



**20th Sunday after Pentecost  
(October 9/10, 2021)  
Saturday/Tempe Livestream/Gilbert  
Order of Worship**

**WELCOME:**

**CALL TO WORSHIP:**

P: God has called all people to lives of hope and service.

**C: May God's word strengthen us to serve.**

P: Place your trust in God's power and love.

**C: God understands our needs, our sorrows, and our joys.**

P: Come, let us worship God who is with us always.

**C: Praise God for God's eternal presence.**

**OPENING PRAYER:**

Servant Lord,

**You have called us here this day for healing, hope, and transformation. As we listen for the Spirit's leading, pray our prayers, sing our hymns, and hear God's word, open our hearts to hear your claim on our lives; that we may fully and joyfully serve you. Amen.**

**GATHERING SONG: "How Great is Our God"**

**Verse 1:**

The splendor of the King  
Clothed in majesty  
Let all the earth rejoice  
All the earth rejoice  
He wraps Himself in light  
And darkness tries to hide  
And trembles at His voice  
And trembles at His voice

**Chorus:**

How great is our God  
Sing with me  
How great is our God  
And all will see how great  
How great is our God

**Verse 2:**

And age to age He stands  
And time is in His hands  
Beginning and the End  
Beginning and the End  
The Godhead three in one  
Father Spirit Son  
The Lion and the Lamb  
The Lion and the Lamb

**Bridge:**

Name above all names  
Worthy of all praise  
My heart will sing  
How great is our God

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**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE:** "Jesus Loves Me" (Tempe)

Jesus, He loves me  
He loves me, He is for me  
Jesus, how can it be  
He loves me, He is for me

**MISSION MOMENT:** "Lives Connecting, Hopes Projecting"

**FIRST LESSON:** Amos 5:6-7,10-15 (*All services*)

<sup>6</sup>Seek the LORD and live,  
or he will break out against the house of Joseph like fire,  
and it will devour Bethel, with no one to quench it.

<sup>7</sup>Ah, you that turn justice to wormwood,  
and bring righteousness to the ground!

<sup>10</sup>They hate the one who reproves in the gate,  
and they abhor the one who speaks the truth.

<sup>11</sup>Therefore because you trample on the poor  
and take from them levies of grain,  
you have built houses of hewn stone,  
but you shall not live in them;  
you have planted pleasant vineyards,  
but you shall not drink their wine.

<sup>12</sup>For I know how many are your transgressions,  
and how great are your sins—  
you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe,  
and push aside the needy in the gate.

<sup>13</sup>Therefore the prudent will keep silent in such a time;  
for it is an evil time.

<sup>14</sup>Seek good and not evil,  
that you may live;  
and so the LORD, the God of hosts, will be with you,  
just as you have said.

<sup>15</sup>Hate evil and love good,  
and establish justice in the gate;  
it may be that the LORD, the God of hosts,  
will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

L: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: "Hallelujah"**

Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah  
Your love makes me sing  
Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah  
Your love makes me sing

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**GOSPEL: Mark 10:17-31**

<sup>17</sup>As [Jesus] was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" <sup>18</sup>Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. <sup>19</sup>You know the commandments: 'You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.' " <sup>20</sup>He said to him, "Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth." <sup>21</sup>Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, "You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me." <sup>22</sup>When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

<sup>23</sup>Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!" <sup>24</sup>And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, "Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! <sup>25</sup>It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God." <sup>26</sup>They were greatly astounded and said to one another, "Then who can be saved?" <sup>27</sup>Jesus looked at them and said, "For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible."

<sup>28</sup>Peter began to say to him, "Look, we have left everything and followed you." <sup>29</sup>Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, <sup>30</sup>who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields, with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. <sup>31</sup>But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to You, O Christ.**

**SERMON:**

"Choose Wisely"

Pastor Thaddeus Book (Gilbert)

"Impossibly Possible"

Pastor Andrea Cain (Sat. & Tempe)

**SERMON SONG:****“Take My Life” (Sunday Tempe)****Verse 1:**

Take my life and let it be consecrated  
Lord to Thee  
Take my moments and my days  
Let them flow in ceaseless praise  
Take my hands and let them move  
At the impulse of Thy love  
Take my feet and let them be  
Swift and beautiful for Thee

**Verse 2:**

Take my voice and let me sing  
Always only for my King  
Take my lips and let them be  
Filled with messages from Thee  
Take my silver and my gold  
Not a mite would I withhold  
Take my intellect and use  
Ev'ry power as You choose

**Chorus:**

Here am I all of me  
Take my life it's all for Thee

**Verse 3:**

Take my will and make it Thine  
It shall be no longer mine  
Take my heart it is Thine own  
It shall be Thy royal throne  
Take my love my Lord I pour  
At Your feet its treasure store  
Take myself and I will be  
Ever only all for Thee

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**“Make Me a Servant”  
(Saturday Tempe & Gilbert)****Chorus:**

Make me a servant humble and meek  
Lord let me lift up those who are weak  
And may the prayer of my heart always be  
Make me a servant make me a servant  
Make me a servant today

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## **APOSTLES' CREED:**

I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will 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.

## **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION:**

The peace of the Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Made children and heirs of God's promise, we pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

*A brief silence.*

Uniting God, equip us to use our gifts to serve others. Bring your church into unity with mission centered on your grace. Lord, in your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

Empowering God, open the hearts of local, national, and world leaders to show compassion and love for their neighbors. Lord, in your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

Sheltering God, provide safe places to sleep and rest for those who have no place to live. Sustain ministries that offer food, clothing, and peace of mind. Lord, in your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

Renewing God, help us to listen to your Spirit and open our hearts to see where new life is budding in the church. Lord, in your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

Eternal God, we thank you for the lives of those who have died. Help us trust your promise of salvation and support us in our own journey of faith. Lord, in your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

Receive these prayers, O God, and those in our hearts known only to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

## **OFFERING:**

### **INVITATION TO THE OFFERING:**

The generosity of Christ calls us to lives of gratitude and generosity. In Jesus Christ we are given new life. Let us celebrate this life by giving generously to the work of God's redeeming love.

*Offering baskets are now in the front of the worship space along with the Hunger Jar. The Hunger Jar is an offering above and beyond regular offering designated for mission outside our walls.*

*You are invited to come forward to share your gifts or place in them in the basket in the entrance on your way in our out while others give electronically at [www.desertcross.org](http://www.desertcross.org), or through other means. We give thanks for all the ways you support God's mission of outreach through Desert Cross that changes lives for the sake of the gospel.*

### **OFFERING SONG: "The Potter's Hand"**

#### **Verse 1:**

Beautiful Lord wonderful Saviour  
I know for sure all of my days are  
Held in Your hand crafted into  
Your perfect plan

#### **Verse 2:**

You gently call me into Your presence  
Guiding me by Your Holy Spirit  
Teach me dear Lord to live all of my life  
Through Your eyes

#### **Pre-Chorus:**

I'm captured by Your holy calling  
Set me apart I know You're drawing

Me to Yourself  
Lead me Lord I pray

#### **Chorus**

Take me, mold me  
Use me, fill me  
I give my life  
To the Potter's hand  
Call me, guide me  
Lead me walk beside me  
I give my life  
To the Potter's hand

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### **OFFERING PRAYER:**

Holy Giver of all that we need, you have filled our hearts with joy and our hands with overflowing abundance. With thanks and joy, we bring these gifts, offering ourselves in communion with you and with all creation. **Amen.**

### **HOLY COMMUNION:**

#### **CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS:**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,  
who forgives all our sin,  
whose mercy endures forever.

**Amen.**

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Gracious God,

**have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of ✝ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

**Amen.**

#### **WORDS OF INSTITUTION:**

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, gave thanks, broke it and gave it to his disciples saying, Take and eat, this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper he took the cup, gave thanks and gave it for all to drink saying, this cup is the new covenant in my blood shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

*Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:*

#### **LORD'S PRAYER:**

**(1030am Tempe, Gilbert)**

Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name,  
thy kingdom come, thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us; and  
lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,

#### **Song: "Cambodian Lord's Prayer"**

**(5pm Tempe)**

Our Father, who art in heaven  
Hallowed be thy name  
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done  
Here on earth as it is in heav'n.  
Give us this day our daily bread  
And forgive our trespasses  
Lord, forgive as we forgive  
Those who trespass against us  
Forgive us, Lord, Forgive us, Lord.  
And lead us not into temptation

and the power, and the glory,  
forever and ever. Amen.

Lead us not, but deliver us from evil  
Lord, we pray your mercy.  
For yours is the kingdom,  
And the power, and the glory,  
Forever and ever!  
Amen, amen.  
Amen, amen, amen.

**COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION:** Come forward to receive the bread and a cup of wine/juice.  
Alert an usher for communion in your seat. All are welcome.

### **DISTRIBUTION SONGS:**

#### **“Revelation Song” (Sunday Tempe)**

##### **Verse 1:**

Worthy is the Lamb Who was slain  
Holy, holy is He  
Sing a new song to Him Who sits on  
Heaven's mercy seat

##### **Chorus:**

Holy, holy, holy  
Is the Lord God Almighty  
Who was and is and is to come  
With all creation I sing  
Praise to the King of kings  
You are my ev'rything  
And I will adore You

##### **Verse 2:**

Clothed in rainbows of living color  
Flashes of lightning rolls of thunder  
Blessing and honor strength and glory  
And power be to You the only wise King

##### **Verse 3:**

Filled with wonder, awestruck wonder  
At the mention of Your name  
Jesus Your name is power breath and living water  
Such a marv'lous mystery

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#### **“What the Lord Has Done in Me” (Saturday Tempe & Gilbert)**

##### **Verse 1:**

Let the weak say I am strong  
Let the poor say I am rich  
Let the blind say I can see  
It's what the Lord has done in me

##### **Chorus:**

Hosanna hosanna  
To the Lamb that was slain  
Hosanna hosanna  
Jesus died and rose again

##### **Verse 2:**

Into the river I will wade  
There my sins are washed away  
From the heaven's mercy stream  
Of the Savior's love for me

##### **Verse 3:**

I will rise from waters deep  
Into the saving arms of God  
I will sing salvation songs  
Jesus Christ has set me free

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**“Healing Waters”  
(Sunday Tempe)**

**Refrain:**

Healing waters, flow over me  
Mercy’s water, renewing me  
Mercy’s ocean, transforming me  
Healing water, renew me.

**Verse 1:**

Renew my heart, O God  
Come change my hardened heart  
Come fill my hardened heart with mercy  
You are the water of life  
You are the breath of heaven  
Come fill my hardened heart with mercy, Lord

**Verse 2:**

Wash me in waters of love;  
Cleanse me and purify me  
For only you can cleanse me, Lord  
Wash over me, O Lord  
Refresh my thirsty soul  
For you alone can make me holy, Lord.

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**“I Love You, Lord”  
(Saturday Tempe & Gilbert)**

I love You Lord  
And I lift my voice  
To worship You  
O my soul rejoice  
Take joy my King  
In what You hear  
May it be a sweet, sweet sound  
In Your ear

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**POST-COMMUNION BLESSING & PRAYER:**

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

**Amen.**

We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us at your table by granting us the presence of Jesus Christ. Strengthen our faith, increase our love for one another, and send us forth into the world with serving hearts, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit, through Jesus Christ our Savior.

**Amen.**

**BENEDICTION:**

People of God, you are Christ’s body, bringing new life to a suffering world. The holy Trinity, † one God, bless you now and forever.

**Amen.**

**SENDING SONG: "Forever"**

**Verse 1:**

Give thanks to the Lord  
Our God and King  
His love endures forever  
For He is good He is above all things  
His love endures forever  
Sing praise, sing praise

**Verse 2:**

With a mighty hand  
And an outstretched arm  
His love endures forever  
For the life that's been reborn  
His love endures forever  
Sing praise, sing praise

**Pre-Chorus:**

Sing praise, sing praise

**Chorus:**

Forever, God is faithful  
Forever, God is strong  
Forever, God is with us  
Forever, forever

**Verse 3:**

From the rising to the setting sun  
His love endures forever  
And by the grace of God  
We will carry on  
His love endures forever  
Sing praise, sing praise

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**DISMISSAL:**

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**POSTLUDE:**

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