

Esperanza Lutheran Church (ELCA)
2601 E Thunderhill Place, Phoenix
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19th Sunday after Pentecost
October 15, 2023

In Isaiah we are given a vision of the great feast to come, when God will wipe away death forever. In Jesus' parable about a great banquet, those invited do not come, so the invitation is extended to others. In our liturgy God spreads a table before us. Even amid anxiety and hardship we rejoice in the peace of God which surpasses all understanding. With great joy we feast at the table of the Lord, and we go forth to share the wonderful invitation with others hungering and thirsting for the abundant life of God.

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

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

Habitat House- new build begins Nov. 4. See John Fisher or John Gemma for more information.

Wine in the garden- November 4 at 4pm. Bring you favorite wine and a dish to share. Questions? See Jane Peterson.

Butter Braid time! The most delicious fundraiser ever-COH is raising funds for playground landscape. Orders will be taken thru 10/23 and delivery is Nov. 8th at 11:30am. Questions? See Mrs. H!

HOLIDAY PROGRESSIVE DINNER IS BACK! Saturday Dec. 2nd. Save the date! Details coming soon.

Mark Your calendar! Oktoberfest, Saturday, October 28, 2023 from 6:00 P.M. – 8:30 P.M. There will be contests for the best potato salad, best use of kraut and German costumes if you wish! Brats, hot dogs and burgers will be provided along with beverages. We are asking families to bring one item to share...either a salad (potato, other or some fun German item) or a dessert. For more information contact Brad Somero at bsomero1@msn.com. Please RSVP at the website!

New Member Orientation- Sunday Oct. 29 11:00am. Includes a light lunch, a tour of Esperanza campus, the

history of Esperanza, sharing about Esperanza ministries and the Lutheran tradition, and time to meet and talk with your New Member Sponsor. RSVP to Pastor Sarah by Oct 15.

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.

Sunday, Oct 15, 2023	Revelation 7
Monday, Oct. 16, 2023	Revelation 8
Tuesday, Oct. 17, 2023	Revelation 9
Wednesday, Oct. 18, 2023	Revelation 10
Thursday, Oct. 19, 2023	Revelation 11
Friday, Oct. 20, 2023	Revelation 12
Saturday, Oct. 21, 2023	Revelation 13
Sunday, Oct. 22, 2023	Revelation 14

Kyrene Family Resource Center: While KFRC welcomes a variety of non-perishable foods, there is a current need for granola bars, pasta sauce, dried pinto beans, jelly, and shampoo. Place donations in box/shopping cart in the Fellowship Hall. Through mid-Oct. 2023, Esperanza has donated 966 lbs. of food to KFRC. Thank you! Any questions, please contact Peggy or Larry Hanson.

Esperanza's meal brigade is up and running! The cool people are in the club . Want to join? You're invited! Every now and then we have a church friend that is in need of a meal or more, delivered to their home. I'm organizing the meals, and the process. I email team members when there is a need. Great if you can help, and certainly fine if you're unavailable. The goal is to provide a meal. Costco/Sam's Club meals, restaurant take out or homemade - all appreciated. You can combine with another team member too, and share the prep/cost. Please email me if you're interested in helping out with this ministry. Pwagner255@cox.net. In His name, Peggy Wagner

Voices For CASA: \$10 fast-food 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. Questions? Contact John Gemma at jgemma@cox.net.

Prayer Shawls: Prayers 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).

Promesa de Esperanza Rehearsals Have Begun! The choir rehearses on Wednesdays at 7 pm in the sanctuary. All adults are welcome--even if you have not participated in choir before! Questions? Contact Kazin Cole at (480) 550-0852.

Bring your own mug for fellowship!

Esperanza Staff Members

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This Week At Esperanza

Sunday, October 15th

9:00am Worship (SAN)

10:00am Fellowship (FH)

10:15am Sunday Funday School (CR)

10:30am Adult Education (SAN)

Monday, October 16th

8:00am COH Chapel (SAN)

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

11:30am Ahwatukee Nooners (CR)

3:30pm Music lesson (SAN)

Tuesday, October 17th

8:00am COH Chapel (SAN)

11:30am Ahwatukee Nooners (CR)

4:30pm Music Lessons (SAN)

6:00pm COH Board Meeting (FH)

7:00pm Council Meeting (FH)

Wednesday, October 18th

6:30am Toastmasters (FH)

8:00 COH Chapel (SAN)

9:00am 12 Step (CR)

10:00am Mary's Circle (FH)

11:30am Ahwatukee Nooners (CR)

2:00pm Staff Meeting (FH)

7:00pm Boy Scouts (CR)

7:00pm Promesa de Esperanza Rehearsal (SAN)

Thursday, October 19th

7:00am AA (CR)

10:00am Thursday Matters (FH)

11:30am Ahwatukee Nooners (CR)

5:30pm Women's Bible Study (GAR)

Friday, October 20th

8:00am Toast Masters (FH)

9:00am AA (CR)

10:00am Hope for Newborns (FH)

11:30am Ahwatukee Nooners (CR)

Saturday, October 21st

8:00am Men's AA (CR)

5:00pm Alanon (CR)

Sunday, October 22nd

9:00am Worship (SAN)

10:00am Fellowship (FH)

10:15am Sunday Funday School (CR)

10:30am Adult Education (SAN)

3:00pm Girl Scouts (CR)

CR – Community Room (upstairs)

SAN – Sanctuary

FH – Fellowship Hall

GAR – Garden of Eatin'

Today's Worship Leaders

Greeter- Molly Hurst

Lector- Lynn Hockenberger

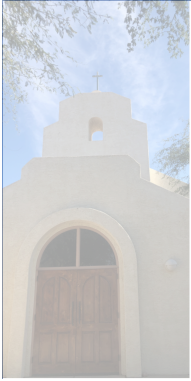
Communion Assistants-

Power Point- Terri Beeks

Assisting Minister- Michelle Tinsley

Ushers- Dennis Fox, KC & Christine Quah

Counters- Linda Dickson, Molly Hurst



Welcome to Worship!

Time after Pentecost

October 15, 2023

Hymnals and Bibles are found under the seats.

Gathering Song: # 461

Song of the Day: # 523

Offertory: # 186

Communion Hymn: # 829

Sending Song: # 551

We live stream our worship services.