



Welcome to the Episcopal Church of St. John the Baptist! Whatever brought you here today is a good thing and we want you to know that you are always welcome here. Everyone is warmly invited to receive Holy Communion, and you are invited to spend some time in fellowship following the service. Thank you for worshipping with us today!

**Holy Eucharist Rite II**  
**December 29, 2024**  
**First Sunday after Christmas Day**

**8 and 10:15 a.m.**

Nursery - 9:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.  
Chilton Hall Room 1

**We Care About You!**

We are pleased to offer communion visits if you are not able to join us. Please contact the office if you would like to schedule a Eucharistic visitor. Fr. Tim and Deacon Chuck are available round the clock for pastoral needs. Their phone numbers can found in the Church Directory or by calling the office. Our Daughters of the King prayer ministry team welcomes prayer requests on St. John's website. Our office number is **623-582-5449** and our e-mail address is **info@stjohnsaz.org**.

**READINGS**

First Reading	<b>Genesis 2:7-9, 15-17, 21-25</b>
Psalm	<b>Psalm 33</b>
Second Reading	<b>Colossians 1:15-20</b>
Gospel	<b>John 1:1-14</b>

**MUSIC 10:15 A.M. - JOYFUL NOISE CHOIR**

<i>Entrance Hymn</i>	<b>Hymnal #87, Hark! The Herald Angels Sing</b>
<i>Hymn of Praise</i>	<b>Hymnal #96, Angels We Have Heard on High</b>
<i>Sequence Hymn</i>	<b>Hymnal #21, Go Tell it on the Mountain</b>
<i>Offertory</i>	<b>LEVAS #27, Away in the Manger</b>
<i>Sanctus</i>	<b>Hymnal #S-130</b>
<i>Lord's Prayer</i>	<b>LEVAS #264</b>
<i>Fraction</i>	<b>WLP #761 All Who Hunger Gather Gladly</b> <b>Choir only</b>
<i>Communion</i>	<b>Hymnal #81, Lo How a Rose E'er Blooming</b>
<i>Recessional</i>	<b>Hymnal #100, Joy to the World</b>

## **St. John's Office Holiday Hours**

The church office and food pantry will be closed the week between Christmas and New Year's. We will reopen Tuesday, January 7th. There will be no Wednesday service on January 1.

**St. John's Closet Thrift Store** will reopen Friday, January 3.

## **Faith Through The Arts Meet the Artist New Exhibit**

Our next exhibit will feature the art of our very own Janice Wittwer. The Meet the Artist 'Nibbles and Sips' reception will be Saturday, January 11th from 4-6 PM. Janice will have some of her art available for purchase or you may see any member of the FTTA Ministry.

## **Reserve Your Spot to Attend our 40th Anniversary Dinner!**

We will wrap up an entire year of celebrating our 40th Anniversary when we gather together to enjoy a special catered dinner on Saturday, January 18, 2025 at 5 p.m. in the Parish Hall. We request a \$5 donation per person to hold your space. Please RSVP by January 12 so we can provide an accurate head count to the caterer. A signup table collecting names and donations will be stationed in the Parish Hall between the Sunday services. We are excited to celebrate together! We hope to see you there!

## **Faith Through the Arts Art Auction, Saturday, February 22,**

Our Faith Through the Arts team is hosting an art auction on Saturday, February 22. Proceeds from the event will support our ongoing capital campaign. Do you have framed art that you no longer need or want? Maybe it's time to change your home decor. Do you happen to have a Rembrandt or a Picasso stashed away in a closet somewhere? If so, then donate it to Faith Through the Arts and help raise funds for your church community! More information to come.

## **Vestry Candidates Needed!**

Please continue to prayerfully discern a call to run as a candidate for Vestry! Your church needs you! at least 16 years of age, a communicant in good standing, and a member of our parish for at least six parishioners and long timers are welcome and encouraged to run! Maybe you are just the person looking for! Speak with a Vestry member or a member of the clergy or staff for more information.

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## **Hospitality Ministry**

We need some help on our coffee hour team! Please help us to make sure our parishioners aren't left thirsty for coffee on Sunday mornings. We would love to have you join us to make coffee, set out goodies, and clean up afterward. Please contact Valerie Swick at (602) 694-4629 or August Tolle at (602) 677-4554. Many hands make light work!

## **Borderlands P.O.W. W.O.W**

### **Volunteers Needed!**

Below are the dates for Borderlands' P.O.W.W.O.W. 2025. Please mark your calendars for the first Saturday of the month starting November and running through May.

**Saturday, January 4th 8:00 – 11:00am**

Saturday, February 1st 8:00 – 11:00am

Saturday, March 1st 7:00 – 10:00am

Saturday, April 5th 7:00 – 10:00am

Saturday, May 3rd 7:00 – 10:00am

Set-up starts 2 hours before opening to the public and clean-up takes about 30 minutes after. ALL HELP IS MUCH APPRECIATED AS WITHOUT IT WE COULDN'T PROVIDE THIS VALUABLE SERVICE TO OUR COMMUNITY! **There is no need to sign up. Just come! Let Buz Isban, Pattie Prosory or Dave Richard know that you are willing to lend a hand that morning. Blessings and thanks!**

## Happenings @ St. John the Baptist

- **Bible Study Between Services**  
Sundays, 9 a.m. between services, Chilton Hall Room 5
- **St. John's Closet Thrift Store**  
Reopens Friday, January 3
- **Borderlands P.O.W. W.O.W.**  
Saturday, January 4, 8:00 a.m. - 11:00, East Parking Lot.
- **Wednesday, Eucharist and Healing Service - January 8th**  
Wednesdays, 1 p.m., Parish Hall
- **FaithNet, Faith-Based Support Group for Mental Illness**  
Schedule for January - January 8th and January 22nd, new time at 2:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., East Annex.. In February we go back to the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays at the new start time of 2:30 p.m.

For more information about events at St. John's please check out our weekly email Newsletter *Voice in the Wilderness*.  
Contact the office to sign up.

Happy  
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New Year

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