



Can you believe December is here? I hope you had a wonderful Thanksgiving and that you are ready for this joyous season of Advent!

Check the list of dates on the right for all the important dates and times this month.

*Make sure to pick up your advent calendars to use as a family at home.

Faith Formation: This month's theme is "Generations" and you can find the playlist here:

<https://dclcfaitformation.org/children-playlists/>

The article on the faith formation children's page will have some fun family Advent traditions.

<https://dclcfaitformation.org/children/>

*Please note Education will not meet December 18th, 25th or Jan 1st.



We have Angel Trees at both sites. Involve the kids in picking out a tag from the tree. They can help shop for the item. They can even contribute some of their money or do a chore to earn money to help purchase the item.

Bring your flock to the fun!



Mark your calendars! Family Night is scheduled for Wednesday, January 18th. Hope to see you then!

Family and Faith:

I'm sure you all have your favorite family Christmas traditions. Maybe it's caroling, or making a paper chain to countdown the days to Jesus' birth, or maybe you celebrate Jesus' birthday with a cake, or does Mary and Joseph travel around your house before Christmas until they reach the nativity scene and then on Christmas day Jesus is in the manger? Talk as a family about your favorite traditions or new ones you would like to try. Talk with your friends, neighbors, classmates, and others about their favorite traditions.

Christmas Treasure

Dear Lord,
As we delight in this Holiday
With it's bright and special pleasure,
We pray to remember all year round
That You are the only treasure
In Jesus name we pray, Amen

- Joanna Fuchs

Desert Cross Lutheran Church

Important dates:

- ☺ Dec 18th: Gilbert Christmas Program during worship
- ☺ Dec 18: Kids Connect 1:00-2:30 in Gilbert
- ☺ Dec 18th: Parents Connect 1:00-2:30 at Hair of the Dog restaurant
- ☺ Dec 18th, 25th and January 1st: *NO Education
- ☺ December 21st and 28th Joyful Noises will not meet
- ☺ December 24th: Christmas Eve Services
Gilbert: 3:00/5:00pm
Tempe: 5:00/7:00pm
- ☺ December 25th: Lessons and Carols
Gilbert: 9:30 Tempe: 10:30



Advent Services are at both campuses!

Check the Desert Cross Newsletter and emails for times and more info!



Sunday December 18th
1:00-2:30
Gilbert suite 104

Join us for some holiday fun on December 18th from 1:00-2:30 in the Gilbert suite 104. Kids ages Kindergarten-5th grade can come for a fun time of games and fellowship. Bring a friend!

Questions? contact
Natalie Smith at
nsmith@desertcross.org



Parent's, come meet up at Hair of the Dog restaurant on Lindsay while your kids are at Kids Connect on December 18th! Fellowship for the parents while your kids are having fun!

Questions? Contact Laura Book:
laurabook11@yahoo.com