

**Esperanza Lutheran Church (ELCA)**  
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**August 4, 2024**

**Esperanza Mission Statement**

Esperanza Lutheran Church creates authentic connections and a deep sense of belonging as a Christ-centered community.

**Esperanza Guiding Principles**

1. We set our goals guided by God.
2. We welcome all and respect diverse opinions.
3. We deepen our spirituality and put our faith in motion.

**Announcements**

To access our weekly Words of Hope newsletter visit:  
<https://myesperanza.org/woh>

To access our up to date calendar visit:  
<https://myesperanza.org/calendar/>

**Thank You for Donating School Supplies.** Through your generosity, Esperanza Lutheran donated 29 backpacks and 149 lbs. of school supplies to The Kyrene Family Resource Center. There are many families in the Kyrene School District that are struggling to provide adequate school supplies for their children. The Center's goal was to pack 600 backpacks with school supplies. Thank you.

**Prepare Sack Lunches For Homeless- Grace Lutheran church.** Calling all Esperanza chefs, volunteers, those able to assemble or serve sandwiches, and those wishing to donate **non-perishables** to the cause!! We will be providing 200 sack lunches to be served at Grace Lutheran Church in downtown Phoenix on Wednesday, August 7th. We welcome your help at 8:30am. Information on neon pink sheet on Narthex table.

**Jazz Night!** - On Monday, August 19th, you're going to want to join us in the Sanctuary for a casual Jazz get-together while we listen to our very own Steve Newell, Steve Waters, Dick Dorwart, John Yocky and Dan Meyer from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Feel free to bring drinks and snacks to share for this splendid evening of music and fellowship! This event will be livestreamed. Visit our [YouTube channel](#) to stream live.

**UPDATED CONGREGATION CONSTITUTION IS IN EFFECT!** The updated church constitution was ratified at the May Congregational Meeting, after unanimous approval by congregation members at the Special meeting held in April. The document was sent to the Grand Canyon Synod for review and approval, and upon their review, the constitution was put in immediate effect. During the entire process, every effort was made to keep the congregation informed on the changes and clear reasoning for the change, which made approval a success.

The constitution has been a collective effort for the past year. Under the guidance of the congregation council, the task force researched constitutions of other ELCA congregations and guidance from staff of the Grand Canyon Synod and the ELCA churchwide. Changes to the constitution addressed matters in spending guidelines, the budget fiscal year, and council membership.

**Today's Hymns:**

Setting# 2 beginning on page 120 in front of book  
Gathering : # 731 v 1,2,4,5  
Hymn of the Day: 487  
Offertory: # 523 v.2  
Communion: #396  
Sending: #536

**Kyrene Family Resource Center:** While KFRC welcomes a variety of non-perishable foods, there is a current need for dry rice, dry pinto beans, peanut butter, jelly, spaghetti pasta, and spaghetti sauce. Through July Esperanza has donated 960 lbs of food to KFRC. In 2024 our goal is 1,250 lbs.! You can place donations in box/shopping cart in the Fellowship Hall. Thank you to Barb & Herb Pinske for delivering food to KFRC! Any questions, please contact Peggy or Larry Hanson.

**Prayer Shawls:** Prayer shawls can be found on the rack by the altar and are for ANYONE who is in need (illness, birth of a baby, marriage, or in need of a pick me up). Please 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).

**Join the Meal Brigade-** You're invited! Every now and then, a church friend is in need of a meal or more, delivered to their home. Peggy Wagner is organizing the meals and the process, emailing team members when there is a need. Could you help provide a meal? Costco/Sam's Club meals, restaurant takeout or homemade — all of these are appreciated. If you like, you can join forces with another team member and share the prep/cost. Email Peggy at [pwagner255@cox.net](mailto:pwagner255@cox.net) if you are interested in helping out with this ministry.

**Volunteers needed-** looking for volunteers to create bulletins in October and November. For more information see Joni or Pastor Chris.

**Confirmation-** will kick off 8/11 by helping with pancakes at Grace Lutheran. A parent must attend with child for this event. The first regular class will be August 18<sup>th</sup> at 10:15am- 11:30am in the Choir room. See Deacon Connie or Pastor Chris for more information.

**Sunday School-** will begin 8/11 with helping at Grace Lutheran serving pancakes, a parent must attend with child at this event. Regular Sunday school will resume 8/18 at 10:15am. Questions? See Deacon Connie

## Esperanza Staff Members

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## This Week At Esperanza

### Sunday, August 4, 2024

9:00am Worship (SAN)

10:00am Fellowship (FH)

### Monday, August 5, 2024

9:00am Women's AA group (CR)

11:30am Ahwatukee Nooners (CR)

6:00pm Jazz practice (SAN)

7:00pm Boy Scouts Troop 78 (CR)

### Tuesday, August 6, 2024

6:30am Toastmasters (FH)

11:30am Ahwatukee Nooners (CR)

6:30pm Outreach Team meeting (FH)

### Wednesday, August 7, 2024

8:30am Making Lunches for Grace (FH)

9:00am 12 Step (CR)

10:00am Mary's Circle (FH)

11:30am Ahwatukee Nooners (CR)

7:00pm Boy Scouts (CR)

### Thursday, August 8, 2024

7:00am AA (CR)

10:00am Thursday Matters

11:30am Ahwatukee Nooners (CR)

5:30 Women's Bible Study (GAR)

### Friday, August 9, 2024

8:00am Toast Masters (FH)

9:00am AA (CR)

11:30am Ahwatukee Nooners (CR)

## Saturday, August 10, 2024

8:00am Men's AA (CR)

5:00pm Alanon (CR)

## Sunday, August 11, 2024

6:30am Pancakes at Grace Lutheran (OS)

9:00am Worship (SAN)

10:00am Fellowship (FH)

CR – Community Room (upstairs)

SAN – Sanctuary

FH – Fellowship Hall

GAR – Garden of Eatin'

LC-Lower Courtyard

OS- off site

## Today's Worship Leaders

Greeter- Joan Stern

Lector- Doris Dorwart

Communion Assistants- Jennifer Breeding, Judi Wold

Power Point- Craig Peck

Assisting Minister- Deacon Connie

Ushers- Michelle Ageno, Tom Vega

Counters- Randy Wright, John Fisher



## Welcome to Worship!

Time after Pentecost

August 4, 2024

*Hymnals and Bibles are found under the seats.*

Gathering Song: # 731 v 1,2,4,5

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**We live stream our worship services.**