

* 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

* CLOSING HYMN - *“Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun”* - #265

* BENEDICTION

* BENEDICTION RESPONSE - *“O for a World”* - #372 (verses 1 & 5)

*O for a world where everyone respects each other's ways,
Where love is lived and all is done with justice and with praise.*

*O for a world preparing for God's glorious reign of peace,
Where time a tears will be no more, and all but love will cease*

* POSTLUDE - *“Trumpet Call”* - Smith



FAITH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SIERRA VISTA, ARIZONA

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Janis Wheat, Director of Music
Debi Godwin, Choir Director



Order of Worship

9th Sunday of Pentecost

July 30, 2023

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

CHIMES

PRELUDE *Rejoice the Lord is King with “Invention No. 8” by J.S. Bach - arr. Reimer*

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

CONGREGATIONAL INTROIT - *“Seek Ye First”* #175 (verses 1 & 2)

*Seek ye first the kingdom of God and its righteousness,
And all these things shall be added unto you. Allelu, Alleluia!*

*Ask, and it shall be given unto you; seek, and you shall find;
Knock, and the door shall be opened unto you. Allelu, Alleluia!*

* CALL TO WORSHIP – (responsively)

O praise the Lord with me,

let us exalt God's name together.

O come, let us sing to the Lord

and shout with joy to the rock of our salvation!

Let us come into God's presence with thanksgiving,

singing joyful songs of praise.

O sing to the Lord a new song;

sing to the Lord, all the earth!

* OPENING HYMN - *“Christ is Alive!”* #246

* 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)

Our righteousness is found in Christ alone, a gift of God by faith. Beloved people of God, believe the good news: through the grace of Jesus Christ we are forgiven. *Thanks be to God.*

* GLORIA PATRI - “Glory to God” - #582

*Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,
And to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,
And to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. 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 - “A Living Prayer” - Block
Heather Carter, solo & Richard Carter, guitar

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (unison)

Testify to us, O God, by the voice of your Spirit. Put your law in our hearts, write your word in our minds, and show your will in our lives; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen

OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE – Isaiah 65:17-25

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

NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE – Luke 17:20-21

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

SERMON “The Kingdom of God is Within You”

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 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.

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBER

Jill Witt

SHARING OUR PRAYERS OF 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 - “Chapel Prayer” - Simone