



SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP

June 01, 2025

7th Sunday of Easter

9:30 a.m.

Liturgist: Sue Schnebel

*Open and Affirming to All, Glorifying God, Growing in Love
and Service*

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

To ponder as we gather:

“I pray because I can't help myself. I pray because I'm helpless. I pray because the need flows out of me all the time, waking and sleeping. It doesn't change God. It changes me.” –C. S. Lewis

We Gather for Worship

Welcome

- Let us know that you are here by **scanning** the QR code to the right or by going to www.upctempe.org/fellowship, and completing the form—with contact information **only if it is new or changed**.
- **OR** you may **write in and tear out the pew pad sheet** and leave it on the pew.
- If you are on any social media, please **check in at UPC** to let others know that you are here—and that they would be welcome.
- Please mute your devices as we move into worship.



The love of God 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 and Entrance of the Light

“Leaning on the Everlasting Arms” Jon Sywassink,

ARR. PAUL JOHNSTON

Pianist

We use this time to center our spirits on God’s grace-filled presence and remember that we are connected to all things through the Body of Christ.

The candles on the communion table represent the light of community. The candle near the pulpit is the Christ candle, symbolic of the eternal light of Christ.

***Call to Worship**

We welcome all who worship God in spirit and in truth.

⌘ **We are welcome with questions, for this is a place of inquiry.**

We welcome those of all shapes and sizes, color and culture, age and ability.

⌘ **No matter whom we love, or what type of family we have.**

This is a safe place to celebrate the way God made us.

⌘ **Together, let us worship the God of love.**

***Hymn**

“Christ is Alive”

#246

Prayer Of Confession

⌘ Sometimes we cannot see clearly the lives that we lead, O God. There are times when we ignore you and your dreams for us. We find the time to ridicule others when we could have affirmed them. Though we don't like to admit it, we too often seek our own way instead of following in your path of joy and obedience. We come to you now, asking forgiveness for our foolishness. Help us, heal us, and open us to the grace that you offer. Grant us the gift of your Spirit so we may live as people of the Risen Christ.

Moment for silent reflection and confession.

Assurance Of Grace

In the beginning was God, and at the end will be God, and in every moment of our lives God is creating, redeeming and sustaining us. .

⌘ **In Christ we see God's vision! Through the Spirit we receive the gift of peace we can share with others. Alleluia!**

***Passing the Peace of Christ**

The peace of Christ be with you.

⌘ **And also with you.**

***Response**

"Glory to God"

#582

1 Glo - ry to God, whose good-ness shines on me,
 2 World with-out end, 7 with - out end. A - men.

and to the Son, whose grace has par-doned me,
 World with-out end, 7 with - out end. A - men.

and to the Spir-it, whose love has set me free. As it
 World without end, 7 with-out end. A-men.

was in the be-ginning, is now and ever shall be. A - men.

We Listen for God's Word

Moment with Our Children

Sue Schnebel

Prayer For Understanding

Scripture Reading

Psalm 97 Pg 551

John 17:20-26 Pg 111 - 112

The Holy Spirit reveals the Word of God to the people of God!

⌘ Thanks be to God!

Offertory

“Adagio Cantabile”

Jon Sywassink,

ARR. J.S. BACH

Organist

The Lord’s Supper

If you are joining us online, you are invited and encouraged to have some bread or something to eat and a drink as we celebrate the Eucharist.

Invitation To Prayer

Prayer of Thanksgiving

God is with you!

⌘ **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

⌘

We lift them to God.

Let us give thanks to God.

⌘

It is right to give God our thanks and praise.

Holy God...

with all of creation, with people of every time and place, we join the everlasting chorus of praise:

Sanctus

“Holy, Holy, Holy”

#572

We come to this Table now, O Creator, mindful of
Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of your
Holy Spirit, we pray a version of the prayer that Jesus
taught, saying:

Prayer Of Jesus (Modern litany)

Our Creator in heaven;

‡ **You are also at home in the air, soil, forests and oceans.**

May your name always be holy

‡ **By the care we take of your creation.**

May your kin-dom come

‡ **So that all that you see is once again good.**

May your will be done on earth, as it is in heaven...

‡ **By us in whatever we say and do.**

Give us this day our daily bread...

‡ **That all may have what is needed for a sustainable life.**

Forgive us our debts:

‡ **Our greed, our exploitation, our lack of concern for other species and for future generations.**

As we forgive our debtors...

‡ **Showing reconciliation, justice and peace.**

Lead us not into temptation,

‡ **Especially the temptation to equate dominion with exploitation.**

And deliver us from evil...

‡ **Especially the evil of desecrating your gift of creation.**

For yours is the kin-dom...

‡ **Yours, O God, not ours...**

The power and the glory...

‡ **In the cross and resurrection of Jesus...**

For ever and ever!

‡ **In life and in death we belong to you! Amen.**

Words of Institution

We remember

... and after giving thanks to God, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples saying:

⌘ **Take, eat, this is my body, given for you.
Whenever you do this, remember me.**

In the same way, when the meal was finished, he poured the wine, and gave them the cup, saying:

⌘ **This cup is the new covenant sealed in my blood,
shed for the forgiveness of sins.
Whenever you do this, remember me.**

***Giving of the Bread and Cup**

*You may come forward when invited by an usher, exiting from the left end of your row.. Receive the piece of bread from the server or from the plate of **gluten-free bread** in front of **the pulpit**.*

You may dip your bread into the chalice; or you may take an individual cup, placing your used communion cup in the basket provided.

If you wish to remain seated, the communion elements will be brought to you.

If you have brought your own elements or are celebrating communion at home, you may partake when you are ready.

***Communion Anthem**

“Come Share the Lord”

BRYAN JEFFERY LEECH

Chancel Choir

We gather here in Jesus' name; His love is burning in our hearts like living flame. For through the loving Son, we have been made as one. Come take the bread, come drink the wine, come share the Lord.

We'll gather soon where angels trod, we'll see the glory of our wholly living God. Now we anticipate the feast for which we wait. Come take the bread, come drink the wine, come share the Lord.

For God will feed us and will nourish us, this bread and wine will do us good. Our deepest hungers God will satisfy, for God is life and peace and rest and drink and food. Christ joins us here, He breaks the bread, the One who pours the cup is risen from the dead. The One we love the most is now our gracious host. Come take the bread, come drink the wine, come share the Lord.

No one is a stranger here. Everyone belongs. Finding our forgiveness here we in turn forgive all wrongs. We are now One family by the spirit led. Though unseen He meets us here, in the breaking of the bread.

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We'll gather soon where angels trod, we'll see the glory of our wholly living God. Now we anticipate the feast for which we wait. Come take the bread, come drink the wine, come share the Lord. Come take the bread, come drink the wine, come share the Lord.

Prayer After Communion

We Are Sent Back Out to Follow Jesus

*Hymn of Sending

"The Church's One Foundation"

#321

*Charge And Blessing

Postlude

"Christ is Alive! Let Christians Sing"

Jon Sywassink

ARR. JONATHAN REIESS

Organist

When our worship is over, our service resumes. Remember that you are the light of the world!

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www.upctempe.org/email.

Today's Worship Leaders

Head Usher

Tom Sevlie

Ushers

Wendy Sevlie, Chet Henry, Patty Griffiths

Worship Techs

Gil Urias, Chris Trella

Trustee on Duty

Jan Felton

Deacon of the Month

Bianca Osorio

Sanctuary Readiness

Larry Seubert

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Remember in Prayer

Deacon Honorary Plant: *Given this day by Bonny & Chet Henry in loving memory of Debi Henry McDermott*

Memorial Book: *To the Glory of God and in remembrance of Ada Jenkins, a memorial perpetuated in Organ Funds by H.A. Harris Sr., December 1986.*

The World: Prayers for justice and peace around the world, especially in places of war and disasters – natural and human-caused.

Our 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.

Ongoing Prayers: Dennis Gilliland; Betsy Youngs; Barbara Smith; Bev and Norm Phillips and their son Jim Phillips; Rob, Chet Henry's brother; Beckie Burke; Diane Watkins, Gary Anderson, Dana Prestly; Tom Best's friend Sherman and wife Louise.

Homebound: Joanna Fancher, Helen Alderson

Birthdays this coming week: Caetlin Asher, Diana Elliott, John Risseeuw, Sue Schnebel, Emily Youngs, Janet Krause
If your birthday is missing, please contact the church office to let us know the date so we can celebrate with you!

Elders: Sue Schnebel, Jim Hershauer, Faye Gardner
Deacons: Sue Coleman, Sara Hershauer, Diane Hillyard,
Bianca Osorio

Trustees: Steve White, Laura Knorr, Reza Foladi-Nejad

Presbytery: Community Presbyterian Church in Yarnell;
and their pastor: Rev. Dr. Harry Cole

Christian Education

Children's Bible Time is on a Summer hiatus and will return in August (Sundays, following the Children's Moment and ending at the conclusion of Worship)

Youth Group is on a Summer hiatus. (Sundays, 11am - Noon, Room 9):

A.C.E.--Adult Christian Education: Is on a Summer hiatus.
Lectio Divina Bible Study (Wednesdays, 9:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m., Zoom): We read, reflect on, and study the scripture readings for each upcoming Sunday in the Revised Common Lectionary. A list is available for download: List Form (www.upctempe.org/rcl).

What's Going On Here?

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.



Congregational Meeting: There will be a meeting of the congregation today immediately following the service for the purpose of electing a Pastor Nominating Committee. Visitors and guests are welcome to attend but only members of the congregation may vote. It should be a short meeting, followed by sharing fellowship on the patio.

Thank you, Shelly Moe! We welcome back to UPC's pulpit the Rev. Shelly Moe. Pastor Len is away for June and will return July 1. If you have special pastoral needs, you may reach out to the Revs. Ken and Shelly Moe and/or Pastor Len at his regular email address.

Our **Deacon of the month** is Bianca Osorio. She will be available at the front of the church after the service if you would like a private prayer or have other needs.

Cooling/Hydration Center: Catherine May brings an important mission update this morning. Time is running short: If you can volunteer this effort really needs you! Together we can help save vulnerable lives.

Xeriscape Phase 2: Work gets underway next week and should be complete in June, including benches and a pergola to make a great spot for conversations. The project is fully-funded.

'Rise and Shine' Bread: We have delivered 19,544 mini-loaves of bread to those in need. We are no longer producing full size loaves of bread. Thanks to the 45 bakers, including 15 regulars. Invite your friends to bake: Contact Andrea White at info@riseshinebread.org or (480) 580-3021. Questions? Here is a video link:

<https://youtu.be/Go5llLjTuw>.

This Week in the Life of UPC

Note: 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 of other data rates may apply.

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

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

Sun., Jun 1

Migrant Trail Walk Ends

- 9:30 am Worship Service (S, Z, YouTube)
- 10:30 am 'UPC Cafe' fellowship time on the patio

Mon., Jun 2

- 4:30 pm Adult Christian Education Team (Z)
- 5:00 pm ActivStar Karate
- 7:00 pm Administration Committee (Z)
- 8:30 pm AA Meeting (Rm 7)

Tue., Jun 3

- 4:00 pm Violin Lessons (Rm 2)

Wed., Jun 4

- 9:00 am Lectio Divina Bible Study (Z)
- 3:45 pm Worship Planning Meeting (Z)
- 5:30 pm Karate Class (MR)

Thu., Jun 5

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

Fri., Jun 6

3:00 pm I-HELP –Meal: TBA (FH, K)
8:30 pm A.A. Meeting (Rm 7)

Sat., Jun 7

7:00 am I-HELP guests depart
7:15 am Baseball Card Show (FH)

Sun., Jun 8

Day of Pentecost

9:30 am Worship Service (S, Z, YouTube)
10:30 am 'UPC Cafe' fellowship time on the patio

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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