Sunday of Easter



"All are welcome at the table of Hope"

Welcome to new visitors and old friends; to believers, questioners, and questioning believers. Welcome to all people: any shape, size, color, culture, gender, age, ability, sexuality, and family type. We give thanks for the diversity of God's family and our unity as God's people. This is a safe place for celebration, healing, rejoicing and renewal.

WELCOME

Christ is risen! Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia! Alleluia!

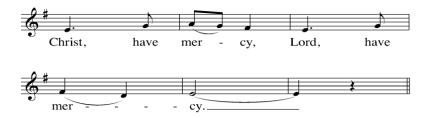
GATHERING HYMN see the song sheet

GREETING

The power of the risen Christ who is the life beyond all death and the joy beyond all sorrow be with you all. **And also with you.**

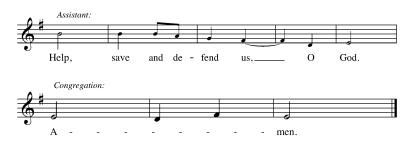
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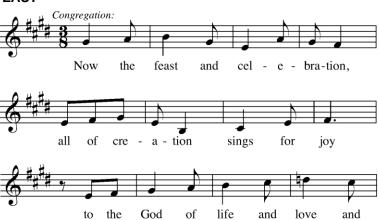


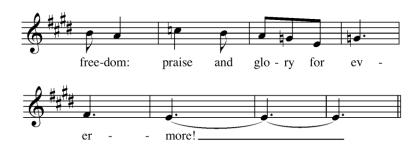
For the reign of God, and for peace throughout the world, for the unity of all...(Refrain)

For your people here, who have come to give you praise, for the strength to live your Word...(Refrain)

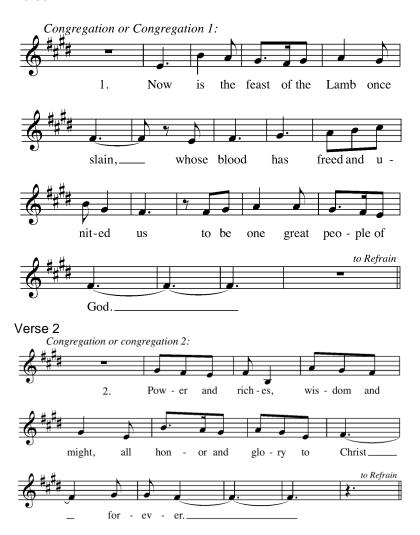


NOW THE FEAST

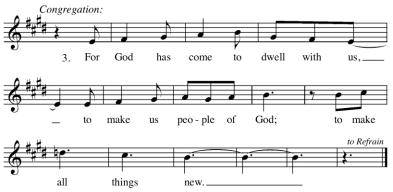


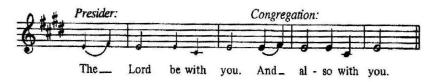


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Verse 3





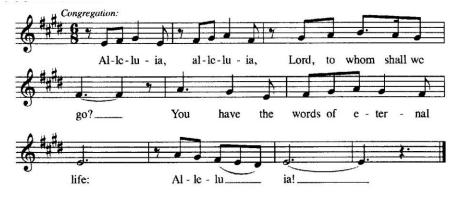
PRAYER OF THE DAY

God of mercy, we no longer look for Jesus among the dead, for he is alive and has become the Lord of life. Increase in our minds and hearts the risen life we share with Christ, and help us to grow as your people toward the fullness of eternal life with you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SCRIPTURE READING: Acts 10:34-43
Word of God, word of life. Thanks be to God!

GOSPEL VERSE



GOSPEL READING / FAITH IN MOTION

Matthew 28:1-10

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY see the song sheet

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Each petition concludes: Hear us, O God, and make all things new.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

OFFERING

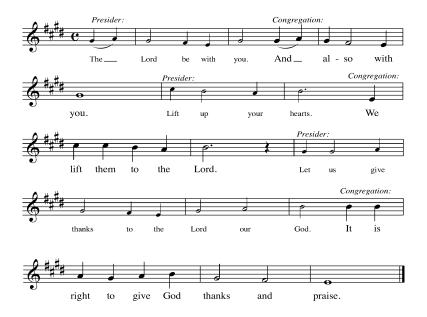
OFFERTORY "As the Grains of Wheat"

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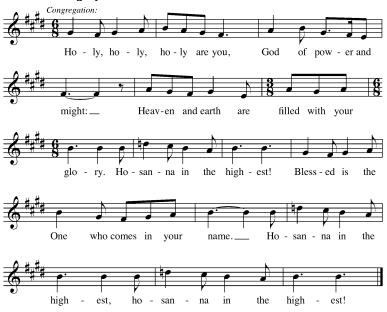
OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray. Merciful God, everything in heaven and earth belongs to you. We joyfully release what you have entrusted to us. May these gifts be signs of our whole lives returned to you, dedicated to the healing and unity of all creation, through Jesus Christ. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING



PREFACE It is our duty and delight... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven,
 hallowed be your name,
 your kingdom come,
 your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins,
 as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours,
 now and forever. Amen.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

Holy Communion at Esperanza is by "intinction." Please take the bread, and dip it into the chalice of non-alcoholic wine. For those who prefer, individual cups of non-alcoholic wine are available as are gluten-free wafers. All are welcome at the table of hope!

- 1. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:
- 2. Lamb of God, you break the chains of hatred and fear:
- 3. Lamb of God, you are the way of justice and peace:
- 4. Lamb of God, you are the way of mercy and love:



COMMUNION HYMN see the song sheet

TABLE BLESSING

PRAYER OF DISCERNMENT

God of grace and love, you have a dream for us. Open the eyes of our hearts to see you at work. Unstop our ears to hear the call of your spirit. Unbind us from our fears that we might go where you lead.

Silence for reflection: Where might God be leading us?

We pray by the power of Jesus' name. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

May God bless us and keep us. May God's face shine on us and be gracious to us. May God look upon us with favor and give us peace. **Amen.**

SENDING SONG see the song sheet

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Share the good news that Christ is risen! **Christ is risen** indeed! Alleluia!

POSTLUDE



Given in Honor Of:

Betty Nied
From: Bonnie Nied
In Celebration Of:
Our Children & Grandchildren
From: Steven & Joni Thorpe

James Kirkpatrick From: Diane Kirkpatrick

Our family & grandchildren From: The Henrichsen family

In Memory Of:

Archbishop Oscar Romero From: Pastor Sarah Dorothy Day From: Pastor Sarah

Faith Paradise From: The Paradise family

Christopher Benhoff From: Jackie Benhoff

Christ & Gail Henrichsen From: The Henrichsen Family

Nick & Joe Nicolosi From: Donna & Rick Sparber

> Violet Withers From: Robert Withers

> Richard Withers From: Robert Withers

Those who have gone before us From: The Thorpe Family

Kent Hoover From: The Hoover Family

Flowers Given:

Dorwart Family

Craig Peck

Announcements

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

Do you have a graduate? Please send Joni a photo, and let us know where they are graduating from and what they will be doing next! Please submit by May 17th.

Journeying through the New Testament in 2023-

During 2023, we are reading our way through the New Testament. The reading list is on the Narthex counter and on the website. Here are the readings for the next few days. Everyone reading through the NT is welcome to check in each 3rd Sunday of the month at 10:15 am in the sanctuary.

Sunday, April 9, 2023 Philippians 1 Monday, April 10, 2023 Philippians 2 Tuesday, April 11, 2023 Philippians 3 Wednesday, April 12, 2023 Philippians 4 Thursday, April 13, 2023 Romans 1 Friday, April 14, 2023 Romans 2 Saturday, April 15, 2023 Romans 3 Sunday, April 16, 2023 Romans 4

Kyrene Family Resource Center Food Donations

While KFRC welcomes a variety of non-perishable foods, there is a current need for jelly, dry beans, and diapers (sizes 6 and 7). Place donations in box/shopping cart in the Fellowship Hall. Through March 2023, Esperanza has donated 355 lbs. of food to KFRC. Thank you! Any questions, please contact Peggy or Larry Hanson.

Habitat House 2023- Our 26th year !! Site: 3610 S Roosevelt St. Tempe, AZ. If tools are not your thing they also need volunteers to provide lunch for the volunteers! 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.

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.

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This Week At Esperanza

Sunday, April 9th

6:30am Worship (lower courtyard)

7:15am Pancake breakfast

9:00am Worship (SAN)

10:15am Easter Egg Hunt

NO Sunday Funday (CR)

NO Adult Sunday School (SAN)

Monday, April 10th

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

11:30am Ahwatukee Nooners (CR)

7:00pm Boy Scouts (CR)

Tuesday, April 11th

11:30am Ahwatukee Nooners (CR)

Wednesday, April 12th

6:30am Toastmasters(FH)

9:00am 12 Step (CR)

10:00am Mary Circle (FH)

11:30am Ahwatukee Nooners (CR)

1:30pm Staff meeting (FH)

7:00pm Boy Scouts (CR)

Thursday, April 12th

7:00am AA (CR)

10:00am Thursday Matters (FH)

11:30am Ahwatukee Nooners (CR)

5:30pm Ladies Bible Study (GAR)

Friday, April 13th

8:00am Toast Masters (FH)

9:00am AA (CR)

11:30am Ahwatukee Nooners (CR)

Saturday, April 14th

8:00 am Men's AA (CR)

Sunday, April 15th

9:00am Worship (SAN)

10:15am Sunday Funday (CR)

10:15am Adult Sunday School (SAN)

CR - Community Room (upstairs)

SAN – Sanctuary

FH – Fellowship Hall

GAR - Garden of Eatin'

Today's Worship Leaders

Greeter- Dennis & Yvonne Fox

Lector- Kristie Wright

Communion Assistants- Todd & Jayne Peterson

Power Point- Not needed

Assisting Minister- Deacon Connie

Ushers- Paul Wagner, Duane Fish

Counters- Peggy & Larry Hanson