



SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP

November 10, 2024

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30 a.m.

Liturgist: Nob Ichishita

Welcome!

*We're glad you are here to worship with us,
whether in-person or virtually on Zoom or YouTube.*

Gathering the People of God

WELCOME

Please register your attendance with your mobile device by scanning the QR code to the right or by going to www.upctempe.org/fellowship, and completing the form.

Reverend Ken Moe



The love of God be with you!

⌘ **And also with you!**

PRAYER REQUESTS

*Prayers may be texted to the above number,
or call and leave a message.*

(480) 256-8216

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

CENTERING TIME & LIGHTING OF CANDLES

"Near to the Heart of God"

BY CLELAND B. MCAFEE

Ted Gibson,

Pianist

We use this time to center our spirits, bring our attention to God within our breath, and remember that we are connected to all things through the Body of Christ.

Candles remind us of the light of God's love that exists within each human being and every created thing. The candles on the communion table represent the light of community. The single candle near the pulpit is the paschal candle, the light of Christ that shines on and in the world, and the darkness cannot overcome it.

***CALL TO WORSHIP³**

Welcome all who gather here this day, in person and online, to be part of God’s beloved community.

∴ God has called us together to worship and to care for one another.

God has listened to our spoken and unspoken prayers
and calls us to be open to the leading of the Spirit
as we enter into this holy time.

∴ God has called us together to worship and to care for one another.

Let us worship our loving God as we care for one another.

PASSING THE PEACE

May the peace of Christ be with you.

∴ And also with you.

***HYMN**

“Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us”

#280

PRAYER OF CONFESSION¹

∴ Gracious God, from time immemorial you have lovingly tended your creation, and from before our awareness of you, you have blessed us with gifts and talents to add beauty to the world. Yet too often we fail to live up to the potential you have set within us. We engage in half measures instead of full commitment. We overlook human caused harm to the environment. We like our world but don’t love it. We glimmer instead of shine. Help us, we pray, to grow in faith and confidence in the essential goodness of the world you have set before us.

Moment for silent reflection and confession.

ASSURANCE OF GRACE¹

God loves us and hears our prayers.

∴ God reconciles us to one another to become our own best selves.

Let us live in gentleness and reverence as a people released
from guilt and shame. Amen.

ANTHEM

“My Lord, What a Morning”

Chancel Choir

ARR. GREG GILPIN

My Lord, what a morning;
My Lord, what a morning;
My Lord, what a morning,
When the stars begin to fall.

Hear the trumpet sound to wake the nations underground
Looking to my God's right hand when the stars begin to fall.

Hear the people shout to wake the nations underground
Looking to my God's right hand when the stars begin to fall

My Lord, what a morning;
My Lord, what a morning;
My Lord, what a morning,
When the stars begin to fall.

My Lord, what a morning;
My Lord, My Lord.

Listening for God's Word

MOMENT JUST FOR THE CHILDREN

Sue Schnebel

Children are always welcome in worship. We know they'll make some noise during the service—we understand and welcome their participation in their own way.

Following the children's moment, children through 5th grade are invited to attend Children's Sunday School or parents can take advantage of childcare for infants through 5 years old. The head usher will be happy to assist you in the narthex!

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING¹

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 9:57-62
Joshua 24:29-33

NT pg. 70
OT pg. 216

Word of wisdom,
word of grace.
‡ **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

"Carrying and Burying Bones"

Reverend Ken Moe

Responding to God's Word

*RESPONSE

"Now Thank We All Our God"

#643

(v.2)

O may our bounteous God through all our life be near us,
with ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us,
and keep us in God's grace, and guide us when perplexed,
and free us from all ills in this world and the next.

MINUTE FOR MISSION

"Stewardship"

Jim Hershauer

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Send prayer requests by texting or leaving a message at (480) 256-8216.

PRAYER OF JESUS (Modern)

‡ **Our Creator in Heaven,
blessed be your name.
Your kin-dom come, your will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Keep us from temptation,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kin-dom, the power, and the glory,
are yours now and forever. Amen.**

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING¹

Offerings may be dropped into the offering plate as it is passed, mailed to or dropped off at the church office, or given through our website at www.upctempe.org/donate (scan QR code).

OFFERTORY

"God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending"

ARR. JAEBON HWANG


Jon Sywassink

Organist

***DOXOLOGY**

"Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow"

#606U



Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow; praise God, all crea-tures
here be - low; praise God for all that love has done. Cre -
a - tor, Christ, and Spir - it, One. A - men.

The New Century Hymnal (United Church of Christ), #778, text originally written by Thomas Ken (1672, 1709), adapted by William B. Abernethy (1995), ©1995 The Pilgrim Press.

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION¹**

Sent Out in Jesus' Name

INVITATION TO COMMUNITY

***HYMN**

"Be Still My Soul"

#819

***CHARGE AND BLESSING**

***POSTLUDE**

"Be Still My Soul"
ARR DIANE BISH

Jon Sywassink,
Organist

The postlude is a time of reflection on how God has been present to us during worship, and is present to us in our daily lives.

*Remember you are the light of the world!
Let your light shine!*

Sign up for our Weekly Update email at
www.upctempe.org/email

Today's Worship Leaders

Head Usher	Sue Schnebel
Ushers	Sue Schnebel & Marge Cawley
Worship Techs	Chris Trella, Jim Niemann
Trustee on Duty	Pete Godfrey
Deacon of the Month	Diane Hillyard
Sanctuary Readiness	Larry Seubert

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¹ Adapted from *Feasting on the Word Worship Companion: Liturgies for Year B, Volume 2* (Louisville, KY: Westminster John Knox Press, 2015), 216ff.

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

DEACON HONORARY PLANT: *Given this day by the PW Coordinating Team celebrating Lori Saager's birthday.*

MEMORIAL BOOK: *To the Glory of God and in remembrance of George Mayer, a memorial perpetuated in Organ Fund by Mr. & Mrs. Norman McKeon, May 1986.*

The World: Prayers for peace around the world, especially in places of war, famine, strife.

All elected leaders: The President of the United States, members of the U.S. Congress and Senate, governors, county officials, mayors, and city council members, that they may all work toward peace for our cities, nation, and world.

Continued Prayers: Katie Ranes, Cathy Richardson, John Griffin, Bill Ranes; Dennis Gilliland; Betsy Youngs; Carl and Barbara Smith; Bev Phillips; Jim Phillips; Rob, Chet Henry's brother; Beckie Burke; Diane Watkins.

Homebound: Joanna Fancher, Helen Alderson

Birthdays this coming week: Pat Gallagher, Jo Lewis, Kara Asher, Nan Beams, Catherine May, Jim Hershauer, Allie Youngs, Lori Saager, Sam Ledermann

If your birthday is missing, please contact the church office to let us know the date so we can celebrate with you!

Elders: Paul Green, Catherine May, Joan Grey

Deacons: Nan Beams, Patty Griffiths, Cathy Richardson, Jey Young

Trustees: Helen Griffin, Pete Godfrey, Chris Trella

Presbytery: Celebration of Life, Mesa, their pastor: Rev. David Hicks

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

CHILDREN'S BIBLE TIME (Sundays, 10:00 am - 10:45 am, Rm 2): Welcome all children grades K-5! Join us in developing a Christian foundation through Bible stories, discussions, music, and hands-on activities. Children are encouraged to participate in Communion, so Bible Time meets immediately after the Children's Moment on all Sundays except for the first Sunday of each month (and occasional holidays.)

YOUTH GROUP (Sundays, 11:00 am - 12:00 pm, Rm 9): All Youth are invited. Fellowship, games, and snacks will be involved! For more information you may contact Ted Gibson tedgibson@upctempe.org.

- **Nov 10** - Youth in Worship 9:30; Service project 11:00 - Noon.
- **Nov 17** - Youth group dinner 5:00 - 6:30 pm
- **Nov 24** - No Youth Group - Congregational Meeting/MSJP World Market

ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION (Sundays, 11:00 am - 12:00 pm, Sanctuary):

- **Nov 10** - Xeriscape Information Meeting for the congregation presented by Helen Griffin - No Class
- **Nov 17** - Mission Study Group by Catherine May
- **Nov 24** - No class, MSJP World Market

LECTIO DIVINA BIBLE STUDY (Wednesdays, 9:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m., Zoom): Join us as we read, reflect upon, and study the scripture readings for each upcoming Sunday in the Revised Common Lectionary. With Advent we begin a new liturgical year – Year B of the Revised Common Lectionary. A list is available for download: List Form (www.upctempe.org/rcl).

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

If you have an announcement for our weekly emails and bulletin, submit it to the church office no later than Wednesday of each week. Send it to upc@upctempe.org.

Note: All Zoom meetings may be accessed online via the links provided, or by calling (602) 753-0140 and entering the Meeting ID (the numbers in the weblinks below) and the password, "139." Long distance rates may apply.

CONGREGATIONAL WORKDAY KICKOFF (Nov 16th, 8:00 am - Noon): The Board of Trustees are again sponsoring the Fall Congregational Work Season with a kickoff Congregational Work Day on Saturday November 16th from 8am - Noon (Snacks and drinks will be provided). After the work day, a sign up genius page containing jobs that still need to be completed will be sent out. The event is a great time for fellowship and to help keep our campus beautiful. If you know of youth who need volunteer hours, the Trustees will be happy to sign their volunteer forms. UPC Trustees

REFUGEE NEED: Our "Item of the Month" for November is Baby Wipes. Just pick up a pack or two when you do your regular grocery shopping and place it in the bin in the Narthex.

RISE SHINE BREAD: We have delivered 10,294 mini-loaves and 5,720 full-sized loaves of bread to those in need. Thanks to the UPC bakers and please invite your friends to become a baker. The project has about 45 bakers, including 15 who regularly bake. Please contact Andrea White at info@riseshinebread.org or (480) 580-3021. Here is a link to a video you can view! <https://youtu.be/Go5llLjTuw>.

SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP PAD (www.upctempe.org/fellowship, or scan the QR code):

If you are attending worship either on Zoom or YouTube, remember to complete the online Fellowship Pad and include your prayer requests. Also, if you have new contact info (phone, email, etc.), include that info as well and check the "New contact info" box.



If your contact info has not changed, you do not need to include your address or phone number.

STEWARDSHIP 2025

As mentioned in the stewardship messages during the general fund time, a separate campaign for per capita funds would be conducted this year. The per capita fund campaign started in early November. A mailing has been sent to members of the congregation who have not submitted a per capita pledge for 2025. If you submitted a Per Capita pledge during the General Fund campaign, no action is needed from you.

The purpose of the per capita campaign is to highlight our connection with the Presbytery of Grand Canyon, Synod of the Southwest and the Presbyterian Church (USA) and its General Assembly. For 2025, the per capita amount for each UPC member is \$40.20. The per capita is the total amount due for the Presbytery of the Grand Canyon (\$24.56), the Synod of the Southwest (\$5.00), and the General Assembly PCUSA (\$10.84). The yearly budget of UPC includes a per capita amount to each of these denominational entities.

If you have already submitted a per capita pledge, please consider the above as information only.

UPC WEEKLY CALENDAR

*Find Zoom links and calendar updates at
www.upctempe.org/events.*

*Subscribe to the Weekly Update for Zoom links:
www.upctempe.org/email*

Sun., Nov 10

9:30 am	Worship Service (S, Z, YouTube)
10:00 am	Children's Bible Time (Rm 2)
11:00 am	Youth Fellowship (Rm 9)
11:00 am	Adult Sunday School (S)
12:30 pm	Frontera de Cristo Trip
3:30 pm	Floor Cleaning (FH, K, Bathrooms)

Mon., Nov 11

5:00 am-5:00 pm	Floor Cleaning Continued (FH, K, Bathrooms)
3:00 pm	Higher Octave Healing (Resource, Rms 2-3)
8:00 pm	Stewardship Committee (Z)
8:30 pm	AA Meeting (Rm 7)

Tue., Nov 12

3:30 pm	Higher Octave Healing (Resource, Rms 2-3)
7:00 pm	Finance Committee (Z)
7:00 pm	Worship Committee (Z)

Wed., Nov 13

9:00 am Lectio Divina Bible Study (Z)
 1:00 pm Higher Octave Healing (Resource, Rms 2-3, Lounge)
 3:45 pm Worship Planning Team (Z)
 5:15 pm Wednesday Night Dinner (K, FH)
 6:00 pm Bell Choir Practice (S)
 7:00 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal (CH)

Thu., Nov 14

8:00 am TOPS (MR, Rm 7)
 7:00 pm MSJP Committee (Z)

Fri., Nov 15

1:00 pm Higher Octave Healing (Resource, Rms 2-3)
 3:00 pm I-HELP –Meal: UPC (FH, K)
 8:30 pm A.A. Meeting (Rm 7)

Sat., Nov 16

7:00 am I-HELP guests depart
 8:00 am Congregational Workday

Sun., Nov 17

Thanks Offering

9:30 am Worship Service (S, Z, YouTube)
 10:00 am Children’s Bible Time (Rm 2)
 11:00 am Youth Fellowship (Rm 9)
 11:00 am Adult Sunday School (S)

Location/Room References:

(CH)-Choir Room (CR)-Conference Room/Office (COR/Rm7)-Community Room
 (FH)-Fellowship Hall (MG) Memorial Garden (HSR)-High School Room
 (MSR)-Middle School Room (K)-Fellowship Hall Kitchen
 (L)-Lounge (MR)-Meeting Room (PO)-Pastor’s Office
 (Rm#)-Room Number Indicated (S)-Sanctuary
 (Z)-On Zoom (See Weekly Update or UPC Calendar for links)



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