

FAITH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SIERRA VISTA, ARIZONA

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Order of Worship

24th Sunday of Pentecost

November 12, 2023

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

CHIMES

PRELUDE “*Armed Forces Medley*” - Traditional
(Please stand when your military service is played)

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

CONGREGATIONAL INTROIT - “Seek Ye First” #175 (verse 1)

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

*** CALL TO WORSHIP – (responsively)**

The earth is the Lord’s and all that is in it;
the world, and those who live in it.

What shall we return to the Lord for all the good things God has done for us?
We will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord.

O praise the Lord with me,
let us exalt God’s name together!

*** OPENING HYMN - “Great God of Every Blessing”** #694

*** 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 moments for silent reflection. ~

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

Hear the good news! As people born of water and the Spirit we have died to the old life, and a new life has begun. God's grace is poured out upon us day by day. Come to the water and remember your baptism. Be thankful, and live as one who has been raised to new life! In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! ***Thanks be to God.***

*** 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)**

May mercy, peace, and love be yours in abundance. 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

~ Blessing of the Backpacks ~

CHILDRENS TIME - Elder Richard Carter

SPECIAL MUSIC - "Praise and Thanksgiving" - Dennis - Faith Tone Chime Choir

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (unison)

Guide us, O God, by your Word and Spirit, that in your light we may see light, in your truth find freedom, and in your will discover your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE – Deuteronomy 15:7-11

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

NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE – 2 Corinthians 9:6-15

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

SERMON “Enriched in Every Way”

*** 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.

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, forever. Amen.

RECEPTION OF OUR OFFERINGS TO GOD

OFFERTORY - *“With Every Breath”* - Byrd and Byrd

*** 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** - *“Take My Life”* #697

* BENEDECTION

* BENEDECTION RESPONSE - *"In the Lord I'll Be Ever Thankful"* #654

In the Lord I'll be ever thankful;


In the Lord I will rejoice!

Look to God; do not be afraid.

Lift up your voices; the Lord is near.

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* POSTLUDE - *"On Our Way Rejoicing"* arr. Havergal



You will be enriched in every way
so that you can be generous on every occasion,
and through us your generosity will result
in thanksgiving to God.

2 Corinthians 9:11