

## THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

### EACH WEEKEND

Saturday—5 pm Traditional Worship  
Sunday—8 & 9:15 am Traditional Worship

10:30 am—Contemporary Worship

### SUNDAY, JANUARY 14

#### Elements of Worship

8 & 9:15 am—Traditional Worship  
9 am—JH & HS Ignite! combined  
9:15 & 10:30 am—Ignite! (Kids);  
*Travel the Bible* presentation—Rm. B  
10:30 am—Contemporary Worship  
2 pm—Bridge to Hope meeting  
3 pm—Worship at Brookdale;  
49 & Holding (off campus)

### MONDAY, JANUARY 15

6:30 am—Men's Discipleship  
5:30 pm—Men's Discipleship  
6:30 pm—Stephen Ministry training

### TUESDAY, JANUARY 16

7:30 am—Women's AA  
4 pm—Men's Life Support  
5 pm—Confirmation  
6 pm—Girls' Bible study  
7 pm—Men's Discipleship; Carillon de Cristo (handbells); Beyond (Young Adults)

### WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 17

6:15 am—Men's Discipleship  
9 am—Liturgical Banner Making  
9:30 am—Christian Fiction Book Club  
11:30 am—49 & Holding lunch with Pastor Jeff Ruby  
12 pm—Men's Brown Bag & Bible  
4 pm—Grace Notes Children's Choir

5 pm—Confirmation

6 pm—Wed. Night Ministries dinner

6:30 pm—RENEW

6:45 pm—*Your Holy Spirit of Truth* class

7 pm—Sanctuary Choir

### THURSDAY, JANUARY 18

6:30 am—Men's Discipleship  
8 am—Hiker Chicks (off campus)  
8:30 am—Naomi's Daughters  
10 am—Pastor's Bible study  
12:30 pm—PV Ostomy Support  
5 pm—Men's Life@Work  
7 pm—Lit 'n Lattes  
7:30 pm—Al-Anon

### FRIDAY, JANUARY 19

7:30 am—Women's AA  
8 am—Men's Discipleship  
3 pm—Women's Breakaway  
Weekend leaves

### SATURDAY, JANUARY 20

7:30 am—Men's Breakfast  
5 pm—Traditional Worship

#### Elements of Worship

### SUNDAY, JANUARY 21

#### Elements of Worship

8 & 9:15 am—Traditional Worship  
9 am—JH & HS Ignite! combined;  
St. Vincent de Paul volunteers leave  
9:15 & 10:30 am—Ignite! (Kids)  
10:30 am—Contemporary Worship  
12 pm—Service of Baptism;  
Women's Breakaway Weekend returns  
6 pm—KALEO (HS)

## ASSISTING IN WORSHIP

### PREACHING TODAY

Pastor Matthew Knopf

### LAY READER

8 & 9:15 am—Craig Millbranth

### MUSIC

#### Traditional

Dr. Jeremy Peterman, soloist (Sat.),  
cantor (Sun.), organ, piano  
Ann Barber, cantor (Sat.)  
Men's vocal ensemble (Sun.)

#### Contemporary

Band of Believers

## HELPFUL INFORMATION

### HEARING AIDS & LARGE PRINT BIBLES

are on the table in the Sanctuary narthex for use during worship. Please return them as you leave.

### NURSERY

for children ages 0-3 is northwest of the Sanctuary. Ask an usher.

### THE SANCTUARY CRY ROOM

is a place to sit with restless little ones, located behind the Sanctuary, through the narthex.

### LOOKING FOR A GOOD READ?

The library in the church office is open Sunday mornings and from 9 am-4 pm, Monday-Friday.

### VISIT LACASALIVE.COM

to watch live streaming of all worship services and other special events.

### VIEW VIDEO OF WORSHIP SERVICES

at [lacasadecristo.com/media/services](http://lacasadecristo.com/media/services)

### VIEW PAST SERMONS

at [lacasadecristo.com/category/sermons](http://lacasadecristo.com/category/sermons)

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LA CASA DE CRISTO LUTHERAN CHURCH

JANUARY 13/14, 2018

## TODAY IN WORSHIP

### ELEMENTS OF WORSHIP: THE CHRISTIAN CREED

### SCRIPTURE READINGS

#### Today

Psalms 100 (P 427, LP 937)

Matthew 28:16-20 (P 706, LP 1550)

### ALTAR FLOWERS

Given in honor of Marty Bunge on his 85th birthday, by his family

### ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK

Worship: 1315

Ignite! Kids: 163

Ignite! Jr. High & High School: 145

Adult Education: 188

### GIVING LAST WEEK

Program Budget needed: \$38,000

Received: \$37,309

Building Fund needed: \$16,000

Received: \$14,944

## WELCOME VISITORS

Welcome! Please stop by the Visitors' table as you leave today so we can greet you and answer your questions about La Casa de Cristo. We have calendars and more information available for you. We also invite you to visit the

Ministry table in the courtyard for information about Men's and Women's Ministry, Kids & Family Ministry, and Health & Wellness. We'd love to share with you the opportunities we have for faith and fellowship.

## NEW AND NOTABLE

### ANNUAL MEETING

The congregation votes to accept the slate for the 2018 Board of Trustees and the Nominating Committee at all services this weekend. The annual meeting takes place **Sun., Feb. 11, 11:45 am**, in the Sanctuary.

### HOLY LAND PRESENTATION

**Sun., Jan. 14 (today), 9:15 or 10:30 am, Room B**, *Travel the Bible* with participants from Pastor Matt Knopf's spring 2017 study tour of the Holy Land as they share photos, stories, and details from the trip.

### ADULT EDUCATION

Visit the Adult Education tables in the courtyard to learn about classes starting this month. Or find course descriptions and register at [lacasadecristo.com/adulteducation](http://lacasadecristo.com/adulteducation).

### 49 & HOLDING

Attend the musical *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*, performed by Detour Company on **Sun., Jan. 14, 3 pm (today)**. Call **Nancy Butters, 480-203-9021** to attend.

### MEN'S BREAKFAST

**Sat., Jan. 20, 7:30 am**. Pastor Joel Bjerkestrand will share "Pastor Joel's Story & Ministry," tales from his life experiences from India to Arizona. Call the office to register or go to [lacasadecristo.com/mensbreakfast](http://lacasadecristo.com/mensbreakfast).

### COFFEE CALL

It's time to ask for your help to provide the year's supply of coffee. Drop off cans of regular or decaf in the bin outside the Sanctuary, at the Gathering Place, or the office.

## AT THE MINISTRY TABLE

### WORSHIP SERVICE CDs & DVDs

Cost to order is \$5 per CD or \$10 per DVD.

### ALTAR FLOWERS & LIBRARY DONATION CHARTS

Reserve your special dates for 2018! Flowers cost \$45 and library items cost \$15.

### DROP OFF BOX TOPS, CANCELLED STAMPS, & POP TABS

Priscilla Circle collects these items to help local charities.

## WHO WE ARE

### OUR MISSION

"Growing disciples in a community where love works."

### MAKE OUR HOUSE YOUR HOUSE!

Our worshipping community comes to us from near and far, from diverse church backgrounds or no previous church experience, both full-time and part-time residents. Our classes, groups, choirs, and events are open to all. Please worship the Lord and serve Jesus Christ with us! We think you'll feel right at home.

## STAFF

### PASTORS

Jeffrey Ruby - Senior Pastor  
Matthew Knopf - Associate Pastor  
Susan Ramsay - Associate Pastor  
Joel Bjerkestrand - Visitation Pastor  
Chris Tansey - Youth Pastor

### MUSIC MINISTRY

Jennifer Song Sheldon - Director  
Bill McKennon - Assistant  
Dr. Jeremy Peterman - Organist/Handbells  
Gary Spears - AV Technical Director

### PROGRAM DIRECTORS

Nancy Berry - Adult Education  
Staci Medina - Children's Ministry  
Joe Wentling - Men's Ministry  
Kristen Cross - Nursery Ministry  
Rita Block RN - Parish Nurse  
Jennine Ulibarri - Girlfriends UnLTD  
Suzan Scudder - Associate Youth Director

### ADMINISTRATIVE

Kelly McKennon - Office Manager

## YOUTH MINISTRY

### JUNIOR HIGH

**Ignite! Sun., Jan. 14 & 21, 9 am**, combined with HS: Address the Mess.

**Confirmation** this week, **Jan. 16/17**

**Save the Date: April 27-28**, JH Overnighter

**JH & HS Girls' Bible study**, **Tuesdays at 6 pm.**

### HIGH SCHOOL

**Ignite! Sun., Jan. 14 & 21, 9 am**, combined with JH: Address the Mess  
**"Sabbath Rest," HS Winter Retreat, Feb. 16-19, Prescott.** Get info and register at [lacasayouth.com](http://lacasayouth.com). Early bird deadline **Sun., Jan. 21**

**What's KALEO?** Come on **Sun., Jan. 21, 6-8 pm**, to find out about our new monthly HS Sunday nights. Info at [lacasayouth.com/kaleo](http://lacasayouth.com/kaleo)

## HEALTH & WELLNESS

### SUPPORT GROUPS

Al-Anon meets **Thurs., 7:30-9 pm.** Contact **René Thomas** at **480-221-4838**. **Women's AA** meets **Tues. & Fri., 7:30 am.** Contact **Leslie** at **602-697-0867**.

**Ostomy Support** meets **Thurs., Jan. 18, 12:30 pm.** **Alzheimer Support** meets **Wed., Jan. 24, 10 am.** **HopeKeepers** meets **Thurs., Feb. 8, 11 am.** **Support After Loss** meets **Mon., Feb. 12, 6 pm.** More info on our website under *Ministries/Health & Wellness*

### HEART TO HEART GRIEF SUPPORT

A new session begins **Feb. 6** and will meet **every Tuesday** through **March 27, 10-11:30 am** or **6-7:30 pm, Room 211**. See the insert in today's bulletin for complete information and to register, or visit [lacasadecristo.com/adult-education](http://lacasadecristo.com/adult-education).

## OUTREACH MINISTRY

### PARADISE VALLEY FOOD BANK

In January, the food bank requests any variety of canned fruit. Drop off at the Sanctuary, Gathering Place, or church office.

### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

**Sun., Jan. 21, 9 am-1 pm**, ages 14 and older may help serve the meal at the downtown dining room. Sign up at the Ministry table. Carpooling available.

### HELP FROM STEPHEN MINISTRY

If you or someone you know is hurting, call one of our Stephen Ministry leaders: **Claudia King** at **480-269-1181** or **Steve King** at **602-492-6966**. Stephen Ministers are La Casa members trained to help, providing confidential, one-on-one Christian care at no cost.

### 2018 MISSION TRIP

Join **Pastor Matt Knopf**, along with **Esperanza Lutheran Church**, for a joint mission trip to central Mexico with Mazahua Valley Ministries, **June 29-July 6**. Read all about it at [lacasadecristo.com/mexico](http://lacasadecristo.com/mexico).

## MUSIC MINISTRY

### ARIZONA MUSICFEST CONCERT

Hear the renowned **Alison Brown Quartet** in the **Gathering Place, Wed., Jan. 31, 7:30 pm**. The quartet combines bluegrass, classical, folk, and jazz styles to create a unique, entertaining musical experience. Use code *LaCasa* for a 25% ticket discount at [azmusicfest.org](http://azmusicfest.org). Or call **480-422-8449**.

### FESTIVAL ORCHESTRA WEEK!

La Casa will host the Arizona Musicfest Festival Orchestra for four concerts next month: **Tues., Feb. 20, Thurs., Feb. 22, & Fri., Feb. 23 at 7:30 pm, & Sun., Feb. 25 at 3 pm**. Concerts vary from the music of Strauss and Brahms to Gershwin, Beethoven, and Bernstein. Details and tickets at [azmusicfest.org](http://azmusicfest.org) or **480-422-8449**.

## LOOKING AHEAD TO LENT

### WANTED: SMALL GROUP LEADERS

Lead a group to study the new Lent devotional by Pastor Matt Knopf. You'll serve primarily as a facilitator as all discussion material is provided. This year's theme is *In The Beginning*, an exploration of the first stories of the Bible. As a leader you designate your choice of day, time, and place to meet. Find out more and sign up online today at [lacasadecristo.com/Lent](http://lacasadecristo.com/Lent).

### START MOVING!

Our annual Lenten fitness program begins on **Ash Wednesday, Feb. 14**. Get ready to walk, bike, run, or whatever you enjoy and take a virtual journey to the Bible's earliest sites. The \$35 registration fee supports the Central Mexico church our mission team will visit this summer. Details and sign-up at [lacasadecristo.com/fitness](http://lacasadecristo.com/fitness).

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### 49 & HOLDING

Attend lunch with **Pastor Jeff Ruby** to hear about *Mission & Ministry* at La Casa, **Wed., Jan. 17, noon, Fellowship Hall**. Sign up at the Ministry table or email **Nancy Butters** at [NButters@lacasadecristo.com](mailto:NButters@lacasadecristo.com). For a list of upcoming events go to [lacasadecristo.com/social-groups](http://lacasadecristo.com/social-groups).

### WEDNESDAY NIGHT MINISTRIES

**Wed., Jan. 17, 6 pm**, start with dinner then attend class at **6:45 pm**, *Your Holy Spirit of Truth: The Rest of the Story* with **Randy Berry**. Register at the Adult Ed tables today or go to [lacasadecristo.com/adulteducation](http://lacasadecristo.com/adulteducation).

### ELEMENTS OF WORSHIP

Join us next **Sat./Sun., Jan. 20/21**, as we continue to explore the various elements of our worship life together. This 6-week series continues with a look at Holy Communion.

### BAPTISM ORIENTATION

**Sun., Jan. 21, 9:15 am, Room 307**. For details and to register, look under *About Us* on our website or call the office.

### ALPHA ALUMNI DINNER

**Sun., Feb. 11, 5 pm**. Exciting things are happening! All Alpha alumni are invited to hear about the "new" Alpha and how to be a part of it. Details coming soon!

## GI GROUPS

Check [lacasadecristo.com/g-groups](http://lacasadecristo.com/g-groups) for current information.

### LITURGICAL BANNERS

**Wed., Jan. 17, 9 am, Sacristy**. Lyn Morrow at [LSMorrow@cox.net](mailto:LSMorrow@cox.net).

### CHRISTIAN FICTION BOOK CLUB

**Wed., Jan. 17, 9:30 am, Room D**, to discuss *The Witnesses* by Robert Whitlow. **Jessica Clark** at [clarksaz@cox.net](mailto:clarksaz@cox.net).

### HIKER CHICKS

**Thurs., Jan. 18, 8 am, Phoenix Mountain Preserve, Piestewa Peak**. Pam Trueblood at [PTrueblood@cox.net](mailto:PTrueblood@cox.net).

### LIT 'N LATTES

**Thurs., Jan. 18, 7 pm, Sanctuary Family Room**, to discuss *The Choice* by Robert Whitlow. **Sally Rochotte** at [5rochottes@gmail.com](mailto:5rochottes@gmail.com).

## ALSO FOR WOMEN

### NAOMI'S DAUGHTERS

This social group for widows meets for breakfast on **Thurs., Jan. 18, 8:30 am, Room A**. Newcomers are welcome. Sign up at the Ministry tables or call the church office.