DESERT SPRINGS

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN AMERICA | TUCSON



August 7, 2022

"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.

Giving: We believe giving in proportion to God's provision to us is an act of worship. We have a plate for offerings at the front of the Sanctuary.

ORDER OF WORSHIP DESERT SPRINGS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

<u>August 7, 2022</u>

The Lord's Day

10:30 a.m.

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

WELCOME

PRELUDE & MEDITATION

¹⁰ As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace: ¹¹ whoever speaks, as one who speaks oracles of God; whoever serves, as one who serves by the strength that God supplies—in order that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ. To him belong glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. -1 Peter 4:10-11

*DOXOLOGY

"Romans Doxology"

EXALTATION OF GOD

*CALL TO WORSHIP

- <u>Elder</u>: O God, you are my God; earnestly I seek You; my soul thirsts for You; my flesh faints for You, as in a dry and weary land where there is no water.
- <u>People</u>: So I have looked upon You in the sanctuary, beholding Your power and glory. Because Your steadfast love is better than life, my lips will praise You. So, I will bless You as long as I live; in Your name I will lift up my hands.
 - <u>Elder</u>: My soul will be satisfied as with fat and rich food, and my mouth will praise You with joyful lips, when I remember You upon my bed, and meditate on You in the watches of the night; for You have been my help, and in the shadow of Your wings I will sing for joy.
- <u>People</u>: My soul clings to You; Your right hand upholds me. But those who seek to destroy my life shall go down into the depths of the earth; they shall be given over to the power of the sword.
 - <u>All</u>: But the king shall rejoice in God; all who swear by Him shall exult, for the mouths of liars will be stopped.

*SONG OF EXALTATION

"10,000 Reasons"

INVOCATION

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

* Please stand if able

John G. Elliott

Psalms 63

Redman

"The sins of the wicked anger God, but the sins of professing Christians grieve Him." -Thomas Watson

CONFESSION OF SIN

<u>People</u>: Grant, Almighty God, that as we are in this life subject to so many miseries, and in the meantime grow insensible in our sins,- O grant that we may learn to search ourselves and consider our sins, that we may be really humbled before You, and ascribe to ourselves the blame of all our ills, that we may be led to a genuine repentance, and so strive to be reconciled to You in Christ, that we may wholly depend on Your paternal love, and thus ever aspire to the fullness of eternal happiness, through Your goodness and immeasurable kindness, which You testify is ready and offered to all those, who with a sincere heart worship You, call upon You, and flee to You, through Christ our Lord. Amen. *-John Calvin*

-Time for the Silent Confession of Sins -

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Elder: Arise and hear the good news.

Let each of you confess that he is really a sinner who has to humble himself before God. He must believe that the heavenly Father will be gracious to him in Jesus Christ. To all who have repentance and who seek Jesus Christ for their salvation, I pronounce forgiveness in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, Amen. -John Calvin

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

*SONGS OF RESPONSE

"Before the Throne of God Above" "All to Jesus I Surrender"

Music & Alt V. Cook Hymn #562 (vv. 1-4)

-Thomas Boston

SCRIPTURE READING

Old Testament: Isaiah 43:1-2 New Testament: 1 Thessalonians 5:5-11

> <u>Elder</u>: The grass withers and flowers fade... <u>People</u>: But the word of God endures forever.

Elder Marty Beal

* Please stand if able

HEAR THE WORD OF GOD SERMON SERIES "GOSPEL COMMUNITY"

SERMON TEXT PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION SERMON 1 Thessalonians 5:5-11

Mr. Steve Johnson

"THE ENCOURAGING COMMUNITY: LIVING IN LIGHT OF THE FUTURE RETURN OF JESUS"

*SONG OF CELEBRATION

"Cornerstone"

Orig. E. Mott | Alt. Myrin | Morgan | Lilijero | Bradbury

* CONFESSION OF FAITH

<u>All</u>: We believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. We believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; [†]He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there He will come to judge the living and the dead. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy [‡]catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen. -Apostles' Creed

> *Meaning the grave; and remained under the power of death. -WLC Q. 50 *Universal

PRAYER

*SONG OF HOPE

"On Jordan's Stormy Banks I Stand"

Words S. Stennett | Music C. Miner | Arr. Belmont RUF

*CHARGE

Leader: The LORD bless you and keep you: the LORD make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD lift up His countenance upon you and give you His peace." Amen.

-Numbers 6:24-26

ANNOUNCEMENTS POSTLUDE

COMMUNITY BIBLE READING

08/08 2 Kings 3 08/09 2 Kings 4 08/10 2 Kings 5 08/11 2 Kings 6 08/12 2 Kings 7

VERSE FOR MEMORIZATION & MEDITATION - AUGUST

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