

DESERT SPRINGS

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN AMERICA | TUCSON



March 22, 2020

*“See, I am doing a new thing!
Now it springs up; do you not perceive it?
I am making a way in the desert and streams in the wasteland.”*

Isaiah 43: 19

To Our Visitors:

Thank you for choosing to worship with us this morning. Our desire is that you be encouraged and learn more about who Jesus is and what He has done for us. We are therefore committed to studying and understanding the Scriptures so that we might know and trust Jesus more fully. Hopefully, you received our gift to you, and we'd love to be able to talk to you after the worship service.

Notes on Our Service:

Churches can conduct their worship services quite differently. As you prepare for worship, please take a few moments to review the commitments and values that shape our worship service.

Liturgy: *The liturgy is the order of things in a worship service. The intent is for the liturgy to engage our minds with truth, stirring up what Jonathan Edwards called 'holy affections,' or emotions, which it then helps us to express. The overall pattern of the worship service is designed to reinforce the centrality of the good news of Jesus Christ. We see His greatness, our rebelliousness, and how Jesus forgives us and begins to change us. We are also given opportunities to share our needs with Jesus as we pray.*

Participation by the People: *Our worship is structured to emphasize participation. We encourage everyone to sing and pray, and to confess individual sins and faith.*

Corporate Responses: *The liturgical practice of responsive reading traces back to the beginnings of the Church. It follows the pattern of Scripture and helps instruct us in how to worship. It can be like learning a new language that expresses what is going on inside of you.*

Music: *Our Music Team is composed of members of our congregation under the direction of a professional Music Director. Songs and arrangements are selected so that ordinary people can sing them in order to best facilitate congregational worship.*

ORDER OF WORSHIP

DESERT SPRINGS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

March 22, 2020

The Lord's Day

10:30 a.m.

Refreshing weary souls with the gospel of Jesus in worship, discipleship and evangelism.

PRELUDE & REFLECTION

"Now as we labor under every kind of diseases till he heal us, let each of us not only present himself, but endeavor to bring others who need the same remedy."

-John Calvin

WELCOME

*DOXOLOGY

"Doxology"

Hymn #731

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Amen.

EXALTATION OF GOD

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 136

Pastor: Give thanks to the LORD, for He is good, for His steadfast love endures forever. Give thanks to the God of gods, for His steadfast love endures forever. Give thanks to the Lord of lords, for His steadfast love endures forever. To Him who alone does great wonders, for His steadfast love endures forever; to Him who by understanding made the heavens, for His steadfast love endures forever. It is He who remembered us in our low estate, for His steadfast love endures forever.

*SONG OF EXALTATION

"O Worship the King"

Hymn #2 (vv. 1-5)

O worship the King all – glorious above,
O gratefully sing his pow'r and his love;
Our shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days,
Pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise.

O tell of his might, O sing of his grace,
Whose robe is the light, whose canopy space.
His chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form,
And dark is his path on the wings of the storm

The earth with its store of wonders untold,
Almighty, your pow'r has founded of old;
Has 'stablished it fast by a changeless decree,
And round it has cast, like a mantle, the sea.

Your bountiful care what tongue can recite?
It breathes in the air; it shines in the light;
It streams from the hills; it descends to the plain;
And sweetly distils in the dew and the rain.

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**Please stand if able*

Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,
In you do we trust, nor find you to fail;
Your mercies how tender, how firm to the end,
Our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend!

INVOCATION

We ask God to be present with us as we worship so we receive Christ and His benefits.

GOSPEL PARDON

"The sins of the wicked anger God, but the sins of professing Christians grieve Him." -Thomas Watson

CONFESSION OF SIN

Pastor: For the LORD your God is gracious and merciful and will not turn away His face from you, if you return to Him." (2 Chronicles 30:9) Let us take a few moments to silently confess our sins to Him.

-Time for the Silent Confession of Sins -

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Pastor: He himself bore our sins in His body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By His wounds you have been healed. For you were straying like sheep but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls. -1 Peter 2

"No sin of yours will ruin you, if you believe; and nothing will save, if you do not." -Thomas Boston

*SONG OF RESPONSE

"Psalm 51 God Be Merciful to Me"

Words by Richard Redhead & Music by Christopher Miner

God, be merciful to me,
On Thy grace I rest my plea;
Plenteous in compassions Thou,
Blot out my transgressions now;
Wash me, Make me pure within,
Cleanse, O Cleanse me from my sin.

Gracious God, my heart renew,
Make my spirit right and true.
Cast me not away from Thee,
Let Thy Spirit dwell in me;
Thy salvation's joy impart,
Steadfast make my willing heart.

My transgressions I confess,
Grief and guilt my soul oppress;
I have sinned against Thy grace,
And provoked Thee to Thy face;
I confess Thy judgement just,
Speechless, I Thy mercy trust.

Sinners then shall learn from me,
And return O God to Thee.
Savior all my guilt remove,
And my tongue shall sing Thy love.
Touch my silent lips O Lord,
And my mouth shall praise accord.

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WORSHIP THROUGH PRAYER

PASTORAL PRAYER

We join Jesus, who intercedes for us.

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

All: ***“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, the power and the glory, forever. Amen”***
-The Lord’s Prayer

SCRIPTURE READING

Pastor Steve Cavallaro

Old Testament: 1 Chronicles 21:1-2, 7-15

New Testament: John 9:1-7

HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

SERMON TEXT

Mark 6:53-56

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON

“MINISTRY IN UNEXPECTED PLACES”

Pastor Steve Cavallaro

*SONG OF CELEBRATION

“Here Is Love”

Words & Music by Rees & Lowry

Here is love, vast as the ocean,
Loving kindness as the flood,
When the Prince of Life, our ransom,
Shed for us His precious blood.
Who His love will not remember?
Who can cease to sing His praise?
He can never be forgotten,
Throughout heaven’s eternal days.

On the mount of crucifixion,
Fountains open deep and wide
Through the floodgates of God’s mercy,
Flowed a vast and gracious tide.
Grace and love like mighty rivers,
Poured incessant from above
Heaven’s peace and perfect justice,
Kissed a guilty world in love.

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*CONFESSION OF FAITH

Pastor: What is your only comfort in life and death?

-Heidelberg Catechism - Question 1

All: That I am not my own, but belong with body and soul, both in life and in death, to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with His precious blood and has set me free from all the power of the devil. He also preserves me in such a way that without the will of my heavenly Father not a hair can fall from my head; indeed, all things must work together for my salvation. Therefore, by His Holy Spirit He also assures me of eternal life and makes me heartily willing and ready from now on to live for Him.

GOSPEL HOPE

*SONG OF HOPE

“We Will Feast in the House of Zion”

Words & Music by McCracken & Moore

Chorus: We will feast in the house of Zion.
We will sing with our hearts
restored.
He has done great things, we will
say together.
We will feast and weep no more.

We will not be burned by the fire;
He is the Lord our God.
We are not consumed by the flood;
Upheld, protected, gathered up.

Chorus

In the dark of night, before the dawn;
My soul be not afraid.
For the promised morning,
Oh, how long?
Oh, God of Jacob, be my strength.

Chorus

Ev'ry vow we've broken and betrayed,
You are the faithful one.
And from the garden to the grave,
Bind us together, bring shalom.

Chorus

*He has done great things, we will say together.
We will feast and weep no more.*

*CHARGE & BLESSING

“May God be gracious to us and bless us and make His face to shine upon us, that Your way may be known on earth, Your saving power among all nations. Let the peoples praise You, O God; let all the peoples praise You!”

-Psalm 67

ANNOUNCEMENTS

POSTLUDE

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