

JULY 3, 2022
9:00 AM



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.”

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. We worship in person and 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. Also available for viewing on Facebook at www.facebook.com/selcelca.

NURSERY AVAILABLE

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

FAITH SPARKERS FOR ALL

Check out the monthly handouts on the table in the Narthex for at home or on the go. These can also be found on our new featured link in the middle of the homepage called *Sparking Faith in the Home & On the Go* at www.selcaz.org

PRAYER REQUESTS

Prayer requests can be submitted ONLINE at www.selcaz.org or for the month of July to Leslie McCourt at

Flowers Provided in celebration of Independence Day and to the glory of God.

Oil For the Eternal Light provided by Sue Mount, in memory of Rich.

Fourth Sunday of Pentecost
ELW Holy Communion Setting Four

GATHERING

(= Please stand as you are able)*

Prelude	"America"	(arr. Lani Smith)
Welcome		
*Confession and Forgiveness		
*Gathering	"We All Are One in Mission"	<u>ELW</u> #576
*Greeting		
*Kyrie		<u>ELW</u> p.147
*Canticle of Praise		<u>ELW</u> p.148
*Prayer of the Day		

WORD

First Reading: Isaiah 66:10-14	Pew Bible pp. 608-609
Second Reading: Galatians 6:1-16	Pew Bible pp. 948-949
*Gospel Acclamation	<u>ELW</u> p.151
*Gospel: Luke 10:1-11, 16-20	Pew Bible p. 844
Children's Time	
Sermon	Pastor Mark Perry

Moment of Silent Reflection

Special Music "Prayer for America" (arr. David Carnes / Beth Humber)
Billie Hayes, organ; Deb Koltveit, piano

***Apostles' Creed** ELW p. 152

*Prayers of the People

*Sharing of the Peace

MEAL

*Offering Presentation

***Offering Prayer** ELW p. 152

***Great Thanksgiving**

***Dialogue** ELW p. 152

***Preface** ELW p. 153

***Holy, Holy, Holy** ELW p. 153

*Words of Institution

*Lord's Prayer

Invitation to Communion

Communion

Communion Song **“Lamb of God”** **ELW p. 154**

Communion Hymns

“Come to the Table”

“Give Me Jesus”

ELW #481

ELW #770

Prayer after Communion

SENDING

Announcements

***Blessing**

***Sending Song** **“O Beautiful for Spacious Skies”** **ELW #888**

***Dismissal**

Postlude **"Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory"** (William Steffe; arr. Lani Smith)

Scripture Readings for Next Sunday

Deuteronomy 30:9-14

Psalm 25:1-10

Colossians 1:1-14

Luke 10:25-37

TAKING FAITH HOME DEVOTIONALS

The next quarter, July - September, devotionals are now available for pick up at the Welcome Center or from the church office.

“RAPTURE” ADULT STUDY SERIES CONTINUING ON SUNDAYS

The idea of "The Rapture" - the return of Christ to rescue and deliver Christians off the earth is an extremely popular interpretation of the Bible's Book of Revelation. This interpretation, based on a psychology of fear and destruction, guides the daily acts of thousands if not millions of people worldwide. In *The Rapture Exposed*, the Rev. Dr. Barbara Rossing, New Testament professor at the Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago, argues that this script for the world's future is nothing more than a disingenuous distortion of the Bible. The truth, Rossing argues, is that Revelation offers a vision of God's healing love for the world. It reclaims Christianity from fundamentalists' destructive reading of the biblical story and back into God's beloved community. We started last Sunday but you're welcome to take it up this coming Sunday, June 26th, 10:20 am, in the Fellowship Hall. We will be looking at the teachings from this book and from our reading of Revelation and Daniel, led by Pastor Perry. All older youth through adults are welcome to join us each week in the fellowship hall. (Reading the book will be helpful but you can get a lot out of the class even if you don't read it. Books are available in advance; ask in the office. Free will donations are welcome but not required).

Linda Perry will lead a multi-age class upstairs in the Youth Room. Childcare for children 5 and under is available in the Nursery during the Adult Class as well.

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY- 9:00 -10:00 AM

Join us In-Person in the Music Room or On-Line as we continue our walk through the Gospel of Luke. Led by Pastor Mark. Zoom invite:

Topic: SELC Wednesday Morning Bible study

Time: This is a recurring meeting.

Join Zoom Meeting: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81167938847?pwd=eHBhMFVGcms0Z2FtN2pXRVoYVWcrUT09>

Meeting ID: 811 6793 8847

Passcode: 222037

One tap mobile: +13462487799,,81167938847#,,,,*222037# US (Houston)

JR. & SR. HIGH YOUTH SUMMER HAPPENINGS!

We hope you'll join us this week for these two special events. Please RSVP to Linda Perry, Dir. of Faith Formation at dff@selcaz.org

- July 5 & July 19 Tuesdays- 6 pm- Shared Youth Time With St. Stephen's Youth, SELC Youth Room, we will have pizza and open conversation on faith topics and the bible.
- July 10, Sunday - 1:30 p.m. - Tombstone Photo & Ice Cream with Intern Pastor Diana! We will carpool from the church, get our group photo and then enjoy ice cream!

WIDOWS OF SELC LUNCHEON - THURSDAY, JULY 21, 2022 - 12 NOON

We will be lunching at Pizza Hut Bistro. Payment for lunch will be "Dutch." Join us for this fun get together. If you are interested and would like to attend or for more information, contact Carol Jordahl at 520-227-2796 (if no answer, please leave a message). Reservation deadline is Monday, July 18.

BACKPACK & SCHOOL BLESSING & BREAKFAST SUNDAY

July 17, 2022 - 9:00 am

We'll be offering a Blessing of Backpacks during our July 17th worship service, both for backpacks that will be donated to youth in need at our local schools and for any youth in our congregation who are starting school this year. We invite students to come to church with their backpacks with them for that blessing time, as well as any teachers to also receive a special blessing time. **Following the service at 10:15 a.m., we invite everyone to come over to the Fellowship Hall to enjoy a light breakfast and to sign some special note cards** to be put into the backpacks wishing the students a blessed year. Special thanks to Carol Jordahl for making all the arrangements for the donated backpacks with school supplies included, and to our Fellowship Team & Faith Formation Team for their help with the breakfast.

The Backpack Committee is asking for monetary donations to help support this worthwhile community service. **The backpacks we purchase come filled with supplies, so none are needed as supply donations.** Because of the generosity of SELC over the past decade, many students in need have received a backpack filled with school supplies. Please consider a donation in support of this wonderful outreach program. For questions about the backpack ministry, contact Carol Jordahl, 520-227-2796.

LOVE INC - LOVE IN THE NAME OF CHRIST

Love INC is a nationwide network of over 140 affiliates in 30 states that helps to coordinate services and assistance to people in need along with offering Christlike love that brings lasting transformation to individuals. The newly formed local Love INC of Sierra Vista helps churches come to together to help their neighbors in need. They are committed to providing a holistic response through active faith and a hands-on service that offers material, emotional, relational and spiritual assistance appropriate for each person's needs and requests. Volunteers are needed to answer the phones and screen callers. If you are interested in volunteering your time to this amazing ministry, there is a **Volunteer Training on July 6 from 10:00 a.m. to Noon.** It will be at Move City Church or Village Meadows. Please call 520-459-8586 to attend the training or for more information. Hours & Days of Operation are T, W & Th from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

UPDATE FROM THE SELC COVID-19 RESPONSE TEAM

Your SELC Covid Response Team met last Tuesday evening, June 21st, to discuss the recent change in our community risk level. After over a month of being in the low-risk category, Cochise County has recently moved **from low to medium risk**. There has been a slight increase in hospitalized Covid cases with some requiring ICU and ventilator support at Canyon Vista Medical Center.

Although we are not making any changes in our worship protocols currently and **masking remains optional**, we do encourage masks when indoors with groups of people, especially if you or your loved ones are at high risk. Of course, anyone can wear a mask at any time when in worship, and we have a section reserved for those who wish to wear a mask and be distanced from others - (the wing on the pulpit side of sanctuary). Fellowship Cups are available for those who wish to partake of communion in the pew instead of going to the altar rail.

The State of Arizona *as a whole* is now in the high level due to increased reported Covid cases greater than 200/100k per week and hospital Covid admissions greater than 10/100k per week.

- Weekly reported Covid cases per 100k residents increased from 132.7 on May 22 to 224.4 on June 20.
- Weekly hospital Covid admissions per 100/k increased from 5.6 on May 22 to 10.4 on June 20.

Cochise County is now in the medium level due to increased weekly reported cases. The cases are now greater than 200/100k per week. Weekly cases per 100K increased from 65 on May 20th to 220.8 on June 14th. Our Covid Team's recommendations for individuals in a medium risk area (Cochise County) follow CDC guidelines:

- Getting fully vaccinated and boosted is the best way to avoid serious illness and helps prevent infecting others.
- If you are immunocompromised or high risk for severe disease:
 - Talk to your healthcare provider about whether you need to wear a mask and take other precautions (e.g., testing)
 - Have a plan for rapid testing if needed (e.g., having home tests or access to testing)
- If you have household or social contact with someone at high risk for severe disease:
 - consider self-testing to detect infection before contact
 - consider wearing a mask when indoors with them
- Stay up to date with COVID-19 vaccines and boosters
- Maintain improved ventilation throughout indoor spaces when possible

- Follow CDC recommendations for isolation and quarantine, including getting tested if you are exposed to COVID-19 or have symptoms of COVID-19

If you have any questions or concerns about our Covid-19 team's update, we encourage you to contact Pastor Mark or Council President/Response Team member Jim Cleven. Thank you!

Serving Today

July Altar Guild

Wilma Bell, Donna Bryan

Lector - Jim Thompson

Acolyte - Becky Randall

Lay Eucharistic Minister

Carl McCourt

Organist & Pianist - Billie Hayes

AV Technicians - Larry Rewis,
C.J. Abraham, Carl McCourt

Ushers for Today

Monty Brandes, Wilma Bell,
Lynn Light

FAITH5 Every Night In Every Home!

Our FAITH5 verse of the week is Luke 10:2:

Jesus said to them, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.”

(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 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 part of the FAITH5 verse.

Be creative! Stay open to the Holy Spirit!

July 3-10, 2022

SUN 7/3	9:00 AM	Worship Service
	10:20 AM	Faith Formation
MON 7/4		Office Closed in Observation of July 4 th
TUE 7/5	9:00 AM	Shepherd's Fold Chapel - Sanctuary
	9:30 AM	Office Closed for Staff Meeting
	6:00 PM	Shared Youth Time With St. Stephen's Youth, SELC Youth Room
	7:00 PM	Fellowship Hall Reserved
WED 7/6	9:00 AM	Bible Study
	3:00 PM?	Youth Movie & Pizza Outing
THUR 7/7	9:00 AM	Stitch-In-Time Quilters - Fellowship Hall
	6:30 PM	Square Dancing - Fellowship Hall
FRI 7/8	6:30 PM	Square Dancing - Fellowship Hall
SAT 7/9		
SUN 7/10	9:00 AM	Worship Service
	10:20 AM	Faith Formation
	1:30 PM	Youth Tombstone Photo & Ice Cream with Intern Pastor Diana

Please pray for the family of Bev Morton (Cindy Wiste's Mother), Ed Branch, Mikki Morris, Rev. Linda Tossey, Dennis Benth, family and friends of Brian May, Marti Derickson, Loren Porter and Family, Pastor Mark, Helen Perdiue, Pat Gates, Mary Alexander, Ingamarie Fulford, Family, and Friends of Pastor Susan Lynch and the Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd.

Please continue to pray for Mary Alexander; John and Mary Alexander (Mary Alexander's son and wife); Duke Burford; Jeff Chenoweth; Tim Danielson, Jim Dobis, Pat Gates; Don and Jan Huthoefer; Aunt Inez (Becky Randall's aunt); Arnold Lane, Ernie Lopez, Mae Markstrom; Elijah Montgomery; Anne Nowak, Helen Perdiue, Jerry Regan, George Renbeck (Kim Renbeck's father); Rachel, Jamie, Owen, Marcia (Barb Wirsching's niece and family); Doris Rasmussen (Helen Perdiue's mother); Dee Rowley, Bob and Jane Strain; Faye Toto; Wyman (Julie March's cousin); The Navajo Evangelical Lutheran Mission at Rock Point; all youth experiencing mental health issues; peace for our nation; military personnel everywhere.