

First Sunday of Christmas January 8, 2023

In the waters of the Jordan, Jesus is revealed as the beloved Son of God. Through this great epiphany, Jesus fulfills all righteousness and becomes the servant of God who will bring forth justice and be a light to the nations. In waters of baptism we too are washed by the Word, anointed by the Spirit, and named God's beloved children. Our baptismal mission is to proclaim good news to all who are oppressed or in need of God's healing.

Announcements

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

Habitat House 2023- Our 26th year kicks off on January 14th at 7:30am. 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.

Annual Meeting- it is time to approve the Mission Plan! There will be a review meeting with a Q & A session on January 15th at 10:30am. The vote will be taken on January 22nd at 10:15am.

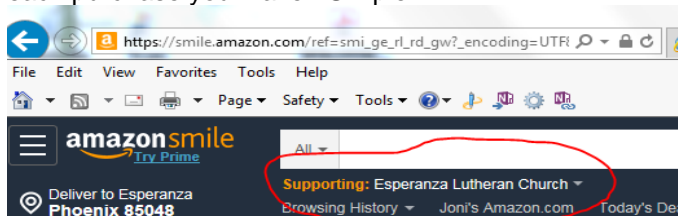
Adult Sunday School- Starts today! With Pastor Sarah in the sanctuary at 10:30am.

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/20F0849ADAA2FA5FB6-trivia>

Don't Forget Easy Fundraiser- Amazon donates .05% of the price of your eligible AmazonSmile purchases to the charitable organization of your choice.

Go to Smile.Amazon.com, Log on,/under the amazon search bar it says "supporting" with a pull down menu-search for Esperanza Lutheran church. We get .05% each purchase you make. Simple!



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

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

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 donors and children and parents of COH. 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.

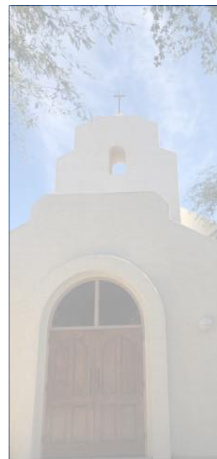
Prayer Shawls Each week a group of knitters gather on campus to make prayer shawls for our community. These shawls can be found on the rack by the altar. These prayer shawls are for ANYONE who is in need (illness, birth of a baby, marriage, or in need of a pick me up). Please remember to fill out the 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.

Calendar of Events

<p>Sunday, January 8th 9:00am Service 10:15am Fun Day School 10:30am Adult Sunday School</p> <p>Monday, January 9th 9:00am Women's AA group (2F) 11:30am Ahwatukee Nooners (2F) 5:00pm Girl Scouts #3384 (2F) 6:00pm Jazz group (SAN) 7:00pm Boy Scouts (2F)</p> <p>Tuesday, January 10th 11:30am Ahwatukee Nooners (2F)</p> <p>Wednesday, January 11th 6:30am Toastmasters(FH) 9:00 am 12 Step (2F) 10:00am Mary Circle (FH) 11:30am Ahwatukee Nooners (2F) 7:00pm Boy Scouts (2F)</p>	<p>Thursday, January 12th 7:00am AA (2F) 10:00am Thursday Matters (FH) 11:30am Ahwatukee Nooners (2F) 5:30pm Ladies Bible Study (GAR) 7:00pm Council meeting</p> <p>Friday, January 13th 8:00am Toast Masters (FH) 9:00am AA (2F) 11:30am Ahwatukee Nooners (2F)</p> <p>Saturday, January 14th 8:00 am Men's AA (2F) 1:00pm AA special meeting (2F)</p> <p>Sunday, January 15th 9:00am Service 10:15am Fun Day School 10:30am Q & A meeting for Vision Plan 2:00pm Girl Scouts #3891</p>
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Worship Leaders	
	9:00
Greeter	Steven & Joni Thorpe
Lector	Michelle Tinsley
Communion Assistants	Chuck & Pam Yount
Ushers	Dick & Doris Dorwart, Tom Vega, Kelly Edwards
Power Point	Jim Nelson
Assisting Minister	Pastor Sarah Stadler



Welcome to Worship!

Baptism of Christ
 January 8, 2023

Hymnals and Bibles are found under the seats. Thank you.

- Gathering Song: #302
- Song of the Day: #456
- Offertory: #All Are Welcome
- Communion Hymn #396 (verses 1-3)
- Sending Song: #881

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