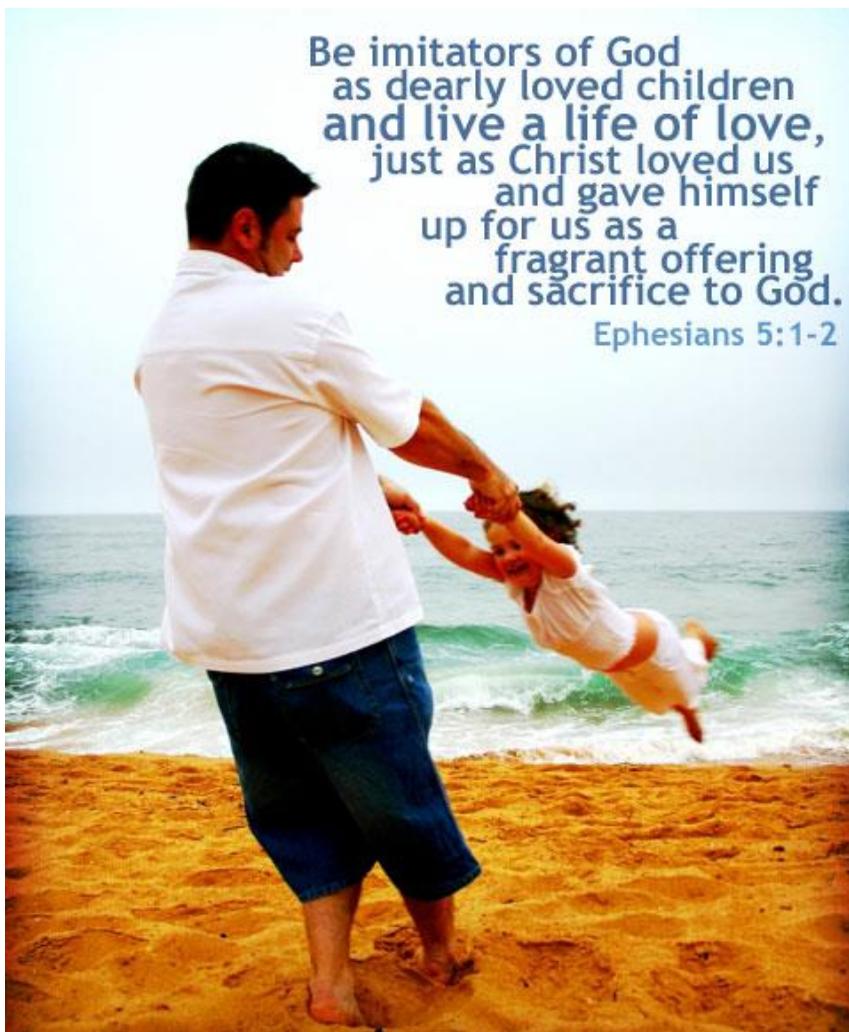


**AUGUST 8, 2021**  
**9:00 AM**



**Sierra Evangelical Lutheran Church**  
**101 North Lenzner Ave., Sierra Vista, AZ 85635**  
**(520) 459-0444 - [www.selcaz.org](http://www.selcaz.org)**

Our Mission Statement: “With faith in God’s grace, we share Christ’s love with all, so that lives are transformed by the Holy Spirit.”

Mark Perry, Pastor  
Diana Washington, Intern Pastor  
Linda Perry, Director of Faith Formation  
Jim Cleven, SELC Council President  
Cindy Allen, Administrative Assistant  
Ministers: The People of SELC

**SELC SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE - 9:00 AM**  
**WATCH AND WORSHIP WITH US LIVE-STREAMED ONLINE**

Celebrated each week, including a sermon and communion with those present and at home. Your Pastor, Intern Pastor, musicians, and AV tech will gather to celebrate worship online with you from the sanctuary.

Go to our website, [www.selcaz.org](http://www.selcaz.org), scroll down to the bottom of the page, look for the “Watch Services” ‘button,’ click on it, then click on the worship service to the right that you want to watch. These will remain available to watch for 90 days. If you can’t watch it online, call the office to request a DVD, if desired.

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**PRAYER REQUESTS for the month of AUGUST can be submitted online at**  
[www.selcaz.org](http://www.selcaz.org) or to Barb Wirsching, [bcswasey@gmail.com](mailto:bcswasey@gmail.com)  
**Prayers Can Be Found in The Back of The Bulletin**

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**Oil for The Eternal Light provided by**  
Billie Hayes

**Flowers Provided for the Glory of God**

**Scripture Readings for Next Sunday**

Proverbs 9:1-6

Psalm 34:9-14

Ephesians 5:15-20

John 6:51-58

**Just a reminder: the pews in the side sections of the sanctuary are reserved for those who wish to be both distanced and masked.**



## **\*Sharing of the Peace**

### **MEAL**

#### **Offering**

**Offering Moment** - *We invite you to prayerfully consider how you may be called today or this week to respond to God's grace through the sharing of your service, your caring and your monetary resources. Perhaps say a prayer or write a note of commitment about how this might be done. We thank all those who have faithfully given to God's work through SELC. See [www.selcaz.org](http://www.selcaz.org) and click on the 'Giving' tab for info how to give online. An offering plate is available in the back for your gifts as well.*

#### **\*Offering Prayer**

#### **\*Great Thanksgiving** *(spoken)*

#### **\*Dialogue**

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#### **\*Preface**

#### **\*Holy, Holy, Holy**

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#### **\*Lord's Prayer** *(Sung Version)*

#### **Invitation to Communion**

*(If you have bread and wine or grape juice at home, you're welcome to lift it up as does the pastor and partake of it together or alone in your home.)*

#### **Communion**

#### **Prayer after Communion**

### **SENDING**

#### **Announcements**

#### **\*Blessing**

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**\*Sending Song “They’ll Know that We’re Christians by Our Love”**

**\*Dismissal**

**Postlude**

**Partita on Sending Song**

*(arr. Billie Hayes)*

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## **Serving Today**

### **Altar Guild**

Lorna and Dennis Cook

### **Acolyte**

Linda Radwick

### **Lector**

Doug Hamp

### **Organist & Pianist**

Billie Hayes

Paul Gregory

### **AV Technicians**

CJ Abraham, Larry Rewis

### **Ushers for Today**

Carl McCourt

Gary Peterson

## **Nursery Available**

Nursery Services are available, for those who wish, for children birth to Pre-K in the Nursery Room on the North side of the patio.

## **Wednesday Morning Bible Study**

Join us for a wonderful time of study and discussion focusing on Ephesians. **In Person and on Zoom at 9 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.**

## **Stitch-in-Time Quilters**

"Stitch-in-time" quilters will meet on Thursday, August 19th from 9 a.m. to noon. Come join the fun, experience not necessary.

## **CONSIDER A MORE IN-DEPTH LEARNING OPPORTUNITY**

Are you wondering “How can I more significantly deepen my knowledge and understand of God and His calling for my life?” Diakonia is a Synod-sponsored two-

year program that provides a system of study to help answer that question. With a lot of us having to stay home more, this could be the ideal time to engage in a program like this! It encourages increased participation in the church and in the community. Students learn from ordained pastors in a cohort setting. They study traditional seminary disciplines, identify their particular gifts, and are encouraged to grow spiritually. Classes are being offered online this fall in “real-time” video sessions. Cost is \$360/year plus books. If interested in hearing more information, go to [www.diakoniaaz.org](http://www.diakoniaaz.org) or email, [info@diakoniaaz.org](mailto:info@diakoniaaz.org), or contact Pastor Perry. (Note: this is not part of a process of becoming a rostered minister or deacon in the ELCA but is a program meant to build up stronger and more knowledgeable lay leaders and learners in our state). Brochures are available in the Narthex and the church office.

Join us for a Zoom Information Night on August 11<sup>th</sup>, 2021, at 7:00 pm.  
 Use this link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85103299643>

**Plan to attend the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, VIA de CRISTO 2021 Retreat.**

Participating in this Renewing and Discipleship Ministry Retreat is most certainly “An invitation to receive a wonderful gift from God”. Any person seeking to be strengthened in their relationship with Christ and their witness to others is urged to consider attending. This year the retreat dates are **Thursday Oct 14<sup>th</sup> thru Sunday Oct 17<sup>th</sup>**. This weekend is open to married couples and single men and women. For more information, please contact Jim Clevon, SELC parish representative at 520-678-0414 or [eaglelope@cox.net](mailto:eaglelope@cox.net), Pastor Mark Perry, or Linda Perry, Dir. of Faith Formation. Brochures are available in the Narthex and the church office. All application packages should be submitted by August 31, 2021.

**Volunteers Needed!**

- ♥ **Welcome Center** - Help crew the Welcome Center on a Sunday. Skills needed: a friendly smile and a Hi! For information or to volunteer contact Helen Perdiue 520-249-8191
- ♥ **Church Pews Ministry** - The church pew ministry consists of a team of volunteers to weekly straighten the pews and restock the SELC Connect Cards and other supplies. Once a month to twice a year.... whatever you can do. The more people that join in the rotations help spread the job. For more information or if you are willing to help, please contact Cindy Allen at the church office 459-0444 or [admin@selcaz.org](mailto:admin@selcaz.org).

SUN 8/8	9:00 AM	Worship Service In-Person / On-line
		Intern Pastor Diana’s first Service

	<del>6:30 PM</del>	<del>Ice Cream Social in Fellowship Hall</del>
MON 8/9	6:00 PM	Square Dancing - Fellowship Hall
TUE 8/10	9:00 AM	Shepherd's Fold Chapel - Sanctuary
	7:00 PM	Fellowship Hall Reserved
WED 8/11	9:00 AM	Bible Study In-person and Zoom
	11:00 AM	Bell Rehearsal in Sanctuary
THUR 8/12	12:30 PM	Grace Group - Fellowship Hall
	6:00 PM	Square Dancing - Fellowship Hall
FRI 8/13		
SAT 8/14		
SUN 8/15	9:00 AM	Worship Service In-Person / On-line

**Please Continue to Pray** for the Family of Frank Trace, Amber Brenner, Dave Dechant, Tim Haggerly (friend of Perry's), Samuel Swasey-Hadlock (grandson of Barb Wirsching), James Brunk (SELC friend), Sam Smock (Carolyn Gravatt's brother), Tammy (friend of visitor Mikki Morris); the fires in Oregon and people who have lost their homes, family of Jack Hewitt; John Williams; family and friends of Verona Webb (Joan Hays' mother); Cindy Allen, Elija Montgomery, Jan Huthoefer; the family and friends of Dee Brenner; Tracy and her Mother Judy (Dotti Wellman's friends); Bob Strain, Priscilla Hart (godmother of Mary Alexander's caretaker); Catherine Collins (Margaret Reilly's sister).

**Long-Term Prayers:** Addie (Krazy Goat Sanctuary); Carol (Cindy Allen's Mom); Mary Alexander; John and Mary Alexander (Mary Alexander's son and wife); Cindy Bartlein (CJ Abraham's friend); Dolly Bessler; Gail Brady (Hamp's neighbor); Amber Brenner, Chris Brenner, Duke Burford; Dave Dechant; Marti Derickson (friend of the Perry's); Gracie (friend of Marilyn Hewitt); Hanna Hooper; Samantha Howard (Carol Jordahl's great niece); Don Huthoefer, Jake (son of a friend of the Perrys); Kyle King (son of Palomaa's neighbor); Makayla Margulies (Virginia Napolitano's grandniece); Michael (Lisa Mitchell's nephew); Holly and Brandon Montgomery; Anne Nowak, Linda Perry; Doris Rasmussen (Helen Perdiue's mother); Jerry Regan, George Renbeck (Kim Renbeck's father); Rachel, Jamie, Owen, Marcia (Barb Wirsching's niece and family); the Rewis family, Dee Rowley, Bob and Jane Strain; Faye Toto, Jill Winkels (Cindy Wiste's friend); Wyman (Julie March's cousin); The Navajo Evangelical Lutheran Mission at Rock Point; all people who are in lockdown

in facilities and affected by the virus; all youth experiencing mental health issues; peace for our nation; military personnel everywhere.



Every Night In Every Home!

**Our FAITH5 verse of the week is John 6:35**

Jesus said to [the crowd,] “I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.”

*(Post or keep this weekly scripture in a handy place and every morning or evening share the following as a couple, or with family members in the home or even with a dear friend over the phone.)*



**Share** your highs and lows of the day with one another.



**Read** the verse of the week and if time permits, the Bible story that pertains to the Scripture of the week.



**Talk** about how the Bible reading might relate to your highs and lows of the day or how it's speaking to you.



**Pray** for one another's highs and lows and other prayer requests.



**Bless** one another. Make the sign of the cross on each other's forehead or the palm of your hands and say something simple such as: “God bless you and keep you in His love and care!” Or feel free to make up your own blessing that incorporates a part of the FAITH5 verse of the week.