

July 8, 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

Rhosymedre

— Vaughan Williams

Thought to ponder:

“A crucial eccentricity of the Christian faith
is the assertion that people are saved by grace.
There is nothing **you** have to do.
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— Frederick Buechner

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

*CALL TO WORSHIP

A Native American prayer

Leader: O creator of the Sky, hear us and make us strong.

People: O maker of the Earth, hear us and give us support.

Leader: O Spirit of the East, send us your wisdom.

People: O Spirit of the South, may we walk your path of life.

Leader: O Spirit of the West, may we always be ready for the long journey.

People: O Spirit of the North, purify us with your cleansing winds

All: Come Holy Spirit.

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.

*HYMN

Arise, Your Light Is Come!

#411

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment. Set us free from a past that we cannot change, open up a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image, through Jesus Christ, the light of the world. Amen. (a moment of silent prayer)

***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

Lord God, you have declared that your kingdom is among us. Open our eyes to see it, our ears to hear it, our hearts to hold it, our hands to serve it. This we pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

SCRIPTURE

Mark 6:7-13

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Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

MOMENT WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

ANTHEM

Holy, Holy, Holy, We Worship You
Summer Ensemble

— arr. Benjamin Harlan

SCRIPTURE

2 Corinthians 12:2-10

SERMON

Whenever I Am Weak, I Am Strong

Dr. Edward E. Spence

RESPONDING

***HYMN OF AFFIRMATION**

O God, In a Mysterious Way

#270

***APOSTLES' CREED**

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,

And in Jesus Christ his only son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

PASTORAL PRAYER and LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING

OFFERTORY *Sweet Hour of Prayer* – arr. Harris

*DOXOLOGY

PRAYER OF DEDICATION #592

SENDING

*HYMN *O Beautiful for Spacious Skies* #564

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*RESPONSE #371 Chorus

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim
Till all the world adore His sacred name.

POSTLUDE *Rejoice, O Pilgrim Throng!* – arr. Hobby

Coffee time will follow the service.

The hosts today are Dennis & Darlene Sitzler.

Baked goods are provided by Carol Anderson & Carol Gerlach.

Liturgist: Suzanne Engman

Greeter: Susan Durand

Ushers: Thank you to team 3.
Next week: Graham Walker's team.

Special Music: This week's special music is being offered by a Summer Ensemble, Director Karen Rudin and Organist Barbara Walker. The complete Summer Music Schedule is available at fpc-mesa.org/worship-planning, and copies are on the Sanctuary Information Kiosk, and the Choir Room whiteboard table.

Sound Booth: Bob Schulz

Nursery Workers: Thank you to Ben & Stephanie Gerlach.

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.

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.

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.

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 8, 2018

Today,		Mission Trip
7/8	10:00a.m.	Worship, Sanctuary
	11:00a.m.	Christian Education
Monday, 7/9		Mission Trip
Tuesday,		Mission Trip
7/10	7:00p.m.	Scouts, Fellowship Hall
Wednesday,		Mission Trip
7/11	8:30a.m.	Dave's Cres
Thursday, 7/12		Mission Trip
Friday, 7/13		Mission Trip
Saturday, 7/14		Mission Trip

Upcoming Events

7/15,22,29	10:00 Worship in Sanctuary
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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