



FAITH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SIERRA VISTA, ARIZONA

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Order of Worship

7th Sunday of Easter

May 29, 2022

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

CHIMES

PRELUDE "Nearer, My God, to Thee" - arr. Hoekstra

GREETING **One:** This is the day that the Lord has made!

All: *Let us rejoice and be glad in it!*

CONGREGATIONAL INTROIT "Surely the Presence of the Lord"

Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place,

I can feel his mighty power and his grace.

I can hear the brush of angel's wings, I see glory on each face;

Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.

***CALL TO WORSHIP (responsively)**

We come to this place of prayer,

for here we can bring our hopes and dreams,

our hidden fears and the doubts we dare wear on our sleeves.

We come to this place of grace,

for here we learn compassion and joy,

and discover how deeply we are loved.

We come with these people called the church,

to be blessed by the variety of gifts,

to live as one for our God.

*** OPENING HYMN - "Eternal Father, Strong to Save" #8**

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

Enslaved to sin, we cannot see the lives we lead, God of Glory. Each day, and every day, there are those times when we ignore you and your dreams for us. Each week, and every week, we find the time to ridicule others, when we could have affirmed them. Each moment, and every moment, though we do not want to admit it, we seek our own way rather than skipping down your path of joy and obedience.

We come asking forgiveness for our foolish lives, Eternal Blessing. Deliver us, and break the chains of sin and death which hold us captive. Open us to that grace you offer, and give us the gift of the Spirit so we may live as people of the Risen Lord, Jesus Christ.

(silent reflection)

*** THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON (responsively)**

The God of all grace, who calls us to eternal glory in Jesus Christ, will restore, support, and strengthen us. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

Thanks be to God. Amen.

*** GLORIA PATRI** Traditional Version

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

MINUTE FOR MISSION - Elder Sonny Coble

CHILDRENS TIME - Elder Richard Carter

SPECIAL MUSIC - *"Morning Breaks on Arlington"* - Hatch & Perry
Elder Heather Carter, soloist

SCRIPTURE - OLD TESTAMENT - Psalm 2

Holy Wisdom, Holy Word. Thanks be to God.

SCRIPTURE - NEW TESTAMENT - John 17:20-26

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SERMON - "Praying Not Preying"

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: *"This is My Father's World"* - arr. Shackley

*** 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 - *“O Beautiful for Spacious Skies”* #338**

*** BENEDICTION**

*** BENEDICTION RESPONSE - *“My Country, ‘Tis of Thee”* #337 verse 4**

Our fathers’ God, to thee, author of liberty, to thee we sing.

Long may our land be bright with freedom’s holy light;

Protect us by thy might, great God, our King.

POSTLUDE *“America”* - arr. Schram

