

GATHERING

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

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Veterans, please stand as you are able.

BLESSING FOR VETERANS: (Ecclesiastes 3)

For everything there is a season.

A time for war and a time for peace.

A time for every activity under heaven.

For a season of life you sacrificed

for the sake of others to serve our country.

We give thanks to God for your season of service

and for your life in Christ among us today.

May Almighty God bless you with faith, hope, and love all your days,

in the name of the Father, the Son, ✝

and the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Please stand with our veterans as you are able.

PRAYER FOR VETERANS DAY:

Gracious God,

today we remember all those who have served in our country's armed forces to preserve freedom. For the men and women who have served or presently serve in the U.S. armed forces,

We ask your blessing.

For those who made great sacrifices to serve our country, for their families who bore the sacrifices, for all those veterans who made the ultimate sacrifice bravely laying down their lives, and for those who are presently on active duty,

We ask your healing peace.

Keep all our veterans in your care. Grant them the peace they served to preserve for others. Teach all your people the ways of peace and freedom. Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer. Amen.

GATHERING SONG: ELW 887 This Is My Song

1 This is my song, O God of all the nations,
a song of peace for lands afar and mine.
This is my home, the country where my heart is;
here are my hopes, my dreams, my holy shrine;
but other hearts in other lands are beating
with hopes and dreams
as true and high as mine.

2 My country's skies are bluer than the ocean,
and sunlight beams on cloverleaf and pine.
But other lands have sunlight too, and clover,
and skies are ev'rywhere as blue as mine.
So hear my song, O God of all the nations,

a song of peace for their land and for mine.

3 This is my prayer,
O God of all earth's kingdoms,
your kingdom come;
on earth your will be done.
O God, be lifted up till all shall serve you,
and hearts united learn to live as one.
So hear my prayer, O God of all the nations;
myself I give you; let your will be done.

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CHILDREN'S MESSAGE:

Jesus Strong and Kind (*Sunday Tempe/Gilbert*)

Verse 3

Jesus said that if I fear
I should come to Him
No one else can be my shield
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*

TEMPE SPECIAL MUSIC:

Breathe,
Ringing Praise

GILBERT SPECIAL MUSIC:

Jesus Shall Reign,
Instrumental Ensemble

WORD

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

FIRST LESSON: Psalm 17:1-9 (responsively)

¹ Hear a just cause, O Lord; give heed to my cry;
listen to my prayer, which does not come from lying lips.

² **Let my vindication come forth from your presence;
let your eyes be fixed on justice.**

³ Examine my heart, visit me by night,
melt me down; you will find no impurity in me.

⁴ **I have not regarded what others do;
at the word of your lips I have avoided the ways of the violent.**

⁵ My footsteps hold fast to your well-worn path;
and my feet do not slip.

⁶ **I call upon you, O God, for you will answer me;
incline your ear to me and hear my words.**

⁷ Show me your marvelous lovingkindness,
O Savior of those who take refuge at your right hand from those who rise against them.

⁸ **Keep me as the apple of your eye;
hide me under the shadow of your wings,**

⁹ from the wicked who assault me,
from my deadly enemies who surround me.

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 20:27-38 <i>(Sunday Tempe)</i>	Luke 12:32-36 <i>(Sat 5pm/Gilbert)</i>
²⁷ Some Sadducees, those who say there is no resurrection, came to Jesus ²⁸ and asked him a question: "Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man's brother dies leaving a wife but no children, the man shall marry the widow and raise up children for his brother. ²⁹ Now there were seven brothers; the first married a woman and died childless; ³⁰ then the second ³¹ and the third married her, and so in the same way all seven died childless. ³² Finally the woman also died. ³³ In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had married her." ³⁴ Jesus said to them, "Those who belong to this age marry and are given in marriage, ³⁵ but those who are considered worthy of a place in that age and in the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage. ³⁶ Indeed, they cannot die anymore, because they are like angels and are children of God, being children of the resurrection. ³⁷ And the fact that the dead are raised Moses himself showed, in the story about the bush, where he speaks of the Lord as the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. ³⁸ Now he is God not of the dead but of the living, for to him all of them are alive."	³² "Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. ³³ 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. ³⁴ For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. ³⁵ "Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; ³⁶ 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.
L: The Gospel of the Lord. C: Praise to You, O Christ.	

SERMON:	
<i>"Shalom. Salaam. Peace."</i> Pastor Andrea Cain <i>(Sunday Tempe)</i>	<i>"Running on Empty"</i> Pastor Thaddeus Book <i>(Sat 5pm/Gilbert)</i>

SONG OF THE DAY: ELW 785 When Peace like a River

1 When peace like a river attendeth my way,
when sorrows like sea billows roll,
whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say,
it is well, it is well with my soul.

Refrain

It is well (it is well)
with my soul, (with my soul,)
it is well, it is well with my soul.

2 Though Satan should buffet,
though trials should come,
let this blest assurance control,
that Christ has regarded my helpless estate,
and has shed his own blood for my soul. *Refrain*

3 He lives--oh, the bliss of this glorious thought;
my sin, not in part, but the whole,
is nailed to his cross and I bear it no more.
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!
Refrain

4 Lord, hasten the day
when our faith shall be sight,
the clouds be rolled back as a scroll,
the trumpet shall sound
and the Lord shall descend;
even so it is well with my soul. *Refrain*

Text: Horatio G. Spafford, 1828-1888

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE:

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

A brief silence.

Faithful God, strengthen your church in unity and mission. Guide its leaders and members to walk in faithfulness and love, bearing witness to your grace and truth in all that we do. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

God of peace, kindle understanding among nations and peoples. Inspire reconciliation in places of conflict and move us to be peacemakers in our homes, our communities, and throughout the world. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Merciful Healer, grant comfort to those who are sick, suffering, or burdened. Sustain caregivers and extend healing and hope to all in need. We especially pray for veterans—may they receive the support and care they deserve, and may their sacrifices be honored. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

God of eternal promise, we give thanks for the saints. Assure us of the hope of everlasting life through your Son and fill us with the joy and peace that come from your steadfast presence. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Trusting in your mercy, we offer these prayers in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Redeemer.
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

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

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 designated this weekend for the Maricopa County Cops & Kids Holiday Shopping Event in December.

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:

Faithful and generous God,
you have promised to provide for all our needs.
We thank you for the countless ways you pour out your love.
May these offerings reflect our gratitude and trust in your promises
As these gifts extend your generosity throughout the world.

Amen.

HOLY COMMUNION:

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE:

Holy One, the beginning and the end, the giver of life:
Blessed are you for the birth of creation.
Blessed are you for your promise to your people.
Blessed are you for your Son Jesus,
the Word made flesh.

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 483 Here Is Bread

Verse 1

Here is bread here is wine
Christ is with us He is with us
Break the bread drink the wine
Christ is with us here

Verse 2

Here is grace here is peace
Christ is with us He is with us
Know His grace find His peace
Feast on Jesus here

Chorus

In this bread there is healing
In this cup there's life forever

In this moment by the Spirit
Christ is with us here

Verse 3

Here we are joined in one
Christ is with us He is with us
We'll proclaim 'til He comes
Jesus crucified

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Broken Vessels (Amazing Grace)

Verse 1

All these pieces
Broken and scattered
In mercy gathered
Mended and whole

Empty handed
But not forsaken
I've been set free
I've been set free

Pre-Chorus

Amazing grace
How sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me
Oh I once was lost
But now I am found
Was blind but now I see

Chorus

Oh I can see You now
Oh I can see the love in Your eyes
Laying Yourself down
Raising up the broken to life

Verse 2

You take our failure
You take our weakness
You set Your treasure
In jars of clay
So take this heart Lord
I'll be Your vessel
The world to see Your life in me

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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 thank You for the promise of Christ's presence among us in this holy
meal. Strengthen and inspire us to live each day in gratitude,
sharing Your blessings with those around us.
Through Jesus Christ our 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: The Blessing

Verse 1

The Lord bless you
And keep you
Make His face shine upon you
And be gracious to you
The Lord turn His
Face toward you
And give you peace

Chorus

Amen
Amen
Amen

Bridge 1

May His favor
Be upon you
And a thousand generations
And your family
And your children
And their children
And their children

Bridge 2

May His presence
Go before you
And behind you
And beside you
All around you
And within you
He is with you
He is with you

Bridge 3

In the morning
In the evening
In your coming
And your going
In your weeping
And rejoicing
He is for you
He is for you

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DISMISSAL:

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE:

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for supporting the Desert Cross mission.
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and scan the QR-code
with your phone camera

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Flower Donation:

The flowers on the altar in Tempe this weekend are given by Elaine Kraemer in celebration of the marriage of Steve Holm's granddaughter Grace Lyon to Kyle Ohara today, November 9, 2025.