



TVLC Giving for 2019

As the end of 2019 rushes toward us, is it time to check and see if your giving is going according to your plan? Would you like to check your giving record with TVLC? Call Joe Paugh in the office at 749-1606. Are you thinking about fulfilling your 2019 financial commitment, making an additional gift, or prepaying 2020 giving? What about a gift to the endowment? All gifts must be **received by TVLC by December 31**. The office will be open on the 31st until 3pm. Last minute giving may also be submitted online before midnight on December 31 at tvlc.org/give.

The TVLC Library & Gift Shop is stocked with Christmas cards, ornaments, and gift items, featuring leaded glass ornaments created by Harold Aasland. Please visit the Library & Gift Shop this Sunday, 9-11:30am!



♪ The wheels on the bus go round and round ♪

The Prime Timers **bus trip to the Musical Instrument Museum in Phoenix on January 18** still has room! "Prime Timers" aged 50+ are encouraged to join in the fun. We need to fill the bus to get the charter price. Departure is at 8:30am, and we will return by 5:00pm for Saturday worshippers. For an accurate count, we need your bus fare of \$34 by December 31. Make checks payable to TVLC and deliver to the church office. Don't miss out on a fun day...all who've been there rave about it! **\$20 admission will be collected on the bus.** Lunch at the museum



cafe on your own. Call Shari Huffman at 520-733-7452 if you have questions. Blessed Christmas!



Have you or anyone you know lost a loved one? **The Winter 2020 session of GriefShare will begin January 14** and run for thirteen weeks. This group

will meet each Tuesday in the Choir Room from 10:00 to 11:30am. The only cost is \$15 for the workbook. Participants need not be church members and may join at any time during the session. To join or get more information, please contact TVLC member Susan Pautler at 520-576-2676 or spautler1@yahoo.com. GriefShare is offered at Christian churches throughout the country. Visit <http://www.GriefShare.org> for more information about the program.

December 2019

Saturday, December 21

- Worship, Sanctuary, 5pm

Sunday, December 22

- Worship, Sanctuary, 8am
- Nursery Open, 8:45-11:45am
- Library Open, 9-11:30am
- Worship and Sunday School Pageant, Sanctuary, 9:15am
- Middle School Youth, NFLC & Youth Room, 10:30am
- The Gathering Worship, NFLC, 10:30am

Monday, December 23

- AA, Library, 8pm

Tuesday, December 24 - CHRISTMAS EVE

- Worship, Sanctuary, 2pm, 4pm, 7pm & 9pm
- Nursery Open during the 2pm, 4pm and 7pm Services

Wednesday, December 25 - CHRISTMAS DAY

- NO Services - Emmanuel! God is with us!
- Church Office Closed

Thursday, December 26

- Church Office Closed

Friday, December 27

- No Women's Bible Study (will resume January 3)

Saturday, December 28

- Worship, Sanctuary, 5pm

Sunday, December 29

- Worship, Sanctuary, 8am
- Nursery Open, 8:45-11:45am
- Worship, Sanctuary, 9:15am
- No Sunday School
- The Gathering Worship, NFLC, 10:30am

Monday, December 30

- AA, Library, 8pm



Our Mission: To Follow Christ Jesus and Share His Love

Highlights

December 21-22, 2019



Empty Nesters

Empty Nesters will meet on January 25th at 2pm for an introduction to yoga class. Please contact Suzanne at scbinaz@yahoo.com for more information and to sign up. All active adults are welcome!

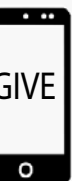


Recycling Offer to TVLC Members

If you become inundated with boxes this Christmas, perhaps TVLC can be of assistance. We have a large blue recycling dumpster located on the NW side of our campus which is normally way underutilized. Feel free to use this dumpster for your large-item recycling needs both now and in the future.

Electronic Giving Options

Do you want to give an offering but forgot your checkbook? Pull out your phone! You can now support God's work at TVLC safely and securely either by texting the word GIVE to 520-214-1580 or by going to tvlc.org/give on your phone's browser.



Children's bulletins are available from the ushers.

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**Sunday School
for Children
3-years-old
through 5th-grade!**

As we begin the 4th Sunday in Advent, we again have a lot to be thankful for! Many thanks to the congregation for ALL their support for the Children's Ministry program. We are blessed by their love and prayers for all the children!

Thanks also to the Communion Assistants who take communion to the children in the classrooms! It is a very special time and the children are so respectful of the sacrament!



This weekend is our Christmas Pageant! Please have children in costume (or a special outfit from home) and in Room 1 of the Education Building by 9:00 am. Children with speaking parts will go to the Sanctuary and take their places in the Choir loft.

All are welcome to enjoy Sunday School refreshments on the patio!

There will be NO Sunday School or Funday Sunday on December 29. We will resume Sunday School on January 5.

Thank you all your support of our Children's Ministries! Your prayers are appreciated too! Merry Christmas and Happy Birthday Jesus!

Donna and Mari

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS

Add to the beauty of our sanctuary at Christmas by purchasing a poinsettia in memory of a loved one or in honor of someone special.



Please see an usher for a pink Christmas Poinsettia dedication form and place it in the offering with your cash or check (payable to TVLC) by this weekend, Sunday, December 22. **The cost is \$15 for each poinsettia plant** (\$9.00 is tax deductible.)

5th Annual Hole-in-One for Haiti

Registration is now open for the 5th Annual Hole-In-One for Haiti Golf Outing that will take place on **Saturday, January 25 at Arizona National Golf Club.** The event will support TVLC's Haiti Ministry. Cost is \$100 per person which includes 18-holes of golf, cart, range balls, and a drink ticket with a barbeque buffet lunch and raffle to follow. It will be a 4-person scramble, and you can sign up as a team or individuals. Hole sponsorships and raffle donations are welcomed. Contact Pastor Josh for more information.



**Filled with Food
Basket Gratitude**

We give thanks for our amazing TVLC family for every donation that made it possible to generously fill 170 food baskets with healthy food; for volunteers' helping hands and giving hearts that get these baskets ready and on their way to families in the community; for all of the prayers surrounding these baskets. And as always, thanks be to God for this opportunity to serve Him as we serve those in need. **A JOYOUS CHRISTMAS TO YOU ALL!**



Children's Christmas Gift Program

Thanks to your generosity, we were able to send 253 gifts out with the food baskets on December 18th. We appreciate everyone who volunteered to make this program a success! Many thanks to all for helping to spread some Christmas joy this season!

An Invitation from San Juan Bautista Lutheran Church

The members of San Juan Bautista Lutheran Church, 1130 East Bilby Road, invite you to attend their special event, "Virgen de Guadalupe: Missionizing in the Americas" on **Saturday, January 4 from 9am to 1pm** to learn more about Mexican Christmas traditions. This event will feature piñata making and a live pastorela, with a traditional lunch. The cost is \$20. RSVP to Pastor Chavez at jmchavez111@yahoo.com.

**Lutheran Social Services of the Southwest
is delighted to invite you to join us in...**

*Celebrating
50 Years of*

Showing kindness, doing justice and serving those in need.

Attendees will be treated to worship, music, fellowship, community and light refreshments.

**Saturday, January 11, 2020, 10am-12pm
Our Saviour's Lutheran Church
1200 N. Campbell Avenue**

Please RSVP by email to 50th@lss-sw.org or by phone at 480-396-3795 ext. 1301



Merry Widows Luncheon

The Merry Widows group will have its first luncheon of 2020 on **Tuesday, January 7 at 12:30pm at Red Lobster, 5870 East Broadway Boulevard.** All widows are invited. Please RSVP by Monday, January 6 to Fran McMullen at 520-749-4530.



*The Sanctuary Altar Flowers
this weekend are given to the glory of God*

*by Curt & Lee Peters
in honor of daughter Katherine's birthday*

*by Mary & Roger Schneider
in honor of son Fred's birthday*

*by Chuck & Dani Kolsrud
in celebration of their
61st wedding anniversary*



The **2020 Book of Sanctuary Altar Flower Dedications** is now in the Narthex. Sign up to dedicate altar flowers in memory of a loved one, in honor of someone special, or in celebration of an anniversary or birthday. Each arrangement is a \$20 donation.

Prayer List

The following names are added this week.
A complete list of TVLC prayers is available in the Sanctuary Narthex.



*Toni and Marty, Cathy S., Leo, Bill,
Jim Menne, Elton Sancken,
Sympathy to Lisa Baker and family
following the death of her mother, Kathy Brannon*

Prayer requests may be submitted to prayer@tvlc.org

~ Scripture readings for December 28-29 ~

*Isaiah 63:7-9; Psalm 148;
Hebrews 2:10-18; Luke 2:8-20*

**Worship Attendance
December 14-15**

5pm.....70
8am.....112
9:15am.....295
Sunday School.....68
10:30am.....54

Total 599

*To give electronically,
text GIVE to (520)
214-1580 or go to
www.tvlc.org/give*

TVLC Job Opening

We are looking for the right person or persons to do family ministry with us. We need you to connect and build relationships of trust with children, students, and their parents. We need you to share our passion for God's love and grace that is for ALL people. We need you to continue our strong tradition of faith development for children and students. And, we need you to innovate with us as we wrestle with the challenges of ministry in our ever-changing world. You might be the person for whom this would be a full-time job, encompassing ministry of children from birth through high school. Or, you might be the person who is looking to focus your energy on either children or students in a part-time position. Requirements include Bachelor's degree in Christian Education or related field and minimum three years' experience in children, student, and family ministry. Detailed job description available upon request. Email Phoebe Coleman at nurseintucson@yahoo.com or call 520-405-1079.

It is never too early to contact the
Preschool/Kindergarten to find
out more about enrolling your
child in classes for the 2020-2021
school year. Call the school at 520-749-1738 to schedule a visit!



Tax Credits Continue to Help Our TVLC Kindergarten

We are blessed to have 18 children enrolled in our full-day Kindergarten! Our students continue to directly benefit from tax credit donations given through the Arizona Christian School Tuition Organization (ACSTO) the Institute for Better Education (IBE) by way of tuition scholarships. You can find out more by calling these organizations or visiting their websites. The phone number for ACSTO is 480-820-0403, and the website is www.acsto.org. The phone number for IBE is 520-512-5438, and the website is www.IBEScholarships.org. Thank you for supporting our program!

Registration for the 2020-2021 School Year

Online registration will begin February 3rd, at 7:00 a.m. for church families and families currently enrolled in TVLCP&K. Online registration will open for new families on February 10th at 7:00 a.m. Please go to the website at www.tvlcpreschool.com and follow the steps to register for the 2020-2021 school year.

TVLC Benefits from AmazonSmile Foundation

Doing your last-minute shopping via Amazon this Christmas? The AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the purchase price of any eligible item to the charitable organization of your choice.



When you make your first purchase at smile.amazon.com, you will be prompted to select a charitable organization from a list of over one million charities registered on the website. Eligible items will be marked "Eligible for AmazonSmile donation" on their product detail pages.

Christmas Poinsettias



Add to the beauty of our sanctuary at Christmas by purchasing poinsettias in memory of a loved one or in honor of someone special.

TVLC orders the poinsettias from *Our Family Services*, which provides shelter, counseling, and help for homeless families and troubled teens, and emergency shelter for women and children.

Simply fill out the form below and place it in the offering with your cash or check (payable to TVLC) by Sunday, December 22. **The cost is \$15 for each poinsettia plant** (\$9.00 is tax deductible.) If you have questions, call Veanne Lupia in the church office at 749-1606.

Please Print Clearly

In memory of _____

In honor of _____

From _____

Phone number _____

Number of poinsettia plants _____ x \$15

Total enclosed _____

Member envelope number _____

*Plants may be picked up after
the 9:00 p.m. service on Christmas Eve.*



Our Mission: To Follow Christ Jesus and Share His Love

December 21, 2019 5:00 p.m. Service

Large-print bulletins with liturgy are available from the ushers.

*Please silence all electronic devices before worship begins.
Guest attendance cards and prayer request cards are located in the pew racks.
Please place your completed cards in the offering plate during the Offering.*

*Please stand if you are able

PRELUDE "Each Winter As the Year Grows Older" (arr. M. Haugen)
WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS
*GREETING
*ADVENT CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS
*SONG "O Come, O Come Emmanuel" ELW #257, vs. 1,2,6
*THE PRAYER OF THE DAY
LIGHTING THE CANDLES OF ADVENT
READING Isaiah 9:1-7 Pew Bible, p. 555
*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION "Emmanuel"
*GOSPEL READING John 1:1-14 Pew Bible, p. 862
SERMON "Joy to the World" Pastor Stephen Hilding
*SONG "Joy to the World" ELW #267, vs. 1-4
*PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE
*SHARING OF THE PEACE
OFFERING "The Annunciation and Magnificat"
*OFFERTORY PRAYER
*WORDS OF INSTITUTION
*LORD'S PRAYER
SHARING THE MEAL "Night of Silence" (M. Haugen)
*SONG "Silent Night" ELW #281, vs. 1-2
*POST-COMMUNION BLESSING
*BENEDICTION
*SONG "Silent Night" ELW #281, vs. 3
*DISMISSAL
*POSTLUDE

*Pastor Stephen Hilding, presiding;
Jean Reehl, reader; Lars Andersen, pianist*

December 22, 2019 8:00 a.m. Service

Large-print bulletins with liturgy are available from the ushers.

Please fill out a guest attendance card and, if you'd like, a prayer request card. During the Offering, place them in the offering plate. Silence all electronic devices before worship begins. *Please stand as you are able.

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PRELUDE	"Meditation for Advent"	(arr. Andersen)
*GREETING		
*ADVENT CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS		
*HYMN	"O Come, O Come Emmanuel"	ELW #257, vs. 1,2,6
*PRAYER OF THE DAY		
WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS		
LIGHTING THE CANDLES OF ADVENT		
READING	Isaiah 9:1-7	Pew Bible, p. 555
*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION	"Emmanuel"	
*GOSPEL READING	John 1:1-14	Pew Bible, p. 862
SERMON	"Joy to the World"	Pastor Stephen Hilding
*HYMN	"Joy to the World"	ELW #267, vs. 1-2
*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH FOR ADVENT		
*PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE		
*SHARING OF THE PEACE		
OFFERING	"Noël sur les Flûtes"	(L. d'Aquin)
*OFFERTORY PRAYER		
*THE GREAT THANKSGIVING		
*SANCTUS	"Holy, Holy"	
*HOLY COMMUNION		
*THE LORD'S PRAYER		
INVITATION TO THE TABLE		
COMMUNION MUSIC	"Lamb of God" "Greensleeves Fantasy"	(M. Ferrarini)
*POST-COMMUNION BLESSING		
*BENEDICTION		
*HYMN	"Joy to the World"	ELW #267, vs. 3-4
*DISMISSAL		
*POSTLUDE	"Paraphrase on 'Joy to the World'"	(R. Stults)

Pastor Josh Auchenbach, presiding; Barbara Philipp, reader;
Sherri McClellan, worship leader; Lars Andersen, pianist/organist

December 22, 2019 9:15 a.m. Service

Large-print bulletins with liturgy are available from the ushers.

Please silence all electronic devices before worship begins. Guest attendance cards and prayer request cards are located in the pew racks. Please place your completed cards in the offering plate during the Offering.

*Please stand if you are able

PRELUDE	"Meditation for Advent"	(arr. Andersen)
*ENTRANCE HYMN	"O Come, O Come Emmanuel"	ELW #257, vs. 1,2,6
*GREETING		
*THE PRAYER OF THE DAY		
WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS		
THANKS AND FAREWELL TO PRESCHOOL DIRECTOR DEBBIE IRBY		
ADVENT HYMN	"Light One Candle"	ELW #240, st. 4
LIGHTING THE CANDLES OF ADVENT		
	Kimberly & Karlynn Oulanyah with Robin and Mark Fulchur	
HYMN	"O Come, All Ye Faithful"	ELW #283, st. 1-3
	"The Star and a Stable"	
	Presented by the TVLC Sunday School Children	
	"Away in a Manger"	Verse 1
	"Amen!"	Sing 5 times
	"The First Noel"	Verse 1
	"Infant Holy, Infant Lowly"	Verses 1-2
	"Go Tell It On the Mountain"	Verses 1 & 3
*GOSPEL READING	John 1:1-14	Pew Bible, p. 862
SERMON	"Joy to the World"	Pastor Stephen Hilding
*HYMN	"Joy to the World"	ELW #267, st. 1,2,4
*PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE		
OFFERING	"Mary, Did You Know?"	(Lowry & Greene)
	Claire McClellan and Sherri McClellan, duet	
*WORDS OF INSTITUTION		
*THE LORD'S PRAYER		
COMMUNION MUSIC	"Lamb of God" "What Feast of Love" "Savior of the Nations Come"	p. 154 ELW #487 ELW #263
*POST-COMMUNION BLESSING		
*BENEDICTION		
*HYMN	"Awake! Awake, and Greet the New Morn"	ELW #239, st. 1 & 4
*DISMISSAL		
*POSTLUDE	"Paraphrase on 'Joy to the World'"	(R. Stults)

Pastor Josh Auchenbach, presiding; Lars Andersen, organist/pianist;
Donna Elmquist and Mari Eklund, Sunday School Directors



**THE GATHERING
@ TVLC
DECEMBER 22, 2019**

In this GATHERING, you are seen and loved. No matter who you are, you are accepted without condition and you belong here. In this GATHERING, our relationships will deepen - with both God and with each other. In this GATHERING, we acknowledge that there are different ways we connect with God in worship.



During the service, you will have the chance to participate in different experiential stations:
Candle Table - Light a candle to claim Christ's light or to remember a loved one.
Baptismal Font - Remember God's grace poured out to you through the waters of baptism.
Offering Basket - Give an offering to support

God's work at TVLC and throughout the world. You can also give by going to tvlc.org/give on your mobile device.

Arts & Crafts Table - Exercise your God-given creativity.

Prayer Wall - Write your own requests and lift up others' requests.

Verses Table - Pick a verse to meditate and reflect on.

Service Table - Contribute to an ongoing service project.



We've created spaces where younger worshipers may find comfort and a place just for them.

Infants can find a spot on the "playground" where the play gyms and bouncy chairs have front row seats! *Toddlers* can belly up to a table on either side of the chairs, pull out their busy bag materials and get to work! *Kids and youth*

are encouraged to take an active role in worship leadership.

Nursery care is also available until noon for those who desire.

All are welcome to PARTICIPATE as assistants in the service. You can be a reader, usher, greeter or help in other ways. Please talk to Pastor Josh if you are interested in helping out!

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES

Please join us in the Sanctuary at TVLC for the birth of our Savior on Christmas Eve. Service times are *2pm, *4pm, *7pm, and 9pm.
(*Nursery is available.)

Josh Auchenbach, Lead Pastor; Stephen Hilding, Associate Pastor
The Gathering Band with Alexis Burrows, Worship Leader