

**FEBRUARY 28, 2021  
9:00 AM WORSHIP**



**SIERRA EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
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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.”

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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. All our worship services are also available for viewing on YouTube. Search for, “SELC of Sierra Vista AZ” (and be sure to capitalize AZ.)

**PRAYER REQUESTS** for the month of **FEBRUARY** can be submitted online at [www.selcaz.org](http://www.selcaz.org) or to Leslie McCourt at [mccourtleslie@gmail.com](mailto:mccourtleslie@gmail.com)

**PRAYERS CAN BE FOUND IN THE BACK OF THE BULLETIN**

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**During February, some of the special music, including preludes and postludes, will feature traditional spirituals. Our musician, Billie Hayes, will be highlighting some of the story behind these pieces as a way to honor this theme and heritage.**

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**SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT**  
**ELW** Holy Communion Setting Three  
*(\* = Please stand as you are able)*

**GATHERING**

**Prelude** "Adoration" *(Florence Price)*  
Debbie Dinkel, Violin; Billie Hayes, Keyboard

**Welcome**

**\*Confession and Forgiveness**

**\*Gathering Hymn** "How Firm a Foundation" **ELW #796; vss.1-3**

**\*Greeting**

**\*Prayer of the Day**

**WORD**

**Second Reading: Romans 4:13-25**

**\*Gospel Acclamation** **ELW p.142**

**\*Gospel: Mark 8:31-38**

**Sermon** **Pastor Mark Perry**

***Moment of Silent Reflection***

**Offering Moment** - *As this gift of special music is offered, we also 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.*

**Special Music** SELC Handbell Choir, Dir. by Billie Hayes  
"Swing Low, Sweet Chariot" African American Spiritual (arr. John Behnke)

**\*Apostles' Creed**

**\*Prayers of the People**

**\*Sharing of the Peace**

L: The peace of the Lord be with you all.

C: **And also with you.**

(Please share a sign of peace with one another)

### **MEAL**

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

**\*Dialogue**

ELW p.144

**\*Preface**

**\*Holy, Holy, Holy** (*spoken*)

ELW p.144

**\*Words of Institution**

**\*Lord's Prayer**

**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**

**\*Sending Hymn**            “Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus”            ELW #802; vss. 1-3

**\*Dismissal**

**(Pause for Chimes)**

**Postlude**

"Take My Hand, Precious Lord" with "Peace in the Valley"    (*Thomas A. Dorsey*)

**Oil for The Eternal Light provided for the Glory of God.**

**Scripture Readings for Next Sunday**

Exodus 20:1-17

Psalm 19

1 Corinthians 1:18-25

John 2:13-22

**Please Pray** for Alfreda Blakeway, Brianna Pederson, Malachi Stout and Unborn baby Jasper; and the Family of Genevieve Rodriguez.

**Please Continue to Pray** for baby Jaxon and parents Debon and Rebecca; former Intern John Forester and family at the death of his mother Edith; Paul Moffat; Joseph and Lauren Acker; Patrick Carson; Amber Brenner and family; the family of Paul O'Brien; family and friends of Noemi Carlos Armstrong; Helen Perdiue; Holly and Brandon Montgomery; Peggy Sheets, Chris Brenner; the family and friends of Julie Beachaump; Lilas Mae Grabow, Rebecca Oliver, Jerry Regan, Taylor Benth, 7 Dolly Bessler, Coco Frederickson; Karen Cowman (friend of Paul Gregory); and Ryan.

**Long-Term Prayers:** Addie (Krazy Goat Sanctuary); Mary Alexander; John and Mary Alexander (Mary Alexander's son and wife); Dee Brenner, Deb Brown, Sue Crawley (Cindy Wiste's sister); Gary Graham, Norm Grahn, Samantha Howard (Carol Jordahl's great niece); Don Huthoefer, Sharon Keene, Jake, Makayla Margulies (Virginia Napolitano's grandniece); Michael (Lisa Mitchell's nephew); Rich Mount, Anne Nowak, Linda Perry, Kevin Randolph, Doris Rasmussen, Jerry Regan, George Renbeck; the Rewis family, Dee Rowley, Bob Strain, Faye Toto, Verona Webb, John Williams; Jill Winkels; 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.

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### **COFFEE FELLOWSHIP TIME SUNDAY**

**Sunday, February 28 at 10:45 a.m.**

Join us for informal conversation, catching up and connecting on Zoom.

Topic: Coffee Fellowship

Time: Feb 28, 2021 10:45 AM Arizona

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/98517320142?pwd=WUhWZm5oam9lTDg1eDRIZE1KUjNEQT09>

Meeting ID: 985 1732 0142

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## “BENEATH THE CROSS OF JESUS” MIDWEEK LENTEN SERIES

Wednesday’s, March 3, 10, 17 & 24 at 7:00 p.m.

All are invited to join with our SELC family as we journey through Lent to the cross of salvation and the eternal Glory beyond. Online only via Livestream on our website, [www.selcaz.org](http://www.selcaz.org), or on Facebook and Youtube. We’ll start our evenings together with a Zoom soup supper (see link below) at 6:00- 6:45 p.m., then continue with a reflective worship time together at 7:00 p.m. Our Lenten theme is “Beneath the Cross of Jesus,” based on ELW Hymn #338. We live our lives beneath the cross of Jesus, beneath God’s manifold love and grace that reach to us even from Calvary. This series explores what it means for us to abide at the foot of the cross, to cling to the rock of our salvation, to dwell in the house of the Lord, and to confess our sins and receive God’s forgiveness. In this pandemic season, we trust that reflecting on the cross together through the words and images of this hymn will help us bear our mutual burdens.

Our second week’s theme includes an Affirmation of Baptism.

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### ZOOM SOUP SUPPERS

Wednesday’s, March 3, 10, 17 & 24- 6:00 p.m.

Join your SELC family together on Zoom with your soup supper and some wonderful fellowship. For those who cannot participate in the Zoom Soup Supper, we trust they still feel a touch of connection in Christ as we break bread and enjoy our soup at one collective time in each of our homes.

Topic: SELC Wednesday Lenten Soup Suppers

Time: This is a recurring meeting. Passcode may be needed.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/94861459631?pwd=U1BqNlFlSjBjSFJueW9nMnVnVVhTZz09>

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### HOLY WEEK

*(Service times yet to be determined)*

**Palm Sunday - March 28**

**Good Friday - April 2**

**Easter Sunday - April 4**

## L.S.S. DISASTER RESPONSE - TEXAS / U.S. SEVERE STORMS

Beginning Feb., a polar vortex descended over the United States. It is responsible for subfreezing temperatures and heavy snow across the country, impacting millions of people. Lutheran Disaster Response is working with congregations who are already conducting relief efforts such as supplying water, food and generators to those in need and opening their doors to serve as shelters. With such extensive damage, long-term recovery may include repairing water-damaged homes, disaster case management and supporting vulnerable populations.

**Donate** on-line at the ELCA website <https://community.elca.org/us-storms?erid=802ff97c-b543-4e85-a328-db6a4ae946ef&trid=802ff97c-b543-4e85-a328-db6a4ae946ef> or through check to SELC and note “LDR Texas” in the memo.

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### LENTEN DEVOTIONS

Along with our Faith5 verse we invite / encourage you to continue to read the Lenten devotional book handed out in the Lenten bags. Please contact the church office to make arrangements if you are in need of a devotion book.

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## FAITH5 Every Night In Every Home!

Our FAITH5 verse of the week is **Mark 8:34-35**: He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, “If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it.”

*(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

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



READ

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



TALK

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



PRAY

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



BLESS

**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.