

# DESERT SPRINGS

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN AMERICA | TUCSON



**October 18, 2020**

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*“See, I am doing a new thing!  
Now it springs up; do you not perceive it?  
I am making a way in the desert and streams in the wasteland.”*

Isaiah 43: 19

## **To Our Visitors:**

*Thank you for choosing to worship with us this morning. Our desire is that you be encouraged and learn more about who Jesus is and what He has done for us. We are therefore committed to studying and understanding the Scriptures so that we might know and trust Jesus more fully. Hopefully, you received our gift to you, and we'd love to be able to talk to you after the worship service.*

## **Notes on Our Service:**

*Churches can conduct their worship services quite differently. As you prepare for worship, please take a few moments to review the commitments and values that shape our worship service.*

**Liturgy:** *The liturgy is the order of things in a worship service. The intent is for the liturgy to engage our minds with truth, stirring up what Jonathan Edwards called 'holy affections,' or emotions, which it then helps us to express. The overall pattern of the worship service is designed to reinforce the centrality of the good news of Jesus Christ. We see His greatness, our rebelliousness, and how Jesus forgives us and begins to change us. We are also given opportunities to share our needs with Jesus as we pray.*

**Participation by the People:** *Our worship is structured to emphasize participation. We encourage everyone to sing and pray, and to confess individual sins and faith.*

**Corporate Responses:** *The liturgical practice of responsive reading traces back to the beginnings of the Church. It follows the pattern of Scripture and helps instruct us in how to worship. It can be like learning a new language that expresses what is going on inside of you.*

**Music:** *Our Music Team is composed of members of our congregation under the direction of a professional Music Director. Songs and arrangements are selected so that ordinary people can sing them in order to best facilitate congregational worship.*

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

## DESERT SPRINGS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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October 18, 2020

The Lord's Day

10:30 a.m.

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*Refreshing weary souls with the gospel of Jesus in worship, discipleship and evangelism.*

### PRELUDE & MEDITATION

*<sup>34</sup> And calling the crowd to Him with His disciples, He said to them, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. -Mark 8:34*

### WELCOME

### \*DOXOLOGY

"Doxology"

Hymn #731

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### EXALTATION OF GOD

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### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Isaiah 26

Pastor: Open the gates, that the righteous people that keeps faith may enter in.

People: You keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on You, because he trusts in You.

All: *Trust in the LORD forever, for the LORD GOD is an everlasting rock.*

### \*SONG OF EXALTATION

"Worship Christ, the Risen King!"

Hymn #286 (vv. 1-4)

### INVOCATION

*We ask God to be present with us as we worship so we receive Christ and His benefits.*

*\* Please stand if able*

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## GOSPEL PARDON

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*"The sins of the wicked anger God, but the sins of professing Christians grieve Him."*

-Thomas Watson

### CONFESSION OF SIN

Pastor: We do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weakness, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need, silently confessing our sins to Him. -Hebrews 4

*-Time for the Silent Confession of Sins –*

### \*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Pastor: Arise and hear the Good News.

But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, He sat down at the right hand of God, waiting from that time until His enemies should be made a footstool for His feet. For by a single offering He has perfected for all time those who are being sanctified. -Hebrews 10

*"No sin of yours will ruin you, if you believe; and nothing will save, if you do not."*

-Thomas Boston

### \*SONG OF RESPONSE

"Before the Throne of God Above"

*Music and alt. lyrics by Vicki Cook*

"Loved with Everlasting Love"

Hymn # 703 (vv. 1,2,4)

### PASTORAL PRAYER

*We join Jesus, who intercedes for us.*

### SCRIPTURE READING

**Mark McCoy**

Old Testament: Malachi 4

New Testament: Matthew 11:7-19

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

*\* Please stand if able*

SERMON TEXT

Mark 9:9-13

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON

Pastor Steve Cavallaro

***“SUFFERING, RESURRECTION & RESTORATION”***

**\*SONG OF CELEBRATION**

*“Wonderful, Merciful Savior”*

*Dawn Rogers and Eric Wyse*

**\*CONFESSION OF FAITH**

***All: We confess the mystery and wonder of God made flesh and rejoice in our great salvation through Jesus Christ our Lord.***

***With the Father and the Holy Spirit, the Son created all things, sustains all things, and makes all things new. Truly God, He became truly man, two natures in one person.***

***He was born of the Virgin Mary and lived among us. Crucified, dead, and buried, He rose on the third day, ascended to heaven, and will come again in glory and judgment.***

***For us, He kept the Law, atoned for sin, and satisfied God’s wrath. He took our filthy rags and gave us His righteous robe.***

***He is our Prophet, Priest, and King, building His church, interceding for us, and reigning over all things.***

***Jesus Christ is Lord; we praise His holy Name forever.***

*-Ligonier Statement on Christology*

**WORSHIP AT THE TABLE**

**WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

## COMMUNION PRAYER

**All:** *Father,*

*You gave your own Son as a ransom for us, the Holy One for sinners, the Blameless One for the wicked, the Righteous One for the unrighteous, the Incorruptible One for the corruptible, the Immortal One for mortals. For what else could cover our sins except His righteousness? Who else could justify wicked and ungodly people like us, except the only Son of God? You have willed by these truths to persuade us to trust in His kindness, and to reckon Him as our Nourisher, Father, Teacher, Counselor and Healer, our Wisdom, Light, Honor, Glory, Power and Life. May He keep us from anxiety about this life that we might be steadfast, secure in Him. Amen.*

*-Adapted from Ignatius of Antioch's letter to Diognetus*

## DISTRIBUTION OF ELEMENTS

*The cups in the inner rings contain wine; the outer ring contains juice. Gluten-free crackers, prepared in a common kitchen, are also provided.*

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## GOSPEL HOPE

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### \*SONG OF HOPE

"This Is Amazing Grace"

*Words and Music by Jeremy Riddle, Josh Farro & Phil Wickham*

### \*CHARGE & BLESSING

Pastor: May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.

*-Romans 15*

## POSTLUDE

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### COMMUNITY BIBLE READING

10/19 Matthew 6  
10/20 2 Thessalonians 1  
10/21 2 Thessalonians 2  
10/22 2 Thessalonians 3  
10/23 Hebrews 7

### MEMORY VERSE – OCTOBER

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