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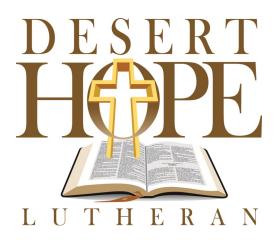
WORSHIP GROW SERVE

TOGETHER

TODAY'S MESSAGE: "Receive God's Grace"

March 14, 2021

HOPE NOTES



OUR MISSION:

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

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Sunday, March 14, 8:30 and 10:30am Fourth Sunday in Lent

Prelude

Welcome Pastor Steve Bergeson

10:30 Opening

Children's Message Heather Stein
Song My Lighthouse

Invocation and Prayer

Song Everlasting God

Sung Confession based on Psalm 51

Song Christ, The Life Of All The Living

Scripture Numbers 21:4-9 (ESV)

Ephesians 2:1-10 (ESV)

Gospel John 3:14-21 (ESV)

Sermon "Receive God's Grace"

Pastor Steve Bergeson

Song Forever

Prayers of the People

Confession of Faith Apostles' Creed

Holy Communion

Song When Peace, Like A River (It Is Well With My Soul)

Benediction

Announcements

Song Build Your Kingdom Here

Dismissal

Postlude

Readers:

8:30 Douglas Demlow

10:30 Bill Gaube



WORSHIP AT DESERT HOPE

Worship in-person is on Sunday at 8:30am & 10:30am. The 10:30am service will be live streamed.

To ensure that there are sanitary seats for everyone at each worship service, every other row of chairs in the sanctuary is ribboned off. Please sit in the open rows only. At the conclusion of the 8:30 service, the ribbons will be moved to the alternate rows to provide "clean" seats for the 10:30 worshippers.

Nursery will be open at the 10:30am service. If you would like nursery care for your child, please make arrangements with Heather at 979-1563 or *Heather@DesertHope.org*.

LENTEN WORSHIP

Lenten Worship with the Holden Evening Prayer Service will be Wednesdays, March 17-March 24 at 7pm (in-person and live streamed).

At services during Lent, we will be hearing God stories from members of Desert Hope.

God is alive and active in His people. Their stories will inspire, challenge and comfort us.

On Wednesday, March 17, Maddie Hubbard will share her God story.

SUNDAY IN THE PARK... ING LOT

Please join in the fun and fellowship on <u>Sunday, March 21 from 4-6pm</u>, for Sunday in the Park... ing lot! Our parking lot will be THE spot to enjoy varied cuisine from 3 food trucks, music, children's games and fellowship that we have missed with our brothers and sisters. We encourage you to bring a friend, neighbor or family member so they can share in our joy as Christians.

Food for purchase will be available from 3 food trucks: **Cucusas, 420 Taco and The Sweet Coqui**. Their menus and prices can be viewed on their Facebook pages. Please reserve your spot with Lynnea at 433-1757 or *Lynnea.W@deserthope.org* or at the website, <u>deserthope.org</u> so that we have the appropriate number of tables and chairs.

EASTER FOOD BASKETS

Easter food baskets will be delivered on Monday, March 29. Signup sheets for hams and drivers are on the counter in the Narthex. Bring food items through Sunday, March 28.

•cereal

- dried beans
- canned vegetables

- peanut butter
- brownie mixestuna
- •canned soup, chili & stew

- jelly
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pasta

- ricesnack bars
- boxed mac & cheesecanned fruit
- pasta saucecanned pasta

Monetary donations are needed to purchase fresh food. Make checks payable to Desert Hope Lutheran Church with *Easter Food Baskets* in memo. Contact Linda Fountain, 299-4325 or *I.fountain@comcast.net*.

For the first time there will be stations available to pray with and offer hope to the people who drive into Desert Hope to pick up their food. Please sign up on the sheet on the counter in the Narthex to help with this effort. Questions? Contact Judy Strong, 906-6265 or judy3strong@msn.com.

Invite a Friend

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 March 15

Mon, Mar 15 Acts 14; Psalm 37:1-7; Numbers 7-8

Tue, Mar 16 Acts 15:1-21; Psalm 37:8-20; Numbers 9-11 Wed, Mar 17 Acts 15:22-41; Psalm 37:21-40; Numbers 12-13

The, Mar 18 Acts 16; Psalm 38:1-8; Numbers 14-15 Fri, Mar 19 Acts 17; Proverbs 6:9-19; Numbers 16-17

Bookmarks are available.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Our Sunday School is now live and in person! Sunday school for Kindergarten through 5th grade is during the 10:30am worship service. Come join us! We can't wait to see our friends again. Contact Lisa Byl for questions, *artlisabyl@qmail.com*.

TUESDAY EVENING STUDY GROUP NEW STUDY

Tuesday Evening Study Group will resume on <u>April 6, 6pm</u>, and will begin a new video study on *The Early Date for the Exodus* with archaeological discussions. For more information on location (most likely via Zoom) and the study guide, contact Linda Kress at 721-7181 or *lakress@cox.net*.

CHECK OUT MARCH DESERT SCROLLS TO BUILD YOUR HOPE

The theme is: "Keeping Your Hope Alive." With the turmoil in the world and change in our Church, we need this!

If you can't find Desert Scrolls in your email, check your spam folder.

NEW YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY

Beginning Thursday April 8, 7-8pm, a new Young Adult (ages 18-30) Bible Study on the book of John is starting! Each week, we will read two chapters, discuss them using the Swedish method, and spend time fellowshipping and praying together. For now, we will meet via Zoom on Thursdays from 7-8 pm. If you are interested, please text Jack Martin at 591-4004.

EASTER FLOWERS

Please consider donating an Easter flowering plant in memory or in honor of a loved one. Look for the order form on the table in the Narthex today, Sunday March 14 and next Sunday, March 21. Note the order form is now an envelope. The cost is \$10 per plant. Make checks payable to Desert Hope Lutheran Church and write Easter Flowers in the memo. Flowers may be taken from church after the 10:30am service on Easter Sunday. Questions? Call Janet Bredehoft at 751-4115.

FIRST COMMUNION CLASS

<u>Sunday, March 14</u>, is the last day to sign up for the First Communion Class. This class is on <u>Saturday March 27, 9am-12noon</u>, for 2nd graders (1st graders if they are ready) and their parent or other adult. This is an interactive class the kids will enjoy! RSVP today if you are not already signed up. Contact Heather at 979-1563 (text/call) or *Heather@DesertHope.org*.

VOICES OF HOPE EASTER 2021

Calling all singers! We invite you to join Desert Hope's choir, Voices of Hope, for <u>Easter Sunday</u>, <u>April 4, 8:30 & 10:30am</u>, worship services. We are a group of people who enjoy lifting our voices unto Jesus in worship.

Contact Dr. Greg Silverman at 626-375-3383 or *greg@gregsilverman.com* for more information.

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CALL COMMITTEE UPDATE

By Joanna Jongsma

In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth and the Call Committee. Now the earth was formless and empty, darkness was over the surface of the deep, and the Spirit of God was hovering over the waters. And God said, "Let there be light," and the lightbulb went off over the Call Committee heads!

The Call Committee is going through the phases outlined for us by Church Doctor Ministries, and we are still in that process. They are your team to fully research and investigate each candidate's background, qualifications and fitness to become our next pastor. They will then recommend a candidate to be voted on at a special meeting of the congregation.

The candidate selection process is made up of five phases. Currently the team has advanced one of the candidates to Phase 3. Candidate Pastor Brian McGee will preach on <u>Sunday, March 21</u>, with phases 4 & 5 remaining to be completed in his evaluation. We are excited to welcome Pastor Brian and his wife, Christen, to Desert Hope and show them the great hospitality for which we are known.

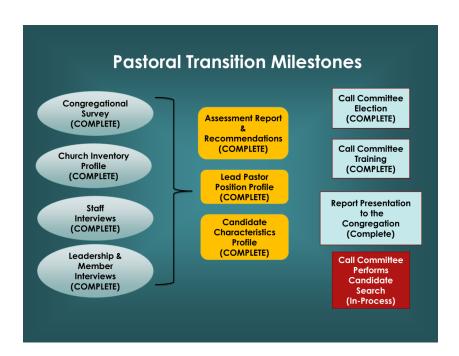
A timeline describing the Call Committee's actions to date and a description of the call process phases will be available for you to review this Sunday, March 14 on the table in the Narthex. Call Committee members will be available to help with questions.

DESERT HOPE'S CALL COMMITTEE

Leader, Bob Balck Secretary, Joanna Jongsma

Other Call Committee members are Donna Burman, Linda Fountain, Bill Gaube, Darrell Higman, Paula Knauss.

Please support these individuals and keep them in your prayers.



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 or through 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.

For in-person worship we are using prepackaged communion kits that contain a wafer and grape juice sealed in a cup. You will pick up the kit from the large table in the Narthex immediately after you sanitize your hands when you arrive. Following the Words of Institution and the Lord's Prayer, you will lift your mask away from your mouth; and we will all take communion together while everyone stays in their seats. Afterwards, please replace your mask over your nose and mouth. The ushers will come by to pick up the used cups and sanitize your hands. 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

LifePoint Community Church

Health and Healing

- Gaby Ward (req. by Nancy Taylor McCafferty).
- Jill Fuller for recovery from a fall where she fractured her wrist and sustained a broken nose.
- Nate Tomlin for eradication of cancer that has reoccurred (req. by Pastor Steve & Lynn Bergeson).

Praise and Thanksgiving

• Shirley Marker for successful heart catherization and placement of a stent.

Comfort and Peace

• For family and friends of Lenice Lohff who has entered hospice care at home.

Long Term & Military Prayer Lists are available by request.
The Prayer Team prays for all on these lists each week.

Prayer requests can be submitted at www.deserthope.org or by calling the church office, 722-9134.

Please make sure you have permission for prayers printed in the bulletin.

The Transition Prayer

Thank you for the blessings you have showered upon Desert Hope;
You accomplish through us far more than we can imagine.

During this time of pastoral transition,
help us put our complete trust in You.
Inspire the pastor you choose to serve with us;
may Your call be received with an open joyful heart.
Equip each of us for Desert Hope's next chapter;
open our hearts and minds to humbly accept Your will.
Continue transforming us as we follow Jesus daily,
inviting families of this and future generations to join us.
We pray this in Jesus' name.

Amen.

Scriptures for Next Sunday:

Jeremiah 31:31-34; Hebrews 5:1-10; Mark 10:35-45

PLEASE JOIN US

Sunday, March 14 Worship, Desert Hope, 8:30am (in-person only)

Worship, Desert Hope, 10:30am (in-person & live streamed)

Sunday School, 10:30am

Nursery available at 10:30 only

Discover Desert Hope Class, 12-1pm

Monday, March 15 Prayer Team, Youth Room, 2:15pm
Tuesday, March 16 WOW Bible Study via Zoom, 9am
Fellowship on the Patio, 10am

Tuesday Evening Study Group resumes April 6

Tuesday Knights, Hope Center, 7pm

Wednesday, March 17 Lenten Worship w/Holden Evening Prayer Service, 7pm

(in-person & live streamed)

Confirmation and Big World resumes after Easter Thursday Women's Bible Study via Zoom, 7pm Friday Women's Bible Study via Zoom, 9:30am

Saturday, March 20 GriefShare, Hope Center, 1pm

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

Upcoming Events:

Thursday, March 18

Friday, March 19

Meet & Greet Pastor Brian McGee Sunday, March 21, following both services

Sunday In The Park... ing LotSunday, March 21, 4-6pmFirst Communion ClassSaturday, March 27, 9amEaster Food Baskets DeliveryMonday, March 29, 9amMaundy Thursday WorshipThursday, April 1, 7pmGood Friday WorshipFriday, April 2, 12 & 7pm



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

Connect with us @ deserthope.org