



**Faith Presbyterian Church
Sierra Vista, AZ**

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

PRELUDE *"Pure and Holy, Offered in Sacrifice - Pachelbel*

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

INTROIT Congregation Sing: *"Seek Ye First"*

*Seek ye first the kingdom of God and its righteousness,
and all these things shall be added unto you.
Allelu, alleluia!*

***CALL TO WORSHIP (responsively)**

One: Jesus began his ministry to the world, led by the Spirit into the wilderness.

All: **As we begin our Lenten journey, let us be led by the Spirit,
even into the uncomfortable places.**

One: In those forty days, and in that place, Jesus was faced with hunger, doubt,
and temptation.

All: **As we seek to follow Jesus, we would be led, even into the
uncomfortable choices.**

One: Jesus left the wilderness, faithful and obedient to God,
rejoicing in the One in whom he trusted.

All: **As we continue on our path to faithfulness, we will be
Led by our Christ, rejoicing in the Lord our God.**

***OPENING HYMN** *"Just as I Am, without One Plea"* #442

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

Unison Prayer for Forgiveness

We meet you here, God of faithfulness, our hands and lives full of all our foolish ways. Your people, we treat the strangers who walk among us with fear and doubt. We afflict our anger on those who care about us the most. We impose hard words on those who need to hear hope and grace in their lives.

So now we bring our hearts to you, Generous God, setting them down before you in hopes that you will mend them. As you hear our faltering words, we pray you would answer us with your forgiving love. And as you forgive us, may we go forth to be generous with our lives towards others, even as the one who is Lord of all, Jesus Christ, has been so generous to us.

(silent reflection)

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON (responsively)**

One: As you have confessed, do you so believe? The good news is that there is nothing we do that can conquer us, for we are sheltered in God's gracious mercy and hope.

All: **This is the truth we believe. The Word is in our hearts, and on our lips, as we give thanks to God who is our shelter and our live. Amen.**

***GLORIA PATRI**

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

WELCOME

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

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHILDRENS TIME Elder Richard Carter

SPECIAL MUSIC "There is a Redeemer" – Melody Green

SCRIPTURE – Old Testament Psalm 62:1-2

1 Truly my soul finds rest in God; my salvation comes from him. 2 Truly he is my rock and my salvation; he is my fortress, I will never be shaken

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

SCRIPTURE - New Testament Scripture is 1 Peter 2:1-3:

1 Therefore, rid yourselves of all malice and all deceit, hypocrisy, envy, and slander of every kind. 2 Like newborn babies, crave pure spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow up in your salvation, 3 now that you have tasted that the Lord is good.

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SERMON "Steps to Salvation"

RESPONSE The 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 rose 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.

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** *"Hear the Good News of Salvation"* #441

***BENEDICTION**

***BENEDICTION RESPONSE** *"Lord, Who throughout These Days*

*Lord, who throughout these forty days for us did fast and pray,
Teach us with you to mourn our sins and close by you to stay.*

POSTLUDE – *Faith Eternal" - Broughton*