



FAITH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SIERRA VISTA, ARIZONA

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Order of Worship

Seventh Sunday of Easter

May 12, 2024

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

CHIMES

PRELUDE - “*The Holy City*” - arr. Friesen Lisa Heinemeier - Violin

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

INTROIT - “*He Is King of Kings*” – Faith Choir #273 (verse 1)

* CALL TO WORSHIP – (responsively)

Clap your hands, all you peoples!
God has gone up with a shout of joy.
The Lord Jesus Christ has risen to reign;
his is the name above all names.
We are witnesses: the Lord is risen!
Christ has ascended to reign on high!

* OPENING HYMN - “*All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name!*” #263

* THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Almighty God, you have raised Jesus from death to life, and crowned him Lord of all. We confess that we have not bowed before him, or acknowledged his rule in our lives. We have gone along with the ways of the world, and failed to give him glory. Forgive us, and raise us from sin, that we may be your faithful people, obeying the commands of our Lord Jesus Christ, who rules the world and is head of the church, his body.

~ Let us take a few moments for silent reflection. ~

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

The God of all grace, who calls us to eternal glory in Jesus Christ, will restore, support and strengthen us. 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)**

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

CHILDRENS TIME - Elder Richard Carter

SPECIAL MUSIC - “Shines The Light” – Dengler & Dengler - Faith Choir

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (unison)

God Most High, reigning in glory, send down your Spirit of wisdom to shine in your heavenly Word, so that we may worship you with joy, continually blessing your name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE – Psalm 47

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

NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE - Acts 1:1-11

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SERMON “Trust in our Ascended King”

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 – “Jesus Shall Reign” – arr. Price

* **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 OFFERINGS**

* **CLOSING HYMN** - “He Lives” – (see insert)

* **BENEDICTION**

* **BENEDICTION RESPONSE** - “King of Kings” (see insert)

* **POSTLUDE** - *“March of Triumph”* – *Stickles*

