

September 19, 2021

9:00 AM



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.”

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. 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.

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.

PRAYER REQUESTS for the month of SEPTEMBER can be submitted online at www.selcaz.org or to Leslie McCourt, mccourtleslie@gmail.com

**Oil for The Eternal Light provided by
Linda and Rich Radwick in celebration of their 54th wedding anniversary.
Flowers Provided by Janet Bobar in honor of loved ones.**

**THE PRAYER BOOK IS AVAILABLE TO WRITE IN PRAYERS AS YOU COME INTO
WORSHIP (IN ORDER TO BE INCLUDED IN THE SUNDAY PRAYERS.)**

HEIFER PRODUCE TABLE BACK - We will now have our table out each Sunday for you to bring in your harvest produce to share. Donations for produce can be put in The Heifer Cow which goes to the Heifer Project.

Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost
ELW Holy Communion Setting Six
(* = Please stand as you are able)

GATHERING

Prelude "Adagio" from Sonata No. 1 (Felix Mendelssohn, Op. 65)

Welcome

Confession and Forgiveness

*Gathering Song "There's a Wideness in God's Mercy" ELW #588

*Greeting

Kyrie ELW p.165

Canticle of Praise ELW p.167

*Prayer of the Day

WORD

First Reading: Jeremiah 11:18-20 Pew Bible p. 622

Second Reading: James 3:13--4:3, 7-8a Pew Bible p. 982

*Gospel Acclamation ELW p.171

*Gospel: Mark 9:30-37 Pew Bible p. 821

Sermon Pastor Mark Perry

Moment of Silent Reflection

Special Music "Give Me Jesus" (African American Spiritual)
Soloist: Paul Gregory

Entering Faith Formation Stepping Stone

***Prayers of the People**

***Sharing of the Peace**

MEAL

Offering

Offering Moment - *We 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. An offering plate is available in the back for your gifts as well.*

***Offering Prayer**

***Great Thanksgiving** (*spoken*)

***Dialogue**

ELW p.172

***Preface**

***Holy, Holy, Holy**

ELW p.173

***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 Song “Will You Let Me Be Your Servant” ELW #659

*Dismissal

Postlude Partita on Sending Song (*arr. Billie Hayes*)

Scripture Readings for Next Sunday

Numbers 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-29

Psalm 19:7-14

James 5:13-20

Mark 9:38-50

Please pray for Amber Brenner; Burt, Gail, Michelle and Evalia Becker (friends of the Perrys); Lloyd Dicks, Kathie (Reiner's daughter-in-law); the family and friends of Carolyn Rogers (Debi Godwin's mother); and Peggy Graham

Please continue to pray for Bonita Zimmer (friend of Carol Jordahl); Seth Bomgardner (Anne Nowak's grandson in-law); the family and friends of Shirley Gast; Mary Alexander, Elijah Monthgomery, Cindy Bartlein, Chris Dameron; Jim and Sandy Hexberg; Zach Bradshaw, Joyce Maloney, Dave Dechant.

**The Oct.-Dec. Christ In Our Home Issue
Is Now Available For Pick-up In The Narthex Or Church Office.**

TODAY!

“ENTERING FAITH FORMATION” STEPPINGSTONE - Please join us and pray for the families of children, 3+, who will be receiving a Prayer Pillow in the “Entering Faith Formation” Steppingstone in worship today as we celebrate their entrance into our formal Faith Formation programming in our church and in their households.

G.I.F.T. - GENERATIONS IN FAITH TOGETHER 10:15 a.m. Fellowship Hall - Sharing the Light of Christ! All are invited to G.I.F.T. as we focus on the power of Christ’s light and how we can share that light with others. In the Bible, light has always been a symbol of joy, holiness, goodness, wisdom, grace and God’s revelation. As the Paralympics followed the Olympics, and the Olympic Torch continued to burn, we were inspired once again by the power, and endurance of the human body and spirit. We too can be inspired and strengthened to do more than we perhaps thought possible. We can all be torch bearers or light bearers.

We will reflect upon **John 8:12** - *“I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life.”* Our second passage is **Matthew 5:14-16** - *You are the light of the world.... let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your father in heaven.* As we serve strengthened in the “light of life,”. We we will see how each of us is carrying Christ’s light and how we can encourage one another to keep our lights burning for God’s love and service to one another. The more people who attend, the brighter it will be! Come find out why!

Topic: September GIFT

Time: Sep 19, 2021 - 10:15 AM Arizona

Join Zoom Meeting: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81801088437?pwd=QnBKQVVCaFN2dlBRTUdBYkhWVWQrQT09>

Meeting ID: 818 0108 8437

Passcode: 695849

One tap mobile: +13462487799,,81801088437#,,,,*695849# US (Houston)

MISSION PLAN BUDGET UPDATE - As of August 31, 2021

YTD 2021	YTD 8/31/2020
Income \$ 231,430.66	Income \$ 251,697.16
Expenses <u>259,152.32</u>	Expenses <u>253,283.26</u>
\$ (27,721.66)	\$ (1,586.12)

We ask you to prayerfully consider how God may be calling you to respond gratefully and generously to our ongoing needs.

G.C.S. WOMEN'S MINISTRIES VIRTUAL (ZOOM) BIBLE STUDY

"Women Of The Bible" - Saturday, October 2, 2021 - 9:00 am We're bringing you the Rev. Dr. Marta Poling Schmitt to present a study on two women of the Bible, Lot's Wife and Mary Magdalene. We don't know much about Lot's Wife, and Mary Magdalene tends to get a bad rap. Join us to dig into their stories with Pr. Marta. We'll also have some music, discussion groups, and stretch time. **Registration is free but required.** A donation of \$10 or more is suggested but not required to cover the expenses of bringing this event to you. **Register:** <https://grandcanyonsynodwomen.regfox.com/october-2021-womens-virtual-bible-study-event>. When you register, you'll receive a confirmation of your registration. You'll also receive another communication from us with the Zoom connection invitation for 10/2/2021. That email will come from Heidi (Gerrish) Urbina. Please watch for that email as it will have your Zoom Link. We plan to also share this event on Facebook Live from our Grand Canyon Women of the ELCA Facebook for those women who aren't comfortable using Zoom. **NOTE:** You will need to participate through Zoom to fully engage in our time together. Flyers available in church office and Narthex.

SELC CHURCH PICNIC - SUNDAY, OCTOBER 10 AT 12:30 PM

Mark your calendars and get ready for fun and fellowship. Lots of games for all ages and water play fountain. Bring your own "brown bag/picnic" lunch, plates, utensils, and beverage. Don't forget to bring something to sit on too: chairs, blanket etc.

Held at Len Robert's Park 101 E. Theater Dr., Sierra Vista.

LUTHERANS HELP IN TIMES OF CRISIS - Hurricane Ida made landfall near New Orleans on Aug. 29 - exactly 16 years after Hurricane Katrina, causing widespread flooding and wind damage in southeastern Louisiana and coastal Mississippi. Strong winds knocked out power lines and electrical substations, leaving more than 1 million people without power, including the entirety of New Orleans. The impact of Ida is yet to be fully assessed, but with a hurricane of this scale, rebuilding will be costly and take years. To make a donation make your check to SELC and note "Hurricane Ida" in the memo line.

Serving Today

Acolyte - Kylie Burford

AV Technicians

Larry Rewis

Lector - Jim Thompson

Ushers for Today

Organist & Pianist - Billie Hayes

Anna Bratlien, Carissa Bratlien

FAITH Every Night In Every Home!

Our FAITH5 verse of the week is Mark 9:36-37

“Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, ³⁷“Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.”

(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.

SEPTEMBER 9/19 - 9/26

SUN 9/19	9:00 AM	Worship Service In-Person / On-line
	10:15AM	G.I.F.T - Fellowship Hall
MON 9/20	6:00 PM	Sanctuary Reserved
	6:00 PM	Square Dancing - Fellowship Hall
TUE 9/21	4:00 PM	Good Neighbor Alliance Meal Prep
	4:30 PM	Sanctuary Reserved
	7:00 PM	Fellowship Hall Reserved
WED 9/22	9:00 AM	Bible Study In-person - Music Rm and Zoom
	11:00 AM	Bells - Sanctuary
	12:30 PM	Learning in Faith Together - High School
	2:30 PM	Confirmation
THUR 9/23	12:30 PM	Grace Group - Fellowship Hall
	6:30 PM	Square (Plus) Dancing - Fellowship Hall
FRI 9/24		
SAT 9/25		
SUN 9/26	9:00 AM	Worship Service In-Person / On-line