

**October 4, 2020
10:00 AM**

SEASON OF CREATION



“The Goal of Creation”

**Sierra Evangelical Lutheran Church
101 North Lenzner Ave., Sierra Vista, AZ 85635
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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 - 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 **October** can be submitted online at www.selcaz.org or to Cindy Wiste at cindywiste@gmail.com

Please pray for Sandy Urlie, the family of Bob Hollis, and praise for the safe birth of Joanne March’s great grandchild Kasen Thomas Reed. **Please continue to pray for** the family of Ty Grube, Paul Wirsching Jr., Monty Brandes and family at the death of his father Charles, Marilyn Hoerr, and Julie March’s cousin Wyman, the family of Marion Zimmer, Gary Graham, thanks for a safe homecoming for Monica and Joy Benz, Dena Anderson, and Elaine Thomtson (friend of Jane Strain), Barb Wirsching and family at the death of Barb’s cousin Wade, Peggy Graham, Ray Howard’s (Margaret Reilly’s husband) Aunt Wanda, Diana Fields, Karen Cottrell, Faye Toto, Dee Brenner, Jan Huthoefer, Linda Perry, the family and friends of Sam Gamutambuli, Ed Strauss Sr., Bob Hollis, Doris Rasmussen, Sharon Keene, Verona Webb, Lee Grabow, Mary Alexander; John and Mary Alexander (Mary Alexander’s son and wife); Jim and Pam Andrew; Clayton, Norm Grahn, Samantha Howard, Don Huthoefer, Jake, Makayla Margulies, Michael (Lisa Mitchell’s nephew); Anne Nowak, Caroline Pentecost; Jerry Regan, Bob Reiner; The Rewis family, Dee Rowley; Dee Stickley, Bob Strain, 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.

Sermon

“The Goal of Creation”

Pastor Mark Perry

Moment of Silent Reflection

Hymn of the Day

“Be Thou My Vision”

ELW #793; verses 1-2 & 4

*Apostles’ Creed

ELW p.104

*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)

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

Duet: Billie Hayes and Paul Gregory

"God So Loved the World" / "Jesus Paid It All" (John Stainer, arr. Charlie Miller)

MEAL

*Great Thanksgiving

*Dialogue

ELW pg.144

*Preface

*Holy, Holy, Holy

ELW pg.144

*Words of Institution

*Lord’s Prayer (*sung*)

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).

Prayer after Communion

SENDING

Announcements

Blessing of Animals

(You are invited to lay your hands on your pet as appropriate as you repeat the blessing after the pastor)

Closing Blessing

*Sending Hymn

“All Creatures, Worship God Most High!” ELW #835; vss. 4-6

*Dismissal

(Pause for Chimes)

Postlude

“Voluntary on Sending Hymn”

(arr. Billie Hayes)

RESTARTING IN-PERSON WORSHIP OCTOBER 11TH

At our Thursday, September 24th meeting of your COVID-19 Response Team, the decision was made to begin limited in-person worship in the sanctuary on Sunday, Oct. 11, 2020, at 10:00 a.m. Thank you to the 92 members and friends who responded to our worship survey via mail or online! You affirmed that it is worth moving forward in this way, including observing a number of protocols and procedures.

Some of those protocols include: wearing a face mask at all times in the buildings, physical distancing at least 6' apart, washing/sanitizing hands, taking temperatures, communion with individual cups and wafers in the pews, cleaning the sanctuary after each service, windows open, no group singing, and limiting the number of people in the sanctuary.

To that end, we ask that **reservations be made for each Sunday service, by the previous Thursday 4:00 pm**, on a “first come, first served” basis, by calling Cindy Allen at the church office, 459-0444, or emailing, admin@selcaz.org. We are taking reservations for 40 people for each service. If we find we have a significant number over 40, we will consider adding a worship service.

All of this, of course, also depends upon continued downward trends in infection cases and continued availability of hospital and other medical care. Please also note, as hard as we are working to keep our church campus virus free, that to come here is not without risk, as we are not a medically sterile facility. Each of us can do our best to protect ourselves and others, including continuing to follow health guidelines such as frequent hand washing, staying home when ill, getting tested when exposed, and always wearing masks in public meeting places. We strongly discourage any health fragile folks from attending in-person worship, as well as those who have been traveling to at-risk areas or who care for those who are at-risk. This is all offered out of Christly neighbor love and care for everyone's health and well-being.

For more information or for questions, please contact the church office or our Council President, Larry Rewis, or Pastor Perry.

**ZOOM COFFEE FELLOWSHIP
TODAY - 11:20 AM**

All invited to Coffee Fellowship on Zoom, through this link:

<https://zoom.us/j/98767595139?pwd=SGloTDg1WG1XZ3NGV3dVWmNpZFRSZz09>

Meeting ID: 987 6759 5139

Passcode: 435506

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**Oil for The Eternal Light Provided by
Donna Bryan in memory of Loved Ones.**

Scripture Readings for Next Sunday

Isaiah 25:1-9

Psalm 23

Philippians 4:1-9

Matthew 22:1-14

FAITH5

Every Night In Every Home!

Our FAITH5 verse of the week is

Colossians 1:19-20:

⁹For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, ²⁰and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

(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!