

OFFERTORY - "Jesus Loves Me" with "Clair de Lune" by Claude Debussy  
Arr. Reimer

\* DOXOLOGY - "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" - #609

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.  
Praise God, all creatures high and low.  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
Praise God, in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word, and Spirit one.  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*

\* PRAYER OF DEDICATION OF OUR OFFERING

SERMON - "The Promises of the Lord"

\* CLOSING HYMN - "Standing on the Promises" - #838

\* BENECTION

\* BENECTION RESPONSE - "Kum Ba Ya" - Traditional

*Someone's singing, Lord, Kum ba ya.  
Someone's singing, Lord, Kum ba ya.  
Someone's singing, Lord, Kum ba ya.  
Oh Lord, Kum ba ya.*

*Kum ba ya, my Lord, Kum ba ya.  
Kum ba ya, my Lord, Kum ba ya.  
Kum ba ya, my Lord, Kum ba ya.  
Oh Lord, Kum ba ya.*

\* POSTLUDE - "Fanfares and Flourishes" - Binckes



## FAITH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SIERRA VISTA, ARIZONA

Rev. Brian R. Louis, Pastor  
Elder Judy Pike, Worship Leader  
Janis Wheat, Director of Music  
Debi Godwin, Choir Director



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Order of Worship

8th Sunday of Pentecost

July 23, 2023

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

CHIMES

PRELUDE "Praise to the Living Lord" - Peterson

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

CONGREGATIONAL INTROIT - "Kum Ba Ya" - Traditional

*Kum ba ya, my Lord, Kum ba ya.  
Kum ba ya, my Lord, Kum ba ya.  
Kum ba ya, my Lord, Kum ba ya.  
Oh Lord, Kum ba ya.*

*Come by here, my Lord, come by here.  
Come by here, my Lord, come by here.  
Come by here, my Lord, come by here.  
Oh Lord, Kum ba ya.*

\*CALL TO WORSHIP – (responsively)

I will extol you, my God,  
**and bless your name forever and ever.**  
Every day I will bless you  
**and praise your name forever and ever.**  
Great is the LORD and greatly to be praised;  
**God's greatness is unsearchable.**  
My mouth will speak the praise of God,  
**And all will bless God's holy name forever and ever!**

SERMON - "Our Help is in God Always"

\* OPENING HYMN - *“Our God, Our Help in Ages Past”* - #687

\* THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION (UNISON)

*Eternal God, in whom we live and move and have our being, whose face is hidden from us by our sins, and whose mercy we forget in the blindness of our hearts: Cleanse us from all our offenses, and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires, that with reverent and humble hearts we may draw near to you, confessing our faults, confiding in your grace, and finding in you our refuge and strength; through Jesus Christ your Son.*

~ Let us take a few minutes for silent reflection ~

\* THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON (responsively)

Do not fear, says the Lord, for I have redeemed you. I have called you by name; you are mine. God is doing a new thing; now it springs forth! By the grace of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

*Thanks be to God.*

\* GLORIA PATRI - *“Glory Be to the Father”*

*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.*

\*PASSING OF THE PEACE (responsively)

Be kind to one another, and tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you. The peace of Christ be with you. ***And also with you.***

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

THE WELCOMING OF GUESTS

We invite our guests to use the nametags in the attendance pads to identify themselves so that we may get to know each other.

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHILDRENS TIME - Elder Richard Carter

SPECIAL MUSIC - *“Here I Am To Worship”* - Hughes  
Jeff Durham - Solo & Piano

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (unison)

*Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that as the Scriptures are read and your Word is proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen*

OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE – Psalm 90:1-2, 16-17

Holy Wisdom. Holy Word. *Thanks be to God.*

NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE – Matthew 3:13-17

Holy Wisdom. Holy Word. *Thanks be to God.*

BAPTISM OF ANASTASIA NOELLE LOUZY

PROFESSION OF FAITH “THE APOSTLES’ CREED” (unison)

*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 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 OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD’S PRAYER (unison)

*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.*

SERMON - “Jesus Loves Us All”

\* HYMN - *“Jesus Loves Me”* (see insert)

RECEPTION OF OUR OFFERINGS TO GOD