

**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION OF OUR OFFERINGS**

**\* CLOSING HYMN “Great is Thy Faithfulness” #39**

**\* BENEDICTION**

**\* BENEDICTION RESPONSE - “You Shall Go Out With Joy” #80**

***You shall go out with joy, and be led forth with peace;***

***The mountains and the hills will break forth before you;***

***There’ll be shouts of joy, and all the trees of the field will clap, will clap their hands.***

***And all the trees of the field will clap their hands* (clap);**

***The trees of the field will clap their hand* (clap);**

***The trees of the field will clap their hands* (clap) *while you go out with joy.***

**\* POSTLUDE “Go Forth in Faith” - Ritter**



**FAITH PRESBYTERIAN  
CHURCH**

**SIERRA VISTA, ARIZONA**

Kay Childs-Travis, Pastor  
Elder Judy Mayhew, Guest Speaker  
Elder Joan Lopshire, Worship Leader  
Janis Wheat, Director of Music  
Debi Godwin, Choir Director  
Jeff Durham, Video Tech



Order of Worship

13th Sunday after Pentecost

September 4, 2022

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

**CHIMES**

**PRELUDE “The Faithful Shepherd” - Handel**

**GREETING “This is the day that the Lord has made!”  
*We will rejoice and be glad in it.***

**CONGREGATIONAL INTROIT - “Spirit of the Living God” #288**

***Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.  
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.  
Melt me; mold me; fill me; use me.  
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.***

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP (responsively)**

We gather in the presence of God:

***who knows us when we wake up and when we go to sleep, and in all the moments in between.***

We gather in the house of God:

***who has created a family for us, here as well as in the Bahamas, in Africa, and in Nashville.***

We gather to be the people of God:

***who appeals to us to follow in love, in faith, in service.***

\* **OPENING HYMN**    *“My Faith Looks Up To Thee”*    #829

\* **THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION (UNISON)**

*Searching God, we are so attached to our possessions, we have trouble sharing them. We are so connected to our pleasures that we cannot feel the pain of those around us. We are so stuck on ourselves, we cannot sense our souls slipping away into the shadows.*

*Most merciful God: loosen us from the grip of the world, so we may feel your healing touch. Sever us from our sin, so your Spirit might bind us to you. Reshape us, redeem us, renew us, so we may take up our crosses and follow our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.*

(silent reflection)

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

The God who calls us is the God who created us; the God who formed us is the God who forgives us. This is the Good News - we are God's new creation.

*In the name of Jesus Christ, we are reshaped, renewed, forgiven. 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** - Elder Richard Carter

**SPECIAL MUSIC** - *“I’ve Come Too Far”* - Harmon  
Debi Godwin, George Van Otten, George Wheat

**SCRIPTURE - Epistle Reading - Hebrews 11:1-3**

Holy wisdom, holy word, thanks be to God.

**NEW TESTAMENT LESSON - Matthew 17:20**

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**SERMON**    *“That Little Thing Called Faith”*    Elder Judy Mayhew

**OUR RESPONSE TO GOD’S WORD**    **“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 THE 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, for ever. Amen.*

**RECEPTION OF OUR OFFERINGS TO GOD**

**OFFERTORY** - *“My Faith Looks Up To Thee”* - arr. Bock

\* **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.*