

**GATHERING**

*The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.*

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**GREETING:**

The grace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, the love of God,  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**And also with you.**

**CALL TO WORSHIP: (Psalm 133)**

God sits firmly enthroned and watches  
all who dwell on the earth.

**Truly, your eye is upon those who fear you, O Lord,  
upon those who wait for your steadfast love.**

Our innermost being waits for you, O Lord,  
our helper and our shield.

**Surely, our heart rejoices in you,  
for in your holy name we put our trust.**

Let your lovingkindness, O Lord, be upon us,  
even as we place our hope in you.

**As we gather in the name of Christ,  
We confess our need for grace and cry out together:**

## KYRIE: ELW 157

Leader

Em D/E C/E Am<sup>7</sup> Bm<sup>7</sup> Em D

In peace, in peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Assembly

Lord, have mer - cy,

3rd time to Coda

C D Am<sup>7</sup> Bm<sup>7</sup> Em D/E C/E

For the reign of God, and for  
For your peo - ple here who have

Christ, have mer-cy, Lord, have mer - cy.

Am<sup>7</sup> Bm<sup>7</sup> Em D/E C/E Am<sup>7</sup> Bm<sup>7</sup>

peace through-out the world, for the u - ni - ty of all, let us pray to the  
come to give you praise, for the strength to live your word, let us pray to the

Coda

Em D/E C/E Bm<sup>7</sup> A Am<sup>7</sup> Bm<sup>7</sup> E

Help, save, and de-fend us, O God.

cy. A - men.

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## OPENING PRAYER:

Almighty God,  
you sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your church.  
Open our hearts to the riches of your grace,  
that we may be ready to receive you wherever you appear,  
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.  
Amen.

## GATHERING SONG: God So Loved (NEW)

### Verse 1

Come all you weary  
Come all you thirsty  
Come to the well that never runs dry  
Drink of the water  
Come and thirst no more

### Verse 2

Come all you sinners  
Come find His mercy  
Come to the table He will satisfy  
Taste of His goodness  
Find what you're looking for

### Chorus 1

For God so loved the world that He gave us  
His one and only Son to save us  
Whoever believes in Him will live forever

### Verse 3

Bring all your failures  
Bring your addictions  
Come lay them down at the foot of the cross  
Jesus is waiting there  
With open arms

### Chorus 2

For God so loved the world that He gave us  
His one and only Son to save us  
Whoever believes in Him will live forever  
The power of hell forever defeated  
Now it is well I'm walking in freedom  
For God so loved God so loved the world

### Bridge

Praise God praise God  
From whom all blessings flow  
Praise Him praise Him  
For the wonders of His love

### Chorus 3

For God so loved the world that He gave us  
His one and only Son to save

### Verse 4

Bring all your failures  
Bring your addictions  
Come lay them down at the foot of the cross  
Jesus is waiting  
God so loved the world

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## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE: Jesus Strong and Kind (Sunday Tempe/Gilbert)

### Verse 1

Jesus said  
That if I thirst  
I should come to him  
No one else can satisfy  
I should come to him

### Chorus

For the Lord is good and faithful  
He will keep us day and night  
We can always run to Jesus  
Jesus strong and kind

Sat 5pm Tempe: **NO** Children's Message  
Sunday Tempe & Gilbert: *Sing at all services*

## WORD

*God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.*

### FIRST LESSON:

**Colossians 3:12-17** *(Sunday Tempe only)*

<sup>12</sup>Therefore, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. <sup>13</sup>Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. <sup>14</sup>Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. <sup>15</sup>And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful. <sup>16</sup>Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. <sup>17</sup>And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

**Genesis 15:1-6** *(Sat 5pm/Gilbert)*

<sup>1</sup>After these things the word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision, "Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." <sup>2</sup>But Abram said, "O Lord God, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" <sup>3</sup>And Abram said, "You have given me no offspring, so a slave born in my house is to be my heir." <sup>4</sup>But the word of the Lord came to him, "This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir." <sup>5</sup>He brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them." Then he said to him, "So shall your descendants be." <sup>6</sup>And he believed the Lord, and the Lord reckoned it to him as righteousness.

L: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

### PENTECOST GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

#### Refrain

Alleluia, alleluia!  
 Speak, O Lord, your Word is life.  
 Alleluia, alleluia!  
 Plant your truth and shine Your light.

#### Verse

Your Word is light upon our path,  
 A flame that guides us through the days.  
 Speak now, O Lord, and stir our hearts—  
 To walk in love, to live your ways.

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## SECOND LESSON: Acts 11:19-30 (Sunday Tempe only)

### GOSPEL: Luke 12:32-40 (Sat 5pm & Gilbert)

Jesus said: <sup>32</sup> "Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. <sup>33</sup> Sell your possessions and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. <sup>34</sup> For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

<sup>35</sup> "Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; <sup>36</sup> be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. <sup>37</sup> Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. <sup>38</sup> If he comes during the middle of the night or near dawn and finds them so, blessed are those slaves.

<sup>39</sup> "But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. <sup>40</sup> You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect."

L: The Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to You, O Christ.**

### SERMON:

*"Purpose of Heart"*  
Pastor Andrea Cain  
(Sunday Tempe)

*"In the Meantime"*  
Pastor Thaddeus Book  
(Sat 5pm / Gilbert)

## SONG OF THE DAY: ELW 759 My Faith Looks Up to Thee

**1** My faith looks up to thee,  
thou Lamb of Calvary,  
Savior divine!  
Now hear me while I pray,  
take all my guilt away,  
oh, let me from this day  
be wholly thine!

**2** May thy rich grace impart  
strength to my fainting heart,  
my zeal inspire;  
as thou hast died for me,

oh, may my love to thee  
pure, warm, and changeless be,  
a living fire!

**3** While life's dark maze I tread  
and griefs around me spread,  
be thou my guide;  
bid darkness turn to day,  
wipe sorrow's tears away,  
nor let me ever stray  
from thee aside.

4 When ends life's transient dream,  
when death's cold, sullen stream  
shall o'er me roll;  
blest Savior, then, in love  
fear and distrust remove;

oh, bear me safe above,  
a ransomed soul!

Text: Ray Palmer, 1808-1887

### **APOSTLES' CREED: ELW p. 127**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I 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.**

### **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE:**

Trusting in the promise of resurrection and the gifts of grace, we turn our hearts to God in prayer for the church, the world, and all in need.

*A brief silence.*

Keep the heart of your church set firmly in you so that your people are ready to respond with faithful action for the sake of the world. God of grace,  
**hear our prayer.**

Worlds were prepared by your word. Speak healing and protection upon your creation.  
Guide the work of astronomers and all who teach us about the stars and galaxies.  
God of grace,  
**hear our prayer.**

You know the actions and deeds of the nations. Turn humanity away from instruments  
of war and violence. Fashion the hearts of world leaders to work for peace.  
God of grace,  
**hear our prayer.**

Let your lovingkindness be on those in need. Assure all who are afraid or experiencing  
great uncertainty that your promises are sure. We lift up all in need of healing  
(especially). God of grace,  
**hear our prayer.**

We celebrate the ancestors in the faith who built their lives on your promises. Sustain  
us in our hope of things not yet seen. God of grace,  
**hear our prayer.**

Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your  
mercy through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

**PEACE:**

May the peace of Christ be with you always.  
**And also with you.**

*We share a word of peace with our neighbors.*

<p><b>MEAL</b></p>
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<p><i>God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.</i></p>
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**INVITATION TO THE OFFERING:**

The grace of Christ calls us to lives of gratitude and generosity. In Jesus Christ we are  
given new life. Let us celebrate this life by giving generously to the work of God's  
redeeming love.

*The Hunger Jar is a love offering and is designated for Women4Women hygienic supplies.*

*You are invited to share your gifts in worship while others give electronically at [www.desertcross.org](http://www.desertcross.org) with the giving button, text giving, or by QR code. We give thanks for all the ways you support God's mission of outreach through Desert Cross that changes lives for the sake of the gospel*

## **PENTECOST OFFERING SONG: Jesus Have It All**

### **Verse 1**

Jesus have my heart my will my soul  
Jesus have my hopes my dreams my world  
With joy I lay it down with joy I cast my crown  
Jesus have it all

### **Verse 2**

To You I bring my praise my lips my song  
A living sacrifice as one reborn  
Your life is now my own Your will is what I want  
Jesus have it all

### **Chorus**

Jesus have it all Jesus have it all  
To You belongs the glory  
The praise of all the world  
Jesus have it all Jesus have it all  
All blessing and all honor all majesty and awe  
Jesus have it all

### **Verse 3**

Jesus have Your church Your love Your bride  
The joy for which You freely gave Your life  
Radiant in white washed and purified  
Jesus have us all

### **Verse 4**

Jesus have Your worth Your due Your sum  
The praise of every nation tribe and tongue  
Let all that has been made glorify Your name  
Jesus have it all

### **Ending**

All my days all my life  
Have it all

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## **OFFERING PRAYER:**

Generous and gracious God,  
All that we have and all that we are come from your abundant hand.  
Receive these gifts, signs of our gratitude and trust,  
and bless them for the work of your kingdom.  
May our offering become bread for the hungry, hope for the despairing,  
and light for the world, as we offer ourselves in faithful service to you,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**



## HOLY COMMUNION:

In the name of the Father,  
and of the ✙ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

Most merciful God,

**we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.**

**Amen.**

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ✙ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION:

*In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, gave thanks, broke it and gave it to his disciples saying, Take and eat, this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.*

*Again, after supper he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink saying, this cup is the new covenant in my blood shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.*

*Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:*

## 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 trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,  
forever and ever. Amen.

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION:

This is Christ's table. There is a place for you.  
All are welcome.

## COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION:

*Come forward to receive the bread and a cup of wine/juice. Alert an usher for communion in your seat. All are welcome.*

## LAMB OF GOD: ELW p. 201

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the  
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you  
take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the  
world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

## DISTRIBUTION SONGS: Communion

### Verse 1

This is communion  
Your body broken  
The cup we're drinking  
Is bittersweet

The gift of friendship  
Truest salvation  
Borne of Your suffering  
On Calvary

### Chorus 1

We remember the sacrifice of love  
We remember the blood poured out for us  
We remember the only Son of God  
Upon the cross

### Verse 2

From stained to spotless  
From wrath to favor  
Through You our Savior  
The work complete

In full repentance  
Led by Your kindness  
Partake of presence  
As we receive

### Chorus 2

We remember the sacrifice of love  
We remember the blood poured out for us  
We remember the only Son of God

Upon the cross

We remember the price You had to pay  
We remember the wounds that made a way  
We remember the Lamb for all was slain  
Upon the cross

### Bridge 1

How can it be  
There is a table  
For all who would come  
For all who would come

Taste now and see  
There is a table  
For all who would come  
For all who would come

### Bridge 2

Take of the bread  
Receive the cup  
For His mercy is enough  
For the many and the one  
This is communion

Take it as often as you will  
For His blood has power still  
By His wounds we shall be healed  
This is communion

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## ELW 491 Come, Let Us Eat (vs. 1, 3-5)

**1** (Come, let us eat, for now the feast is spread,) come, let us eat, for now the feast is spread.  
(Our Lord's body let us take together,) our Lord's body let us take together.

**2** (Come, let us drink, for now the wine is poured,) come, let us drink, for now the wine is poured.  
(Jesus' blood poured let us drink together,) Jesus' blood poured let us drink together.

**3** (In Jesus' presence now we meet and rest,) in Jesus' presence now we meet and rest.  
(In the presence of our Lord we gather,) in the presence of our Lord we gather.

**4** (Rise, then, to spread abroad God's mighty word,)

rise, then, to spread abroad God's mighty word.  
(Jesus risen will bring in the kingdom,) Jesus risen will bring in the kingdom.

Text: Billema Kwillia, b. c. 1925, sts. 1-3; Gilbert E. Doan Jr., b. 1930, st. 4, alt.; tr. Margaret D. Miller, b. 1927, sts. 1-3, alt.

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### **POST-COMMUNION BLESSING & PRAYER:**

May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

**Amen.**

Gracious God,  
we give you thanks for the gift of this holy meal,  
for the presence of Christ in bread and cup,  
and for the grace that renews and sustains us.  
As you have fed us here, send us out strengthened—  
to serve, to forgive, and to share your love  
with all whom we meet,  
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

### **SENDING**

***God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.***

### **BENEDICTION:**

The Lord bless you and keep you,  
The Lord's face shine upon you with grace and mercy,  
The Lord look upon you with favor +  
and give you peace.

**Amen.**

## **SENDING SONG: ELW 537 On Our Way Rejoicing**

**1** On our way rejoicing  
gladly let us go.  
Christ our Lord has conquered;  
vanquished is the foe.  
Christ without, our safety;  
Christ within, our joy;  
who, if we be faithful,  
can our hope destroy?

### ***Refrain***

On our way rejoicing;  
as we forward move,  
hearken to our praises,  
O blest God of love!

### **DISMISSAL:**

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

### **POSTLUDE:**

**2** Unto God the Father  
joyful songs we sing;  
unto God the Savior  
thankful hearts we bring;  
unto God the Spirit  
bow we and adore,  
on our way rejoicing  
now and evermore. *Refrain*

Text: John S. B. Monsell, 1811-1875, alt.

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*The flowers on the altar in Tempe this weekend are given by Gene Frericks in memory of his lovely wife, Carol.*