

## SCRIPTURE READINGS

### FIRST READING

Isaiah 49:1-7

Listen to me, O coastlands, pay attention, you peoples from far away! The Lord called me before I was born, while I was in my mother's womb he named me. He made my mouth like a sharp sword, in the shadow of his hand he hid me; he made me a polished arrow, in his quiver he hid me away. And he said to me, "You are my servant, Israel, in whom I will be glorified." But I said, "I have labored in vain, I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity; yet surely my cause is with the Lord, and my reward with my God." And now the Lord says, who formed me in the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob back to him, and that Israel might be gathered to him, for I am honored in the sight of the Lord, and my God has become my strength-- he says, "It is too light a thing that you should be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob and to restore the survivors of Israel; I will give you as a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth." Thus says the Lord, the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One, to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nations, the slave of rulers, "Kings shall see and stand up, princes, and they shall prostrate themselves, because of the Lord, who is faithful, the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you."

The Word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

### PSALM 40:1-12

I waited patiently upon the Lord; \*

he stooped to me and heard my cry.

He lifted me out of the desolate pit, out of  
the mire and clay; \*

he set my feet upon a high cliff and  
made my footing sure.

He put a new song in my mouth,  
a song of praise to our God; \*

many shall see, and stand in awe,  
and put their trust in the Lord.

Happy are they who trust in the Lord! \*  
they do not resort to evil spirits or  
turn to false gods.

Great things are they that you have done,  
O Lord my God!

how great your wonders and your plans for us! \*  
there is none who can be compared with you.

Oh, that I could make them known and tell them! \*  
but they are more than I can count.

In sacrifice and offering you take no pleasure \*  
(you have given me ears to hear you);

Burnt-offering and sin-offering  
you have not required, \*  
and so I said, "Behold, I come.

In the roll of the book it is written concerning me: \*  
'I love to do your will, O my God;  
your law is deep in my heart.'

I proclaimed righteousness in the great congregation; \*  
behold, I did not restrain my lips;  
and that, O Lord, you know.

Your righteousness have I not hidden in my heart;  
I have spoken of your faithfulness and  
your deliverance; \*

I have not concealed your love and  
faithfulness from the great congregation.

You are the Lord; do not withhold  
your compassion from me; \*  
let your love and your faithfulness  
keep me safe for ever.

### SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 1:1-9

Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes, To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, together with all those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind-- just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you-- so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

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### THE HOLY GOSPEL

John 1:29-42

John saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, "Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! This is he of whom I said, 'After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.' I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel." And John testified, "I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, 'He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.' And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God." The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, "Look, here is the Lamb of God!" The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, "What are you looking for?" They said to him, "Rabbi" (which translated means Teacher), "where are you staying?" He said to them, "Come and see." They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon. One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. He first found his brother Simon and said to him, "We have found the Messiah" (which is translated Anointed). He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, "You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas" (which is translated Peter).

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

OUR OFFICE IS CLOSED TOMORROW IN OBSERVANCE OF  
MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY

FR. JACKSON IS THE PREACHER/KEYNOTE SPEAKER AT THE MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY COMMEMORATION OF THE CITY OF GOODYEAR. The event takes place tomorrow at 6 PM at the Pebblecreek Tuscany Falls Ball Room, 16222 Clubhouse Drive, Goodyear, AZ. 85395. There will be music and refreshments, and the public is invited

**ANNUAL MEETING & POTLUCK** Our annual meeting is next Sunday. We will have ONE SERVICE at 9 AM, followed by our traditional potluck and the meeting. Food donations for the potluck can be dropped off in the kitchen as you come to the service. Please be sure your food is ready to be served, as there will not be time for kitchen help to prep food. If you are interested in helping with set-up, serving, and/or clean-up or if you have any questions, please contact Marykay Nelson — [aztoucan@yahoo.com](mailto:aztoucan@yahoo.com).

**DOK NEWS** All Daughters please come to our annual meeting this Saturday, January 25, 1-3 PM at Rose Hartley's home. Bring a snack to share and your ideas for this coming year. Contact Rose with questions.

**THE DEDICATION FOR THE KHALID/HASSAN HOME** that we have been building will be this Saturday, January 25th, at 9 AM. The address is 8486 W. Madison St. in Peoria. All are invited to attend!

**ST. JOHN'S HAS AN OPENING FOR A NURSERY SUPERVISOR, A PAID POSITION.** See Peggy Diaz after the service if you are interested in this wonderful ministry. You can also contact her at [peggy@stjohnsaz.org](mailto:peggy@stjohnsaz.org) or call the church office (623-582-5449).

**ST. JOHN'S CLOSET IS OFF TO A GREAT START WITH NEW ITEMS AND NEW IDEAS.** There will be craft tables available on first Saturdays in conjunction with the Produce on Wheels Program. We will open at 8AM instead of 9AM on those Saturdays. We have a special sales promotion running through February 15. It is a Red Heart Sale. Anything red – clothing, household goods or décor – is 25% off. This may help with Valentine decorating or gifts. Stop in to check things out. As always, we welcome donations whenever St. John's Closet is open, Fridays and Saturdays 9-1 (except for 1st Saturdays, open 8-12). Thank you to all our customers and supporters!

**RICHARD BARISO'S ENGRAVED GLASS THAT IS HUNG IN THE PARISH HALL IS AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE.** Please see a member of FTTA if you would like to purchase.

### FOOD PANTRY

Tooth paste / tooth brushes  
grape jelly, pancake mix & syrup  
canned chili, cookies

### BLESSING BAGS

Travel size or individually wrapped please  
Fruit snacks, snack size, Oreos, granola bars,  
Rice Krispie treats

WE REMEMBER BEFORE GOD ALL PEOPLE THROUGHOUT  
THE WORLD WHOSE LIVES HAVE BEEN DISRUPTED  
BY VIOLENCE OR WAR.

WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO WORK FOR PEACE  
AND FOR NEW BEGINNINGS.

AS WE PRAY, LET US REMEMBER

✦ Those in special need, especially Jake; the Daniels family; Josephine; Kim; Yamile; Brayden; Jess; Pamela; Anthony; Nathan; Gail & her family; Karl; Wally; Christopher; Teri; Kay; Krista; Roland; Brayden; Larry & Leslie; Keira .

✦ We pray for those who have died, *especially* Craig Daniels.

Our altar flowers are given  
*In memory of Herbert L. Levine*  
by Mae Levine Sinclair  
and  
*In memory of Joann—loving mother & wife*  
by Robert

## THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Today	<b>Holy Eucharist Rite I</b>	<b>8 AM</b>
	Card signing between services	9 AM
	Nursery care	9:30–11:15 AM
	Sunday School (CH 2 & 8)	9:45 AM
	Youth Group (CH 6)	9:45 AM
	<b>Holy Eucharist Rite II</b>	<b>10 AM</b>
	Praise Band Practice	11:30 AM
Tue.	Tuesday Night Bible Study	6 PM
	Joyful Noise practice	7 PM
Wed.	Bible Study	4:30 PM
	<b>Holy Eucharist Rite II</b>	<b>6:30 PM</b>
	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	7:15 PM
Thu.	FTTA (PH)	
Fri.	St. John's Closet	9 AM—1 PM
Sat.	Veteran's Ministry meeting (PH)	9 AM
	St. John's Closet	9 AM—1 PM
	DOK Annual Meeting	1-3 PM
Sun.	<b>ONE SERVICE Holy Eucharist Rite II</b>	<b>9 AM</b>
	<b>Youth Sunday</b>	
	<b>ANNUAL MEETING &amp; POTLUCK</b>	
	<b>after the service</b>	
	Nursery care	8:45–11:15 AM
	Sunday School (CH 2 & 8)	8:45 AM

St. John the Baptist is equipped with two types of hearing assistance devices: a receiver with an earbud or a neck loop (for use with telecoil-equipped hearing aids and cochlear implants). Either device can be used at any seat in the church. Please speak with an usher for assistance.