

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: (Deuteronomy 30:15-20)

We rejoice in the life of faith as we gather to worship.

Let us love the Lord our God, listening to God's voice and holding fast.

Let us worship with hearts open, that we may walk in God's ways.

Let us gather with delight in God's presence,

As we gather in the name of Christ,

We confess our need for grace.

KYRIE: ELW 157 (*Tempe Only*)

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 Lord,

you call us from many paths to be gathered as your people.

Breathe into us new strength, kindle in us renewed hope,

and inspire our hearts with your love.

**Open our lives to the transforming presence of your Spirit,
that we might walk ever more faithfully in the ways of Christ.**

Through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, we pray.

Amen.

GATHERING 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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CHILDREN'S MESSAGE: TEACHER BLESSING

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

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

GILBERT SPECIAL MUSIC:

Lord Whose Love Through Humble Service, Instrumental Ensemble

MISSION MOMENT: *(Sunday Tempe only)*

Music Ministries, Joni Van Rossum – Director of Worship & Media Arts

WORD

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

FIRST LESSON: Psalm 1 *(responsively)*

¹ Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked,
nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats of the scornful!

² **Their delight is in the law of the LORD,
and they meditate on God's teaching day and night.**

³ They are like trees planted by streams of water, bearing fruit in due season,
with leaves that do not wither; everything they do shall prosper.

⁴ **It is not so with the wicked;
they are like chaff which the wind blows away.**

⁵ Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes,
nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.

⁶ **For the LORD knows the way of the righteous,
but the way of the wicked shall be destroyed.**

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

PENTECOST GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Refrain

Alleluia, come Holy Spirit, come,
Alleluia, we're gathered around Your throne.
Speak to Your people, ignite us with flame,
Fill us with power to speak of Your name.
Alleluia, our hearts are now Your home.

GOSPEL: Luke 14:25-33

²⁵ Now large crowds were traveling with Jesus, and he turned and said to them, ²⁶ "Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. ²⁷ Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. ²⁸ For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? ²⁹ Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, ³⁰ saying, 'This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.' ³¹ Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? ³² If he cannot, then while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. ³³ So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions."

L: The Gospel of the Lord.
C: Praise to You, O Christ.

SERMON:	
<i>"An Ethic of Love"</i> Pastor Andrea Cain (Sunday Tempe)	<i>"A Life Interrupted"</i> Pastor Thaddeus Book (Sat 5pm/Gilbert)

SONG OF THE DAY: ELW 722 Oh Christ, Your Heart, Compassionate

1 O Christ, your heart, compassionate,
bore ev'ry human pain.
Its beating was the pulse of God;
its breadth, God's vast domain.
The heart of God, the heart of Christ
combined in perfect rhyme
to write God's love in human deeds,
eternity in time.

2 As once you welcomed those cast down
and healed the sick, the blind,
so may all bruised and broken lives
through us your help still find.
Lord, join our hearts with those who weep
that none may weep alone,
and help us bear another's pain

as though it were our own.

3 O Christ, create new hearts in us
that beat in time with yours,
that, joined by faith with your great heart,
become love's open doors.
We are your body, risen Christ;
our hearts, our hands we yield
that through our life and ministry
your love may be revealed.

4 O Love that made the distant stars,
yet marks the sparrow's fall,
whose arms stretched wide upon a cross
embrace and bear us all:
come, make your church a servant church

that walks your servant ways,
whose deeds of love rise up to you,
a sacrifice of praise!

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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:

Gracious God, we come to you in prayer for the church, the world, and all in need.

A brief silence.

We pray for the church to follow in your ways, that it may be a witness to your love for all people. Help us choose all that is life-giving. God of grace,
receive our prayer.

We pray for those in authority. Grant them wisdom to govern justly and compassion to care for the marginalized. Equip them for actions that further the common good.
God of grace,
receive our prayer.

We pray for those who are sick, hungry, unhoused, or lonely (especially). May they find healing through your love and the care of those around them. Lead us to be your hands and feet in the world. God of grace,
receive our prayer.

We thank you for those who have died and now dwell with the saints. Surround them with your divine mercy, that they find peace and rest in your loving embrace. God of grace,
receive our prayer.

We entrust these prayers to you, O God, in the name of Jesus Christ, our redeemer and friend.
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>MEAL</p>

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

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 Lutheran World Relief Mission Quilts for refugees in Tempe and for Lutheran World Relief Care Kits & Quilts in Gilbert.

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: Gratitude

Verse 1

All my words fall short
I got nothing new
How could I express
All my gratitude

Verse 2

I could sing these songs
As I often do
But every song must end
And You never do

Chorus

So I throw up my hands
And praise You again and again
'Cause all that I have is a hallelujah hallelujah

And I know it's not much
But I've nothing else fit for a king
Except for a heart singing hallelujah
Hallelujah

Verse 3

I've got one response
I've got just one move
With my arms stretched wide
I will worship You

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OFFERING PRAYER:

Lord of the harvest,
we return to you a portion of what you have given to us.
Turn us to set our hope on you, who richly provides for us.
Multiply what we have gathered to bless all who are suffering and in need,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

HOLY COMMUNION:

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

Blessed are you, O God, who sets before us the way of life and the way of death. As Moses invited your people to choose life, so you invite us to turn from our wandering and return to you.

Let us come before God in confession, mindful of the promise that the Lord has compassion to return and restore us.

A brief silence.

Most gracious God,
**you know the paths we have taken—sometimes turning toward life,
other times wandering into ways that do not lead to you.
We confess that we have not always listened to your word.
We have forgotten that true life is found in loving you with all our heart and soul.
For the sake of your steadfast love, turn us again to you.
Renew our hearts that we may truly live in your grace,
walking in your ways and holding fast to you.
Amen.**

Hear the good news: Just as the Lord promised compassion and restoration to those who return, so now your sins are forgiven. Choose life, and walk in the freedom and joy of God's love, through Jesus Christ our Lord. ✝
Amen.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE:

O God most mighty, O God most merciful,
O God our rock and our salvation, hear us as we praise,
call us to your table, grant us your life.

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 (Tempe Only)

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 491 Come, Let Us Eat

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.

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Make Room

Verse

Here is where I lay it down
Every burden every crown
This is my surrender
This is my surrender
Here is where I lay it down
Every lie and every doubt
This is my surrender

Chorus

And I will make room for you
To do whatever you want to
To do whatever you want to
And I will make room for you
To do whatever you want to
To do whatever you want to

Bridge

Shake up the ground of all my tradition
Break down the walls of all my religion
Your way is better
Your way is better

Ending

Here is where I lay it down
You are all I'm chasing now
This is my surrender

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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.

O God,
through this meal you have strengthened us and appointed us to be your servants.
Send us to do good and to share our possessions with all in need.
We ask this in Jesus' name.

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 661 I Love to Tell the Story

1 I love to tell the story
of unseen things above,
of Jesus and his glory,
of Jesus and his love.
I love to tell the story,
because I know it's true;
it satisfies my longings
as nothing else would do.

Refrain

I love to tell the story;
'twill be my theme in glory
to tell the old, old story
of Jesus and his love.

2 I love to tell the story:
how pleasant to repeat

what seems, each time I tell it,
more wonderfully sweet!
I love to tell the story,
for some have never heard
the message of salvation
from God's own holy word. *Refrain*

3 I love to tell the story,
for those who know it best
seem hungering and thirsting
to hear it like the rest.
And when, in scenes of glory,
I sing the new, new song,
I'll sing the old, old story
that I have loved so long. *Refrain*

Text: Katherine Hankey, 1834-1911

DISMISSAL:

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE:

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for supporting the Desert Cross mission.
Here are the ways you can donate today:**

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with your phone camera

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Flower Donation:

The flowers on the altar in Tempe this weekend are given by Pamela Watson-Brown to the glory of God, and in memory of her husband, Michael Brown.