

Bible Studies/Groups Updates

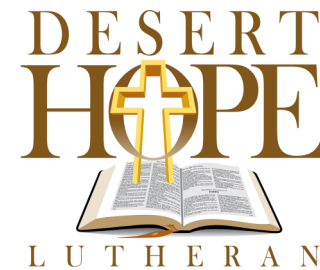
- **Prayer Team** meets Monday, 10am, Youth Room. Leader Judy Strong.
- **Tuesday Evening Study Group** meets Tuesday, 6:00pm, Youth Room, currently on break until the New Year. Discussion Leader Jim Kress.
- **Tuesday Knights Bible Study** meets Tuesday, 7pm, Hope Center, currently on break until 1/7/25. Leader: Jeff Dowling.
- **Quilters**, meets 1st and 3rd Wednesdays, 9am, Hope Center. Currently on break until 1/15/25. Leader: Lucy Dahn.
- **Thursday Morning Bible Study** meets Thursday, 9am, Francine Rienstra's residence. Leader: Francine Rienstra at fgrienstra@gmail.com.
- **Thursday Women's Bible Study** Thursday Women's Bible , 12:00-1:30pm, currently on break until 1/9/25. Leader: Amy Martin.
- **Friday AM Women's Bible Study** meets Friday, 9:30am, Hope Center. Leader Wanda Johnson.
- **Sunday Adult Bible Study** meets after worship. Leader: Patti Thibaut for details.

For detailed information relating to topics of study, please refer to our website, <https://www.deserthope.org/grow/growth-opportunities/> or the Narthex Kiosk.

FINANCIAL DASHBOARD

Nov 2024		
2024 Actuals	Nov 2024	Jan to Nov 2024
Actual Income	\$28,308.19	\$403,365.33
Actual Expenses	\$33,809.16	\$394,803.28
Net Income	(\$5,500.97)	\$8,562.05
2024 Budget	Nov 2024	Jan to Nov 2024
Budgeted Income	\$28,526	\$407,306
Budgeted Expenses	\$35,639	\$409,522
Net Income	(\$7,113)	(\$2,216)
Average Weekly Giving	2024	2023
Nov 2024	\$7,011	\$7,472
Jan to Nov 2024	\$8,541	\$7,414

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



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WEEKLY WORSHIP GUIDE

Sunday December 15, 2024

Third Sunday of Advent - Joy

**Welcome From The Friendliest Church
in Tucson!**

We are glad that you are worshipping with us today. Our goal is to grow together in faith and love for God and others. Please let me know if you have questions about Desert Hope or about your relationship with Jesus Christ.

Pastor Kent Groethe, Lead Pastor
218-731-5215 • pastorkent@deserthope.org

Please 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.

Nursery is available each Sunday at 9:15am until the end of service.

Desert Hope Lutheran Church

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Visit us online at deserthope.org

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Sunday, December 15, 9:30am

Third Sunday of Advent - Joy

Prelude *Joy To The World* Bernie Läubli, violin

Welcome and Announcements Pastor Kent Groethe

Call To Worship Dr. Greg Silverman

Song *House Of The Lord*

Confession and Forgiveness

Song *Angels From The Realms Of Glory*

Today's Symbol of the Season: Joy Dell Hammond & Children

Children Dismissed for Sunday School

Scripture Readings (NIV) John Burman
 Jeremiah 31:31-34
 Hebrew 1:1-4
 John 14:1-7

Message **"Weighing Options"**
 Pastor Kent Groethe

Song *Is He Worthy*

Prayers of the People

Apostles' Creed

Offertory *Silent Night*

Holy Communion/Lord's Prayer
 Ray Pulsifer, Todd Sander and Dee Allen

Song *Oh Little Town Of Bethlehem • The Servant Song*

Communion Blessing

Song *Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee*

Sending

Postlude

Prayer Requests

Praise and Thanksgiving: For the completion of the 3rd Alpha program and the team & guests who have grown in faith.

Comfort and Peace: For the family & friends of Grace Noonan who passed away.

Church of the Week: All Tucson Area Churches

Prayers for Unbelieving Loved Ones

We pray for our loved ones who do not yet know Christ that you would stir in them faith in Jesus Christ.

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 those on the lists each week.

Worship & Special Events Calendar

Sunday, December 15: 3rd Sunday in Advent

Sunday, December 15: Christmas Food Baskets Preparation, 11:00 AM

Monday, December 16: Christmas Food Baskets Pickup & Delivery

Wednesday, December 18: Voices of Hope Rehearsal, 7:15-8:15PM

Sunday, December 22: 4th Sunday in Advent

Tuesday, December 24: Christmas Eve Candlelight Services, 4:00 PM & 7:00 PM. Nursery is available for the 4PM Service.

Wednesday, December 25: Christmas for Cops, Church Office Closed

Sunday, December 29: Pastor Fred Baum giving Message

Wednesday, January 1: New Year's Day—Church Office Closed

Friday, January 3: 1st Friday Praise & Prayer Night, 7:00 PM

Sunday, January 12: Ministry Fair—Sunday Ministry Fanfare, prior to and following worship in the Patio

Sunday, January 26: Congregational Forum, 11:45AM

Sunday, February 2: Annual Meeting of Congregation, 11:45AM