

Reformation Sunday/ Intent Sunday October 30, 2022

Rooted in the past and growing into the future, the church must always be reformed in order to live out the love of Christ in an ever-changing world. We celebrate the good news of God's grace, that Jesus Christ sets us free every day to do this life-transforming work. Trusting in the freedom given to us in baptism, we pray for the church, that Christians will unite more fully in worship and mission.

Morning Prayer: Thank you, God, for this new day. May I grow in faith and increase in love, that I may be worthy of the call you have placed on my life. Let my words and my deeds glorify the name of Jesus Christ, that others may know of your grace and abide in your love. Amen.

Evening Prayer: God, thank you for the gift of this day. I humbly ask you to forgive my shortcomings today, having faith that you will forgive me. I thank Christ for coming home with me tonight and assuring me that, no matter what, I am a child of God and a member of your ecumenical community of faith. I now take a rest, confident in your promise that steadfast love surrounds those who trust in you. Amen.

Order of Service

GOD GATHERS US

Prelude

Reformation Litany

Gathering: ELW #504 A Mighty Fortress is Our God, vs 1-2,4

We Hear God's Forgiveness

We Pray

GOD SPEAKS TO US

Jeremiah 31:31-34 Bible 642

Psalms 46 Bible 450

Romans 3:19-28 Bible 915

Special Music:

Send down the Fire Promesa de Esperanza

John 8:31-36 Bible 871

Sermon Pastor Annemarie Burke

Song of the Day ELW #685 Take My Life, That I May Be

Prayers of Intercession

GOD FEEDS US

We Pass the Peace

Litany of Commitment & Dedication of Pledges and Commitments

We Give our Offerings: People of Hope

Holy Communion

All are welcome to receive Holy Communion. You do not need to be a member of this or any church congregation. Gluten free wafers available on request. If it is part of your own faith tradition to not receive communion, you are very welcome to come forward for a blessing instead.

Lamb of God ELW #195

Lord's Prayer

Song During Communion

ELW #396 Spirit of Gentleness

GOD SENDS US

Sending Song

ELW #400 God of Tempest, God of Whirlwind, vs 1,3-4

Blessing and Dismissal

Postlude

Announcements

You can also get announcements and calendar of events at www.MyEsperanza.org

Oktoberfest!- Big Thank you to Brad Somero (the sausage King of Ahwatukee) and his team for another great Oktoberfest!

Transition update: October 20th the council met with the synods transition coordinator, Pastor Pat Reed. She has identified a potential interim Pastor. The council will study and interview this candidate to ensure that this pastor will be right to serve our congregation during the period prior to our calling our new pastor. If you want to know more about the process you can find information on the Grand Canyon Synod website under the title "Congregations in Transition Moving Boldly into the Future" <https://www.gcsynod.org/transition> We will share news as we get it.

Steppin' Out! Join The Esperanza Team and participate in The Ahwatukee Foothills CROP HUNGER WALK! Take steps toward eliminating hunger at home and abroad! Sunday, November 13, Desert Foothills Park. Help raise \$25,000 for hunger! 75% used internationally; 25% to Kyrene Family Resource Center. Register at bit.ly/AhwatukeeCropWalk or scan:



Hunger Ministry Event: November 27 Pancake Breakfast for the Homeless

Every Sunday, Grace Lutheran Church located in downtown Phoenix hosts a pancake breakfast for the homeless. On November 27, Esperanza will prepare and serve the breakfast. The on-site time commitment will be from 6:30 to approximately 8:30 AM. We could serve two hundred people. Grace Lutheran will provide the food supplies and equipment. For this event, 12 to 15 volunteers are needed; we are hoping for a mix of youth (12 and older) and adults. Carpooling will be arranged for those interested.

We will need to provide a \$250 donation to Grace Lutheran to help cover the cost of breakfast supplies. If you can provide a small donation, please place in a plain envelope labelled "Hunger Ministry" with your name and place in the offering or deliver to the church office.

If you are interested in participating in this event, please contact Larry or Peggy Hanson, or contact the church office. There is also a sign-up sheet in the Narthex.

Habitat House 2022-23 due to permit and supply chain shortages the house is on a temporary hold. Stay tuned for updates! Contact John Fisher, Jim Gisselquist or John Gemma if you have any questions. Thank you to all who have made our past builds a success.

Come PhLY with Me!

High Schoolers and parents: make sure you've signed up so you get all the latest and greatest info!

www.phlyministry.com

November 19th- PhLY gives back at West Valley Lutheran Thrift.

December 2nd 6pm-9pm First Friday @ Grace Lutheran

January 13-16 Winter Retreat, \$50 per person. Sign up on the website!

Families and Youth, please refer to our up-to-date calendar on the Esperanza website for event updates by visiting myesperanza.org/calendar

Yoga at Esperanza! Aubree Duplessis- we are trying to get this continued for the fall. Flyers on the narthex table or sign up on her website- Aubreeyoga.com

Kyrene Family Resource Center

While the KFRC welcomes a variety of non-perishable foods, the greatest current need is for the following: cereal, canned chicken, microwavable mac and cheese, granola bars, and Ramen noodles. Year to date Esperanza has donated 653 lbs of food. Any questions, please contact Peggy or Larry Hanson.

Voices For CASA On an ongoing basis, we support Voices for CASA with \$10 fast-food gift cards. These gift cards go to CASAs (Court Appointed Special Advocates) for their meetings with the foster children they help. Please bring any gift cards to the church office. If you have any questions about this program or about Voices, please contact John Gemma at jgemma@cox.net.

Prayer Shawls Each week a group of knitters gather on campus to make prayer shawls for our community. These shawls can be found on the rack by the altar. These prayer shawls are for ANYONE who is in need (illness, birth of a baby, marriage, or in need of a pick me up). Please remember to fill out the white card that is attached and place the card in the Prayer Shawl container (on the counter in the entryway to the sanctuary). Let's spread God's comfort and peace into the world.

Pet Prayer Shawl Ministry- to benefit 2DARescue. 2darecue.org Shawls are crocheted by Alice Schultze. A suggested donation for each shawl is: \$20.00 -50% of donations will go to the rescue and 50% goes to purchase supplies. Questions? Contact Alice Schultze roseypetunia@cox.net.

Worship Leaders	
	9:30
Greeter	Gary & Susan Brown
Lector	Larry Hanson
Communion Assistants	Ray & Lori Palomaa
Ushers	Ad Hock Team
Power Point	Jim Nelson
Assisting Minister	John Gemma