

GATHERING

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

PRELUDE:

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS:

GREETING:

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God +,
and the community of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

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:

God of welcome,
you invite us to your feast of grace.
Make us ready to receive your mercy and share your compassion with all.
Help us answer your call with grateful hearts,
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

GATHERING SONG: ELW 858 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

1 Praise to the Lord,
the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise him,
for he is your health and salvation!
Let all who hear now to his temple draw near,
joining in glad adoration!

2 Praise to the Lord,
who o'er all things is wondrously reigning
and, as on wings of an eagle, uplifting, sustaining.
Have you not seen all that is needful has been
sent by his gracious ordaining?

3 Praise to the Lord,
who will prosper your work and defend you;
surely his goodness and mercy
shall daily attend you.
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do
if with his love he befriend you.

4 Praise to the Lord!
Oh, let all that is in me adore him!
All that has life and breath, come now with
praises before him!
Let the amen sound from his people again.
Gladly forever adore him!

Text: Joachim Neander, 1650-1680; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827-1878, alt.

STEWARDSHIP MISSION MOMENT #1

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE: ELW 575 Jesus Loves Me! (*Sunday Tempe/Gilbert*)

1 Jesus loves me! this I know,
for the Bible tells me so;
little ones to him belong,
they are weak, but he is strong.

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

Refrain
Yes, Jesus loves me,
yes, Jesus loves me,
yes, Jesus loves me,
the Bible tells me so.

Text: Anna B. Warner, 1820-1915, alt.

GILBERT SPECIAL MUSIC: Your Love, Chancel Choir

WORD

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

FIRST LESSON: Psalm 23

¹ The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.

² He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters.

³ He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

⁴ Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.

⁵ Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.

⁶ Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.

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 22:1-14

¹ Once more Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying: ² "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. ³ He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. ⁴ Again he sent other slaves, saying, 'Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet.' ⁵ But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, ⁶ while the rest seized his slaves, mistreated them, and killed them. ⁷ The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. ⁸ Then he said to his slaves, 'The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. ⁹ Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.' ¹⁰ Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad, so the wedding hall was filled with guests.

¹¹ "But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, ¹² and he said to him, 'Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?' And

he was speechless. ¹³ Then the king said to the attendants, 'Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' ¹⁴ For many are called, but few are chosen."

L: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON:

"The Table"

Pastor Andrea Cain
(Sat 5pm/Sunday Tempe)

"God's Gotcha"

Pastor Thaddeus Book
(Gilbert)

SONG OF THE DAY: ELW 810 O Jesus, I Have Promised

1 O Jesus, I have promised
to serve you to the end;
remain forever near me,
my master and my friend.
I shall not fear the battle
if you are by my side,
nor wander from the pathway
if you will be my guide.

2 Oh, let me feel you near me;
the world is ever near.
I see the sights that dazzle,
the tempting sounds I hear.
My foes are ever near me,
around me and within;
but, Jesus, then draw nearer
to shield my soul from sin.

3 Oh, let me hear you speaking
in accents clear and still
above the storms of passion,
the murmurs of self-will.
Now speak to reassure me,
to hasten or control;
now speak and make me listen,
O Guardian of my soul.

4 O Jesus, you have promised
to all who follow you
that where you are in glory
your servant shall be too.
And Jesus, I have promised
to serve you to the end;
oh, give me grace to follow,
my master and my friend.

Text: John E. Bode, 1816-1874, alt.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION:

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, we pray for the church, the world, and all who long for mercy.

A brief silence.

Gentle Shepherd,
Lead your church beside still waters, that we may reflect your compassion and welcome all who seek rest. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Guide leaders and nations in paths of righteousness, turning fear into mercy and conflict into peace for the sake of all people. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Walk with all who suffer through valleys of illness, grief, loneliness, or fear; comfort them with your presence and restore their souls (especially...). Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Set a table of grace before this community, and teach us to share goodness and mercy with neighbors in need. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Receive our prayers, gracious God, 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 the Desert Cross Serves mission project on November 8th.

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: Undivided

Verse 1

Undivided purified
Clean my hands as I lift them high
Consecrated set apart
Refine me and create a clean heart

Chorus

Teach me Your ways
Open my eyes
Show me Your glory
Make me like Christ
Come burn away
What's taken Your place

There's nothing I'm hiding
Here's my heart undivided

Verse 2

You create me sanctify me
You walk me through the fire and try me
You sustain me and remake me
Now all I really want is to be holy

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OFFERING PRAYER:

Generous God,
you gather us in compassion and meet us with grace.
Bless these gifts and the lives we offer,
that they may bring healing, hope, and welcome to our neighbors.
Send us to serve with open hands and reconciling hearts;
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

HOLY COMMUNION:

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

CONFESSION:

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, whose word is a lamp to our feet, whose mercy seeks us, and whose love gathers us into one.

Amen.

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

Silence is kept for reflection.

Merciful God,

we confess that we have wandered from your ways.

We have not loved our neighbors with compassion.

Turn us again to your word and restore us in your grace.

FORGIVENESS:

Hear the good news: Christ is present among us with mercy.

In Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. +

By the Spirit's power, you are gathered, restored, and sent to walk in love.

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.**

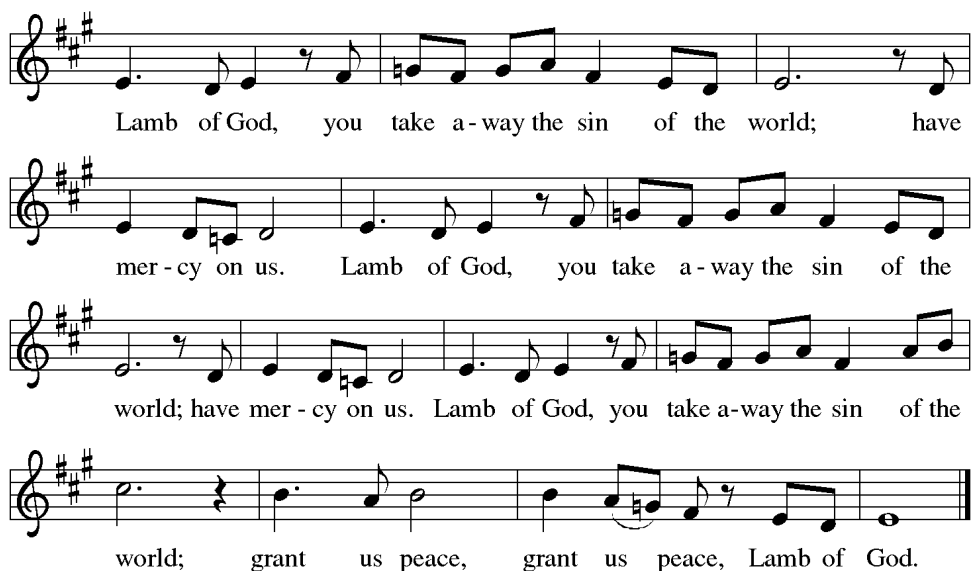
INVITATION TO COMMUNION:

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.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 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.

Text: Billema Kwillia, b. c. 1925, sts. 1-3; Gilbert E. Doan Jr., b. 1930, st. 4, alt.; tr. Margaret D. Miller, b. 1927, sts. 1-3, alt.
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DISTRIBUTION SONG 2: Remembrance

Verse 1

Oh how could it be
That my God would welcome me
Into this mystery
Say take this bread take this wine
Now the simple made divine
For any to receive

Pre-Chorus

By Your mercy we come to Your table
By Your grace You are making us faithful

Chorus

Lord we remember You
And remembrance leads us to worship
And as we worship You
Our worship leads to communion
We respond to Your invitation
(We respond to Your invitation)
We remember You

Verse 2

See His body His blood
Know that He has overcome
Ev'ry trial we will face
And none too lost to be saved
None too broken or ashamed
All are welcome in this place

Bridge

Dying You destroyed our death
Rising You restored our life
Lord Jesus come in glory
Lord Jesus come in glory
Lord Jesus come in glory
Lord Jesus come in glory

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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.

Compassionate Christ,
you meet us at this table with mercy and peace.
Send us to share your healing love
with open hearts and willing hands;
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: Christ Be All Around Me**Verse**

As I rise
Strength of God go before lift me up
As I wake
Eyes of God look upon be my sight

Verse 2

As I wait
Heart of God satisfy and sustain
As I hear
Voice of God lead me on be my guide
be my guide

Chorus

Above and below me
Before and behind me
In ev'ry eye that sees me
Christ be all around me
Above and below me
Before and behind me
In ev'ry eye that sees me
Christ be all around me yeah

Verse 3

As I go
 Hand of God my defense by my side
 As I rest
 Breath of God fall upon bring me peace
 Bring me peace

Interlude

Oh oh Christ be all around me yeah
 Oh oh Christ be all around me yeah

Bridge

Your life Your death Your blood
 Was shed for ev'ry moment ev'ry moment

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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 Dan & Nancy Moellering in celebration of all their children's wedding anniversaries.