

FAITH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SIERRA VISTA, ARIZONA

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Order of Worship

4th Sunday of Easter

May 8, 2022

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

CHIMES

PRELUDE "Reverie at Dawn" - Broughton

GREETING

Pastor: "This is the day that the Lord has made,

People: Let us rejoice and be glad in it!"

INTROIT "He is Lord"

*CALL TO WORSHIP (responsively)

Frayed and frazzled, our lives jangling with tension and anxiety,

we gather to find that place of peace which God offers to us.

Awash in worries and doubts, drowning in a sea of fears,

we gather beside the still waters where Jesus offers us a cup of grace.

Weakened by the burdens of life, wandering as if lost in a wilderness,

we gather so the Spirit can restore our souls and show us the path to the kingdom.

^{*} OPENING HYMN - "Come, Christians, Join to Sing" #267

* THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION (responsively)

God who shepherds us, you must wonder how long we will continue to live the way we do. We snatch hope out of the grasp of those who need it most. Our acts of kindness are offered only to those we think to be deserving of our generosity. We gather around to watch endless reality shows, while those whose real lives are filled with struggle and loss are ignored.

Yet you refuse to keep forgiveness a mystery, Gracious God, but offer it to us without any hesitation. You gather us in the green pastures of mercy, so we might find hope; you offer us a drink of the living waters so we might become still enough to listen to your heart; you send the Spirit to take us by the hand to lead us on the paths of justice; the goodness and mercy of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, follow us all the days as we seek to be faithful in our calling to serve him. Amen.

(silent reflection)

* THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON (responsively)

Hear the good news: God will lead us into places of hope; God will give us the waters of life to strengthen us; God will be with us in every moment, in every place of our lives.

Anointed with grace, fed with joy and wonder, we offer blessing and thanksgiving to the One who forgives us now and forever. Thanks be to God. 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 - Pastor Kay

ANTHEM - "How Marvelous Are the Works" - Angerman & Martin

SCRIPTURE - OLD TESTAMENT - Psalm 23

Holy Wisdom, Holy Word. Thanks be to God.

SCRIPTURE - NEW TESTAMENT - John 10:22-30

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SERMON - "One Last Sheep Sermon"

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.

RECEPTION OF OUR OFFERINGS TO GOD

OFFERTORY MUSIC: "Prayer" - Mozart

* 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 AND OURSELVES
- * CLOSING HYMN "Love Lifted Me" (see enclosed insert)
- * BENEDICTION
- * BENEDICTION RESPONSE "King of Kings" (sing twice)

 King of Kings and Lord of lords, glory, (clap) hallelujah!

 King of kings and Lord of lords, glory, (clap) hallelujah!

 Jesus, Prince of Peace, glory, (clap) hallelujah!

 Jesus, Prince of Peace, glory, (clap) hallelujah!

POSTLUDE "Palm Branches" - Faure

