

**OCTOBER 6, 2019
8:00 AM WORSHIP**

**For God did not
give us a spirit of
cowardice, but
rather a spirit of
power and of
love and of
self-discipline.**

2 Timothy 1:7



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
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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 OCTOBER can be submitted online at www.selcaz.org or to Leslie McCourt at mccourtleslie@gmail.com.

PLEASE PRAY for Bob Reiner; the family of Grant Hayes; Faye Toto and family; Jan Bowie; Caroline Pentecost, Debbie Marks and Don Diamond. Please continue to pray for the Nelson family; Monica Benz; the family of Sharon Merrit; Dotti (grandmother to Jessica Waller); Bridget Watson, Marc Shapiro; April Clark and family; Helen Perdiue; Beth Dechant and family; Dallas Raysor, Dolly Bessler; Norma Jones and family; Judy Winfield, Virginia Wickizer, Pastor Tom Dunham, Johnnie Rae Latham, George Abraham; Jim and Pam Andrew; Jane Behsman, Jan Bevelin, Dee Brenner; the Bills Family; Carol Coss; Clayton; Don and Jan Huthoefer; Kriss Larsen, Helene Lacomte, Jake, Mahkyla, Sully Mix, Carol Moses, the Nowaks, Shawn Nowery; Pete and Dee Pederson; Caroline Pentecost, Jerry Regan; Rob; Roger and Dee Rowley, Virginia Studer, Grady Taylor and military personnel everywhere.

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

ELW Holy Communion Setting Three

(* = *Please stand as you are able*)

GATHERING

Chimes

(Please observe silence as soon as the chimes are played to assist with preparation for worship.)

Prelude

"Medley of Spirituals"

(arr. B. Hayes)

Welcome

***Confession and Forgiveness**

***Gathering Hymn**

"Morning Has Broken"

ELW #556

***Greeting**

***Kyrie**

ELW pg. 138

***Canticle of Praise**

(vs. 1 - Women; vs. 2 - Men, vs. 3 - Gloryland; 4 - All) ELW pg. 140

***Prayer of the Day**

WORD

First Reading: Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4

Pew Bible pg. 762

Second Reading: 2 Timothy 1:1-14

Pew Bible pg. 966

***Gospel Acclamation**

ELW pg. 142

***Gospel: Luke 17:5-10**

Pew Bible pg. 852; SPARK Bible pg. 394

Children's Time (*if children are present*)

***Lord's Prayer** ELW pg. 145

Invitation to Communion

Communion Song **"Lamb of God"** ELW pg. 146

Hymns during Communion
 "Taste and See" ELW #493
 "We Walk by Faith" ELW #635

Prayer after Communion

SENDING

Sending of Communion

Announcements

***Blessing**

***Sending Hymn** **"God of Grace and God of Glory"** ELW #705

***Dismissal**

L: God provides!

All: We Serve! Thanks be to God!

(Pause for Chimes)

Postlude **"Voluntary on Sending Hymn"** (arr. B. Hayes)

Scripture Readings for Next Sunday:

2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c

Psalm 111

2 Timothy 2:8-15

Luke 17:11-19

The Faith 5 Bible Verse for this week 2 Tim. 1:7:

“For God did not give us a spirit of cowardice,
but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline.”

SERVING TODAY

Altar Guild

Dennis and Lorna Cook, Rhea Scott

Acolyte

8:00 a.m. - Erin Stephenson

10:45 a.m. - Cris Clark

Deacons/Communion Assistants

8:00 a.m. - Deacon Debra Brown

10:45 a.m. - Deacon Carl McCourt

Greeters

8:00 a.m. - George Pohlman and
Dotti Wellman

10:45 a.m. - Sandy Stephenson,
Erin Stephenson

Lectors

8:00 a.m. - Ro Decker

10:45 a.m. - Lilliana Dicks

Music Director

Jess Barrera

Organist & Pianist

Billie Hayes, Deb Koltveit

Partners in Praise

Betty Burford, Victoria Kiser,
Linda Perry,

AV Technicians

Bill Silvis, Larry Rewis, CJ Abraham,
Fred March, Dave Dechant

Ushers for Today

8:00 a.m. - *Glen Sanner, Wilma
Bell, Lynn Light

10:45 a.m. - *Gary Peterson, Rich
Mount

SUPER YOUTH GROUP 6th -12th Gr. TODAY from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Bowling & Pizza in Tucson at Lucky Strike, 4015 E. Speedway. Return time 6:30 p.m. \$15 covers everything. Bring what you can toward the cost and lunch on the way and Youth Funds will cover the rest. We will leave from church following the 10:45 a.m. service.

NEXT SUNDAY, GUEST SPEAKER: PASTOR REBECCA BOARDMAN, Lutheran Campus Ministry - Join us for a very special worship service, 8:00 & 10:45 am, featuring guest preacher, Rev. Rebecca Boardman, the new pastor for Lutheran Campus Ministry at the University of Arizona, Tucson! She will also update us on what's happening with campus ministries during the Adult Class Faith Formation time at 9:30 am. For information on LCM, go to www.lcmuofa.org). *There will be an Installation for Pastor Boardman Sunday, Oct. 27, 4 pm at Our Savior's Lutheran, 1200 N. Campbell Ave., Tucson. Please RSVP at 520-623-7575.*

COLLECTION FOR THE CHRISTMAS AIRLIFT TO THE NAVAJO NATION - OCTOBER 13 thru NOVEMBER 3 ONLY - Items to be collected: New and Near New Clothes and Shoes, Canned and Nonperishable Foods, Children's Gifts (if wrapped, label with sex and age appropriateness.) For information call George Pohlman, 458-0668. George and other volunteers will be flying donations to The Navajo Nation on November 9, 2019. What a great day to especially pray for the flyers as well as those who will be receiving these donations of love! **A Collection box will be located in the Narthex.**

ALTAR GUILD GATHERING - Tuesday, October 15th at 6:30 pm in the Sanctuary. Everyone interested in this ministry is invited. Pastor Perry will be enlightening us on the meaning and flow of the Liturgy. If you are interested in learning more about this vital church ministry or have an idea as to when you can serve, please contact Linda Radwick 439-5019

G.I.F.T. (Generations In Faith Together) October 20 at 9:30 a.m. SELC Fellowship Hall! "Putting on the Armor of God!" Our Scripture focus will be Ephesians 6:10-18. We invite all generations to this special time of fellowship and study in God's Word, as we grow in faith with one another.

SIERRA VISTA COMMUNITY CHORUS - Gospel Concert - October 18 at 7:00 pm and October 19 at 2:00 pm. Faith Presbyterian Church - You are invited to this FREE concert, no tickets needed. A free will offering will be collected for "Volunteer Interfaith Caregiver Program" (VICaP). For more information call 520-378-0730 or 520-417-2305

FATHER OF LIGHTS HALLOWEEN FESTIVAL -October 31st - 6:00 - 8:00 pm at Len Roberts Park (next to Carmichael School, where SELC Picnic was held) ALL FREE! Candy, Movie, jumping castles, pony rides, face painting, balloon crafts, video game trailer, food, candy, candy, candy. Sponsored by Discovery Forum Alliance ecumenical group. SELC will be joining other churches in support of this fun, annual festivity! **Candy Donations Needed For The Father Of Lights Festival On Halloween.** Drop off your candy donations in the narthex Sunday's in October thru the 27th.

SHEPHERD'S FOLD TRUNK OR TREAT - October 31st - 3:00 pm - 5:30 pm - There will be trick-or-treating, games, face painting and activities. SELC Main Parking Lot. We are once again looking for help / volunteers to decorate your trunk and pass out candy or if you would like to volunteer to run a game or an activity. **We also need donations of candy and small toys to pass out. If you would like to volunteer, contact us at 459-0115.**

Flowers Provided by Gary Kraak in memory of Joan.

Oil for The Eternal Light Provided in honor of Carl McCourt's birthday.

TAKING FAITH HOME
SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
No matter what happens, put your trust in God.

HYMN OF THE WEEK: O Holy Spirit, Enter In

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

These passages are related to the Lectionary texts for this Sunday.

Sunday	Luke 17:5-10	Faith the size of a mustard seed
Monday	Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4	The righteous live by faith
Tuesday	2 Timothy 1:1-14	Thanksgiving and encouragement
Wednesday	Isaiah 26:1-9	The Lord can be trusted
Thursday	James 1:2-11	Faith produces endurance
Friday	Proverbs 37:1-9	Trust God
Saturday	Psalms 37:1-9	Trust the Lord
Sunday	Luke 17:11-19	One leper gives thanks to God

SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

. . . and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day what I have entrusted to him. 2 Timothy 1:12 (NRSV)

PRAYERS AND BLESSING

A Prayer for the Week: Lord God, thank you for making your defense of us shine like the light and the justice of your cause like the noonday, through Christ our Lord, amen. (Psalm 37:6).

Mealtime Prayer: May this food our body and soul feed and may we be blessed with faith the size of a mustard seed. Amen.

A Blessing to Give: May the Lord protect you and bless you with faith in Christ.

CARING CONVERSATIONS

Discuss in your home, small group, or use for personal reflections:

- What words describe someone you can trust?
- What does it mean when we say in God we trust?
- How does faith in God help you to trust God in difficult times?

DEVOTIONS: Read: 2 Timothy 1:1-14.

Faith does not rely on one victory followed by another victory, day in and day out. Paul knows current suffering yet trusts in God’s “own purpose and grace,” a grace that “was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began” (v. 9). In the meantime—and without being ashamed—Paul, Timothy, and all the saints will endure sufferings (vv. 8, 12). What does faith look like? It takes delight in God, even when the wicked are present (Psalm 37:1-9). Faith gives thanks when good health is not present, when income is low, when others would not know it is time to praise God. When Jesus says all we need is the faith of a mustard seed (Luke 17:6), he is pointing out that it is not how much faith you have, but in whom you place your trust. This is the life of faith that guided Jesus, Paul, and saints throughout the ages. As Paul writes, “Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, relying on the power of God” (v. 8).

Pray: Lord God, give us faith to trust in our Lord Jesus who suffered and died that we may live in trust and hope in your goodness and mercy, now and always. Amen.

SERVICE

Being a servant of Jesus does not mean everything works out the way you—or God—desires. Evil still continues. We can obsess over the presence of sin and end up doing evil ourselves. Being preoccupied with the sins of others does not help. Psalm 37 simply says “Trust in the LORD, and do good” (v. 3a) even when wrongdoing occurs. Be the hands and voice of God’s love this week. Reach out to someone experiencing difficulties and be a support for them.

RITUALS AND TRADITIONS

When the disciples asked Jesus to increase their faith, he answered by telling them if they had faith the size of a mustard seed, they could move a tree. (Luke 17:5-6) Draw a large tree on a sheet of paper. Take just one mustard seed (or small seed) and tape it in the center of the tree. Think about how powerful faith is if something as small as a mustard seed can move trees. Faith is not measured by size when Christ is present. In what small ways can you make a difference by practicing faith in your home (e.g., praying for others or blessing someone)?

CALENDAR 10/6/19 - 10/13/19

SUN 10/6	8:00 & 10:45 AM	Worship Services / In-Home Communion
	9:30 AM	Faith Formation for ALL Ages
	2:00 PM	Youth Bowling - Tucson
MON 10/7	5:00 PM	Evangelism Team Meeting - Music Room
TUE 10/8	7:45 AM	Exercise Group
	1:00 PM	Dorcas Circle at Dotti Wellman's
	7:00 PM	Fellowship Hall Reserved
WED 10/9	9:00 AM	Bible Study - Music Room
	10:30 AM	Stewardship Team Meeting - Room 3
	11:00 AM	Shepherd's Fold Board Meeting - Music Room
	2:30 PM	Tutoring - Fellowship Hall
THUR 10/10	7:45 AM	Exercise Group
	4:30 PM	Partner's in Praise Rehearsal - Sanctuary
	7:00 PM	Choir Rehearsal - Sanctuary
	7:00 PM	Plus Square Dancers
		Via de Cristo - Tucson
FRI 10/11	6:00 PM	Square Dancing - Fellowship Hall
		Via de Cristo - Tucson
SAT 10/12		Via de Cristo - Tucson
SUN 10/13	8:00 & 10:45 AM	Worship Services / In-Home Communion
	9:30 AM	Faith Formation for ALL Ages

Food Donations for Next Sunday Will Go to St. Vincent de Paul.