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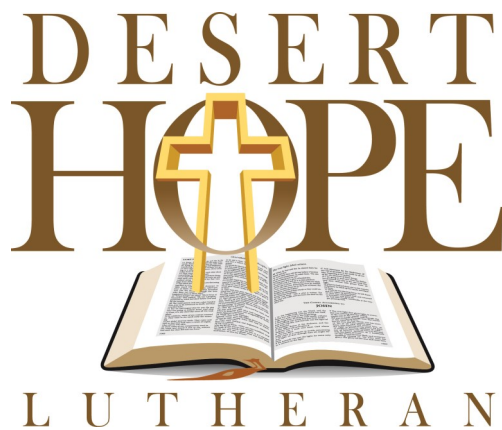
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T O G E T H E R

TODAY'S MESSAGE:  
"The Critical Transaction"

April 18, 2021

## HOPE NOTES



### OUR MISSION:

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

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**Sunday, April 18, 8:30 and 10:30am**  
**Third Sunday of Easter**  
Brian Goodall, Guest Worship Leader

Prelude

Welcome

Pastor Steve Bergeson

10:30 Opening

Children's Message

Heather Stein

Song

*There Is Power In The Blood*

Invocation and Prayer

Song

*10,000 Reasons (Bless The Lord)*

Confession

Song

*Come Thou Fount Of Every Blessing*

Scripture

Acts 3:11-21 (ESV)

1 John 3:1-7 (ESV)

Gospel

Luke 24:36-49 (ESV)

Sermon

**"The Critical Transaction"**

Pastor Steve Bergeson

Song

*Desert Blooms*

Prayers of the People

Confession of Faith

Apostles' Creed

Holy Communion

Lord's Prayer

Song

*Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)*

Benediction

Announcements

Song

*Your Grace Is Enough*

Dismissal

Postlude

**Readers:**

8:30 Judy Martin

10:30 Dewayne Vorderbruggen



## WORSHIP AT DESERT HOPE

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

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](mailto:Heather@DesertHope.org).

## SPECIAL MEETING OF CONGREGATION - LEAD PASTOR CALL

Sunday, April 18 11:45am, a Special Meeting of the Congregation has been scheduled to ask the Congregation to affirm the selection of Brian McGee as Lead Pastor and authorize the issuance of a Divine Call to him. Attendance in-person or via Zoom is encouraged so that we can unite as the Body of Christ to launch the next exciting chapter of God's amazing story at Desert Hope!

A congregation-wide email will be sent out containing the Special Congregational Meeting Zoom link. You must click on the Zoom link provided in that email to login into the meeting. **Login begins at 11:30am, but you must be logged in no later than 11:55am.** Everyone is encouraged to login to the meeting on his/her own device (computer/tablet/smartphone).

Your Leadership Council has worked diligently to craft a voting process that allows all eligible voters to participate in voting while maintaining the integrity of that process. If you will be attending the Special Congregational Meeting via Zoom, please read the detailed instructions on page 6 of Hope Notes or the email that was sent. If you have any questions please contact Jim Kress, Leadership Council/Congregation President at 954-4133 or [tfjim@cox.net](mailto:tfjim@cox.net).

## DHLC FINANCIAL DASHBOARD

| 2021 Actuals                 | March       | January-March |
|------------------------------|-------------|---------------|
| Actual Income                | \$35,734.56 | \$123,769.80  |
| Actual Expense               | \$30,719.07 | \$88,147.96   |
| Actual Income vs. Expenses   | \$5,015.49  | \$35,621.84   |
| <b>2021 Budget</b>           |             |               |
| Budgeted Income              | \$33,895.00 | \$129,257.00  |
| Budgeted Expenses            | \$34,229.00 | \$97,378.00   |
| Budgeted Income vs. Expenses | (\$334.00)  | \$31,879.00   |
| <b>Average Weekly Giving</b> |             |               |
| 2021                         | \$8,757.00  | \$9,425.00    |
| 2020                         | \$8,488.00  | \$9,920.00    |

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

Plan to Come and  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 April 19

|             |  |
|-------------|--|
| Mon, Apr 19 | Mark 7, Psalms 51:7-19; Deuteronomy 33-34    |
| Tue, Apr 20 | Mark 8:1-21; Psalms 52-53; Joshua 1-4        |
| Wed, Apr 21 | Mark 8:22-9:13; Psalms 54; Joshua 5-7        |
| Tue, Apr 22 | Mark 9:14-50; Psalms 55; Joshua 8-9          |
| Fri, Apr 23 | Mark 10:1-31; Proverbs 8:12-21; Joshua 10-12 |

**Bookmarks are available.**

## TUESDAY EVENING STUDY GROUP

Tuesday Evening Study Group will start a new book entitled, *Why Men Hate Going to Church*, by David Murrow. We would like to have interested people RSVP to Linda Kress, 721-7181. You will need the book and to download a study guide prior to the first meeting, which will be in-person on Tuesday, April 27 at 6pm, in the Hope Center.

Here is the link:

[https://www.amazon.com/gp/product/B005VHBQSM/ref=dbs\\_a\\_def\\_rwt\\_bibl\\_vppi\\_i0](https://www.amazon.com/gp/product/B005VHBQSM/ref=dbs_a_def_rwt_bibl_vppi_i0).

## CHECK OUT THE APRIL ISSUE OF DESERT SCROLLS

Theme: What I learned about our church from the Church Doctor Report

*Good News and Challenges* – Rob Caylor      *Motivated by Holy Discontent* – Wanda Johnson

*See Yourself as a Missionary* – Scot Osborne



## OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE AT GRIDLEY MIDDLE SCHOOL

### GRIDLEY WORK DAY

**Saturday, May 1, 9am-12pm, is Gridley Workday.** People are needed to serve alongside Gridley families to help beautify the Gridley campus. There are several areas to choose from; Fence line cleanup, gardening and landscaping, curb appeal, welcome/refreshments and prayer walk. Plus, in order to be organized, leaders for each of these areas are needed.

### GRIDLEY TEACHER APPRECIATION

**The week of May 3-7 is Teacher Appreciation Week.** There are 70 teachers and staff at Gridley, and we are planning to give each of them an appreciation thank you card and small gift. Gift and card assembly will take place on Monday, May 3, (time TBD). On Tuesday, May 4, 7:30am, help is needed to hand out gifts to the teachers and staff.

There are sign-up sheets on the counter in the Narthex. For more information contact Lisa Byl, 733-9196 or [artlisabyl@gmail.com](mailto:artlisabyl@gmail.com) or Lynnea Wheeler, 722-9134 or [lynnea.w@deserthope.org](mailto:lynnea.w@deserthope.org).

## THRIVENT ECONOMIC UPDATE WEBINAR

Thursday, April 29 from 6-7pm, Thrivent Financial Services will present a Webinar on what shapes your financial strategy. See how the latest economic data can help you make informed money decisions. Attend the Economic Update Webinar to learn Thrivent's perspective on the economy and how it could affect your financial strategy.

To reserve your spot, call Gloria Livingood at 529-1589 or [Gloria.Livingood@Thrivent.com](mailto:Gloria.Livingood@Thrivent.com), or register at <https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZM>.

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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. 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

- Alive Church

### Health and Healing

- Kirk Reed who has laryngeal cancer (req. by Francine Rienstra).

### Praise and Thanksgiving

- For the birth of identical twin baby girls, Harper and Sawyer Mendenhall to Mike & Tracey Mendenhall (req. by LeeAnn & Jarret Sample, friends).
- Isaac Paul's tumor has substantially reduced in size and parts of the tumor have totally disappeared (req. by Linda Paul, grandmother).
- Betty Kress is home from rehab. Continued prayers for complete recovery and strength.
- Darrell Higman's tests show he is clear of cancer.

**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](http://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:**

Acts 4:1-12; 1 John 3:16-24;  
John 10:11-18

## ONLINE VOTING INSTRUCTIONS

- 1) A congregation-wide email will be sent out containing the Special Congregational meeting Zoom link.
- 2) You must click on the Zoom link provided in that email to login into the meeting. **Login begins at 11:30am, but you must be logged in no later than 11:55am.**
  - a) Everyone is encouraged to login to the meeting on his/her own device (computer/tablet/smartphone)
- 3) Attendance will be taken.
  - a) Only voting members of the church are allowed to vote on the motion.
  - b) The attendance rosters used for in-person attendance at the meeting reflect this voting status.
  - c) Those members attending via Zoom will be marked present on the in-person attendance rosters by the Zoom host as the Zoom attendees login.
- 4) **The Zoom meeting will be locked at 11:55am by the Zoom host.** No more people/devices will be allowed to login. The Zoom host will then set all Zoom votes to be marked as ANONYMOUS as they occur, protecting each voter's privacy.
- 5) 5) When it is time to vote on the motion to call the candidate for Lead Pastor of DHLC, a separate window will pop-up on your screen with the voting choices.
  - a) Lone voters on Zoom.
    - i) 3 ballot choices. *You may choose only one answer by clicking on it.*
      - (1) Yes, I support extending a call to Brian McGee as Lead Pastor of Desert Hope Lutheran Church.
      - (2) No, I oppose extending a call to Brian McGee as Lead Pastor of Desert Hope Lutheran Church.
      - (3) I cannot, at this time, either support or oppose extending a call to Brian McGee as Lead Pastor of Desert Hope Lutheran Church.
    - b) Couples voting via Zoom with only one logged in device.
      - i) Zoom sees the logged in device (computer/tablet/smartphone) as one person.
        - (1) One person gets one vote.
      - ii) If a couple attends the meeting, but has one device, Zoom can only record one vote. This issue is addressed by the following procedure:
        - (1) When logging into the meeting, the couple will advise the Zoom host that there are two members attending.
        - (2) The Zoom host will mark the two members as being present.
        - (3) There will be six ballot choices for the two members to choose from.
      - iii) 6 ballot choices. *You may choose only one answer by clicking on it.*
        - (1) Both members vote Yes, I support extending a call to Brian McGee as Lead Pastor of Desert Hope Lutheran Church.
        - (2) Both members vote No, I oppose extending a call to Brian McGee as Lead Pastor of Desert Hope Lutheran Church.
        - (3) Both members vote I cannot, at this time, either support or oppose extending a call to Brian McGee as Lead Pastor of Desert Hope Lutheran Church.
        - (4) 1 member votes Yes, I support extending a call to Brian McGee as Lead Pastor of Desert Hope Lutheran Church; 1 member votes No, I oppose extending a call to Brian McGee as Lead Pastor of Desert Hope Lutheran Church.
        - (5) 1 member votes Yes, I support extending a call to Brian McGee as Lead Pastor of Desert Hope Lutheran Church; 1 member votes I cannot, at this time, either support or oppose extending a call to Brian McGee as Lead Pastor of Desert Hope Lutheran Church.
        - (6) 1 member votes No, I oppose extending a call to Brian McGee as Lead Pastor of Desert Hope Lutheran Church; 1 member votes I cannot, at this time, either support or oppose extending a call to Brian McGee as Lead Pastor of Desert Hope Lutheran Church.

The results (# of votes per choice) will show only to the Zoom host who will then share them with the ballot tellers in the sanctuary, to be added to the in-person ballots cast.

**For questions or more information contact Jim Kress, 954-4133 or [tfdjim@cox.net](mailto:tfdjim@cox.net).**

## PLEASE JOIN US

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|---------------------|--|
| Sunday, April 18    | Worship, Desert Hope, 8:30am (in-person only)<br>Worship, Desert Hope, 10:30am (in-person & live streamed)<br>Sunday School, 10:30am<br>Nursery available at 10:30 only<br><b>Special Meeting of the Congregation, following 10:30am service</b> |
| Monday, April 19    | Prayer Team, Youth Room, 2:15pm  |
| Tuesday, April 20   | WOW Bible Study via Zoom, 9am<br>Fellowship on the Patio, 10am<br>Tuesday Evening Study Group, Hope Center, 6pm<br>Tuesday Knights, Hope Center, 7pm   |
| Wednesday, April 21 | Big World, Youth Room, 6:30pm<br>Confirmation Class, Hope Center, 6:30pm   |
| Thursday, April 22  | Young Adult Bible Study via Zoom, 7pm<br>Thursday Women's Bible Study via Zoom, 7pm  |
| Friday, April 23    | Friday Women's Bible Study, Hope Center, 9:30am  |
| Saturday, April 24  | <i>No scheduled events</i>   |

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

### Upcoming Events:

**Work Day at Gridley**

Saturday, May 1, 9am-12pm

**Teacher Appreciation Week Cards & Gifts Assembled**

Monday, May 3, (time TBD)

**Teacher Appreciation Week Cards & Gifts Delivered**

Tuesday, May 4, 7:30am



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**WORSHIP**

**Sunday, 8:30AM (in-person only)**

**Sunday, 10:30AM (in-person & live streamed)**

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

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