

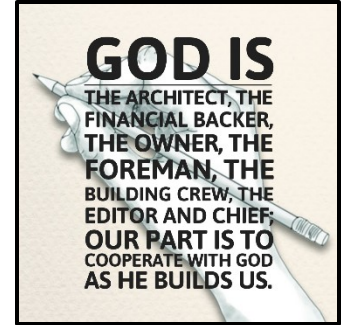


FAITH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SIERRA VISTA, ARIZONA

ORDER OF WORSHIP

MAY 3, 2020



PRELUDE *“Christ Arose”* Lowry Janis Wheat, pianist

INTROIT *“This is the Day”* Heather Carter, soloist Richard Carter, accompanist

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Come, let us worship our God,

People: that we might discern the will of our maker.

Leader: Come, let us worship our God,

People: that we might recall the bondage from which
God has delivered us.

Leader: Come, let us worship our God,

People: that we might become the people God is calling us to be.

All: Let us worship God.

OPENING HYMN *“The God of Abraham Praise”* #49

The God of Abraham praise, who reigns enthroned above,

The ancient of Eternal Days, the God of love!

The Lord, the great I AM,

By earth and heaven confessed,

We bow before your holy name, forever blest.

Your spirit still flows free, high surging where it will.

In prophet’s word you spoke of old and you speak still.

Established is your law, and changeless it shall stand,

Deep writ upon the human heart by your strong hand.

Your goodly land we seek, with peace and plenty blest,

A land of sacred liberty and Sabbath rest.

There milk and honey flow, and oil and wine abound,

And trees of life forever grow with mercy crowned.

**You have eternal life implanted in the soul;
Your love shall be our strength and stay, while ages roll.
We praise you, living God! We praise your holy name:
The first, the last, beyond all thought, and still the same!**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Loving God, you have called us to walk in your ways, observing your commandments, and to love you as you have loved us. You offer us a community of abundant blessing yet we often turn away from you to satisfy our own wants and desires. We have forsaken the way of love and forgiveness, giving in to petty jealousies and quarreling and surrendering our lofty ideals to lesser inclinations. Forgive us, gracious and loving God. When we flee from you, draw us back into community with you and with one another. Shower us with humility that we may reclaim our purpose and find nourishment and growth in the labors of love and bring your kingdom back into our midst. In Jesus name we pray, Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

God is alive and at work nurturing our growth, our needs and reconciling us to one another. God hears the confessions of our hearts and forgives generously, sharing love with all who follow in God's way. It is through god's amazing grace that we are forgiven. Amen

CHILDREN'S TIME Richard Carter

SPECIAL MUSIC *"The Holy City"* – Medley – David Rockwell, soloist Janis Wheat, pianist

OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE Exodus 3: 1-12

*Holy Wisdom, Holy Word. **Thanks be to God.***

NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE John 11: 32-44

*Holy Wisdom, Holy Word. **Thanks be to God.***

SERMON **"Cooperating with God"**

Dave Rockwell

RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD – APOSTLES CREED

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ His only son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He arose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in Heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: for Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen

CLOSING HYMN “Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing” #546

*Lord, dismiss us with your blessing; fill our hearts with joy and peace;
Let us each, your love possessing, triumph in redeeming grace.
O refresh us, O refresh us, traveling through this wilderness.*

*Thanks we give and adoration for your gospel's joyful sound;
May the fruits of your salvation in our hearts and lives abound.
Ever faithful, ever faithful to your truth may we be found.*

*Savior, when your love shall call us, from our struggling pilgrim way,
Let no fear of death appall us, glad your summons to obey.
May we ever, may we ever reign with you in endless day.*

BENEDICTION: Life is short and we do not have much time to gladden the hearts of those who travel with us. Be swift to love, make haste to be kind and go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Remember, our mission field is not just within these walls, but is also just outside those sanctuary doors. Go in peace! Amen

BENEDICTION RESPONSE: “Lord, Make Us More Holy” #313

**Lord, make us more holy;
Lord, make us more holy; Lord, make us more holy, until we meet again:
Holy, Holy, Holy, until we meet again**

POSTLUDE “Day of Joy” Ritter

Participants:

Guest Speaker and Soloist:	Elder Dave Rockwell
Worship Leader and Tech/Video:	Elder Paul Hay
Children's Time:	Elder Richard Carter
Photos:	Judy Mayhew
Musicians:	Sharon Keene, Janis Wheat, Heather Carter