

# **COMMUNION SUNDAY** 9:00 AM - June 1, 2025

"How Majestic Is Your Name" PRELUDE Michael W. Smith, Arr: Mark Hayes; Dorothy Parris, Piano

# SILENT PRAYER OF PREPARATION

FOUNTAIN HILLS

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Spirit of the Living God, fall fresh on me; melt me, mold me, fill me, use me; Spirit of the Living God fall fresh on me. Amen.

#### WORDS OF WELCOME

#### **CALL TO WORSHIP**

LEADER: Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth.

- **PEOPLE:** Worship the Lord with gladness; come before him with joyful songs.
- LEADER: Know that the Lord is God. It is he who made us, and we are his.
- **PEOPLE:** We are his people, the sheep of his pasture.
- LEADER: Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name.
- **PEOPLE:** For the Lord is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations.
- "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah" **\*HYMN OF PRAISE** No. 682

## CALL TO CONFESSION

We worry if we confess what rests heavily on our hearts, we will be judged and condemned. Yet God desires we come close and open ourselves to the possibility of transformation and grace. When we confess our sin, we acknowledge God's love for us and Christ's prayer for us, opening ourselves to forgiveness and new life. Trusting in this love, let us confess our sins.

## **PRAYER FOR FORGIVENESS & RENEWAL**

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Merciful God, you desire that the world might see your light shine through us. Yet we confess we are often too blinded by the glittering temptations of this world. We turn from your way, hurting the very ones we were called to serve, in our action and our inaction. We grow frustrated with each other, seeking to silence anything besides our own desires. We fail to see your righteousness and champion greed and discord in the name of power and popularity. Forgive us. Melt us and mold us into more faithful disciples, seeking your light, reflecting your mercy, and sharing your grace. Amen.

# WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Here are words that you may trust, words that merit full acceptance: Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. To all who confess their sins and resolve to lead a new life, He says, "Your sins are forgiven." He also says, "Follow Me." Now to the one who rules all worlds, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever.

Ilene Berg

HYMN OF WORSHIP	"The Wonder of It All"	#738
PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE		Pastor Bob
SHARING OUR GIFTS		Pastor Bob

**OFFERTORY "Wonderful Words of Life"** Philip P. Bliss, Arr: Michael Cox; Dorothy Parris, Piano

# \*DOXOLOGY

\***PRAYER OF DEDICATION** Ilene Berg God of wonder, we offer you these humble gifts, signs of your goodness and mercy. Receive them with our gratitude, that through us all people may know the riches of your love in the Word-made-flesh. And so, we pray as Jesus taught us saying, "Our Father...."

# THE LORD'S PRAYER

SCRIPTURE READING	Acts 11:19-26	Ilene Berg

## MINISTRY OF MUSIC "One Bread, One Body"

written by John Foley, performed by Debbie Fisher

SERMON "The Values That Shape Us: Friends" Rev Dr Bob Simmons

## THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

## **\*AFFIRMATION OF OUR FAITH**

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 Spirit, 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 sits on the right hand of God the Father almighty. From thence he shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

# SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP

**\*SONG OF CELEBRATION** "Alleluia" #189

#### \*BENEDICTION

Pastor Bob

\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE "Go, My Children, with My Blessing"

## POSTLUDE

(\*= please stand if you are comfortably able)

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**NEXT SUNDAY'S SERMON** - "The Values That Shape Us: The Church" Acts 2:42-47 (Pentecost)

#### UPCOMING PRESBYTERY MEETING

Saturday, June 7, 2025
8:30 AM – 12:00 PM – Sanctuary

All members are invited to attend the next Presbytery Meeting. This is a vital time for discernment, connection, and collaboration across our churches. Join us as we seek God's guidance for the life of our presbytery.

#### AFTER WORSHIP BIBLE CLASS

Join us today as we continue our study, "Who is the Holy Spirit," with a 25-minute video by Dr. Sinclair Ferguson. The class starts around 10:20 AM and ends at 11:00 AM.

**Summer Office Hours:** 

Monday – Thursday: 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM

Friday - Sunday: Closed



#### CHANCEL FLOWERS GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD...

-Deacons of FHPC