



FAITH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SIERRA VISTA, ARIZONA

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Order of Worship 6th Sunday after Pentecost

July 17, 2022

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

CHIMES

PRELUDE *“Face to Face with “Saved by Grace” - arr. Shackley*

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

CONGREGATIONAL INTROIT *“Come to the Table of Grace” #507 Verse 1*

*CALL TO WORSHIP (responsively)

Neighbors and newcomers, families and strangers,
we gather in this place built by God’s steadfast love.
Strugglers and stragglers, pilgrims almost at the end of the journey,
each of us is seeks to follow Jesus, the compassionate One.
Builders of bridges in fractured communities,
those who stand on either side of walls of fear,
the Spirit of faithfulness calls us to live as one people – God’s people!

* **OPENING HYMN - “Here I Am, Lord” #69**
(Requested by a church member)

* THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

Steadfast God, we confess that we are so busy putting up walls between ourselves and others, we cannot see the home you are building for all of us. We spend so much time noting the differences between us and others, while you are embracing everyone as your child. We run to welcome those who look, talk, and act like us, and you throw open your doors to the stranger, the alien, in our midst.

Forgive us, Faithful Heart. By your grace, help us to see the household you are building for all people: there are no plastic protectors on the furniture; there are no rooms that are off-limits; and even the smallest child is welcome to sit at the big peoples' Table and be fed by your grace. We pray this in the name of Jesus Christ, our peace, our hope, our Lord, our Savior.

(silent reflection)

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

Do you remember? At one time, you were without Christ; you were the stranger, the outsider, and the alien. But now, in Christ, you have been brought home, living in God's household of hope and peace.

God's covenant with us is everlasting; God's steadfast love is forever; God's forgiveness makes us new and whole. Thanks be to God. Amen.

*** GLORIA PATRI - Traditional**

***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 - Elder Sharon Townsend

**SPECIAL MUSIC - "Behold the Lamb-Communion Hymn" Stuart Townsend
Richard and Heather Carter - Duet**

SCRIPTURE - OLD TESTAMENT - Amos 8:1-12

Holy Wisdom, Holy Word. Thanks be to God.

SCRIPTURE - NEW TESTAMENT - Luke 10:38-42

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SERMON - "Be Quiet, Be Still and Behave"

RESPONSE

Adapted from the Confession of Belhar

We believe that the unity of the church can be established only in freedom and not under constraint; and that the variety of spiritual gifts, opportunities, backgrounds, and convictions, as well as the various languages and cultures, are, by virtue of our reconciliation in Christ, opportunities for mutual service and enrichment, within the one visible people of God. We believe that true faith in Jesus Christ is the only condition for membership in this church.

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: *"In Memory, Lord, of Thee"* - Southbridge

"Blest feast of love divine!
'tis grace that makes us free
to feed upon this bread and wine,
In memory, Lord, of Thee!"
- Early 19th Century, Anonymous

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT 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

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

May God be with you.

May God also be with you.

People of God, open up your hearts.

We open them to God and one another.

People of God, give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give thanks to the One who offers us lives filled with grace.

* **CLOSING HYMN** - *"It is Well With My Soul"* #840

(requested by a church member)

* **BENEDICTION**

* **BENEDICTION RESPONSE** - *"May the God of Hope"* #765

*May the God of hope go with us every day,
filling all our lives with love and joy and peace.
May the God of justice speed us on our way,
bringing light and hope to every land and race.
Praying, let us work for peace;
singing, share our joy with all;
working for a world that's new,
faithful when we hear Christ's call.*

POSTLUDE *"Praise Be To God"* - Powers

