

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP February 9, 2025

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30 a.m.

Liturgist: Cheri Hardy

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

Reverend Ken Moe

- **ONLINE FELLOWSHIP PAD:** Please let us know you are here by scanning the QR code in the worship bulletin or on your screen if you are at home and completing the form. The QR code is also in the top-right corner of your screen. You can also get to the online fellowship pad by going to www.upctempe.org/fellowship.
- **PAPER FELLOWSHIP PAD:** If you prefer to use the fellowship pads in the pews, please tear out the sheet and place it on the pew when you leave for the ushers to pick up.
- **SOCIAL MEDIA:** If you are on any social media, you are encouraged to check in at UPC this morning. Let others know that you are here in hopes that they might receive that as an invitation to become a part of our faith community and be encouraged in their faith journeys.
- **MUTE PHONES:** After checking in, please make sure your phone is muted so as not to disturb those around you from the presence of God with us.



The light of Christ be with you!

⌘ **And also with you!**

PRAYER REQUESTS

(480) 256-8216

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

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

CENTERING TIME & LIGHTING OF CANDLES

"Cuando el popre"
BY JOSE ANTONIO OLIVAR AND MIGUEL MANZANO

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 WORSHIP¹**

All you who thirst, come to the waters.

⌘ **We thirst for God's presence.**

Come and see God in the faces of those around you.

⌘ **We thirst for the restoring love of Jesus Christ.**

Come and see God's love among the people of this congregation.

⌘ **We thirst for the inspiration of the Holy Spirit.**

Come, let us slake our spiritual thirst as we worship God. Amen.

***PASSING THE PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you.

⌘ **And also with you.**

***HYMN**

"The Lord's My Shepherd"

#801

PRAYER OF CONFESSION¹

⌘ **Gracious God, we confess that our wants and wishes often exceed our genuine needs. We feel dissatisfied with the abundance we have and desire more things that are not healthy for us. We waste precious resources and neglect our responsibilities to our neighbors and community. Forgive us our inward and acquisitive ways, and help us to rise above our unhelpful inclinations.**

Moment for silent reflection and confession.

ASSURANCE OF GRACE

We believe that God is love.

⌘ **We believe that God is filled with grace.**

Friends, believe that God's love and grace are freely bestowed on you and me, and in

Jesus Christ we are all forgiven. Amen.

ANTHEM

“Make Me an Instrument”

Chancel Choir

CRAIG COURTNEY

O Lord, O Lord, make me an instrument of Your peace.
Make me an instrument of Your peace, of Your peace.

Where there is hatred let me sow love; where there is injury, pardon. Where there is doubt, faith. Where there is despair, hope. Where there is darkness light, where there is sadness, joy.

O Divine Master, grant that we might not seek to be consoled as to console, to be understood as to understand, to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive, it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; it is in dying we are born to eternal life, eternal life.

Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen.

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

Psalm 107:1-9
Matthew 10: 40-42

OT. pg. 559
NT. pg. 11

Word of wisdom,
Word of grace.
⌘ **Thanks be to God.**

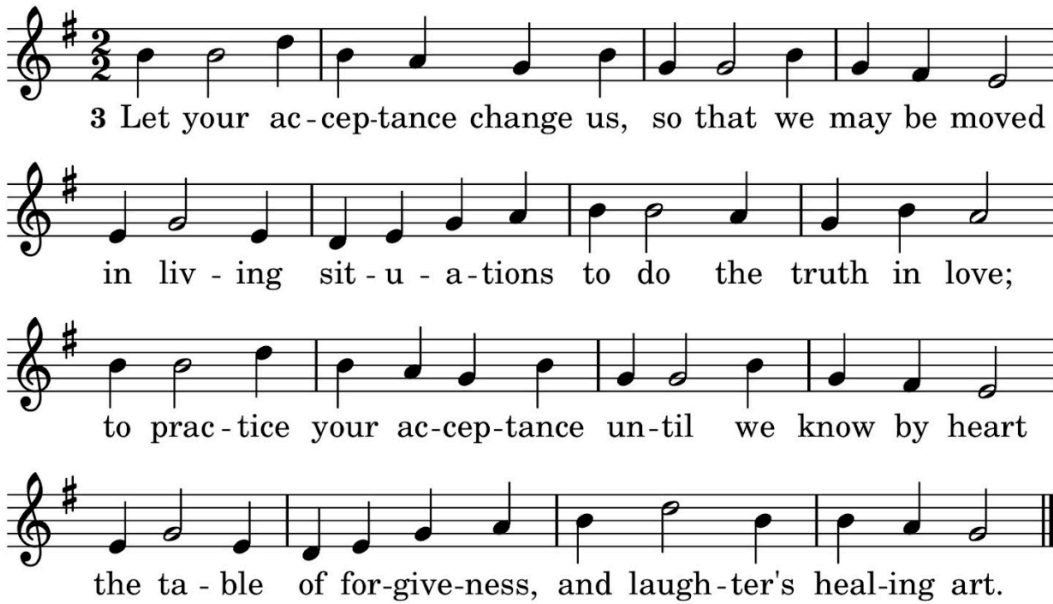
Responding to God's Word

***RESPONSE**

"Help Us Accept each Other"

#754

(v. 3)



3 Let your ac-cep-tance change us, so that we may be moved
 in liv - ing sit - u - a - tions to do the truth in love;
 to prac - tice your ac-cep-tance un-til we know by heart
 the ta - ble of for-give-ness, and laugh-ter's heal-ing art.

MOMENT FOR MISSION

"Humane Borders"

Lynn Moriarity

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,**
 hallowed 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 debts
 as we forgive our debtors.
 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 placed in the offering plate as it is passed,
mailed or dropped off to the church office,
or given through our website at www.upctempe.org/giving.*

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OFFERTORY


"Come to the Water"
JOHN FOLEY, ARR. JEFFREY HONORE

Jon Sywassink,
Organist
Ted Gibson,
Pianist

*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.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION¹

Sent Out in Jesus' Name

INVITATION TO COMMUNITY

*HYMN

"When The Poor Ones"

#762

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

*POSTLUDE

"Go Your Way with Rejoicing!"
DOUGLAS WAGNER

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	Jim Niemann, Chris Trella
Trustee on Duty	Judy Earl
Deacon of the Month	Jim Niemann
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 by Gloria Ortiz in memory of all those who died in the recent plane crashes in Philadelphia and Washington DC.*

MEMORIAL BOOK: *To the Glory of God and in remembrance of George Mayer, a memorial perpetuated in Organ Fund by Eva Hawley, June 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: Dennis Gilliland; Betsy Youngs; Barbara Smith; Bev Phillips; Jim Phillips; Rob, Chet Henry's brother; Beckie Burke; Diane Watkins, Gary Anderson, Dana Prestly

Homebound: Joanna Fancher, Helen Alderson

Birthdays this coming week: Doyle Burke, Rev. Al Gephart, Kendric Knorr

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

Elders: Alan Sweeney, Lawn Griffiths, Molly Winkler
Deacons: Nancy Martin, Jeanette Miller, Jim Niemann, Holly Silcox
Trustees: Carol Rickel, Cheri Hardy, Phil Witherspoon
Presbytery: Emmanuel, Phoenix, their pastor: Rev. Dr. Jennifer Blake

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.

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

- **Feb 2 - 23** - Mission Month

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 C 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.

HEALTH ALERT! It has not been medically verified, except by several of us moms, that 4 year old Mahsa has chicken pox. Probably a good idea to hang back for another week. At our ages, most of us probably had chickenpox as children and have received the shingles vaccine. But better to be safe.

PW ANNUAL BRUNCH & SILENT AUCTION (Sunday, Mar 2, after Worship): The "Fat Sunday" Brunch returns, after two years of hosting our brunch on Palm Sunday. Lent, a solemn time of prayer and reflection, begins March 5th. Let's come together to rejoice, share fellowship and enjoy good food before our preparation for Easter begins.

Menu: Egg Casserole, Coffee Cake, Bagels, Fruit & Yogurt

Drinks: Coffee, tea and juice

Dairy Free & Gluten Free Options Available

Cost: \$5 per person/ \$15 per family or Goodwill Offering

We will be collecting new, gently used, and handmade items for our Silent Auction through Saturday, March 1st. If you have tickets to a sports event or anything else you cannot use, consider donating them to our auction! You can bring items to the church office or arrange items to be picked up by calling Suzanne Niemann at (480) 221-6115. This fundraiser supports PW's mission projects.

MEN'S BREAKFAST (Saturday, Feb. 15, 8:00 am, Meeting Room): Due to the Neighborhood Bike Bash on Feb 8th, we are moving the Men's Breakfast meeting to Saturday, Feb. 15th

INQUIRERS CLASS (Sunday, February 16 and 23, 1:00 p.m.): There will be an inquirers class held for anyone interested in learning more about the Presbyterian Church USA and this congregation. The format will be informal and conversational. Attendance in the class does not obligate one to join the congregation, but those who are interested in becoming members will be received in March. If you are interested in attending, please speak to Ken or Shelly.

RISE AND 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/Go5llLLjTuw>.

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.



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., Feb 9

9:30 am	Worship Service (S, Z, YouTube)
10:00 am	Children's Bible Time
11:00 am	Youth Fellowship (Rm 9)
11:00 am	Adult Christian Education (S, Z)

Mon., Feb 10

8:00 pm	Stewardship Committee (Z)
8:30 pm	AA Meeting (Rm 7)

Tue., Feb 11

7:00 pm	Finance Committee (Z)
7:00 pm	Worship Committee (Z)
Wed., Feb 12	
9:00 am	Lectio Divina Bible Study (Z)
3:45 pm	Worship Planning Meeting (Z)
5:15 pm	Wednesday Night Dinner (FH)
6:00 pm	Bell Choir Practice (S)
7:00 pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal (CH)
Thu., Feb 13	
8:00 am	TOPS (MR, Rm 7)
7:00 pm	MSJP Committee (Z)
Fri., Feb 14	
3:00 pm	I-HELP –Meal: Sai Organization (FH, K)
8:30 pm	A.A. Meeting (Rm 7)
Sat., Feb 15	
7:00 am	I-HELP guests depart
8:00 am	Men’s Breakfast (MR)
Sun., Feb 16	
9:30 am	Worship Service (S, Z, YouTube)
10:00 am	Children’s Bible Time
11:00 am	Youth Fellowship (Rm 9)
11:00 am	Adult Christian Education (S, Z)

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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Organist	Jon Sywassink
Administrative Assistant	Lori Saager
Treasurer/Bookkeeper	Andrea White
Attendance Secretaries	Sharlan Pierce, Jeanette Miller
Custodian	Carrie Miter

