

**NOVEMBER 10, 2019
10:45 AM WORSHIP**

**SIERRA EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
101 North Lenzner Ave., Sierra Vista, AZ 85635
(520) 459-0444 - www.selcaz.org**

**Jesus
made you**

Worthy

Luke 20:35

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 both worship services. 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 NOVEMBER can be submitted online at www.selcaz.org or to Leslie McCourt at mccourtleslie@gmail.com.

PLEASE PRAY for Bob Bobar, Ty Grube, Jack Hewitt, Doug Hamp. Please continue to pray for Faye Toto, Kurt P., the family of Lois Wohlhart, Joanne March; Texas tornado victims/survivors; Chris Brenner; Mike and Debi Brown; Bob Dooley; Don and Sylvia Diamond; Jody, Marcia Mohr, Rich Mount; Bob Reiner; George Abraham; Jim and Pam Andrew; Jane Behsman, Jan Bevelin, Dee Brenner; the Bills family; Carol Coss, 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, Virginia Wickizer and military personnel everywhere.

THANKOFFERING SUNDAY 2019

(* = Please stand as you are able)

GATHERING

Pre-service Song (Brian Doerksen)

"Come Now Is the Time to Worship"

Welcome

*Confession and Forgiveness

*Gathering Hymn "He Knows" (Jeremy Camp)

Prayer of the Day

WORD

First Reading: Job 19:23-27a Pew Bible pgs. 405-406

Second Reading: 2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17
Pew Bible pgs. 961-962

*Gospel Acclamation "Sing Alleluia to the Lord" (*one verse*)

*Gospel: Luke 20:27-38 Pew Bible pgs. 855-856

Children's Time

Special Music "Behold the Lamb" (Malone, Wickham, Stanfill)
Presented by Jess Barrera

Sermon Intern Pastor Paul Benz

Moment of Silent Reflection

*Hymn of the Day "In the Sweet By and By" (Bennett)

*Apostles' Creed

*Prayers of the People (*to the conclusion, "Lord, in your mercy," please respond, "hear our prayer."*)

***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

Offering

Introduction: As we make our Thankofferings today, we share in a tradition that goes back to the 1800s or even earlier. Then, when it seemed that there was not enough money to carry out the work of the church, the women would act together as “cent” or “mite” societies. Each woman would set aside offerings at home throughout the year in thanksgiving for blessings received. And on occasion, the women would come together as we do today, joining their offerings together to support ministry of many kinds.

When Women of the ELCA was formed in 1987, we committed to continue this tradition of giving in gratitude for blessings. Each year, in thousands of congregations, Thankofferings are given to support the life-changing ministries of Women of the ELCA. Together, we do more than we could ever do apart. In gratitude for all God has given to us, and with hope for all that is to come, let us now give our Thankoffering.

Offering Music **“Give Thanks”** (Henry Smith)
Women bring offering envelopes forward.

***Offering Prayer**

***Holy Communion / Words of Institution**

***Lord’s Prayer**

Invitation to Communion

Songs during Communion

“Faith of Our Fathers” (*alternate text*)

“Praise the Father, Praise the Son”

ELW #813
(Chris Tomlin)

Prayer after Communion

SENDING

Announcements

***Blessing**

***Sending Song** **“Sent Forth by God's Blessing”** **ELW #547**

***Dismissal**

Postlude **“To Honor Our Veterans”** (arr. B. Hayes)

Scripture Readings for Next Sunday

Malachi 4:1-2a

Psalm 98

2 Thessalonians 3:6-13

Luke 21:5-19

The Faith 5 Bible Verse for this week

2 Thessalonians 2: 16-17: ¹⁶Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and through grace gave us eternal comfort and good hope, ¹⁷comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word.

SERVING TODAY

Altar Guild - Wilma Bell,
Donna Bryan, Rhea Scott

Music Director-
Jess Barrera

Acolyte

8:00 a.m.- Sandy
Stephenson

10:45 a.m. - Katie Russell

Organist & Pianist

Billie Hayes, Deb Koltveit

Deacons

8:00 a.m. - Deacon Jane
Strain

10:45 a.m. - Deacon
Carrisa Bratlien

Partners in Praise

Betty Burford, Linda Perry,
Deb Koltveit

AV Technicians - Bill Silvis,

Larry Rewis, CJ Abraham,
Fred March, Dave Dechant

Greeters

8:00 a.m. - Carolyn
Gravatt, Julie March
10:45 a.m. - Helen Perdue,
Edith Jennings

Ushers for Today

8:00 a.m. - *Wilma Bell,
Diana Galecke, Ro Decker,
Becky Randall
10:45 a.m. - *Monica Benz,
Sue Mount, Gail Hamp,
Carol Jordahl

Lectors

8:00 a.m. - Marilyn Hewitt
10:45 a.m.- Doris Randolph

TODAY! W-SELC THANKOFFERING SUNDAY - Thankoffering Sunday is a separate offering that we give in thankfulness for all the wonderful things we do church wide. The women will greet, usher and be lector on that Sunday. Through our circle offerings, \$300.00 will be donated to Women of the ELCA Grand Canyon Synod.

TODAY! HYMNFEST 2019- at 2:00 P.M. St. Andrew the Apostle Catholic Church is hosting the 12th Annual Community Hymn Festival. This year's theme is "Give Thanks and Sing" and will feature several musical highlights, including the annual Pastors' Chorus, Buena High's Rhythmix under the direction of Jill Brown, a choral number presented by the combined voices of various local church denominations, and a special sing-along number led by Pastor Shawn Buckhanan from St. Paul Missionary Baptist Church. Our own Billie Hayes at the piano, organist Lars Andersen from Tucson's Tanque Verde Lutheran, and numerous local musicians will provide accompaniment and support for St. Andrew's director, Reynaldo Romo. The relaxing and uplifting program is being offered to the community at no charge; however, there will be an opportunity to support the Warrior Healing Center with a free-will offering.

NEXT SUNDAY! COMMITMENT SUNDAY - NOVEMBER 17, 2019 Our Stewardship Team has scheduled our annual Commitment Sunday for November 17th. Early this month members and friends will receive a letter with a 2020 Commitment Card and Time and Talent sheets. We ask that you fill these out and bring them forward to lay on the altar (or ask an usher to do so) at either of the worship services on this Sunday. If you are unable to attend, please bring or send it into the church office. Filling out our intentions and submitting them is the best way we have to determine what our mission for 2020 can be in building up the Kingdom of God through our mission at SELC. (Please note that, as always, all commitment cards are held confidential by our Financial Secretary).

G.I.F.T. (*Generations In Faith Together*) - November 17 at 9:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. We will share together about Stewardship and Gratitude to God on this Commitment Sunday!

GRIEF SUPPORT SEMINAR - Saturday, November 16 from 10 am - 12 Noon - Are you grieving the loss of a loved one, especially through the holidays? You are invited to join us for a seminar offering encouragement to help enable you to face the holidays. **This is a free seminar, but reservations are required!** To sign up, call **520-458-2273**. Held at 1447 S. 7th St., Sierra Vista. Sponsored by First Baptist Church & Casa de la Pas Hospice.

STOCKING STUFFERS FINANCIAL HELP NEEDED - Our Youth will once again be shopping for clothing, shoes, underwear/socks and jackets for Stocking Stuffers on November 21 to help 8 to 10 children in need this Christmas. **We thank Thrivent for their financial support of this special service project!** Donations for this service project can be made out to SELC with “Stocking Stuffers” in the memo line. The last day to make a donation is November 17. If you have questions, contact Linda Perry.

GOOD NEIGHBOR CALENDAR SALE - Doris Randolph and her sister, Nancy Montgomery, will again sell the GNA calendars on the patio after each service on Sunday, Nov. 17th. The photographs for each month is taken somewhere in Cochise County. The cost is still \$10. GNA is one of the SELC missions, so do help us support a worthwhile organization.

SHEPHERD’S FOLD THANKSGIVING PROGRAM AND LUNCH, You are invited! November 22nd, 10:30 am - 12:00 Noon - SELC Fellowship Hall - Our children will re-enact the pilgrims coming to America. Dessert this year will be made from pumpkins grown in the Little Sprouts Interactive Garden!

THANKSGIVING EVE ECUMENICAL SERVICE & PIE SOCIAL- NOV. 26, 7 pm, Sierra Vista United Methodist Church - Join voices, hearts and hands together with brothers and sisters from a variety of churches in Sierra Vista to give Thanks to God for all His blessings at our annual Thanksgiving Eve worship service at Sierra Vista United Methodist Church, 3225 Saint Andrew Drive. A PIE SOCIAL will follow in the SVUMC activity center! Bring a pie to share if you can but if you can’t, enjoy pie and fellowship anyway because there’s always more than enough! Also, if you can help with receiving pies before worship and/or helping serve and clean up at the fellowship time, please let Pastor Perry or our church office know. Give thanks to the Lord for His love will reign forever!

ST VINCENT DE PAUL FOOD BANK NEEDS TURKEYS!! St Vincent de Paul food bank is asking you to help us provide a Thanksgiving dinner box for families. Please donate a 12-15 lb. frozen turkey by Friday, November 22. Every year St Vincent's provide 350+ turkey dinner boxes in Sierra Vista. For more information contact: Stan Garner 520-458-9725. Drop off your turkey at 1 of 3 locations:

1. The SVdP Food Bank, 614 Bartow Drive,
Mon. - Thur. 12Noon -4 pm
2. St Andrew Catholic Church Office, 800 Taylor Drive,
Mon. - Fri. 9 am -4 pm
3. The SVdP Thrift Store, 220 Meyer Drive,
Mon. - Sat. 10 am -3 pm

CHURCH PEWS MINISTRY - You are needed! The church pew ministry consists of a team of volunteers who collect attendance sheets and straighten the pews each week. For more information or if you are willing to help, please contact Ginny Anton at ginnya73@gmail.com or 919-698-2044; or Steve Pearce at vlaswp@gmail.com or 919-724-7936.

Flowers Provided by Sandy Shannon in memory of Sam, by Billie Hayes in memory of husband Lynn, and by Greg and Pattie Paul in celebration of their 50th Wedding Anniversary.

Oil for The Eternal Light Provided by
John and Hanna Cannon in memory of loved ones.

**THE TAKING FAITH HOME DEVOTIONAL
IS LOCATED IN THE NARTHEX!**

CALENDAR 11/10/19 - 11/17/19

SUN 11/10	8:00 & 10:45 AM	Worship Services / Thankoffering Sunday
	9:30 AM	Faith Formation for ALL Ages
MON 11/11		
TUE 11/12	7:45 AM	Exercise Group
	9:00 AM	Stewardship Team Meeting - Music Room
	1:00 PM	Dorcas Circus at Nancy Hagen
	7:00 PM	Fellowship Hall Reserved
WED 11/13	9:00 AM	Bible Study - Music Room
	11:00 AM	Shepherd's Fold Meeting - Music Room
	2:30 PM	Helping Hearts Tutoring - Fellowship Hall
THUR 11/14	7:45 AM	Exercise Group
	12:30 PM	LIFT - Sr. High Youth Room
	2:30 PM	Confirmation - Jr. High Youth Room
	4:30 PM	Partner's in Praise Rehearsal - Sanctuary
	7:00 PM	Choir Rehearsal - Sanctuary
	7:00 PM	Plus Square Dancers
FRI 11/15	6:00 PM	Shepherd's Fold Parent's Night Out
	6:00 PM	Square Dancing - Fellowship Hall
SAT 11/16		
SUN 11/17	8:00 & 10:45 AM	Worship Services / Commitment Sunday
	9:30 AM	G.I.F.T. for ALL Ages
	2:00 PM	Body of Christ Hot Meal - SELC Fellowship Hall
MON 11/18		Office Closed for Veteran's Day
		Messenger Deadline

Food Donations for Next Sunday Will Go to Peaches Pantry.