



FAITH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SIERRA VISTA, ARIZONA

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Order of Worship

Pentecost

May 19, 2024

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

CHIMES

PRELUDE

“The Spirit Sings” – Curtis

GREETING

This is the day that the Lord has made!

Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

INTROIT

“Holy Spirit” – Torwalt & Torwalt - Faith Choir

* CALL TO WORSHIP – (responsively)

Remember the promise of the Lord:

God will pour out the Spirit on all flesh.

The Spirit helps us in our weakness,

interceding with sighs too deep for words.

The Spirit of God renews the earth.

Bless the name of the Lord!

* OPENING HYMN -

“Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness”

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* THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION (UNISON)

Almighty God, you poured your Spirit upon gathered disciples creating bold tongues, open ears, and a new community of faith. We confess that we hold back the force of your Spirit among us. We do not listen for your word of grace, speak the good news of your love, or live as a people made one in Christ. Have mercy on us, O God. Transform our timid lives by the power of your Spirit, and fill us with a flaming desire to be your faithful people, doing your will for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

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

* THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON (responsively)

Through Christ, God has poured out the Holy Spirit upon us for the forgiveness of sins. In the name of 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

CHILDRENS TIME - Elder Richard Carter

SPECIAL MUSIC - “*Open Up the Heavens*” – arr. Duren - Faith Choir

Chorus:

***Open up the heavens
We want to see you
Open up the floodgates
A mighty river
Flowing from your heart
Filling every part of our praise***

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (unison)

God of power and grace, fill us with the wisdom of your word and the understanding of your Spirit so that we may be your church: a people with dreams and visions at work in all the world; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE – Ezekiel 37:1-14

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

NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE - Acts 2:1-21

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

SERMON "Fruit of the Spirit"

Rev. Brian R. Louis

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 FOR JOYS AND CONCERNS AND PASTORAL PRAYER

RECEPTION OF OUR OFFERINGS TO GOD

OFFERTORY – "Amazing Grace" – arr. Zabel - Faith Tone Chime Choir

*** 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 OFFERINGS**

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

God be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray:

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.

COMMUNION

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

* CLOSING HYMN - "Shine, Jesus, Shine"

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* BENEDICTION

* BENEDICTION RESPONSE - "Breathe on Me, Breath of God" #286 (verses 1 & 4)

***Breathe on Me, Breath of God; fill me with life anew,
that I may love what thou dost love, and do what thou wouldst
do.***

***Breathe on Me, Breath of God, so shall I never die,
but live with thee the perfect life of thine eternity.***

* POSTLUDE - "Celebration!" – Smith

