

Grow  
IN YOUR FAITH  
Serve  
IN LOVE  
Engage  
IN GOD'S MISSION

# THE CHURCH AT LITCHFIELD PARK

## A HOUSE OF PRAYER FOR ALL PEOPLE

February 22, 2026 - 8:30am

First Sunday in Lent

Chimes

Welcome | Announcements

Introducing New Members Ray and Kyong Hessner

Claude Potts

Prelude It Is Well with My Soul Handbells

Opening Prayer Liturgist

CLP Kids Dismissed

\*Call to Worship Inspired by Psalm 32 Liturgist

L: Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven,  
whose sin is covered.

**P: Blessed is the one against whom the LORD counts  
no iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit.**

L: I acknowledged my sin to You, and I did not cover my  
iniquity; I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the  
LORD,"

**P: And You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

L: You are a hiding place for me; You preserve me from  
trouble; You surround me with shouts of deliverance.

**All: Be glad in the LORD, and rejoice, O righteous,  
and shout for joy, all you upright in heart.**

\*Hymn To God Be the Glory #56 vs. 1 & 3

Special Music O Sacred Head, Now Wounded Handbells

Sermon Scripture Matthew 4: 1- 11 (ESV)

1 Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to  
be tempted by the devil. 2 And after fasting forty days and  
forty nights, he was hungry.



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3 And the tempter came and said to him, “If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread.” 4 But he answered, “It is written, “Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.” 5 Then the devil took him to the holy city and set him on the pinnacle of the temple 6 and said to him, “If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down, for it is written, “He will command his angels concerning you,’ and “On their hands they will bear you up, lest you strike your foot against a stone.” 7 Jesus said to him, “Again it is written, ‘You shall not put the Lord your God to the test.’” 8 Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory. 9 And he said to him, “All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me.” 10 Then Jesus said to him, “Be gone, Satan! For it is written, “You shall worship the Lord your God and him only shall you serve.” 11 Then the devil left him, and behold, angels came and were ministering to him.

<b>Sermon</b>	Is That What God Really Said?	Rev. Brenda Houlihan
<b>Prayer of the Christian Community   Lord’s Prayer</b>		(See 10:00am service)
<b>*Hymn</b>	My Faith Looks Up to Thee	#539 vs. 1, 2 & 4
<b>*Scripture Reading</b>	Romans 5:18-19 (ESV)	Rev. Kristofer McCoy

Therefore, as one trespass led to condemnation for all men, so one act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all men. For as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous.

<b>*Hymn</b>	Oh How I Love Jesus	#92 vs 1, 2 & 4
<b>*Invitation to Give</b>		
<b>*Doxology</b>		
<b>*Benediction</b>		
<b>*Blessing</b>		
<b>Postlude</b>	As The Deer	

### **HandBell Choir**

Elaine Billingsley, Annette Darling, Lisa Hegarty, Shelly Hill, Faith Kalback, Skip Kalback, Deb Kline, Nancy Oreshack, Anna Reynolds, Jean Romberger, Lori Sparks, Diana Walker

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**\*Song**

All Glory Be to Christ

**\*Opening Prayer**

Rev. Kristofer McCoy

**\*Song**

Oceans (Where Feet May Fail)

**Scripture**

Matthew 4: 1-11 (ESV)

(See 8:30am service)

**Sermon**

Is That What God Really Said?

Rev. Brenda Houlihan

**Prayer of the Christian Community | Lord's Prayer**

Gracious God,

You have spoken life and truth from the beginning, yet we confess that we have often questioned Your Word and followed our own way. Have mercy on us and forgive us. Thank You for Jesus Christ, the faithful Son, who obeyed where humanity failed and opened the way to life and righteousness. Form us by Your Spirit to trust You, resist temptation, and walk in obedience. Strengthen Your Church. Comfort those who suffer. Guide our community in truth and love. We place our hope in You and pray as Jesus taught us...

**\*Song**

Firm Foundation (He Won't)

**\*Song**

Gratitude

**\*Benediction | Invitation to Give**

**\*New Doxology**

**\*The Blessing**

**Postlude**

As the Deer

## VISION AND MISSION STATEMENT

The Church at Litchfield Park is a house of prayer for all people, called to be as inclusive as the love of God. Together, we grow in our faith, serve in Christ's love, and engage in God's mission

## OUR PASTORS AND WORSHIP LEADERS

Rev. Kristofer McCoy | Interim Senior Pastor

Rev. Brenda Houlihan | Associate Pastor

Beverly Griggs | Choir Director

Kathy Drake | Organist & Pianist

Sue Kujawski | Interim Bell Choir Director

Rob Gimbl | 8:30 am Lead Deacon

Mary Coles, Pam Justice, Judy Mercy | Ushers

Tim Holloway | 8:30 am Liturgist

Edward Striffler | 10:00 am Lead Deacon

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## GROW IN OUR FAITH

**Women@CLP** | 1-2 Peter Bible Study Feb 24, 10-11:30 & Feb. 26, 5-6

**Men@CLP** | Philippians Study Feb 24, 10-11:00 and Feb 26, 5-6

**Coming Up New Member Orientation** | March 15

**Feed My Starving Children** | Saturday, March 21

**VBS** | June 8 - 12

**Co-Mission Camp** | July 13 - 17

## FELLOWSHIP

**Mid-Week@CLP** | Feb 25, 5:15

Dinner - Lemon Pepper Chicken | Hosted by Missions@CLP

**Women's Friendship Luncheon** | Wednesday, February 25, 11:30

**All Church Fellowship** | Movie Night (David) March 20, 5:15 PM

**Congregational Meeting TODAY after the 10 AM Service**

**GIVE**



Nursery | Sundays (all services)

CLP Kids Church | Sundays (all services)

Rise Up, Youth! | 9:45 - 11:00 Gathering in Classroom 2

THE MINISTERS OF THIS CHURCH ARE ITS MEMBERS.  
ASSISTING THEM ARE THEIR PASTORS & STAFF

**CONNECT**

