

# DESERT SPRINGS

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN AMERICA | TUCSON



**November 22, 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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November 22, 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>35</sup> *...And He said to them, "If anyone would be first, he must be last of all and servant of all."*

-Mark 9:35

### WELCOME

### \*DOXOLOGY

"Gloria Patri"

Hymn #734

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### EXALTATION OF GOD

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### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

**Matthew 11**

Pastor: Come to Me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.

People: **Take my yoke upon you, and learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.**

All: *For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.*

### \*SONG OF EXALTATION

"How Great Is Our God"

*Words & Music by Chris Tomlin, Jesse Reeves & Ed Cash*

### 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: Little children, if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world. In light of this assurance, let us confess our sins to God. *-Adapted from 1 John 2*

*-Time for the Silent Confession of Sins –*

### \*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Pastor: Arise and hear the Good News.  
Who shall bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us. *-Romans 8*

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

### \*SONGS OF RESPONSE

"Jesus, I Come"

*Words by William Sleeper; Music by Greg Thompson*

"Now Thank We All Our God"

Hymn #98 (vv. 1-3)

### PASTORAL PRAYER

*We join Jesus, who intercedes for us.*

### SCRIPTURE READING

Old Testament: Deuteronomy 13:1-11

New Testament: Romans 14:10-19

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

**Rick Robertson**

*\* Please stand if able*

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HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

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SERMON TEXT

Mark 9:42-50

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON

Pastor Steve Cavallaro

***‘PUTTING SIN TO DEATH’***

**\*SONG OF CELEBRATION**

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

Hymn #32 (vv. 1-3)

**\*CONFESSION OF FAITH**

Heidelberg Catechism (*Questions 1-2*)

Pastor: What is your only comfort in life and death? (*Q.1*)

People: **That I am not my own, but belong with body and soul, both in life and in death, to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with His precious blood, and has set me free from all the power of the devil. He also preserves me in such a way that without the will of my heavenly Father not a hair can fall from my head; indeed, all things must work together for my salvation. Therefore, by His Holy Spirit He also assures me of eternal life and makes me heartily willing and ready from now on to live for Him.**

Pastor: What do you need to know in order to live and die in the joy of this comfort? (*Q.2*)

People: ***First, how great my sins and misery are; second, how I am delivered from all my sins and misery; third, how I am to be thankful to God for such deliverance***

**WORSHIP AT THE TABLE**

**WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

*\* Please stand if able*

## COMMUNION PRAYER

***All: O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, You who take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us: You who take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us! You who take away the sins of the world, accept our prayer: You who sit at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy on us! For you alone are holy, You alone are the Lord; You alone, O Christ, together with the Holy Spirit, are Most High in the glory of God the Father.”***

-Adapted from the early Christian hymn, *Gloria in Excelsis*

## 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

“O Love That Will Not Let Me Go”

*Words by George Matheson; Music by Christopher Miner*

### \*CHARGE & BENEDICTION

Pastor: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit  
be with you all.

*-2 Corinthians 13*

## POSTLUDE

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### COMMUNITY BIBLE READING

11/23 Job 8  
11/24 Job 9  
11/25 Job 10  
11/26 Psalm 118  
11/27 Isaiah 40

### VERSE FOR MEMORY & MEDITATION – NOVEMBER

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