

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 111 – Praise for God's Wonderful Works)*

Praise the Lord!

**We will give thanks to the Lord with our whole heart,
in the company of the upright, in the congregation.**

Great are the works of the Lord,
studied by all who delight in them.

Full of honor and majesty is his work,
and his righteousness endures forever.

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 Am⁷ Bm⁷ Em D

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

Assembly

Lord, have mer - cy,

3rd time to Coda

C D Am⁷ Bm⁷ 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.

Am⁷ Bm⁷ Em D/E C/E Am⁷ Bm⁷

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 Bm⁷ A Am⁷ Bm⁷ E

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

cy. A - men.

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OPENING PRAYER:

Gracious God,

you call us to steadfast prayer and to walk in wisdom toward all.

Strengthen us to devote ourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful.

Season our speech with kindness and fill our actions with love,

that our lives together may reflect your compassion and truth,

through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

GATHERING SONG: ELW 715 Christ, Be Our Light (vs. 1-3, 5)

1 Longing for light, we wait in darkness.
Longing for truth, we turn to you.
Make us your own, your holy people,
light for the world to see.

Refrain

Christ, be our light!
Shine in our hearts.
Shine through the darkness.
Christ, be our light!
Shine in your church gathered today.

2 Longing for peace, our world is troubled.
Longing for hope, many despair.

Your word alone has pow'r to save us.
Make us your living voice. *Refrain*

3 Longing for food, many are hungry.
Longing for water, many still thirst.
Make us your bread, broken for others,
shared until all are fed. *Refrain*

5 Many the gifts, many the people,
many the hearts that yearn to belong.
Let us be servants to one another,
signs of your kingdom come. *Refrain*

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CELEBRATION OF LIFE – Kathleen Hintzman (*Sat 5pm only*)

Special Music for Celebration of Life: Untitled Hymn (Come to Jesus),
Erin Pelley & Joni Van Rossum

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*

GILBERT SPECIAL MUSIC: Love Divine All Loves Excelling, Instrumental Ensemble

WORD

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

FIRST LESSON:

Colossians 4:2-6, 18 *(Sat 5pm/Tempe)*

² Devote yourselves to prayer, keeping alert in it with thanksgiving. ³ At the same time, pray for us as well, that God will open to us a door for the word, that we may declare the mystery of Christ, for which I am in prison, ⁴ so that I may reveal it clearly, as I should.

⁵ Conduct yourselves wisely toward outsiders, making the most of the time.

⁶ Let your speech always be gracious, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how you ought to answer everyone.

¹⁸ I, Paul, write this greeting with my own hand. Remember my chains. Grace be with you.

Psalm 82 *(Gilbert only)*

¹ God stands to charge the divine council assembled, giving judgment in the midst of the gods:

² **“How long will you judge unjustly, and show favor to the wicked?**

³ Save the weak and the orphan; defend the humble and needy;

⁴ **rescue the weak and the poor; deliver them from the power of the wicked.**

⁵ They do not know, neither do they understand; they wander about in darkness; all the foundations of the earth are shaken.

⁶ **Now I say to you, ‘You are gods, and all of you children of the Most High;**

⁷ nevertheless, you shall die like mortals, and fall like any prince.’”

⁸ **Arise, O God, and rule the earth, for you shall take all nations for your own.**

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 18:1-3, 18-21, 24-28 *(Sat 5pm/Sunday Tempe)*

GOSPEL: Luke 12:49-56 (Gilbert)

Jesus said: ⁴⁹ "I have come to cast fire upon the earth, and how I wish it were already ablaze! ⁵⁰ I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what constraint I am under until it is completed! ⁵¹ Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division! ⁵² From now on five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three; ⁵³ they will be divided:

father against son

and son against father,

mother against daughter

and daughter against mother,

mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law

and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law."

⁵⁴ He also said to the crowds, "When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, 'It is going to rain,' and so it happens. ⁵⁵ And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, 'There will be scorching heat,' and it happens. ⁵⁶ You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?"

L: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

SERMON:

"What Next?"

Pastor Andrea Cain

(Sat 5pm/Sunday Tempe)

"Fire and Reign"

Pastor Thaddeus Book

(Gilbert)

SONG OF THE DAY: Refiner's Fire

Verse 1

Purify my heart

Let me be as gold

And precious silver

Purify my heart

Let me be as gold

Pure gold

Chorus

Refiner's fire

My heart's one desire

Is to be holy

Set apart for You Lord

I choose to be holy

Set apart for You my Master

Ready to do Your will

Verse 2

Purify my heart

Cleanse me from within

And make me holy

Purify my heart

Cleanse me from my sin

Deep within

Brian Doerksen

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APOSTLES' CREED: ELW p. 127 *(Sunday Tempe & Gilbert only)*

**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.

God of abundant mercy, pour out your Spirit on your church throughout the world. Strengthen all who serve in ministry and guide the faithful into deeper unity. Make the witness of your people shine with compassion, courage, and hope. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Holy One, we lift up before you the nations and peoples of the earth. Break the cycle of violence and discord; plant seeds of peace and understanding among those who govern. Stir us all to seek justice and reconciliation for every land. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Source of healing, draw near to all who suffer in body, mind, or spirit. Grant comfort to the grieving, strength to the weary, and hope to those burdened by illness or despair (especially...). Inspire all who dedicate their lives to the healing arts and the work of restoration. Lord in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

God of mission, send forth your light and truth, that your love may reach to the very ends of the earth. Empower missionaries, teachers, and all who serve in your name. Open our hearts to new possibilities for sharing the good news with neighbors near and far. Lord in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Eternal God, we give thanks for the saints and all who have gone before us in faith. By their witness, encourage us to run the race set before us and, at the last, bring us into the joy of everlasting life through Jesus Christ our Lord. Lord in your mercy,
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.

MEAL

<i>God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.</i>
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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 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

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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:

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS: ELW p. 94 *(Sunday Tempe/Gilbert only)*

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: ELW 466 In the Singing

1 In the singing, in the silence,
in the hands expectant, open,
in the blessing, in the breaking,
in your presence at this table,

Refrain

Jesus Christ, Jesus Christ,
be the wine of grace;
Jesus, Christ, Jesus Christ,

be the bread of peace.

2 In the question, in the answer,
in the moment of acceptance,
in the heart's cry, in the healing,
in the circle of your people, *Refrain*

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Jesus Messiah

Verse 1

He became sin who knew no sin
That we might become His righteousness
He humbled Himself and carried the cross
Love so amazing love so amazing

Chorus

Jesus Messiah Name above all names
Blessed Redeemer Emmanuel
The Rescue for sinners
The Ransom from heaven
Jesus Messiah Lord of all

Verse 2

His body the bread His blood the wine
Broken and poured out all for love
The whole earth trembled and the veil was torn

Love so amazing love so amazing

Bridge

All our hope is in You
All our hope is in You
All the glory to You God
The Light of the world

Ending

Jesus Messiah
Lord of all
The Lord of all
The Lord of all

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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: God So Loved

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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DISMISSAL:

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE:

Thank you for supporting the Desert Cross mission. Here are the ways you can donate today:		
ONLINE GIVING:  Get your smart phone and scan the QR-code with your phone camera	SECURE TEXT GIVING: Text "GIVE" to 833-636-1502	USPS: 8600 S. McClintock Drive Tempe, AZ 85284

Flower Donation:

The flowers on the altar in Tempe this weekend are given by:

- **Nita Brown & Kathy's Saturday Night Worship Family** – *In loving memory of Kathy's kindness to all, and especially for her dedication in the teaching of so many Desert Cross children about God's love.*
- **Dawn Collins** – *In thanksgiving for Kathy's service to Desert Cross and to the community.*
 - **Jana Hilsendager** – *May you finally rest in peace, my loving friend. You will be remembered for your work with the youth, Miss Kathy.*