



July 19, 2020
10:00 AM

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

SELC SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE - 10:00 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, 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.

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

PLEASE PRAY FOR Marion and Richard Zimmer; Carol Veldhuizen, the family of Faith Jackson; Thea Chapman, Rich Radwick, Anika Brock, Linde Martin; Jim and Alli; Pastor Shawn Buckhanan; Cylie, Lisbeth, Michael; Rob, Monica & Kris (entire family diagnosed with COVID). **Please continue to pray for** Bob and Joanne Krogh; Doris Rasmussen, Dolores Pearson, Rick H., Mary Alexander, Kaitlyn Alcott and Jordan Larsen; the family of Marty Joyce; the family of Michael Johnson (Anna Bratlien’s brother-in-law); Tom Hays, Sandy Stephenson; the family of Franco Romualdo; Carolyn Cook, Charles Brandes, Dee Pederson; the family of Brian Robinson; Cierra Brenner, Lily, Trenton Harris, Joy Bradley, Virginia Napolitano, Sam Gamutambuli, the family of Wedge Stewart; Karen Bickers, Karen Cottrell; John and Mary Alexander (Mary’s son and daughter-in-law); Lois Anderson; Jim and Pam Andrew; the Bills family; John Cannon, Clayton, Norm Grahn, Ty Grube, Samantha Howard; Don Huthoefer; Jake, Makayla Margulies, Sully Mix, Anne Nowak, Caroline Pentecost; Pete and Dee Pederson; Jerry Regan Bob Reiner, Larry Rewis, Dee Rowley, Dee Stickley, Faye Toto, John Williams; The Navajo Evangelical Mission at Rock Point; all people who are in lockdown in facilities and affected by the virus; military personnel everywhere.

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost
ELW Holy Communion Setting Three
(= Please stand as you are able)*

GATHERING

Chime

Prelude

"Allegro"

(Arcangelo Corelli)

(You may wish to light a candle or two during this time in your home)

Welcome

***Confession and Forgiveness**

***Gathering Hymn**

"When Morning Gilds the Skies"

ELW #853

***Greeting**

***Kyrie**

ELW p. 138

***Canticle of Praise**

ELW p. 139

***Prayer of the Day**

WORD

First Reading: Isaiah 44:6-8

Pew Bible pg. 587

Second Reading: Romans 8:12-25

Pew Bible pg. 919

***Gospel Acclamation**

ELW pg. 142

***Gospel: Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43**

Pew Bible pgs. 794-795

Sermon

Pastor Mark Perry

Moment of Silent Reflection

SENDING

Announcements

*Blessing

*Sending Hymn “For the Fruit of All Creation” ELW #679

*Dismissal

(Pause for Chimes)

Postlude “Voluntary on Sending Hymn” (Billie Hayes, Organ)

**Oil for The Eternal Light Provided by
the Carol Jordahl in memory of Greg.**

Scripture Readings for Next Sunday

1 Kings 3:5-12

Psalm 119:129-136

Romans 8:26-39

Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

TITHES/OFFERINGS

In these challenging and uncertain times, we so appreciate those who have continued their giving to the Lord!

Tithes/Offerings can be submitted by the following ways:

- Online option for giving by going to the church website: www.selcaz.org and click on “giving” on the purple stripe at top of page. On the Giving page will be information and a place to click to give online. If you have questions call Sandy Stephenson, Financial Secretary at 378-4678.
 - Mailed in - Sierra Lutheran Church-101 N. Lenzner Ave., Sierra Vista, AZ 85635
 - Drop off in the locked black mailbox by the office door, which is checked daily.
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CHURCH OFFICE INFORMATION

FACEMASK REQUIRED ON CHURCH PREMISES

The church office is closed to ALL NON-ESSENTIAL VISITS. If it is imperative you come to the office, please call and make an appointment. Also, for any other assistance or information, please contact us at 459-0444 or admin@selcaz.org. Pastor Perry and Intern Paul Benz are always available to talk or visit.

**Watch for more info and updates in weekly newsletters
and on our website as they become available. www.selcaz.org**

NARTHEX BATHROOM REMODEL STARTING

The long-planned remodel of the bathroom off the narthex entrance area to the worship space has started. It will be unusable for the time being. Any questions contact Council President, Larry Rewis.

SUNDAY COFFEE FELLOWSHIP

About 20 people joined on Zoom for a fun fellowship time last Sunday after worship. We chatted, said hello to folks we've been missing, caught up on the latest news, and just enjoyed hanging out together. We'll continue to offer this time again TODAY Sunday, July 19th, starting about 11:15 am. Here's the invite:

Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://zoom.us/j/97887308059?pwd=L1BSSVgwMHpsQUNkS0pEZitldFExQT09>

Meeting ID: 978 8730 8059

Password: 026457

(Note: NO coffee fellowship next Sunday because of the “drive through goodbye” for Intern Pastor Paul).

UPDATE ON INTERN PASTOR PAUL'S LAST SUNDAY, JULY 26TH

Due to the rapidly increasing cases of COVID-19 in our County and State and in seeking to model the recommendations of our Governor, your SELC COVID-19 Response Team has determined that it would be best to cancel plans for a “parking lot worship service” on Sunday, July 26th, as was previously publicized. We hope to try something like this in the future when the number of infections go down.

We will still hold our livestreamed-only worship service that Sunday as usual at 10:00 am (no in-person attendees other than the worship leaders.) It will include a “Blessing and Sending” time for Intern Pastor Paul Benz and family. Following worship, at approximately 11:30 am, there will be a “drive by goodbye” time. The Benz family will stand in front of the church office along Lenzner Ave. while members and friends wave and say their (masked) goodbyes from their car as they pass by them in the drive-through, going north. If there’s a line up, we ask that cars wait along Bella Vista Dr on the south side of the church. Turn right into the drive-through and proceed out the north exit, only turning right on Lenzner Ave.

Of course, you’re also encouraged to call, email and send notes of appreciation before they leave Sierra Vista on July 28th. Intern Pastor Paul will then start a year-long Chaplaincy Residency at Harbor View Medical Center in Seattle, Washington. We have had a great year together, even in the midst of a pandemic. We praise God for the loving and faithful connections we’ve made.

FAITH FORMATION MEETING THIS WEDNESDAY

Our Faith Formation planning team is scheduled to meet on Zoom this coming Wednesday, July 22nd, at 7 pm. Please contact Director of Faith Formation, Linda Perry, for the Zoom invite and for further information or questions, 520-247-2454, or dff@selcaz.org.

FAITH

Every Night In Every Home!

Our FAITH5 verse of the week is Romans 8:15-17:

¹⁵For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, “Abba! Father!” ¹⁶it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

(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.

Be creative! Stay open to the Holy Spirit! Have fun!