

Church Campus Calendar

Sunday, January 7: Epiphany

Sunday, January 21: In support of Jack Martin as he begins work as a missionary in Japan this March, there will be a 30-minute meeting after the service. Jack will talk about how Desert Hope's support has been used so far, update everyone on the current plan for his first few years there, and answer your questions. Please plan to be there!

Sunday, Jan. 28: Annual Information Forum, 11:00 AM – 12:30 PM (starts following worship service).

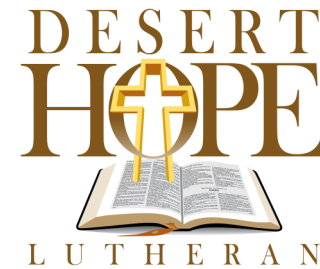
Sunday, February 4: Annual Meeting of the Congregation 11:00 AM – 12:30 PM (starts following worship service).

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.
- Monday Evening Bible Study meets Monday evenings at 6 PM in the Hope Center. Starting January 8 they will begin a 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! 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 them. 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 on January 11 at 12:30 PM with a new 5 week study on *James: What You Do Matters* by Margaret Feinberg. 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, January 7, 2024

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, January 7, 9:30am

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements Pastor Kent Groethe

Call To Worship Dr. Greg Silverman

Song *Glorious Day*

Confession and Forgiveness

Song *Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus*

Children Dismissed for Sunday School

Scripture Readings (NIV)

Ezekiel 33:7-11

1 Peter 3:15-16

Matthew 5:13-16

Message **“Introduction to Evangelism”**
Pastor Kent Groethe

Song *Another In The Fire*

Prayers of the People

Apostles’ Creed

Offertory

Holy Communion/Lord’s Prayer

Song *The Servant Song*

Communion Blessing

Song *Hear Our Praises*

Sending

Postlude

Church of the Week: Oasis at Rita Ranch

Reader: Donna Burman **Usher:** Art Byl

Communion Assistants: Donna Burman, Dave Strong & Katie Noonan

Prayer Requests

Health, Healing and Recovery: Monica & Larry Zabel, Dr. Nathan Head’s wife, Julianna, & 4 children, Reiland, Adaline, Ivyleigh and Brady; Crosby McDowell, Sadie Jackson and Pratima Mewar.

Praise and Thanksgiving: Don Martin

Comfort and Peace: For the family & friends of Dr. Nathan Head.

Protection, Wisdom and Guidance: For the leaders of our country, all world leaders, people in countries facing outside aggression and 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 those on the lists each week.

The Communion Assistants Team is looking for additional team members. If you would like to participate in a hands on portion of our worship service please consider joining this group. They serve the elements, giving and receiving blessings as we serve. Signing up is easy! Call Cathy Cramer at 520-409-9000.

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.