

**March 14, 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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**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, 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 **MARCH** can be submitted online at www.selcaz.org or to Cindy Wiste at cindywiste@gmail.com

PRAYERS CAN BE FOUND IN THE BACK OF THE BULLETIN

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

Scripture Readings for Next Sunday

Jeremiah 31:31-34

Psalms 51:1-12

Hebrews 5:5-10

John 12:20-33

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

GATHERING

Prelude "Give Me Jesus" *(Traditional Spiritual)*

Welcome

*Confession and Forgiveness

*Gathering Hymn "Lead Me, Guide Me" **ELW #768**

*Greeting

*Prayer of the Day

WORD

First Reading: Numbers 21:4-9

Second Reading: Ephesians 2:1-10

*Gospel Acclamation **ELW p.142**

*Gospel: John 3:14-21

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 and click on the 'Giving' tab for info how to give online.*

Special Music "Lord, Have Mercy" (Erin MacGorman)
Presented by SELC Handbell Choir, Dir. by Billie Hayes

***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** “Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound” **ELW #779**

***Dismissal**

(Pause for Chimes)

Postlude “Amazing Grace, My Chains Are Gone” *(Billie Hayes)*

Please Pray for the Minch family (friends of CJ) and CJ’s family back in NY; Rachel, (niece of Barb Wirsching) and her two small boys; the family of Jackie Geisler; Izzy (friend of CJ Abraham); Fred March; Gail Brady. **Please Continue to Pray** for Larry Rewis; Cindy Bartlein; Gracie; and Kyle King Alfreda Blakeway, Brianna Pederson; Malachi Stout and baby Jasper; the Family of Genevieve Rodriguez; 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.

COFFEE FELLOWSHIP TIME SUNDAY - SUNDAY, MARCH 14 at 10:45 a.m.

Join us for informal conversation, catching up and connecting on Zoom.
Coffee fellowship (see zoom invite below)

Topic: Coffee Fellowship

Time: Mar 7, 2021 10:45 AM Arizona

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/96811971996?pwd=SWNoT2NMc1Z5Y1ZqWlY2MU9hUEYzZz09>

Meeting ID: 968 1197 1996

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“BENEATH THE CROSS OF JESUS” MIDWEEK LENTEN SERIES

Wednesday’s, March 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, 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 Fourth week’s theme includes
Corporate Confession & Forgiveness of Sins.**

ZOOM SOUP SUPPERS

Wednesday's, March 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=U1BqNlFlSjBjSFJueW9nMnVnVWhTZz09>

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CREATION CARE MEETING MARCH 16TH - ALL INVITED

Formed from our last summer's book study group and in response to our fall "Season of Creation" sermon series, our new "Creation Care Team" meets on Tuesday, March 16th, 6:30 pm, on Zoom (see invitation below). All interested in doing what we can to preserve and protect God's precious gift are invited to join us. Some of the items to be discussed include: follow up to Intern Pastor Annela's adult class on Water, working with the Landscaping Team as they build up, for Earth Day 2021 project(s) like potential Tree Planting, and supporting Recycling at SELC that is soon restarting. For more information, contact Christie Brown, team lead, or Pastor Perry.

Topic: Creation Care Team Meeting

Time: Mar 16, 2021 06:30 PM Arizona

Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://zoom.us/j/97988292860?pwd=SEhjdWhtWE1mMThxTWWhiSmk5QUJzZz09>

Meeting ID: 979 8829 2860

Passcode: 597046

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HOLY WEEK SERVICES

All Services Live-Streamed

Palm Sunday - March 28 at 9:00 a.m.

Maundy Thursday - April 1 at 7:00 p.m.

Good Friday - April 2 at 7:00 p.m.

Easter Sunday - April 4 at 9:00 a.m.

CHRIST IN OUR HOME DEVOTIONAL

The next quarter (April - June) Christ In Our Home devotional books are available. You can pick them up from the church office. Questions / Information please contact the church office - 459-0444 or admin@selcaz.org.

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.



Every Night In Every Home!

Our FAITH5 verse of the week is John 3:16:

‘For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

(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.