

Church Campus Calendar

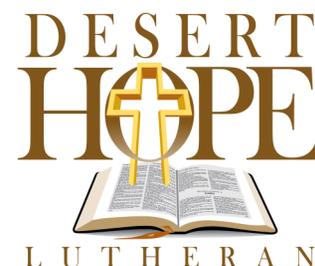
Sunday, January 7: Epiphany

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).

Wednesday, February 14: Ash Wednesday

Sunday, February 18: First Sunday in Lent



Bible Studies/Groups Updates

- Monday Prayer Group will meet at 1:30 PM in the Youth Room. They will not be meeting on New Year's Day.
- Monday Evening Bible Study will meet Monday evenings at 6 PM in the Hope Center starting January 8 with new study on *John: Jesus - The Word, the Messiah, the Son of God (MacArthur Bible Studies)*. This book is available on Amazon in paperback or Kindle for about \$10. They would love to have anyone join them for this new Study! They meet Monday Evenings at Contact Linda Kress at 520.721.7181 for any questions!
- WOW (Women of the Word) Bible Study will resume on Tuesday, January 9 with a new study at 9 AM in Hope Center. All women are welcome to join us. Contact: Brenda McDowell.
- Tuesday Knights: They will resume on January 9 at 7:00 PM.
- Alpha will be meeting on Tuesdays starting January 30 at 6:00 PM. Contact Cathy Skow at mommymonster265@comcast.net.
- The Quilters will resume meeting on January 17 at 9:00 AM.
- Thursday Bible Study will meet at 12:30 PM studying *Amos, An Invitation to the Good Life* by Jennifer Rothschild. They will be on break on January 4. A new 5 week study will begin on *James: What You Do Matters* by Margaret Feinberg on January 11. They will not be meeting on January 25 and February 1.
- Friday Bible Study will meet at 9:30 AM starting on January 5, 2024 they will begin a new 6 week study starts led by Pastor Kent, "Rediscovering Christian Faith".

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

WEEKLY WORSHIP GUIDE
Sunday, December 31, 2023

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 31, 9:30am

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements Dr. Greg Silverman

Call To Worship

Song *1,000 Names*

Confession and Forgiveness Jim Kress

Song *Mary, Did You Know?*

Scripture Readings (NIV)
Leviticus 12:1-8
Galatians 4:4-7
Luke 2:21-32, 39-40

Message **“We Are Family”**
Jim Kress

Song *Revelation Song*

Prayers of the People

Apostles’ Creed

Offertory *Now That I’ve Held Him In My Arms*
Praise Team

Holy Communion/Lord’s Prayer

Song *Softly And Tenderly*

Communion Blessing

Song *Lord I Lift Your Name On High*

Sending

Postlude

Church of the Week: Valley Christian Church

Reader: Glenn Weber **Usher:** Darrell Higman

Communion Assistants: Linda Kress, Dee Allen & Ray Pulsifer

Prayer Requests

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

**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 520-471-1445.

Important Reminders

- **Sunday School will not be held on December 31, 2023.**
- 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.