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3rd Sunday after Pentecost June 18, 2023

Jesus sends our the disciples as laborers into the harvest. In baptism we too are anointed for ministry, sharing God's compassion with our needy world. From the Lord's table we go forth to proclaim the good news, to heal the sick and to share our bread with the hungry.

Announcements

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

4th of July Children's Bicycle Parade-Esperanza will have a booth at this event the morning of July 4 at the park across the street from us. Please let Pastor Sarah or one of the outreach team members know if you would like to help. We are also seeking donations of small water bottles, small containers of bubbles, face painting supplies, juice boxes, and cash to buy these things.

Help keep our campus beautiful! Randy is looking for a group of volunteers to come weekly on Friday mornings at 7:30am to blow out the courtyard and parking lot. Send Randy a text and let him know you can help! 480-220-6667

Volunteers Needed: Help With Counting Sunday Offerings. Each Sunday, offerings for the week are counted and deposited at the bank. Two to three volunteers are needed to assist with this task. The commitment will be one hour approximately once a month. Any questions, please contact Larry Hanson. If you are interested please contact the church office.

Green Team! We need your help to keep God's gift, the amazing Esperanza Campus grounds, clean and well maintained! To do so, the Church Council is asking for volunteers to join our GREEN TEAM to help manage our beautiful campus grounds. The green team will be responsible for grass cutting, tree and bush trimming, and broom pushing for the seasonal clean up of the mesquite tree leaves and catkins. Other tasks will be assigned as needed throughout the year. As you know, we have hundreds of people who visit our campus each week and we want to put our best face forward. We will meet at 6:30am on the 1st and 3rd Saturday of each month starting in June and spend an hour or 2 in fellowship and clean-up. The more hands and feet we have the more we can accomplish in a shorter period of time. For those who volunteer at the Habitat build each year we understand the scheduling conflict. We encourage you to find a way to contribute anyway on a Thursday or Friday morning or evening and to do so on a consistent basis. By doing this volunteer program we will save valuable financial resources instead of

spending on a landscaping company. Green Team volunteers will receive their very own Green Team shirt! We will also provide coffee and breakfast Danishes and bagels at each clean-up. We hope that anyone reading this will take this ministry as serious as we do worship planning, Habitat building, choir, prayer shawls and the many other ministries at Esperanza.

Coffee Grounds Welcome! The Garden of Eatin' blue compost bins welcome your coffee grounds (and other compost). One way to connect to the community is to ask for the coffee grounds at your regular coffee shop and transport them to our compost.

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. Everyone reading through the NT is welcome to check in each 3rd Sunday of the month at 10:15 am in the sanctuary.

Sunday, June 18,2023	Luke 5
Monday, June 19, 2023	Luke 6
Tuesday, June 20, 2023	Luke 7
Wednesday, June 21, 2023	Luke 8
Thursday, June 22, 2023	Luke 9
Friday, June 23, 2023	Luke 10
Saturday, June 24, 2023	Luke 11
Sunday, June 25, 2023	Luke 12

Kyrene Family Resource Center: Thank You for Supporting the School Supplies Drive! During the May school supplies drive, Esperanza donated 18 backpacks and 76 lbs. of school supplies. Thank you to all those that donated! The Center will make these school supplies available to families in need as they prepare their children for the 2023-2024 school year. While KFRC welcomes a variety of non-perishable foods, there is a current need for granola bars, squeezable applesauce, and goldfish crackers (individually packaged). Place donations in box/shopping cart in the Fellowship Hall. Through May 2023, Esperanza has donated 762 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. Contact John Fisher, Jim Gisselquist or John Gemma if you have any questions. Thank you to all who have made our past build 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.

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.

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This Week At Esperanza

Sunday, June 18th

9:00am Worship (SAN) 10:00am Fellowship (FH) 10:15am New Testament Readers' Check-in (SAN)

Monday, June 19th

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

11:30am Ahwatukee Nooners (CR) Joni on Vacation 6/19-6/24

Tuesday, June 20th

11:30am Ahwatukee Nooners (CR) NO Council Meeting

Wednesday, June 21st

6:30am Toastmasters(FH)
9:00am 12 Step (CR)
10:00am Mary's Circle
11:30am Ahwatukee Nooners (CR)
1:00pm Staff meeting (FH)
7:00pm Boy Scouts (CR)

Thursday, June 22nd

7:00am AA (CR) NO Thursday Matters (FH) 11:30am Ahwatukee Nooners (CR) NO Women's Bible Study (GAR)

Friday, June 23rd

8:00am Toast Masters (FH) 9:00am AA (CR) 11:30am Ahwatukee Nooners (CR)

Saturday, June 24th

8:00am Men's AA (CR)

Sunday, June 25th

9:00am Worship (SAN) 10:00am Fellowship (FH)

CR – Community Room (upstairs) SAN – Sanctuary FH – Fellowship Hall GAR – Garden of Eatin'

Today's Worship Leaders

Greeter- Peggy Shepherd
Lector- Dan Beeks
Communion Assistants- Kathy Gemma, Michelle Tinsley
Power Point- Joni Thorpe
Assisting Minister- Paul Wagner
Ushers- KC & Christine Quah
Counters- Linda Dickson, Molly Hurst



Welcome to Worship!

Time after Pentecost

June 18, 2023

Hymnals and Bibles are found under the seats.

 Gathering Song:
 # 858

 Song of the Day:
 # 579 v1,2,4

 Offertory:
 # 481

 Communion Hymn:
 # 824

 Sending Song:
 # 583

We live stream our worship services.