

FAITH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SIERRA VISTA, ARIZONA



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Order of Worship

2nd Sunday of Lent

March 8, 2020

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

CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: *This is the day that the Lord has made,*

People: *Let us rejoice and be glad in it.*

POEM *"The Wilderness is a Place of Mystery & the Unknown"* Sarah Are

PRELUDE *"Choral Prelude on Olivet"* - Elmore

CONGREGATIONAL INTROIT

*Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place,
I can feel His mighty power and His grace,
I can hear the brush of angel's wings, I see glory on each face,
Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.*

ADORATION AND CONFESSION

One: All are welcome here --

All: The young and old, those who have visions and those who dream dreams.

One: All are welcome here --

All: The sinner and saint, those who seek forgiveness and those who long for peace.

One: All are welcome here --

All: The hurt and the doubting, those who know the wilderness and those who feel lost.

One: All are welcome here; for you are loved by God, and this is God's house.

All: Let us worship God!

***OPENING HYMN - "To God Be the Glory" #634**

*** PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

God, we give you our hearts.

They are brimming with doubt and are saturated with fear, but we give them to you anyway, for you promise to love us as we are. You promise to walk with us to the ends of the earth, so in this moment, we promise to tell the truth.

God, you ask us to be brave and bold, but we cower in fear. You ask us to love our neighbors as ourselves, but we hold tight to privilege and status quo. And you ask us to risk it all to follow you, but we are content with the injustices at hand.

Forgive us for our sin and lift our eyes to you. Lift our eyes to the hills. Gratefully we pray, amen.

*** SILENT CONFESSION OF SINS**

*** THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

*** GLORIA PATRI #583 Sing Twice**

***Glory to God, glory to God, glory in the highest!
Glory to God, glory to God, alleluia, alleluia!***

THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

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

SHARING OUR PRAYERS OF JOY OR CONCERN

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.

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE - "O Lord, Hear My Prayer" #471

*O Lord, hear my prayer. O Lord, hear my prayer.
When I call, answer me.
O Lord hear my prayer. O Lord, hear my prayer.
Come and listen to me.*

HEARING THE WORD OF GOD

CHILDREN'S TIME - Mario Gonzales

ANTHEM - "Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley" - Faith Tone Chimes

***HYMN** - "Spirit of the Living God" #288

HEBREW TORAH - Genesis 12:1-4a

Holy Wisdom, Holy Word. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL - John 3:1-17

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SERMON - "Taking Risks"

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

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 arose again 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.

PRESENTATION OF OUR OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY - *“Appalachian Meditation”* - Moore

* DOXOLOGY

*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

* SENDING HYMN - *“Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness”* #291

* BENEDICTION

* BENEDICTION RESPONSE - *“The Lord is My Song”* #471

*The Lord is my song; the Lord is my praise:
All my hope comes from God.
The Lord is my song; the Lord is my praise:
God, the well-spring of life.*

* POSTLUDE - *“Psalm of Glory”* - Smith

