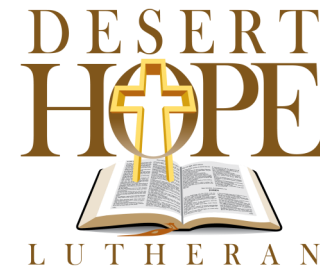


Church Campus Calendar

Sunday, December 24: Regular Service, 9:30 AM;
 Christmas Eve Candlelight Worship, 7:00 PM.
Monday, December 25: Church Office Closed.
Monday, January 1: Church Office Closed.
Sunday, Jan. 28: Annual Information Forum, 11:00 AM – 12:30 PM
 (starts following worship service).
Sunday, February 4: Annual Meeting of the Congregation
 11:00 AM – 12:30 PM (starts following worship service).



FINANCIAL DASHBOARD

DHLC Financial Dashboard - General Fund Only		
Nov 2023		
2023 Actuals	Nov 2023	Jan to Nov 2023
Actual Income	\$41,378.96	\$358,100.86
Actual Expenses	\$36,709.08	\$376,725.39
Income vs. Expenses	\$4,669.88	(\$18,624.53)
2023 Budget	Nov 2023	Jan to Nov 2023
Budgeted Income	\$29,866.00	\$368,136.00
Budgeted Expenses	\$39,158.00	\$405,568.00
Income vs. Expenses	(\$9,292.00)	(\$37,432.00)
Average Weekly Giving	2023	2022
Nov 2023	\$10,299	\$10,338
Jan to Nov	\$7,411	\$7,219

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

By God's grace and your generosity, we are making good progress in closing out 2023. If you are able, a year-end gift to the ministries of Desert Hope would be sincerely appreciated.

**To Be Transformed as We Follow Jesus Daily,
 Leading Others to Do the Same.**

WEEKLY WORSHIP GUIDE
 Sunday, December 24, 2023
Fourth Sunday in Advent

Holy Communion

Communion every Sunday provides an opportunity to receive Christ anew in this Holy Sacrament. All who trust in Jesus for eternal life are welcome to participate. Ushers will direct you to the altar. You will be given a wafer and an individual cup of wine or white grape juice. *Gluten free wafers are also available.* Please let the ushers know if you want communion at your seat. If you are worshipping at home, gather wine or grape juice and bread and take communion during the same time.

Monetary Support

Monetary support is essential to the mission we share at Desert Hope. 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.

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Sunday, December 24, 9:30am - *Fourth Sunday in Advent*

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements Pastor Kent Groethe

Call To Worship Dr. Greg Silverman

Song *Oh, Come, All Ye Faithful*

Confession and Forgiveness

Song *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel*

Children's Time - Symbols of the Season: God with Us
Sunday School Children Dismissed Dell Hammond

Scripture Readings (NIV)
Ecclesiastes 2:1-3, 10-11, 22-25
Philippians 2:3-8
Matthew 1:18-23

Message **"Immanuel in the World of Ecclesiastes"**
Jack Martin

Song *Mary, Did You Know?*

Prayers of the People

Baptism of Ellis Paul Nash

Apostles' Creed

Offertory *Wonderful Merciful Savior*
Kay Groethe & Karen Onstad

Holy Communion/Lord's Prayer

Song *Of The Father's Love Begotten*

Communion Blessing

Song *Angels We Have Heard On High*

Sending

Postlude

Church of the Week: New Life Bible Fellowship

Reader: Bill Gaube **Ushers:** Darrell Higman & Delna Falk
Communion Assistants: Linda Kress, Donna Burman and Dee Allen

Prayer Requests

Health and Healing: Sadie Jackson

Comfort and Peace: For all those stressed by the holidays.

Protection, Wisdom and Guidance: For the leaders of our country and all world leaders, for the people in countries that are facing outside aggression and for the military and their families.

Following the service, there will be Prayer Team members at the front of the Sanctuary on the right for you to receive one-on-one prayer for yourself or a loved one.

Submit prayer requests at www.deserthope.org
or by calling the church office, 520-722-9134.
Please make sure you have permission for prayers printed in the Worship Guide.

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

Do you have any extra Holiday Snacks, Cookies, Etc.?

Consider sharing them with your Desert Hope Family. Bring them in and on Sunday they will be placed with our coffee and/or tea. Call the Church Office at 520-722-9134 for information.

Willing hands and hearts are wanted to help setup Communion. **YOU** can choose when you want to serve and how often. Please contact Janet Bredehoft for more information at 520- 71-1445.

Important Reminders

- We encourage you to wear your name badge each Sunday. Wear it proudly!
- Nursery is available each Sunday at 9:15 AM until the end of service.
- During service, children are released to attend Sunday School after the hymn and before the readings.
- Following the service, there will be Prayer Team members at the front of the Sanctuary on the right for you to receive one-on-one prayer for yourself or a loved one.
- Pick up an *Invitation to Worship Card* at the Welcome Center. Pass the word of this marvelous opportunity to worship Jesus and enjoy our fellowship.