

Joseph's Faith In Action



Our Prince of Peace

December 22, 2019

10:45 a.m.

Sierra Evangelical Lutheran Church

101 North Lenzner Ave., Sierra Vista, AZ 85635

(520) 459-0444 - 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
Paul Benz, Intern Pastor
Linda Perry, Director of Faith Formation
Larry Rewis, SELC Council President
Cindy Allen, Administrative Assistant
Ministers: The People of SELC

**You Are Invited again to Sunday Worship Services
Next Week at 8:00 a.m. & 10:45 a.m.**

Nursery for children Birth - 4 yrs is available at 10:45 worship service. Parents are also welcome to use the Comfort Room as a private area to take your infant or young children if you would like. Located just off the Lobby.

WELCOME TO SELC - Please sign your name in the red fellowship pad from the pew rack in front of you. All are welcome at the communion table, regardless of denominational background or life circumstance. To learn more about what it means to be a devoted Christ-follower, and how Baptism is an essential entrance rite into that life of discipleship and service, please talk to the pastor or intern pastor. White grape juice is available as well as gluten-free wafers. Please indicate your preferences to the server.

PRAYER REQUESTS for the month of **DECEMBER** can be submitted online at www.selcaz.org or to Leslie McCourt at mccourtleslie@gmail.com.

PLEASE PRAY Caroline Pentecost, Sully Mix, Sunny Fichtl and Maverick Allen. Please continue to pray for Donya Brenner; the family of Michael Brown; Toni Joyce; Stephanie and Michael; the family of Carol Coss; Will Maynard and family; Caroline Davidson, Dave Hinkelman; Kathy Krompacs, Duane Wiste, Jan Bowie, Maggie Vaughn; John Alexander and his wife Mary; and family; Ty Grube, Faye Toto, Joanne March, Chris Brenner, Rich Mount; Bob Reiner; George Abraham; Jim and Pam Andrew; Jane Behsman, Jan Bevelin, Dee Brenner; the Bills family; Clayton; Don and Jan Huthoefer; Johnnie Rae Latham, Helen Lecomte, Jake, Makayla Margulies, Sully Mix, Anne Nowak, Shawn Nowery; Pete and Dee Pederson; Helen Perdiue, Jerry Regan; Roger and Dee Rowley; Virginia Studer, Grady Taylor, Bridget Watson, Virginia Wickizer, all those who have lost loved ones this year; and military personnel everywhere.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT
(* = *Please stand as you are able*)

GATHERING

Prelude (Traditional, arr. David Huntsinger)
“Rise Up, Shepherd, and Follow/Go Where I Send Thee”

Welcome

***Confession and Forgiveness / Lighting of the Advent Candle**

***Gathering Song** “Fling Wide the Door” **ELW #259**

Prayer of the Day

WORD

***First Reading: Isaiah 7:10-16** Pew Bible p. 554; SPARK Bible p. 168

***Second Reading: Romans 1:1-7** Pew Bible pg. 913

***Gospel Acclamation** **ELW #289; Refrain only**
“Angels We Have Heard on High”

***Gospel: Matthew 1:18-25** Pew Bible pg. 783; SPARK Bible p. 196

Children’s Time

Sermon Intern Pastor Paul Benz

Moment of Silent Reflection

***Hymn of the Day** “O Come, O Come, Emmanuel” **ELW #257; vss. 5-8**

***Apostles’ Creed**

***Prayers of the People** *(to the conclusion, "Hear us O God,"
please respond, "Your mercy is great.")*

***Sharing of the Peace**

MEAL

Offering

Offering Music "Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence" (17th Century French Folk Song)

***Offering Prayer**

***Holy Communion / Words of Institution**

***Lord's Prayer**

Invitation to Communion

Communion Song "Lamb of God" ELW pg. 146

(During Advent, reflective instrumental music is played during communion.)

Prayer after Communion

SENDING

Announcements

***Blessing**

***Sending Hymn** "Let All Together Praise Our God" ELW #287; vss. 1-5

***Dismissal**

Postlude "Voluntary on Sending Song" (arr. B. Hayes)

2020 OFFERING ENVELOPES are in the Narthex. Please take yours home. If none have been assigned to you and you would like them, please call Sandy Stephenson, Financial Secretary, 378-4678.

Oil for The Eternal Light Provided by
Ruth Britton in honor of Britton, Paige and Wyatt's baptisms.

SELC CHRISTMAS WEEK OFFICE HOURS: Monday, Dec. 23 - 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Tuesday, Dec 24 - 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m., Wednesday, Dec 25 - Closed , Thursday,
Dec 26 - Closed, Friday, Dec 27 - Closed

Scripture Readings for Next Sunday

Isaiah 63:7-9
Psalm 148
Hebrews 2:10-18
Matthew 2:13-23

SERVING TODAY

Altar Guild

Sylvia Diamond, Patti Paul, Linda Radwick,

Acolyte

8:00 a.m. - Ro Decker
10:45 a.m. - Joy Rurangwa

Deacons/Communion Assistants

8:00 a.m. - Deacon Carl McCourt
10:45 a.m. - Deacon Jane Strain

Lector

8:00 a.m. - Joanna Michelich
10:45 a.m. - Joy Rurangwa

Greeters

8:00 a.m. - Wilma Bell, Lynn Light
10:45 a.m. - Ingemarie Fulford,
Hanna Fulford

Interim Music and Choir Director

Sunny Fichtl, Deb Koltveit

Organist & Pianist - Billie Hayes, Deb Koltveit

Partners in Praise - Betty Burford,
Victoria Kiser, Linda Perry

AV Technicians - Bill Silvis, Larry
Rewis, CJ Abraham, Fred March,
Dave Dechant

Ushers for Today

8:00 a.m. - *Monty and Carol
Brandes, Sylvia Diamond, Greg Paul
10:45 a.m. - *Anna Bratlien, Gary
Peterson, Richard Zimmer

CALENDAR 12/22/19 - 12/29/19

SUN 12/22	8:00 & 10:45 AM	Worship Services
	9:30 AM	Faith Formation for ALL Ages
	2:00 PM	Christmas Caroling - Meet at SELC
MON 12/23		
TUE 12/24	7:45 AM	Exercise Group
	12:00 PM	SELC Office Closed
	4:00 PM	Cross+Generational Christmas Eve Worship Service
	8:00 PM	Traditional Candlelight Christmas Eve Worship Service
WED 12/25	10:00 AM	Christmas Day Worship Service
		SELC Office Closed
THUR 12/26	7:00 PM	Plus Square Dancers
		SELC Office Closed
FRI 12/27	6:00 PM	Square Dancing - Fellowship Hall
		SELC Office Closed
SAT 12/28		
SUN 12/29	8:00 & 10:45 AM	Worship Services (<u>No</u> Faith Formation Classes)

Food Donations for Next Sunday Will Go to Peaches Pantry.

**THE FAITH 5 DEVOTIONAL
IS LOCATED IN THE NARTHEX**

2019 CHRISTMAS DONATIONS

IN MEMORY OF

Connie Kelher My grandmothers
Janet Bobar Robert Bobar
Don & Barbara Williams Our parents
Diana Galecke Clarence and Mary
Rich & Sue Mount Our parents
Barbara Wirsching..... Warren Swasey
Becky Randall..... My father, Elmer Blakeway
Ruth Britton..... Joe Britton
Carol Jordahl Greg Jordahl
Jerry W Regan Sandra Regan and Lars Chew
Rhea Scott Darlene Thompson
Lynette Nowlan My parents, Bob & Marg Olson
Bruce Morris Judith L Morris
Kim & Larry Rewis Carol Rewis
Jean Hall Bill Hall
Jack & Marilyn Hewit..... Jill Hewitt
Christina Perry Jackie Curdy and Otto Greenstreet

IN HONOR OF

Becky Randall..... My mother, Alfreda Blakeway
Jeannette Johansson Stoss Family, cousins
Fred & Julie March..... Ty Grube

TO THE GLORY OF GOD

Sylvia Diamond
Linda & Rich Radwick
Edith Jennings
Amy de Schepper
Carl & Leslie McCourt
Joanna & John Michelich

Aldean Hook
Dotti & George Pohlman
Doug & Gail Hamp
Wilma Bell
Cookie & Bill Spivey
Larry & Kim Rewis