

GATHERING

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

PRELUDE:

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS:

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS:

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

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.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Gracious God,
have mercy on us.

We confess that we have turned from you
and given ourselves into the power of sin.
We are truly sorry and humbly repent.

**In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown,
things we have done and things we have failed to do.
Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit,
so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ,
our Savior and Lord.
Amen.**

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of ✝ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.
Amen.

PENTECOST KYRIE:

**ALL: Blessed be God, the source of life,
Creator of all, our hope and song.
Blessed be God, the source of love,
Holy Three and Holy One.**

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PRAYER OF THE DAY: (Based on Psalm 26)

Faithful God,
**you search our hearts and invite us to walk in integrity. Teach us to trust in your
steadfast love, to turn from falsehood, and to love the place where your glory
dwells; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

GATHERING SONG: The Church

Verse 1

For the different ways we see You
For all the ways You move
All the colors and expressions
Oh the beauty of Your Church

What a masterful reflection
When we are unified
Truly celebrate each other
And let go of our pride

Pre-Chorus

That You would have a spotless bride

Chorus

Oh praise the Father praise the Son
Holy Spirit make us one
Every nation tribe and tongue
This is our cry Your Kingdom come

Verse 2

We surrender our agendas
Our preferences our plans
Would You help us work together
To be Your feet and hands
Our heart is just to know You
To show them who You are
The Gospel's still the answer
For every searching heart

Bridge

Brothers sisters under the banner of Your Name
Mothers fathers under the banner of Your Name

All Your children all for the glory of Your Name

Verse 3

Every story of revival
Every miracle we've seen
It's a glimpse of what is coming
So by faith help us believe
And we know the day is coming
When we will see Your face
Every knee will bow before You
And every heart will say

Tag

Lord hear our cry Your will be done
This is our cry Your Kingdom come

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CHILDREN'S MESSAGE: My God Is So Big (Sunday Tempe/Gilbert)

Bridge

My God is so big so strong and so mighty
There's nothing my God cannot do
My God is so big so strong and so mighty
There's nothing my God cannot do
The mountains are His the valleys are His
The stars are His handiwork too

My God is so big so strong and so mighty
There's nothing my God cannot do

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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: Romans 12:9-21

⁹ Let love be genuine; hate what is evil; hold fast to what is good; ¹⁰ love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. ¹¹ Do not lag in zeal; be ardent in spirit; serve the Lord. ¹² Rejoice in hope; be patient in affliction; persevere in prayer. ¹³ Contribute to the needs of the saints; pursue hospitality to strangers.

¹⁴ Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. ¹⁵ Rejoice with those who rejoice; weep with those who weep. ¹⁶ Live in harmony with one another; do not be arrogant, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. ¹⁷ Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. ¹⁸ If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. ¹⁹ Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God, for it is written, "Vengeance is mine; I will repay, says the Lord." ²⁰ Instead, "if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink, for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads." ²¹ Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

PENTECOST GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, Come Holy Spirit

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.

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GOSPEL: Matthew 16:21-28

²¹ From that time on, [after Peter confessed that Jesus was the Messiah,] Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes and be killed and on the third day be raised. ²² And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, "God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you." ²³ But he turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a hindrance to me, for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

²⁴ Then Jesus told his disciples, "If any wish to come after me, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. ²⁵ For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. ²⁶ For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life?"

²⁷ "For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. ²⁸ Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom."

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

SERMON:	
<i>"Faith Seasons"</i> Pastor Andrea Cain <i>(Sat 5pm/Gilbert)</i>	<i>"The Rest of the Story"</i> Pastor Thaddeus Book <i>(Sunday Tempe)</i>

SONG OF THE DAY: ELW 838 Beautiful Savior

1 Beautiful Savior,
 King of creation,
 Son of God and Son of Man!
 Truly I'd love thee,
 truly I'd serve thee,
 light of my soul, my joy, my crown.

2 Fair are the meadows,
 fair are the woodlands,
 robed in flow'rs of blooming spring;
 Jesus is fairer,
 Jesus is purer,
 he makes our sorrowing spirit sing.

3 Fair is the sunshine,
 fair is the moonlight,
 bright the sparkling stars on high;
 Jesus shines brighter,
 Jesus shines purer
 than all the angels in the sky.

4 Beautiful Savior,
 Lord of the nations,
 Son of God and Son of Man!
 Glory and honor,
 praise, adoration,
 now and forevermore be thine!

Text: *Gesangbuch*, Münster, 1677; tr. Joseph A. Seiss, 1823-1904

APOSTLES' CREED:

**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 INTERCESSION:

Following Jesus, who calls us to deny ourselves, take up the cross, and trust the promise of resurrection, we pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

A brief silence.

Merciful God,
Turn your church toward your way of love, humility, and mercy. Help us set our minds on divine things and follow where Christ leads. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Guide local and world leaders away from fear, violence, and the desire to gain power at any cost. Lead them toward peace, justice, and the protection of the vulnerable.
Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Walk with all who bear heavy crosses today. Strengthen the sick, comfort the grieving, and hold close those we name before you now (especially...). Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Keep us faithful in the way of the cross. Give us hope in Christ's promise of resurrection and glory as we remember the saints who have gone before us. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray; through Jesus Christ, our 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

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 to support the local Women4Women organization creating free access to hygiene supplies for low income and unhoused women in Arizona.

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

OFFERING SONG: For the One

Verse 1

Let me be filled
With kindness and compassion for the one
The one for whom You loved and gave Your Son
For humanity increase my love

Chorus

Help me to love with open arms like You do
A love that erases all the lines and sees the truth
Oh that when they look in my eyes
They would see You
Even in just a smile

They would feel the Father's love

Verse 2

Oh how You love us
From the homeless to the famous and in-between
You formed us You made us carefully
'Cause in the end we're all Your children

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OFFERING PRAYER:

Merciful Lord,
you meet us and all people with healing love.
Bless these gifts we offer to do your work
in ways we can see and in miracles beyond our seeing.
Send us out as signs of your mercy;
through Christ our healer, Savior, and Lord.
Amen.

HOLY COMMUNION:

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

O God of resurrection and new life:
Pour out your Holy Spirit on us
and on these gifts of bread and wine.
Bless this feast.
Grace our table with your presence.
Come, Holy Spirit.

Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread.
Raise us up as the body of Christ for the world.
Breathe new life into us.
Send us forth,
burning with justice, peace, and love.
Come, Holy Spirit.

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.191 - Lamb of God (Setting 8)

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, Lamb of God.

DISTRIBUTION SONG 1: ELW 474 Bread of Life from Heaven

Refrain

Bread of life from heaven,
your blood and body given,
we eat this bread and drink this cup
until you come again.

1 Break now the bread of Christ's sacrifice;
giving thanks, hungry ones, gather round.
Eat, all of you, and be satisfied;
in Christ's presence the loaves will abound.
Refrain

2 Seek not the food that will pass away;
set your hearts on the food that endures.
Come, learn the true and the living way,
that the fullness of life may be yours. *Refrain*

3 Love as the one who, in love for you,
gave himself for the life of the world.
Come to the one who is food for you,
that your hunger and thirst be no more. *Refrain*

4 Dwell in the one who now dwells in you;
make your home in the lifegiving Word.
Know only Christ, Holy One of God,
and believe in the truth you have heard. *Refrain*

5 Drink of this cup and declare his death;
eat this bread and believe Easter morn;
trust his return and, with ev'ry breath,
praise the one in whom you are reborn. *Refrain*

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DISTRIBUTION SONG 2: 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.

Merciful Lord,
you meet us at this table with healing love.
In bread and wine, you give us mercy enough for today
and hope for miracles still unfolding among us.
Strengthen us to trust your power, follow your compassion,
and carry your healing mercy into the world;
in your holy name we pray.

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 on you with grace and mercy.
The Lord look upon you with favor +
And give you peace.

Amen.

SENDING SONG: What a Beautiful Name

Verse

You were the Word at the beginning
One with God the Lord Most High
Your hidden glory in creation
Now revealed in You our Christ

Chorus 1

What a beautiful Name it is
What a beautiful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ my King

What a beautiful Name it is
Nothing compares to this
What a beautiful Name it is
The Name of Jesus

Verse 2

You didn't want heaven without us
So Jesus You brought heaven down
My sin was great Your love was greater
What could separate us now

Chorus 2

What a wonderful Name it is
What a wonderful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ my King
What a wonderful Name it is
Nothing compares to this
What a wonderful Name it is
The Name of Jesus
What a wonderful Name it is
The Name of Jesus

Bridge 1

Death could not hold You
The veil tore before You
You silence the boast of sin and grave
The heavens are roaring
The praise of Your glory
For You are raised to life again

Bridge 2

You have no rival
You have no equal
Now and forever God You reign

DISMISSAL:

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE:

Yours is the kingdom
Yours is the glory
Yours is the Name above all names

Chorus 3

What a powerful Name it is
What a powerful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ my King
What a powerful Name it is
Nothing can stand against
What a powerful Name it is
The Name of Jesus

Ending

What a powerful Name it is
The Name of Jesus
What a powerful Name it is
The Name of Jesus

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of her mom, Ann Maas.*