

## THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

### EACH WEEKEND

Saturday—5 pm Traditional Worship

Sunday—8 & 9:15 am Traditional Worship

10:30 am—Contemporary Worship

### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 2

#### 1st Sunday in Advent

##### Reception of New Members

8 & 9:15 am—Traditional Worship

8:30 am—Baptism Orientation-Rm. 307

9:15 am—SEVEN24 (Youth);

9:15 & 10:30 am—Ignite! (Kids); Advent Wreath

Making-Fellowship Hall

10:30 am—Contemporary Worship;

Adult Education:

*Travel Narrative in Luke* ends—Rm. A

11:30 am—JH Winter Retreat returns

12 pm—Phx. Rescue Mission parade float help-

Parking lot

3 pm—Worship at Brookdale

4 pm—Phoenix Children's Chorus concert-Sanctuary

### MONDAY, DECEMBER 3

6:30 am—Men's Discipleship

5:30 pm—Men's Discipleship (off campus)

7 pm—Scottsdale Prep Academy concert

### TUESDAY, DECEMBER 4

7:30 am—Women's AA

8 am—Veterans Coffee at The Breakfast Joynt

9:15 am—MOMS

9:30 am—Sarah Circle (off campus)

10 am—Heart to Heart Grief Support ends

4 pm—Men's Support Group

5 pm—Cursillo meeting

6 pm—Heart to Heart Grief Support ends

6:30 pm—MOMS

7 pm—Carillon de Cristo (handbells);

Men's Discipleship

### WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 5

6:15 am—Men's Discipleship

8 am—Angel Tree drop-off

9 am—Liturgical Banner Making

9:15 am—MOMS

12 pm—Brown Bag & A Bible

4 pm—Grace Notes Children's Choir

6 pm—Advent Dinner

6:30 pm—RENEW (HS); Sanctuary Choir rehearsal

7 pm—Advent Worship; Advent Kids

### THURSDAY, DECEMBER 6

6:30 am—Men's Discipleship

10 am—Pastor's Bible study ends

4:30 pm—Men's Life@Work

7:30 pm—Al-Anon

### FRIDAY, DECEMBER 7

7:30 am—Women's AA

8 am—Men's Discipleship

### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 8

9 am—Christmas Cantata rehearsal;

Peace by Piece quilting

9:30 am—Food from the Heart

11 am—Decorate with poinsettias; Glendale

Christmas Parade (Phx. Rescue Mission)

5 pm—Traditional Worship

### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 9

#### 2nd Sunday in Advent

7:30 am—Angel Tree drop-off

8 & 9:15 am—Traditional Worship

9:15 am—SEVEN24 (Youth)

9:15 & 10:30 am—Ignite! (Kids)

10:30 am—Contemporary Worship;

Adult Education

11:45 am—Youth Volunteer Lunch

3 pm—Sonoran Desert Chorale concert



*Welcome!* Please stop by the Visitor Center today so we can greet you and answer your questions about La Casa de Cristo. We also invite you to visit the Ministry Center for information about Men's and Women's Ministry, Kids & Family Ministry, Health & Wellness, and more. We'd love to share with you the opportunities we have for faith and fellowship.

#### OFFERING ENVELOPES

Please pick up your 2019 Program Fund envelopes in the courtyard today to save the church mailing costs. Thank you!

#### BAPTISM ORIENTATION

**Sunday, 8:30 am, Rm. 307.** Future dates and info at [lacasadecristo.com/baptism](http://lacasadecristo.com/baptism).

#### ADVENT WREATHS

**Sunday, 9:15 & 10:30 am, Fellowship Hall**

#### MEET YOUR LIBRARY!

Looking for a good Christmas read? Check out the library cart after worship for books and DVDs for adults and children.

#### HELP WITH TAX CREDIT

Pick up a form in the kiosk today to support extracurricular activities at Palomino & Campo Bello schools.

#### USHERS NEEDED

For worship services on Christmas Eve & Day. Sign up at the Ministry Center.

#### PARADE FLOAT HELP

**Sunday, noon**, meet in the church parking lot to help decorate a parade float to support the Phoenix Rescue Mission's Hope for Hunger program.

#### PHOENIX CHILDREN'S CHORUS

**Sunday, 4 pm, Sanctuary, Making Spirits Bright**, a Christmas concert featuring several choirs.

For detailed information, please visit our website at [lacasadecristo.com](http://lacasadecristo.com)

## WHO WE ARE

### WELCOME!

*Our worshiping 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.*

### PASTORS

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

### GIVING LAST WEEK

Program Budget needed: \$40,192  
Received: \$36,791  
Building Fund needed: \$18,577  
Received: \$21,273  
Thanksgiving: \$2,434

### ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK

Worship: 1185  
Thanksgiving Worship: 279  
Livestream: 154  
Ignite! Kids: 94  
Jr. High & High School: 100



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## THIS WEEK'S HIGHLIGHTS

### SUPPORT GROUPS

Women's AA: Every **Tues. & Fri., 7:30 am**. Contact **Leslie** at **602-697-0867**. Al-Anon meets every **Thurs., 7:30-9 pm**. Contact **Jerry** at **jerry\_froggie@msn.com**.

Men's Support: Every **Tues., 4 pm**. Contact **Jim Jimieson** at **602-882-1719**.

For info on all La Casa groups, go to [lacadecristo.com/support-groups](http://lacadecristo.com/support-groups).

### SCOTTSDALE PREP ACADEMY CONCERT

**Mon., Dec. 3, 7 pm, Sanctuary**, no admission charge.

### VETERANS COFFEES

Veterans meet **Tuesdays at 8 am, The Breakfast Joynt**, across the street from La Casa. Bring a friend who is a veteran.

### GIRLFRIENDS G! GROUPS

Liturgical Banners: **Wed., Dec. 5, 9 am, Sacristy**  
Peace by Piece Quilting: **Sat., Dec. 8, 9 am, Rm. 107**  
For all G! groups, details, and group leader contact info, go to [lacadecristo.com/g-groups](http://lacadecristo.com/g-groups).

### ANGEL TREE DROP-OFF

**Wed., Dec. 5, 8 am-7 pm**, bring food boxes and gifts to the Gathering Place.

### BROWN BAG & A BIBLE

**Wed., Dec. 5, noon, Rm. D**, with **Pastor Lloyd Wallace**

### ADVENT DINNER

**Wed., Dec. 5, 6 pm, Gathering Place**, freewill offering

### ADVENT WORSHIP

**Wed., Dec. 5, 7 pm, Sanctuary**

### ADVENT KIDS

**Wed., Dec. 5, 7 pm, Kids' Room**

### FOR YOUTH

**Wed., Dec. 5, 6:30 pm, HS RENEW**

**Sun., Dec. 9, 9:15 am, SEVEN 24, Youth Room**

### PASTOR'S BIBLE STUDY

**Thurs., Dec. 6, 10 am, Rm. B**, **Pastor Jeff Ruby** explores "The Infancy Narratives of Jesus—Preparing for Advent."

### FOOD FROM THE HEART

**Sat., Dec. 8, 9:30 am, kitchen**

### DECORATE WITH POINSETTIAS

**Sat., Dec. 8, 11 am, Sanctuary & Gathering Place**

### CHRISTMAS PARADE

**Sat., Dec. 8, 11 am**, Glendale's Hometown Christmas Parade, **downtown Glendale**. Walk the parade route to collect canned food for Hope for Hunger.

### FOR KIDS

**Sun., Dec. 9, 9:15 & 10:30 am, Ignite, Kids' Room**

### ANGEL TREE DROP-OFF

**Sun., Dec. 9, 7:30 am-noon**, bring food boxes and gifts to the Gathering Place.

### YOUTH VOLUNTEER LUNCH

**Sun., Dec. 9, 11:45 am, Fellowship Hall**

### SONORAN DESERT CHORALE CONCERT

**Sun., Dec. 9, 3 pm, Sanctuary**. [SonoranDesertChorale.org](http://SonoranDesertChorale.org)

## TODAY IN WORSHIP

### 1ST SUNDAY IN ADVENT

### PREACHING TODAY

Pastor Susan Ramsay

### LAY READERS

8 am—Rex Salthun  
9:15 am—Susan Ruby

### SCRIPTURE READINGS

#### This Week

Jeremiah 33:14-16  
Luke 21:25-36

#### Next Week

Malachi 3:1-4  
Luke 3:1-6

### SANCTUARY ALTAR FLOWERS

Given by Karna & Dick Walther, in honor of their 60th wedding anniversary, December 6, 1958

Given by Carali & Kevin Etheridge, in memory of Harold Etheridge and Larry Borson

### A ROSE ON THE ALTAR

Celebrates the birth on October 24 of Sawyer Bethania Anderson to Kelly Palmer & Travis Anderson

## SERMON NOTES

### Advent Begins the New Church Year

### Spiritual Resolutions

### Prophecy and Paradox

### Ways to Watch & Pray

