

July 1, 2018
10:00 a.m.

Order of Service

GATHERING

As followers of Jesus
we will love the Lord our God
with all our hearts,
with all our souls
and with all our minds.
And we will love our neighbors
as ourselves and serve them
in the name of Christ.
Matthew 22:37, 39

*Love God
Follow Jesus
Serve in Spirit*

PRELUDE *Just As I Am* – Young

WELCOME AND PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

*CALL TO WORSHIP *Surely the Presence* – Lanny Wolfe
Jan Peterson, Piano

*PRAYER OF ADORATION

*HYMN *God Is Here!* #461

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of new life, we often say that anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. Yet when we consider our lives, we confess our failure to live in Christ. You have promised to be with us always; yet our fear of the future shows that we do not fully trust in you. Forgive us, Lord.

You love us with a great, eternal, and costly love; yet we do always open ourselves to receive your love fully. Open our hearts and our spirits to be filled with your love.

You promise that wherever your Spirit is, there is freedom; yet the injustice that surrounds us shows that we have not let you set us free.

Guide us, God, on the slow and patient journey of spiritual growth and renewal. Free us from our fears, our prejudices, and our sin that we may live fully and abundantly in Christ and in the freedom and power of your Holy Spirit; Amen.

Please sign the Friendship Register found at the end of the pew and pass it on as you prepare for worship. Visitors are urged to leave their address, to receive a letter of welcome from the pastor and be placed on the newsletter email list.

*Please stand at the asterisks.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*GLORIA PATRI

#579

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen. Amen.

PROCLAMATION

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on us as we receive your Holy Word. Help us to hear what you want us to learn this morning as we worship and offer our praise to you; Amen.

SCRIPTURE

Psalm 8

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Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

MOMENT WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

ANTHEM

Open Our Eyes, with Be Thou My Vision
Bea Towe, Piano

— arr. Mark Hayes

SERMON

The Church Universal: The Cosmic Scope of Communion

Rev. Ann Conklin

RESPONDING

SERVICE OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Invitation to Prayer

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give thanks and praise.**

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Lord's Prayer (Please offer the Lord's Prayer in the language of your choice.)

Communion Music

Let Us Break Bread Together

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.

Let us drink wine together on our knees;
let us drink wine together on our knees. (Refrain)

Let us praise God together on our knees;
let us praise God together on our knees. (Refrain)

THE COMMENDATION OF BEFRIENDERS & ELDERS

Pastor: We send you, our Befrienders & Elders, to share communion with those who are unable to be with us today. May those who receive the sacrament from you be strengthened and encouraged; for age, distance, and illness cannot separate us from the love of God.

People: May you carry the prayers of all of us as you take this sacrament of Christ's presence to our brothers and sisters.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERING

OFFERTORY *Eternal Father, Strong to Save* – Callahan

*DOXOLOGY #592
PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SENDING

*HYMN *I Sing the Mighty Power of God* #288

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*RESPONSE #564, Vs. 1

O beautiful for spacious skies, for amber waves of grain,
For purple mountain majesties above the fruited plain!
America! America! God shed His grace on thee,
And crown thy good with brotherhood from sea to shining sea!

POSTLUDE *America* – Ashford

Coffee time will follow the service.
The hosts today are Mike & Stephanie Gerlach.
Baked goods are provided by Anita Ramsey & Connie Chisholm.

Liturgist: Peter Eisenklam

Greeter: Susan Durand

Ushers: Thank you to Gary Marshall's team. Next week: Team 3.

Special Music: This week's special music is being offered by Jan Peterson, Bea Towe and Organist Barbara Walker. The complete Summer Music Schedule is available at fpcmesa.org/worship-planning, and copies are on the Sanctuary Information Kiosk, the Receptionist's Counter in the Church Office, and the Choir Room whiteboard table.

Sound Booth: Bob Schulz

Nursery Workers: Thank you to Linda Hayball.

Activity bags for children are available at the back of the sanctuary. These are for use during worship.

Visitors are encouraged to visit the Information Kiosk by the main doors of the sanctuary to learn more about the church's programs.

Audio assistance is available for those who may be unable to adequately hear the service. Please see an usher for assistance.

Check the bulletin boards in the church office for information regarding events or opportunities in the life of the church and the community.

Bulletin Recycling. If you do not want to take your bulletin home, please take it to the recycling basket at the back of the sanctuary.

Prayer Chain: If you or a family member need special prayers, email prayer@fpcmesa.org or call the church office. If the prayer request is for a friend, you must first have *permission from that friend* to make the request public on the Prayer Chain.

If you are hospitalized or confined at home due to illness, call the church office at 480-964-8606 to let us know. Please note: If you are in the hospital, let us know what your room number is. In order to comply with new stricter government regulations to protect patients' privacy, hospitals refuse to provide any information, including room numbers.

Sanctuary Flowers are a way for you to recall a special person or event in your life. Flowers are available at a cost of \$50 or you may notify the church office of your desire to furnish your own flowers. You may take the flowers that Sunday or leave them for the Deacons to deliver. If you are interested in providing flowers, fill out the form found at the Kiosk or in the office. After completion, please return it to the office, along with a check and instructions.

Activities for the Week of July 1, 2018

Today,	10:00a.m.	Worship, Fellowship Hall
7/1	11:00a.m.	Christian Education
Monday, 7/2	7:00p.m.	Deacons, Library
Tuesday,	5:30p.m.	Personnel Committee, Parlor
7/3	7:00p.m.	Scouts, Fellowship Hall
Wednesday, 7/4		Independence Day — Office Closed
Saturday, 7/7	9:30a.m.	Needlework Grace Group, Parlor

Upcoming Events

7/1,8,15,22,29	10:00 Worship in Sanctuary
July 4	Independence Day — Office Closed
July 7-14	Mission Trip to Tseyi Bidaa Presbyterian Church in Del Muerto
August 5 & 12	10:00 Worship in Fellowship Hall
August 19	Return to regular worship schedule
August 24	D'Backs Faith & Family Night
September 2	Hymnfest — 10:00 service in Sanctuary
September 3	Labor Day — Office Closed

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