom to discuss the previous week's readings. To join this group or for more information text Amy Martin, 591-9771.


## GRIEFSHARE

GriefShare will begin a new 13-week session on Saturday, January 8 at 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.

## TUESDAY KNIGHTS NEW STUDY

Tuesday, January 11 at 7pm, in the Hope Center, the Tuesday Knights Men's Bible Study Group will begin a 13-week study, *1 Peter: God's Chosen People*. All men in the congregation and their friends are welcome to attend. Study guides are available in the Narthex on the Information Table and are available in digital *pdf* format. Contact Terry Bredehoft at [tbredehoft@cox.net](mailto:tbredehoft@cox.net) for more information.

### January Bible Memory Challenge Verse



"In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was with God in the beginning. Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made. In him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it."

**John 1:1-5**

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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.

Unfortunately at this time, due to COVID-19 restrictions, communion will not be served during worship until the time when pre-packaged communion sets are available.

## PRAYER REQUESTS:

### Comfort and Peace

- For family and friends of Frank Middleton who passed away (req. by Pastor Karen Kelly).
- For Bernice Cook who is now on hospice care at home (req. by Judy Strong, friend).

**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](http://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):

[Acts 8:14-17](#)


[Isaiah 43:1-7](#)

[Luke 3:21-22](#)

## PLEASE JOIN US

Sunday, January 2	Worship, Desert Hope, 9:30am (in-person & live streamed) Sunday School, 9:30am
Monday, January 3	Prayer Team will not meet
Tuesday, January 4	Tuesday Evening Study Group, Skow home, 6pm <i>WOW Bible Study resumes January 11</i> <i>Tuesday Knights resumes January 11</i>
Wednesday, January 5	Desert Hope Quilters, Hope Center, 9am
Thursday, January 6	Thursday Women's Bible Study, via Zoom, 7pm
Friday, January 7	Friday Women's Bible Study, Hope Center, 9:30am
Saturday, January 8	New Session: GriefShare, Hope Center, 1pm

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



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