



**Faith Presbyterian Church
Sierra Vista, AZ**

October 24, 2021

Elder Joy Church, Guest Speaker

Lisa Tuttle, Worship Leader

Debi Godwin, Organist/Pianist

Bianca Garcia, Video-Tech Assistant



~ At the sound of the chimes, please use this time to silently prepare for worship. ~

PRELUDE "He is Exalted" – arr. Lloyd Larson

GREETING One: This is the day that the Lord has made!
All: **Let us rejoice and be glad in it!**

CONGREGATIONAL INTROIT "My Faith Looks up to Thee" #829 Verse 1

***My faith looks up to thee, thou Lamb of Calvary, Savior divine!
Now hear me while I pray; take all my guilt away;
O let me from this day be wholly thine!***

***CALL TO WORSHIP (responsively)**

One: God is gathering us from many different places.
No one is worthy, but all are invited.

All: **God lifts us up when we stumble and leads us back.
God cares for us amid our pain and losses.**

One: We are delivered from our fears and saved from trouble.
Happy are those who take refuge in a loving God.

All: **Our lips pour forth laughter and joyous singing.
We join in shouts of praise to God Most High.**

One: Taste and see how good God is.
Trust in the One who awakens joy in place of tears.

All: **We will bless our God in all times and places.
Let us exalt God's name together!**

***OPENING HYMN** "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!" #263

***1. All hail the power of Jesus' Name!
Let angels prostrate fall;
Bring forth the royal diadem,
And crown Him Lord of all!
Bring forth the royal diadem,
And crown Him Lord of all!***

***2. Ye chosen seed of Israel's race,
Ye ransomed from the fall,
Hail Him Who saves you by His grace,
and crown Him Lord of all!***

***Hail Him Who saves you by His grace,
And crown Him Lord of all!***

***3. Let every kindred, every tribe,
On this terrestrial ball,
To Him all majesty ascribe,
And crown Him Lord of all!
To Him all majesty ascribe,
And crown Him Lord of all!***

*4. Oh, that with yonder sacred throng
We at His feet may fall!
We'll join the everlasting song,*

*And crown Him Lord of all!
We'll join the everlasting song,
And crown Him Lord of all!*

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)**

We confess, O God, that our lives have made of you a distant deity. We listen to what others say about you, but we have seldom glimpsed for ourselves who you are. We are dominated by our doubts instead of by our practice of prayer. We are not ready to repent in dust and ashes, but we do ask for mercy as we face up to sins we have not recognized and wrongdoing we have tried to ignore. Instill in us a new appreciation of righteousness, and help us to grow in the way you would have us go. Amen.

(silent reflection)

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON (responsively)**

Our God, who has reached out to us in love, welcomes even our timid answers. God is most generous in blessing us and lifting us beyond our losses and our fears. In Christ, we are linked with God's saving grace for all time and eternity. Let us praise God, recognizing that faith has power to heal.

***GLORIA PATRI**

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen, amen.*

WELCOME

We invite all our guests to identify themselves as they wish.

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHILDRENS TIME

SPECIAL MUSIC

*"Moving Meditation" - Jason W. Krug
Chime Choir*

SCRIPTURE – Old Testament Job 42:1-6

¹Then Job replied to the Lord: ²"I know that you can do all things, that no plan of yours can be thwarted. ³'Who is this that obscures my counsel without knowledge?' Surely I spoke of things I did not understand, things too wonderful for me to know. ⁴You said, "Listen now and I will speak; I will question you, and you shall answer me.' ⁵My ears had heard of you but now my eyes have seen you. ⁶Therefore I despise myself and repent in dust and ashes."

*Holy wisdom, holy word, **thanks be to God.***

SCRIPTURE – the Gospels

Mark 10:46-52

⁴⁶They came to Jericho. As he and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. ⁴⁷When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" ⁴⁸Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" ⁴⁹Jesus stood still and said, "Call him here." And they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take heart; get up, he is calling you." ⁵⁰So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. ⁵¹Then Jesus said to him, "What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man said to him, "My teacher, let me see again." ⁵²Jesus said to him, "Go; your faith has made you well." Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

*Holy wisdom, holy word, **thanks be to God.***

SERMON

“I Heard of You, but I Now See You”

RESPONSE (in unison)

“A Brief Statement of Faith” #7-18

We trust in Jesus Christ,
fully human, fully God.
Jesus proclaimed the reign of God:
preaching good news to the poor
and release to the captives,
teaching by word and deed
and blessing the children,
healing the sick
and binding up the brokenhearted,
eating with outcasts,
forgiving sinners,
and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.

SHARING OUR PRAYERS FOR JOYS AND CONCERNS

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.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF OUR OFFERINGS TO GOD

*DOXOLOGY

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION OF OUR OFFERINGS**

***CLOSING HYMN**

“My Life Flows On”

#821

*My life flows on in endless song, above earth's lamentation,
I hear the clear, though far-off hymn that hails a new creation.
No storm can shake my inmost calm while to that Rock I'm clinging.
Since Christ is Lord of heaven and earth, how can I keep from singing?*

*Through all the tumult and the strife, I hear that music ringing.
It finds an echo in my soul. How can I keep from singing?
No storm can shake my inmost calm while to that Rock I'm clinging.
Since Christ is Lord of heaven and earth, how can I keep from singing?*

*What though my joys and comforts die? I know my Savior liveth.
What though the darkness gather round? Songs in the night he giveth.
No storm can shake my inmost calm while to that Rock I'm clinging.
Since Christ is Lord of heaven and earth, how can I keep from singing?*

*The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart, a fountain ever springing!
All things are mine since I am his! How can I keep from singing?
No storm can shake my inmost calm while to that Rock I'm clinging.
Since Christ is Lord of heaven and earth, how can I keep from singing?*

***BENEDICTION**

***BENEDICTION RESPONSE “We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight”**

#817

*We walk by faith and not by sight; with gracious words draw near,
O Christ, who spoke as none e'er spoke: “My peace be with you here.”*

***POSTLUDE “Praise to the Lord, the Almighty” - Fergusen**

~ Week of October 24 ~

- *Today - Welcome Elder Joy Church as our guest speaker*
- *Pastor Renée is out of the office until October 31. Keep her in your prayers for her teaching and safe return.*
- *For Emergencies call Pam Winters - 419-707-2909 or Joy Church - 520-220-2431*
- *Tuesday, October 26 - Men's Lunch - 11:30 am - Applebee's*
- *Wednesday, October 27 - Worship & Music Meeting - 5:00 pm in the office*
- *Wednesday, October 27 - Choir Practice 6:00 pm*
- *Lila Taylor's committal service will be on Monday, October 25th at 1 pm (gather at line-up between 12:30 and 12:40 pm), Southern Arizona Memorial Veterans Cemetery*