



Faith Presbyterian Church



Order of Worship April 21, 2024

10:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary

16000 N. Del Webb Blvd. Sun City, AZ 85351-1604
www.scfaith.org

**He is our Guide and Friend;
To us He'll condescend;
His love shall never end;
Alleluia! Amen!**

**Praise yet our Christ again,
Alleluia! Amen!
Life shall not end the strain;
Alleluia! Amen!
On heaven's blissful shore,
His goodness we'll adore,
Singing forevermore,
"Alleluia! Amen!"**

Announcements

A Litany of Faith

Rev. Dr. David Hodgson and Choir

[A liturgical conversation between *Brief Statement of Faith* #326
and *Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart.*]

Pastor: In life and in death we belong to God.... We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life.

Choir: **Spirit of God, descend upon my heart;
Wean it from earth; through all its pulses move.
Stoop to my weakness, mighty as Thou art,
And make me love Thee as I ought to love.**

Pastor: The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of the church.

Choir: **Hast Thou not bid me love Thee, God and King?
All, all Thine own, soul, heart and strength and mind.
I see Thy cross; there teach my heart to cling:
Oh, let me seek Thee, and, oh, let me find!**

Pastor: In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.

Choir: **Teach me to feel that Thou art always nigh;
Teach me the struggles of the soul to bear,
To check the rising doubt, the rebel sigh;
Teach me the patience of unanswered prayer.**

Pastor: In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

Choir: **Teach me to love Thee as Thine angels love,
One holy passion filling all my frame;
The baptism of the heav'n descended Dove,
My heart an altar, and Thy love the flame.**

Pastor: With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

Scripture Reading

John 10:11-18

#97-98 New Testament
Fred Rothert

Hymn

"The Lord's My Shepherd"
(Hymn tune CRIMOND)

#170
verses 1-3

**The Lord's my Shepherd, I'll not want.
He makes me down to lie
In pastures green; He leadeth me
The quiet waters by.**

**My soul He doth restore again;
And me to walk doth make
Within the paths of righteousness,
E'en for His own name's sake.**

**Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale,
Yet will I fear none ill;
For Thou art with me; and Thy rod
And staff me comfort still.**

Sermon "The Good Shepherd" Rev. Dr. David Hodgson
"I am the good shepherd... I have other sheep that do not
belong to this fold. I must bring them also ... so there
will be one flock, one shepherd."
John 10:11-18

Choir Anthem "My Shepherd Will Supply My Need" by Watts/Grotenhuis

Pastoral Prayer

The 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil:
For Thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

Call to Offering "God of our Life" by Hugh Kerr/Charles Purday

***Doxology** "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" #592
**Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;**

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***Hymn** “We’ve a Story to Tell to the Nations” by Henry Ernest Nichol

**We've a story to tell to the nations,
that shall turn their hearts to the right,
a story of truth and mercy,
a story of peace and light,
a story of peace and light.**

[Refrain]

**For the darkness shall turn to dawning,
and the dawning to noonday bright,
and Christ's great kingdom shall come on earth,
the kingdom of love and light.**

**We've a song to be sung to the nations,
that shall lift their hearts to the Lord,
a song that shall conquer evil,
and shatter the spear and sword,
and shatter the spear and sword. [Refrain]**

**We've a message to give to the nations,
that the Lord who reign up above
has sent us His Son to save us,
and show us that God is love,
and show us that God is love. [Refrain]**

**We've a Savior to show to the nations,
who the path of sorrow has trod,
that all of the world's great peoples
may come to the truth of God,
might come to the truth of God! [Refrain]**

Postlude “Thine Is the Glory” by Edmond Budry/George Frederick Handel
Gretchen Siekmann Dempsey

Welcome Visitors! Today, Faith Presbyterian Church welcomes you. Everyone is invited to Illingworth Hall for refreshments and fellowship following the service.

Thank you! \$4,267.00 has been sent to the Presbyterian Church (USA) from our congregation's March 3, 2024 One Great Hour of Sharing. This offering, the first of the four special offerings we participate in annually with the larger church, will be used for disaster relief, hunger and the self-development of people around the world. Programs are too numerous to list, but you can see the work your dollars are doing to help provide all of God's children with safety, sustenance and hope. Look for information on our church bulletin boards or check out socialofferings.pcusa.org and be amazed!

Faith Choir will continue through May 5 before taking a summer break. Maria Sinley will direct and Carol Ryman will accompany for Thursday 3pm rehearsals and the last three Sundays of April. New singers are invited to join in to finish out the season! Many of our choir members and friends remain in the area throughout the summer and will participate in music and ministry in other ways. Fred Rothert and Geni Olson are coordinating special music.

Jean Longenbach, a longtime member, will be moving back to Baltimore on May 1. This Sunday will be her last day. She has lived at Coyote Lakes for 30 years. Have a safe trip and thank you for your many years as a member.

Habitat for Humanity is having a house dedication for the Rendon family Saturday April 27 at 10.00 am. The house address is 9244 W. Mobile Ave in Peoria. Come meet the family and welcome them to their new home. If you have any questions, please contact Jeff Sinley. Thanks Jeff Sinley.

Our guest pastor this morning is the Rev. Dr. David Hodgson, husband of the Rev. Deanne Hodgson, and father of Keith, Jennifer, and Heather. David's academic and faith journey include Gettysburg College, Princeton Seminary, New College, Edinburgh, Scotland, and San Francisco Seminary. David has served three long pastorates, and has completed twelve interim assignments, and is now having fun discovering the promises, while trying to avoid the perils, of retirement. Welcome David.

Welcome!

Welcome to those who have no church home, need strength, have doubt, want to follow Christ, or do not believe. Welcome to those who have worshiped in this place for years! Welcome to our first-time guests! Welcome to all generations, single people, couples, believers, and to questioners, and, of course, to questioning believers! We hope you find peace and uplift in our worship today.

We are very glad you are here!

PASTORAL STAFF

Transitional Pastor Greg Emery arriving May 1, 2024

MINISTERS All Members

WELCOMING TEAM

GREETERS

Diana Pomeroy

WELCOME CENTER

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FAITH CHURCH — MISSION STATEMENT

Faith Presbyterian Church is an inclusive, welcoming, caring community, committed to serving Jesus Christ, who calls us to love God and to love one another. We worship, study and grow in understanding as we work for justice and peace in the world, inspired by the transforming power of the Holy Spirit. If you have faith the size of a mustard seed, great things are possible. (From Matthew 17:20)