

Calendar

See the monthly Newsletter for a full calendar and more details about these events!

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- SUN 12/30 Worship, Fellowship & NO Education
NO Chancel Choir | 8am | Gilbert
- MON 12/31 Church Office Hours | 9am-12pm | Tempe
- TUE 1/1 Church Office Closed | Tempe
- WED 1/2
- THU 1/3 55+ Coffee & Conversation | 9am | Tempe
MOPS | 9am | Gilbert
Soul 2 Sole Walking Group | evening | Tempe or Gilbert
- FRI 1/4
- SAT 1/5 Soul 2 Sole Running Group | early | Tempe or Gilbert
Altar Guild Bread Baking | 8:30am | Tempe
Clean Out Storage in Gilbert | 9am-12pm | Gilbert
NO Junior Choir | 4pm | Gilbert
Worship | 5pm | Tempe
- SUN 1/6 Worship, Fellowship & NO Education
Church Council Members Available
NO Chancel Choir | 8am | Gilbert
Take Down Trees in Gilbert | 10am | Gilbert

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 Sundays in Tempe and in Gilbert following worship.

Prayer: Gracious God, as we continue our Advent journey, we are reminded that “Love came down at Christmas—love amazing, love divine.” You loved the world enough to send your Son, and now it's up to us to love others as you loved us. Remind us that Christ is our light, and the true source of infinite, everlasting, pure love. Amen.

Next Week's Gospel: Matthew 2:1-12



December 29/30, 2018

First Sunday of Christmas

Worship Notes

Order of Worship

5pm, 8am, & 9:30am Tempe and 9am Gilbert

Welcome

Gathering Song

Opening Prayer

Lessons and Carols:

Reading: Genesis 1:1-5, 14-18

Song: "I Wonder as I Wander" (WOV #642)

Reading: Micah 5:2-5a

Song: "O Little Town of Bethlehem" (279)

Reading: Luke 1:26-35, 38

Song: "Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming" (272)

Reading: Matthew 1:18-25

Song: "Infant Holy, Infant Lowly" (276)

Reading: Luke 2:8-20

Song: "Angels from the Realms of Glory" (275)

Reading: Matthew 2:1-11

Song: "What Child is This?" (296)

Reading: John 1:1-14

Song: "Love Has Come" (292)

Prayers of the People

Sharing of the Peace

Offering & Offering Response

Offertory Prayer

Holy Communion

Sending Song

Dismissal

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Flowers on the altar in Tempe are given by Ray & Sharynn Jennings in celebration of their granddaughter, Cayden's birthday.

Upcoming Events

Holiday Office Hours

December 31 • Tempe Office Closes at 12pm (noon)

January 1 • Tempe Office Closed

55+ First Thursday Coffee & Conversation

Thursday, January 3 at 9am • Tempe Adult Classroom

MOPS

Thursday, January 3 at 9am • Gilbert Campus

Clean Out Storage in Gilbert

Saturday, January 5 • 9am-12pm • Gilbert, Suites 101 & 102

Deadline to register for the ChristCare Retreat

Monday, January 7

C3: Coffee, Conversation & Christ

Tuesday, January 8 at 10am • Gilbert Fellowship Hall

Go See & Do Photography Group

Friday, January 11 at 7pm • Tempe Fellowship Hall

Beer & Bible

Friday, January 11 at 7pm • Home of Don & Ruth Legacies

Education Resumes

Sunday, January 13 at 10:15am Gilbert • 10:30am Tempe

Kids Connect Event

Sunday, January 13 at 1pm • Tempe Education Building

High School Night

Sunday, January 13 at 7pm • Tempe Youth Room

MS Self-help Group

Monday, January 14 at 10am • Tempe Fellowship Hall

RSVP Deadline for 55+ Valentine's Day Show

Monday, January 14 • More info. in the January newsletter.

Jr. High Confirmation

Wednesday, January 16 at 7pm • Gilbert Campus

Noteworthy



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ChristCare Retreat

"One Lord, one faith, one baptism."

Ephesians 4:5

Friday, Jan. 18 • 6:30pm-9:15pm • Tempe Campus &

Saturday, Jan. 19 • 8am-1pm • Tempe Campus

Pastor Andrea will Lead us as we Explore the New Life Received through Baptism Bible Study, Fellowship, and Worship. All of Desert Cross, family, and friends are invited.

Cost: \$15.00 with Scholarships Available.

RSVP by Monday, January 7 to Denise McClellan at dmcclellan@desertcross.org or 480-730-8600.

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BLOOD DRIVE

Sunday, January 20 • 7:30am-1pm • Tempe Campus

Sign up today! More information in the January newsletter or e-newsletter.



Our Flower Chart Needs YOU!

The new flower chart is available now. Please consider sponsoring flowers on your special day or in celebration of someone else. Flower arrangements are **\$33**. This is a wonderful way to mark special days in our lives. Any questions, contact Dawn Collis at 480-730-8600.