## Second Sunday of Epiphany January 15, 2023

Today's gospel opens with further reflection on Jesus's baptism. He is the Lamb of God who take away the sin of the world and the one anointed by the Spirit. In the liturgy we come and see Christ revealed among us in word and meal. We go forth to invite others to come and worship the Holy One and to receive the gifts of grace and peace made known among us.

### Announcements

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

Mission Plan Q&A: Please join us today at 10:15 am!

New Member Class: On Sunday, February 5 at 11:15 am, those seeking to become members of Esperanza are most welcomed and encouraged to participate in our New Member Class! We will gather in the fellowship hall for a simple meal along with the First Communion students and then break into our respective classes. Topics covered in the New Member Class will include Lutheranism 101, Esperanza ministries, using our spiritual gifts, Esperanza history and tour, and community life at Esperanza. If you are interested in joining Esperanza or if you are simply wondering if you would like to join, you are most welcome to participate! Please be in touch with Pastor Sarah at pastor.sarah@myesperanza.org to sign up. Also, each new member will have a sponsor, so if you are already a member and would like to help welcome a new member, please let Pastor Sarah know.

First communion Class- February 5th & 12th. 11:15am- 1pm lunch will pe provided. There is no age limit, if you feel your child is ready to receive communion and grow in their faith, we invite you to join us. Please contact Deacon Connie at Deacon.connie@mvesperanza.org

Annual Meeting: Please join us for the annual meeting next Sunday, January 22 at 10:15 am where we will, among other items of business, vote on the mission plan, elect nominating committee members, and voting members to the Grand Canyon Synod Assembly.

Preschool Trivia Night- January 21st at 6:00pm Sign up your team of 6 adults. Prizes will be awarded for the winning trivia table, the best decorated table, and even the biggest losers! It is a great evening of food, fellowship and fun! Sign up at :

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0849ADAA2FA 5FB6-trivia

# LUTHERAN DAY **AT THE LEGISLATURE**

## ARIZONA CAPITOL, WESLEY BOLIN PLAZA MONDAY, JANUARY 30 @ 9:30 - 11:30 am

For more information, go to www.lamaz.org/newsblog/lutheran-day-at-the-legislature

#### **Kyrene Family Resource Center**

While the KFRC welcomes a variety of non-perishable foods, the greatest current need is for the following: cereal, pasta, and jelly. During 2022 Esperanza donated 813 lbs of food. Thank you to doners and children and parents of COH. 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 CAS: 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: Purchases of shawls benefit Crest Care, Inc. Shawls are knitted by Alice Schultze. A suggested donation for each shawl is: \$20.00. 100% of donations will go to the rescue. **Questions? Contact Alice Schultze at** rosevpetunia@cox.net.

## **Calendar of Events**

Sunday, January 15th 9:00am Service 10:15am Fun Day School 10:15am Q & A meeting about Mission Plan 2:00pm Girl Scouts #3891 (2F)

Monday, January 16th 9:00am Women's AA group (2F) 11:30am Ahwatukee Nooners (2F) 6:00pm Jazz group (SAN) 7:00pm Boy Scouts (2F)

**Tuesday, January 17th** 11:30am Ahwatukee Nooners (2F) 6:00pm COH Board (FH) 7:00pm Council Meeting (FH)

Wednesday, January 18th 6:30am Toastmasters(FH) 9:00 am 12 Step (2F) 10:00am Mary Circle (FH) 11:30am Ahwatukee Nooners (2F) 2:00pm Staff Meeting (FH) 7:00pm Boy Scouts (2F) Thursday, January 19th

7:00am AA (2F) 8:00am COH parent workshop (San) 10:00am Thursday Matters (FH) 11:30am Ahwatukee Nooners (2F) 3:30pm Lay Communion Minister Training (FH) 5:30pm Ladies Bible Study (GAR)

Friday, January 20th 8:00am Toast Masters (FH) 10:00am Newborns in need (FH) 9:00am AA (2F) 11:30am Ahwatukee Nooners (2F)

Saturday, January 21th 8:00 am Men's AA (2F)

Sunday, January 22nd 9:00am Service 10:15am Annual Meeting 2:00pm Girl Scouts #3891

Worship Leaders		
	9:00	
Greeter	Ralph & Wilma Wells	
Lector	Lynn Hockenberger	
Communion Assistants	John & Kathy Gemma	
Ushers	Julie Valenzuela, Dennis Fox, KC & Christine Quah	
Power Point	Jim Gisselquist	
Assisting Minister	Deacon Connie	



## Welcome to Worship!

Second Sunday after Epiphany January 15, 2023

Hymnals and Bibles are found under the seats. Thank you.Gathering Song:#715Song of the Day:#817Offertory:#All Are WelcomeCommunion Hymn#336Sending Song:#984

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