

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:

Faithful God,
**we give thanks for your work among us in faith, love, and hope.
Make our congregation an example of joyful faith and steadfast love.
Send your word out through us in the power of the Holy Spirit;
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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STEWARDSHIP MISSION MOMENT #2 *(All Services)*

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.

Refrain

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

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

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

TEMPE SPECIAL MUSIC:
Praise God, Sanctuary Choir

GILBERT SPECIAL MUSIC:
I See God, Junior Choir

WORD

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

FIRST LESSON: 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

¹ Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy,

To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ:

Grace to you and peace.

²We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers, constantly
³remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁴For we know, brothers and sisters beloved by God, that he has chosen you, ⁵because our message of the gospel came to you not in word only but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction; just as you know what kind of persons we proved to be among you for your sake. ⁶And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for in spite of persecution you received the word with joy from the Holy Spirit, ⁷so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. ⁸For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia but in every place your faith in God has become known, so that we have no need to speak about it. ⁹For they report about us what kind of welcome we had among you and how you turned to God from idols to serve a living and true God ¹⁰and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead—Jesus, who rescues us from the coming wrath.

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 22:15-22

¹⁵ The Pharisees went and plotted to entrap [Jesus] in what he said. ¹⁶ So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one, for you do not regard people with partiality. ¹⁷ Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar or not?" ¹⁸ But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? ¹⁹ Show me the coin used for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. ²⁰ Then he said to them, "Whose head is this and whose title?" ²¹ They answered, "Caesar's." Then he said to them, "Give therefore to Caesar the things that are Caesar's and to God the things that are God's." ²² When they heard this, they were amazed, and they left him and went away.

L: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON:

"More Than A Game"
Pastor Andrea Cain
(Sunday Tempe)

"What is God's?"
Pastor Arhiana Shek Dill
(Sat 5pm/Gilbert)

SONG OF THE DAY: ELW 801 Change My Heart, O God

1 Change my heart, O God;
make it ever true.
Change my heart, O God;
may I be like you.
You are the potter;
I am the clay.
Mold me and make me;

this is what I pray.
Change my heart, O God;
make it ever true.
Change my heart, O God;
may I be like you.

Text: Eddie Espinosa, b. 1953
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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.

God of glory,
teach your church to sing a new song, proclaim your salvation, and declare your
marvelous works among all people. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Rule the nations with truth and equity; turn leaders toward peace and care for all
people. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Remember all who cry out in sickness, grief, loneliness, or fear; bring your saving help
and let your faithful love be known (especially...).
Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Let the heavens be glad and the earth rejoice; Guide us to honor the beauty and
strength of your world as we honor the saints who have joined you in eternal life.
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:

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 471 Let Us Break Bread Together

1 Let us break bread together on our knees;
let us break bread together on our knees.

Refrain

When I fall on my knees,
with my face to the rising sun,
O Lord, have mercy on me.

2 Let us drink wine together on our knees;
let us drink wine together on our knees.

Refrain

3 Let us praise God together on our knees;
let us praise God together on our knees.

Refrain

Text: African American spiritual

DISTRIBUTION SONG 2: 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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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: God of This City

Verse

You're the God of this city
You're the King of these people
You're the Lord of this nation
You are
You're the light in this darkness
You're the hope to the hopeless
You're the peace to the restless
You are

Pre-Chorus 1

There is no one like our God
There is no one like You God

Chorus 1

Greater things have yet to come
And greater things have still to be done
In this city
Greater things have yet to come
And greater things have still to be done here

Verse 2

You're the Lord of creation
The Creator of all things
You're the King above all kings

DISMISSAL:

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE:

You are
You're the strength in the weakness
You're the love to the broken
You're the joy in the sadness
You are

Chorus 2

Greater things have yet to come
And greater things have still to be done
In this city
Where glory shines from hearts alive
With praise for You and love for You
In this city

Pre-Chorus 2

There is no one like our God
There is no one like our God
There is no one like You God
There is no one like You God

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Flower Donation:

The flowers on the altar in Tempe this weekend are given by Pauline & Stephania Ngonyani and Juliet Jacob in celebration of Pauline's birthday.

The white carnation on the altar in Tempe is in loving memory of Christine and Deanna Soll's father-in-law, Hugo Soll.

The second white carnation on the altar in Tempe is in loving memory of Lisa Bjotvedt's father, Donald Godwin.