

EXPANSION 2000 GROUNDBREAKING DESERT HILLS LUTHERAN

And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

Colossians 3:17

P: Brothers and sisters in Christ: We have come together to seek God's blessing as we set apart this ground for the expansion of the church.

Psalm 100

Luke 6:47-49

1 Corinthians 3:10-14

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray

C: Blessed are you, O Lord our God, king of the universe. You fill the entire world with your presence; your name is to be hallowed through all the earth. Bless all those who have worked or contributed to provide this site which today we set apart for the expansion of Desert Hills Lutheran Church.

(The sign of the cross is traced on the ground)

May this be a place where your glory dwells and where your way is revealed in Word and Sacrament. May your gracious blessing descend like the dew from heaven upon this place and upon all who shall gather here to worship you. You have given us joy in a work begun in your name; may we soon celebrate your presence in the house of your Church, and in the time to come, praise you forever in our eternal home; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

(Earth is turned as the minister says)

P: With faith in Jesus Christ this work is begun and this ground is broken in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

C: Our Father, who art in heaven...

P: O Lord our God, in you every good work has its beginning. Grant that what we have undertaken this day to the glory of your name may be successfully completed to the good of all your people, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Submitted by Desert Hills Lutheran