

DESERT SPRINGS

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN AMERICA | TUCSON



November 27, 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

November 27, 2022

The Lord's Day

10:30 a.m.

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

WELCOME

PRELUDE & MEDITATION

⁸ Good and upright is the LORD; therefore, He instructs sinners in the way. ⁹ He leads the humble in what is right and teaches the humble His way. -Psalm 25:8-9

*DOXOLOGY

"Doxology"

Hymn #731

EXALTATION OF GOD

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Adapted from Ephesians 2

Elder: Remember you were Gentiles in the flesh, separated from Christ, alienated from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope without God in the world.

People: **But now in Christ Jesus we who were once far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. He Himself is our peace, who has made us both one and has broken down the dividing wall of hostility.**

Elder: And He came and preached peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near.

People: **Through Him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father. We are no longer strangers and aliens, but fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God.**

All: ***We are built upon Christ Jesus the cornerstone, in whom the whole structure, being joined together, growing into a holy temple in the Lord, a dwelling place for God by the Spirit.***

*SONG OF EXALTATION

"Man of Sorrows"

B. Ligertwood | M. Crocker

INVOCATION

This is a prayer by the pastor asking God to be present with us as we worship so we may receive Christ and His benefits as we worship.

** Please stand if able*

GOSPEL PARDON

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

CONFESSION OF SIN: *Being Refreshed from the Burden of Guilt*

Elder: The LORD longs to be gracious to you; therefore, He will rise up to show you compassion. For the LORD is a God of justice. Blessed are all who wait for Him! *-Isaiah 30*

Let us therefore confess our sins to the LORD.

-Time for the Silent Confession of Sins –

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Elder: Arise and hear the Good News.

And if you call on Him as Father who judges impartially according to each one's deeds, conduct yourselves with fear throughout the time of your exile, knowing that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your forefathers, not with perishable things such as silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish or spot. *-1 Peter 1*

Let everyone who believes in Christ rejoice. For, in Jesus' name, I proclaim to you the forgiveness of all your sins and declare you to be loosed of them on earth, that you be loosed of them also in heaven, in eternity. Amen.

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

***SONG OF RESPONSE**

"And Can It Be That I Should Gain"

Hymn #455 (vv. 1-5)

SCRIPTURE READING

Mark McCoy

Old Testament: Genesis 22:1-8

New Testament: Revelation 19:1-6, 11-16, 20

Leader: The grass withers and flowers fade...

People: **But the word of God endures forever.**

** Please stand if able*

SERMON SERIES

“FROM BONDAGE TO FREEDOM: EXODUS, PART 1”

SERMON TEXT

Exodus 11-12

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON

Pastor Steve Cavallaro

“WHEN THE LORD IS IN YOUR MIDST”

***SONGS OF CELEBRATION**

“He Was Wounded for Our Transgressions”

Hymn #244 (vv. 1,2,4)

“Here is Love”

R. Lowry | Traditional Tune

*** CONFESSION OF FAITH**

Ligonier Statement on Christology

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.

WORSHIP AT THE TABLE: *Refreshed by Our Fellowship with Christ*

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

COMMUNION PRAYER

All: Father,

We admit that we are weaker and more sinful than we ever dare admit, but through Christ we are more loved and accepted than we ever dared hope. Thank you for paying our debt on the cross, taking what we deserved in order to offer us complete forgiveness. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, we turn from our sins and delight in Christ as our Savior and Lord. Amen.

DISTRIBUTION OF ELEMENTS

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

GOSPEL HOPE

PRAYER

*SONGS OF HOPE

“Psalm 46” (*God Is Our Refuge and Our Strength*)

(vv. 1-3) *Tune: A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*

“Amazing Grace” (*My Chains are Gone*)

Newton | Rees | Tomlin | Giglio

*CHARGE & BENEDICTION

Pastor: But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To Him be the glory both now and to the day of eternity. Amen.

-2 Peter 3

ANNOUNCEMENTS

POSTLUDE

COMMUNITY BIBLE READING

11/28 Psalms 23

11/29 Psalms 24

11/30 Psalms 25

12/01 Psalms 26

12/02 Psalms 27

VERSE FOR MEMORIZATION & MEDITATION

DECEMBER

¹ *Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.* ² *Blessed is the man against whom the LORD counts no iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit.*

-Psalms 32:1-2

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