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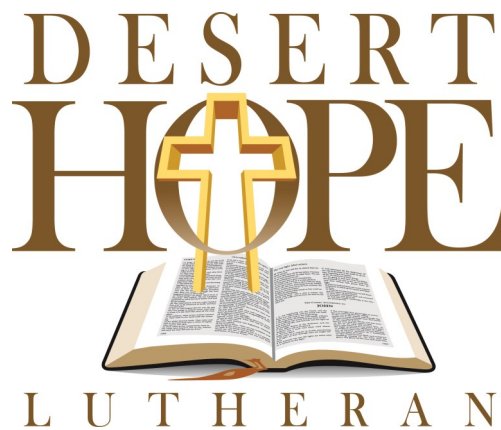
W O R S H I P G R O W S E R V E

T O G E T H E R

TODAY'S MESSAGE:
"The Work of Suffering"

December 18, 2022

HOPE NOTES



OUR MISSION:

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

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Sunday, December 18, 9:30am
Fourth Sunday In Advent

Prelude	<i>What Child Is This</i>	Vanessa League, harp
Welcome and Announcements		Pastor Kent Groethe
Call to Worship		Dr. Greg Silverman
Song	<i>O Come, All Ye Faithful</i>	
Confession and Forgiveness		
Song	<i>Great Is Thy Faithfulness</i>	
Children's Message		Dell Hammond
<i>Sunday School, K-5th grade, after in Youth Room</i>		
Lighting of the Advent Candle		Rob & Margo Caylor
Scripture Readings (NIV)	<u>Psalm 31:11-17</u> <u>2 Corinthians 1:8-11</u>	
Gospel Reading (NIV)	<u>Mark 15:33-39</u>	
Sermon	"The Work of Suffering" Pastor Kent Groethe	
Song	<i>10,000 Reasons (Bless The Lord)</i>	
Prayers of the People		
<i>Church of the Week: Tucson Central Church of the Nazarene</i>		
Apostles' Creed		
Offertory	<i>Immanuel</i>	Vanessa League, harp
Holy Communion/Lord's Prayer		
Song	<i>Of The Father's Love Begotten</i>	
Communion Blessing		
Song	<i>Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee</i>	
Benediction		
	Pastor: <i>Grow in Faith</i>	Congregation: <i>Impact The World!</i>
Postlude		

Reader: Terry Bredehoft **Communion Assistants:** LeeAnn Sample, Linda Kress & Joanna Jongsma



WORSHIP AT DESERT HOPE

Worship in-person is on Sunday at 9:30am.

Sunday, December 18, Vanessa League, harpist, will be joining us as guest musician.

The service will be live streamed, <https://www.youtube.com/user/DesertHopeTucson>.

Communion will be at the altar. The ushers will direct you. You will be given a wafer and an individual cup of wine or white grape juice. *Please let the ushers know if you want communion brought to your seat.*

Sunday School is at 9:30am. The Nursery is now staffed and will be open from 9:15am to end of worship.

HOPE IS BORN

CHRISTMAS EVE WORSHIP

Saturday, December 24, 4pm & 7pm

All are welcome at both services.

4pm service will include worship for families and children.

Nursery is staffed for 4pm service only.

7pm will be a candlelight service
with Voices of Hope and Vanessa League, harpist.

CHRISTMAS FOR COPS

Desert Hope will provide **Christmas for Cops** on Christmas Day, Sunday, December 25, 9-11am, at Desert Hope. You can help prepare and deliver food, donate cookies or donate money to cover the cost of food.

Contact Patti Thibaut for more details, 520-906-8116.

CHRISTMAS FOOD BASKETS AND GIFTS

Monday, December 19 at 8:30am, we will be delivering food baskets and gifts to families at Gridley Middle School. You can help by donating a ham/turkey or other listed items, volunteering to deliver, providing gifts for children or making a monetary donation. Sign-up sheets are available in the Narthex.

Items needed are:

- cereal
- peanut butter
- jelly
- stuffing mix
- rice
- snack bars
- cranberry sauce
- dried beans
- brownie mixes
- tuna
- boxed mac & cheese
- canned fruit & vegetables
- canned soup, chili & stew
- pasta
- pasta sauce
- canned pasta
- flour
- sugar

All food items and gifts need to be brought to church by Sunday, December 18. Contact Linda Fountain, 520-299-4325 or l.fountain@comcast.net or Delna Falk, 520-749-1287 or lfalk20@comcast.net.

Plan to Come and  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 December 18

Sun, Dec 18 [Isaiah 7:10-16; Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19; Romans 1:1-7](#)

Mon, Dec 19 [1 Samuel 2:1-10; Genesis 17:15-22;](#)
[Galatians 4:8-20](#)

Tue, Dec 20 [1 Samuel 2:1-10; Genesis 21:1-21;](#)
[Galatians 4:21-5:1](#)

Wed, Dec 21 [1 Samuel 2:1-10; Genesis 37:2-11; Matthew 1:1-17](#)

Thu, Dec 22 [Luke 1:46b-55; Isaiah 33:17-22;](#)
[Revelation 22:6-7, 18-20](#)

Fri, Dec 23 [Luke 1:46b-55; 2 Samuel 7:18, 23-29;](#)
[Galatians 3:6-14](#)

Sat, Dec 24 [Isaiah 9:2-7; Psalm 96; Luke 2:1-14](#)

Bookmarks are available in the Narthex.



MORNING DEVOTIONS

Join Pastor Kent Groethe for Morning Devotions,
Monday through Thursday at 8:30am.

Morning devotions are available live via the
Desert Hope Facebook page at

[Facebook.com/DesertHopeLutheran](https://www.facebook.com/DesertHopeLutheran).

Devotions can also be viewed at Desert Hope
YouTube channel:

[https://youtube.com/playlist?](https://youtube.com/playlist?list=PLQOTwQVq50w1f0fJuWWKVfZM0k_aJbtE5)

[list=PLQOTwQVq50w1f0fJuWWKVfZM0k_aJbtE5](https://youtube.com/playlist?list=PLQOTwQVq50w1f0fJuWWKVfZM0k_aJbtE5).

NURSERY AT DESERT HOPE

The Nursery at Desert Hope is staffed and
available from 9:15am until the end of worship.

Nursery will be available Christmas Eve,
Saturday, December 24 at 4pm worship only.

Nursery will not be staffed on Sunday,
December 25 or Sunday, January 1, but is
available to parents as a Cry Room.

For questions, contact Eve Connick,
520-400-7898 or econnick29@gmail.com.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

There will be no Sunday School on Sunday, December 25
or Sunday, January 1.

Beginning on Sunday, January 8, Sunday School at Desert
Hope will be 10:30 to 11am. Dell Hammond, Cheryl Virden
and Kay Groethe will be leading Sunday School.

HOLIDAY SCHEDULES

- **Church Office Closed**, Friday, December 23
& Monday, December 26.
- **Prayer Team** will not meet December 19, 26
& January 3.
- **WOW Bible Study** will not meet December 20
& December 27.
- **Tuesday Knights** will not meet again until January 10.
- **Tuesday Evening Study Group** will resume on
January 10.
- **Crafters Ministry** will resume on January 11.
- **Desert Hope Quilters** will not meet December 21
& January 4.
- **Confirmation Class** will not meet December 28.
- **Thursday Women's Bible Study** will not meet
December 22 & December 29.
- **Friday Women's Bible Study** will continue to meet
through December 23.

WELCOME CENTER

The Connect Center is now the Welcome Center.
All guests or visitors are encouraged to check in
at the Welcome Center. We would like to grace
you with a gift, a name tag and information
about Desert Hope Lutheran Church!

WI-FI IN HOPE CENTER

Exciting news! Desert Hope's hi-speed WiFi is
now available in all three meeting rooms in the
Hope Center. A big thank you to the team that
made this happen: Scott Wooster, Bob Martin
and Frank Fountain.

Plan to Come and  a Friend

DHLC FINANCIAL DASHBOARD

January-November 2022

2022 Actuals	November	January – November
Actual Income	\$ 41,466.59	\$ 348,343.94
Actuals Expenses	\$ 33,851.85	\$ 297,918.54
Actual Income vs Expense	\$ 7,614.74	\$ 50,425.40
2022 Budget		
Budgeted Income	\$ 31,805.00	\$ 351,855.00
Budgeted Expense	\$ 37,125.00	\$ 349,920.00
Budgeted Income vs. Expense	(\$ 5,526.00)	\$ 1,885.00
Average Weekly Giving		
2022	\$ 10,338	\$ 7,219
2021	\$ 7,033	\$ 7,542

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

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, Zelle or the Desert Hope website, deserthope.org. You can also mail contributions to:
Desert Hope, 7474 E Speedway, Tucson, AZ 85710.

Please Note: When writing a check only use a blue or black pen.

2022 END OF YEAR GIVING

All donations received at the church office or post-marked by December 31, 2022, will count towards 2022 giving. Contact the church office, 520-722-9134, if you have questions.

Walking
With
JESUS
Together
We're
Making a

DIFFERENCE

HOLY COMMUNION:

We share communion every Sunday to provide an opportunity to receive Christ anew in this Holy Sacrament. All who trust in Jesus for eternal life are welcome to participate.

The ushers will direct you to the altar. You will be given a wafer and an individual cup of wine or white grape juice.

Please let the ushers know if you want communion brought to your seat. If you are worshipping at home, gather wine or grape juice and bread and take communion during the same time.

PRAYER REQUESTS:

Daily Prayer

- Please hear us as we pray at lunch time each day for spiritual renewal churchwide and wisdom for our leadership.

Health and Healing

- Joe Doerr for complete recovery. He is now in rehab (req. by Kathy Lohmeier, sister).

Praise and Thanksgiving

- For the great blessing of a home completed in Agua Prieta for the Carmago family. Also pray for assistance with their daughter with special needs (req. by Judy Martin).

Comfort and Peace

- For the family and friends of Hal Rupard who passed away.

Protection, Wisdom and Guidance

- For the leaders of our country and all world leaders.
- For the people in the countries that are facing outside aggression.
- For military and their families on alert or deployed.

Direction and Blessing

- For the Desert Hope Leadership Council: Margo Caylor, Pastor Kent Groethe, Paula Erdos, Delna Falk, Joanna Jongsma, Dan Knauss, Jim Kress, Keith Kuehn, Judy Martin, LeeAnn Sample, Patti Thibaut, Scott Wooster.
- For the Desert Hope Governance Team: Terry Bredehoft, Bob Balck, Kris Hubbard, Dan Knauss, Keith Kuehn, Cathy Skow.

**Long Term & Military Prayer Lists are available at the Prayer Table or 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, 520-722-9134.
Please make sure you have permission for prayers printed in the bulletin.

Memorial Service for Gene Rupnik

Desert Hope Lutheran Church
Saturday, January 21, 2pm
A reception will follow.

Scriptures for Next Sunday (NIV): [Isaiah 49:5-6](#); [1 Peter 3:15-18](#); [Luke 2:8-20](#)

PLEASE JOIN US

Sunday, Dec 18	Sunday Worship, 9:30am (in-person & live streamed) Sunday School, 9:30am
Monday, Dec 19	Christmas Food Baskets & Gifts Delivered, 8:30am <i>Prayer Team will not meet</i>
Tuesday, Dec 20	<i>WOW Bible Study resumes January 3</i> <i>Tuesday Evening Study Group resumes January 10</i> <i>Tuesday Knights resumes January 10</i>
Wednesday, Dec 21	<i>Desert Hope Quilters resumes January 18</i> Confirmation Class, 3-4:15pm
Thursday, Dec 22	<i>Thursday Women's Bible Study will not meet</i>
Friday, Dec 23	Friday Women's Bible Study, Hope Center, 9:30am
Saturday, Dec 24	Christmas Eve Worship, 4pm & 7pm

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

Upcoming Events:

Church Office Closed	Friday, December 23
Christmas For Cops	Sunday, December 25, 9am
New Time for Sunday School	Sunday, January 8, 10:30am
Memorial Service for Gene Rupnik	Saturday, January 21, 2pm
Informational Forum of the Congregation	Sunday, February 5
Annual Meeting of the Congregation	Sunday, February 12

The church office will be closed on Friday, December 23. The deadline for articles for Hope Notes is Monday, December 19, as Hope Notes will be published on Thursday, December 22.



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WORSHIP

Sunday, 9:30AM (in-person & live streamed)

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

Connect with us @
deserthope.org