

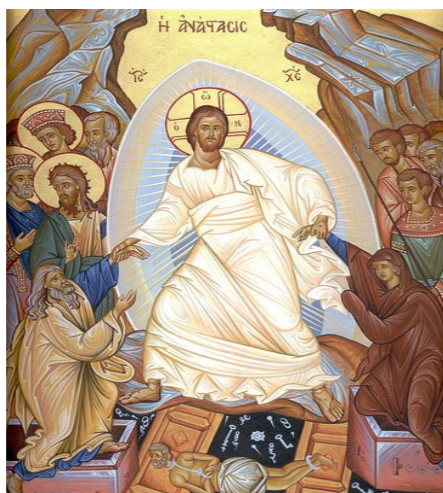
\* PRAYER OF DEDICATION OF OUR OFFERINGS AND OURSELVES

\* CLOSING HYMN - *“Crown Him with Many Crowns – #268*

\* BENEDICTION

\* BENEDICTION RESPONSE - *“Come, Christians, Join to Sing” – #267 (v 1)*

POSTLUDE - *“Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty” – Broughton*



## FAITH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SIERRA VISTA, ARIZONA



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Order of Worship

Bright Sunday

April 7, 2024

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

### CHIMES

PRELUDE *“Up from the Grave He Arose” – arr. Ritter*

INTROIT *“Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks” – #240 (verse 1) - Faith Choir & Congregation*

*Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.  
Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to his name.  
Jesus is Lord of all the earth.  
He is the King of creation.  
Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.  
Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to his name.*

GREETING - Pastor: He is Risen!

People: ***“He is Risen, Indeed!”***

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP (responsively)

Peace be with you. Jesus stands among us.  
***Peace be with you. The risen Lord is here.***  
How very good and pleasant it is  
***when the people of God live in unity.***  
Jesus is the Alpha and the Omega,  
***the Lord who was and is and is to come***

\* OPENING HYMN - *“I Danced in the Morning” – #157*

\* THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

***Almighty God, in raising Jesus from the grave, you shattered the power of sin and death. We confess that we remain captive to doubt and fear, bound by the ways that lead to death. We overlook the poor and the hungry, and pass by those who mourn; we are deaf to the cries of the oppressed, and indifferent to calls for peace; we despise the weak, and abuse the earth you made. Forgive us, God of mercy. Help us to trust your power to change our lives and make us new, that we may know the joy of life abundant given in Jesus Christ, the risen Lord.***

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

Hear the good news of God's promise: I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh. Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved. In the name 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.***

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**\*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.)

**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 ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**CHILDRENS TIME** - Elder Richard Carter

**SPECIAL MUSIC** - "Brighter Than the Sun" – Helgen - Faith Choir

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

Living God, with joy we celebrate the presence of your risen Word. Enliven our hearts by your Holy Spirit so that we may proclaim the good news of eternal and abundant life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

**OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE – Psalm 3**

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

**NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE – Revelation 22:1-5**

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

**SERMON** - "There Will Be No More Night"

**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** "An Easter Flower" – Worrell

**\* 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!***