

Calendar

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SUN 12/24	Christmas Eve Worship 9am Tempe Tempe Worship: 3:30pm, 5:30pm, & 8:30pm Gilbert Worship: 3:30pm & 5:30pm
MON 12/25	Church Office Closed
TUE 12/26	C3: Coffee, Conversation & Christ 10am Gilbert Church Office Closes at 12pm
WED 12/27	Church Office Closes at 12pm NO Joyful Noises 9am Gilbert
THU 12/28	Church Office Closes at 12pm
FRI 12/29	Church Office Closes at 12pm
SAT 12/30	Soul 2 Sole Running Group 5am Tempe or Gilbert NO Junior Choir 4pm Gilbert
SUN 12/31	Worship, Fellowship & NO Education

Worship & Education

Tempe // Saturday

5pm—Worship (Acoustic Blend)

Tempe // Sunday

8:00-9:00am—Traditional Worship

9:30-10:30am—Contemporary Worship

Gilbert // Sunday

9:00-10:00am—Contemporary/Family Worship

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As a missional congregation, we celebrate Christ's presence, invite people into a growing relationship with Jesus and equip them to serve in a broken world.



Welcome to worship! We are glad you're here! All are invited to participate in Communion. During communion grape juice or gluten-free wafers are available. We love children worshipping with us. If you prefer, there is a supervised nursery for ages four and younger. Fellowship opportunities on Sunday: 9 - 10:30am in Tempe and in Gilbert following worship.

Prayer of the Day: Stir up your power, Lord Christ, and come. With your abundant grace and might, free us from the sin that would obstruct your mercy, that willingly we may bear your redeeming love to all the world, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

This Week's Scripture: 2 Samuel 7:1-11, 16; Luke 1:46b-55

Next Week's Gospel: Luke 2:22:40



December 23/24, 2017

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Worship Notes

Order of Worship 5pm & 9am Tempe

Welcome
Advent Gathering Song
Advent Candle Lighting Litany
Advent Song
Confession & Forgiveness
Prayer of the Day
Children's Message—Tempe 9:30am
Scripture Lesson: 2 Samuel 7:1-11, 16; Luke 1:46b-55
Sermon
Sermon Song
Rite of Holy Baptism
Apostles' Creed
Prayers of the People
Sharing of the Peace
Offering
Offering Response
Offertory Prayer
Holy Communion
Benediction
Sending Song
Dismissal

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Flowers on the altar in Tempe are given by Mike & Susan Maas in celebration of their anniversary.

Last Week: Attendance: 495 Hunger Jar: \$819.12

Upcoming Events

Church Office Closed on Christmas Day

Monday, December 25

C3: Coffee, Conversation & Christ

Tuesday, Dec. 26 at 10am • Gilbert Fellowship Hall

Church Office Closes at 12pm

Tuesday, December 26-Friday, December 29

Church Office Closed on New Years Day

Monday, January 1, 2018

55+ Coffee & Conversation

Thursday, Jan. 4 at 9am • Tempe Adult Classroom

MOPS

Thursday, Jan. 4 at 9:30am • Gilbert Campus

Mexico Mission Trip Meeting

Sunday, Jan. 7 at 6pm • Tempe Youth Room

High School Night

Sunday, Jan. 7 at 7pm • Tempe Youth Room

Gilbert Hospitality Meeting

Monday, Jan. 8 at 5pm • Gilbert Fellowship Hall

Beer & Bible

Friday, Jan. 12 at 7pm • Home of Ron & Cheryl Diegle

Faith Friends—New Year, New Session!

Starts Tuesday, Jan. 16 at 7pm • Gilbert, Room 103

Starts Wednesday, Jan. 17 at 7pm • Tempe Adult Classroom

Sign-Up Today!

Blood Drive

Sunday, Jan. 21 at 7am • Tempe Campus

Keep and eye out for sign-ups.

Noteworthy

Baptized on Saturday at the 5pm service in Tempe is Rhys William Benedict, son of James & Hawlie Benedict. Rhys' baptismal sponsors are Brittany Ohe and Jason Benedict. Baptized on Sunday at the 9am service in Tempe is Grace Katherine Cline, daughter of Nathaniel & Katherine Cline. Grace's baptismal sponsors are Zach & Tamie Fahn.

Stories of Joy Launches!

Monday, January 8

Sign-up so you don't miss a post!

Stories of Joy is a new project at Desert Cross. It's a tool for us to use to reach out to others by sharing good news in the world. Stories of people loving and serving each other. Modern Day Gospel Stories. The Desert Cross staff will gather these stories and send them out to you through our Stories of Joy blog. To sign up to follow Stories of Joy, go to <https://storieofjoy.org/>. If you have any questions, contact Denise McClellan at dmcclellan@desertcross.org or 480-730-8600.



High School Ski Trip

Friday, January 12-Sunday, January 14 • Flagstaff

Desert Cross will join All Saints Lutheran Church's high school students for this fun weekend! More information in the e-newsletter or the January newsletter.

Registration forms are available on the Desert Cross website.

Deadline for registration and payment is Sunday, January 7.