

FAITH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



SIERRA VISTA, ARIZONA

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Order of Worship

COMMUNION

March 16, 2025

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

CHIMES

PRELUDE - "Cross Medley" - arr. Ritter
Lisa Heinemeier, Violin

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

INTROIT - "Feed Us, Lord" (Faith Choir)

* CALL TO WORSHIP – (responsively)

Our faith depends upon the grace of God.
Praise the Lord, who gives life to the dead.
Jesus calls us to be his disciples.
We take up the cross to follow him.

Our ancestor Abraham trusted in the Lord,
and it was reckoned to him as righteousness.

* OPENING HYMN - "Come to the Table of Grace" #507

* THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION (UNISON)

God of mercy, you sent Jesus Christ to seek and save the lost. We confess that we have strayed from you and turned aside from your way. We are misled by pride, for we see ourselves pure when we are stained, and great when we are small. We have failed in love, neglected justice, and ignored your truth. Have mercy, O God, and forgive our sin. Return us to paths of righteousness through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

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

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

Listen, so that you may live: the steadfast love of the Lord never fails. 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

CHILDRENS TIME - Elder Richard Carter

ANTHEM - "Look To The Rose" - Martin (Faith Choir)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (unison)

Gracious God, our way in the wilderness, guide us, by your Word, through these forty days, and minister to us with your Holy Spirit, so that we may reformed, restored, and renewed; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE – Psalm 27

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

NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE – Luke 13:31-36

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

The grass withers and the flower fades, but the Word of God lives forever,
Thanks be to God.

SERMON - "Coming From and Going To" - Rev. Jim Wallace

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD - "From the First Chapter of the Scots Confession"

We confess and acknowledge one God alone, to whom alone we must cleave, whom alone we must serve, whom only we must worship, and in whom alone we put our trust. Who is eternal, infinite, immeasurable, incomprehensible, omnipotent, invisible; one in substance and yet distinct in three persons, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost. By whom we confess and believe all things in heaven and earth, visible and invisible, to have been created, to be retained in their being, and to be ruled and guided by his inscrutable providence for such end as his eternal wisdom, goodness, and justice have appointed, and to the manifestation of his own glory.

SHARING OUR PRAYERS OF JOYS AND CONCERNS/PASTORAL PRAYER

RECEPTION OF OUR OFFERINGS TO GOD

OFFERTORY - "Written in Red" - Jensen - Lisa Heinemeier, Violin

*In letter of crimson God wrote his love on a hillside so long, long ago.
For you and for me Jesus died and love's greatest story was told.
"I love you, I love you," that's what Calvary said.
"I love you, I love you, I love you," written in red.*

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

Everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; let those who have no money come and eat. ***God will satisfy our souls with a rich feast, and we will bless the Lord as long as we live.***

The Lord 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.

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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.

COMMUNION

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

*CLOSING HYMN - ***“Go, My Children, with My Blessing”*** #547

*BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE - ***“Go In Peace”*** (sing twice)

***Go in peace, go in kindness, go in love, go in faith.
Leave the world, the world behind us, God is love, go in grace.***

*POSTLUDE - ***“Trumpet Finale”*** - Albinoni