

FAITH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH SIERRA VISTA, ARIZONA

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Order of Worship

5th Sunday of Lent

March 26, 2023

At the sound of the chimes, please silence your phone and prepare for worship.

CHIMES

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

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

INTROIT - Lamb of God" - Paris (Faith Choir)

*CALL TO WORSHIP (responsively)

We rise today as one to sing praise on the Lord our God! In God alone goes the glory always! Let us sing songs of joy and jubilation to God. Let us thank God for all the bountiful gifts God has given us! Let us thank God for the gift of his holy son! Let us rejoice in the Risen Son of God!

* OPENING HYMN - "In The Cross of Christ I Glory" - #213

* THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION (UNISON)

Holy and merciful God, in your presence we confess our failure to be what you created us to be. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love. By your loving mercy, help us to live in your light and abide in your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior.

(silent reflection)

* THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON (responsively)

Although we stray from the ways of Jesus, he is always there to bring us back to him.

We are all blessed with the never-ending grace from God! God is always there to forgive our sins. No matter how severe the offense is, God will always take us back! Friends, believe the good news of the gospel: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

* 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.

* PASSING OF THE PEACE (responsively)

Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us share signs of reconciliation and peace. The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

(You are invited to offer your neighbor a brief sign of peace)

WELCOME

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

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHILDRENS TIME - Elder Richard Carter

ANTHEM - "Jesus, Our Song in the Night" - Patterson (Faith Choir)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (unison)

O God, by your Holy Spirit tell us what we need to hear and show us what we ought to do to obey Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE - Ezekiel 37:1-14 Holy Wisdom, Holy Word. *Thanks be to God.*

NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE - John 11:1-45 Holy Wisdom, Holy Word. *Thanks be to God.*

SERMON - "See the Glory of God"

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.

ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

Ordination and Installation: JoAnn Mitchell, Deacon

Installation: Judy Pike, Elder

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 - "Via Dolorosa" - Sewell

* DOXOLOGY - Traditional

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 OFFERING

* CLOSING HYMN - "Here I Am Lord" #69

* **BENEDICTION**

* BENEDICTION RESPONSE "Beneath the Cross of Jesus" #216 (verses 3)

I take, O cross, thy shadow for my abiding place; I ask no other sunshine than the sunshine of his face; content to let the world go by, to know no gain or loss, my sinful self my only shame, my glory all the cross.

* **POSTLUDE -** *"Faith Eternal" -* Broughton

