



# **Sermon Series: “What Is Truth?”**

## **Part V: Experience (Inspiration)**

**SEPTEMBER 29, 2019**  
**10:45 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.”

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 SEPTEMBER can be submitted online at [www.selcaz.org](http://www.selcaz.org) or to Leslie McCourt at [mccourtleslie@gmail.com](mailto:mccourtleslie@gmail.com).

**PLEASE PRAY** for Monica Benz, for the Nelson family. Please continue to pray for 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, Virginia Studer, Chris Brenner; Carol Coss, Pastor Tom Dunham, Johnnie Rae Latham, George Abraham; Jim and Pam Andrew; Jane Behsman, Jan Bevelin, Dee Brenner; the Bills Family; 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, Bob Reiner, Jerry Regan, Bob; Roger and Dee Rowley; Tony Toto and military personnel everywhere.

**SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

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

**GATHERING**

Pre-Service Song                      “Who You Say I Am”                      (Fielding and Morgan)

Welcome

\*Confession and Forgiveness

\*Gathering Song                      “Come thou Fount of Every Blessing”                      ELW #807

Prayer of the Day

**WORD**

First Reading: Isaiah 61:1-3                      Pew Bible pg. 603

Second Reading: Acts 15:22-31                      Pew Bible pg.899-900

\*Gospel Acclamation                      ELW #519; vs. 1 & Refrain  
“Open Your Ears, O Faithful People”

\*Gospel: John 16:12-15                      Pew Bible pg. 879

Children’s Time

Choir Anthem                      “God Is Our Refuge”                      (A. Pote)

Sermon                      Pastor Mark Perry  
Sermon Series: “What Is Truth? Part V: Experience (Inspiration)”

***Moment of Silent Reflection***

\*Hymn of the Day                      “Holy Spirit, Truth Divine”                      ELW #398

\*Apostles’ Creed

\*Prayers of the People                      *(to the conclusion, “Lord, in your mercy,”*

*please respond, “hear our prayer.”)*

**\*Sharing of the Peace**

**MEAL**

**Offering**

**Music during Offering**      “Holy Spirit, Breathe on Me”      (arr. B. Hayes)

**\*Offering Prayer**

**\*Holy Communion / Words of Institution**

**\*Lord’s Prayer (*traditional version*)**

**Invitation to Communion**

**Songs during Communion**

    “Broken Vessels (Amazing Grace)”      (Houston and Myrin)  
    “He Leadeth Me”      **LBW #501**

**Communion Blessing**

**Prayer after Communion**

**SENDING**

**Announcements**

**\*Blessing**

**\*Sending Song**      “Thrive”      (Hall and West)

**\*Dismissal**

**Postlude**      “Voluntary on Sending Song”      (arr. B. Hayes)

**The Faith 5 Bible Verse for this week John 16:13:**

“When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come.”

**SERVING TODAY**

**Altar Guild**

Connie Kelher, Linda Radwick,  
Rhea Scott

**Acolyte**

8:00 a.m. - Sandy Stephenson  
10:45 a.m. - Kaylie Clard

**Deacons/Communion Assistants**

8:00 a.m. - Deacon Debra Brown  
10:45 a.m. - Deacon Carrisa  
Bratlien

**Greeters**

8:00 a.m. - Marilyn Hoer, Sylvia  
Rosekrans  
10:45 a.m.- Miki Shaner, Sandy  
Shannon

**Lectors**

8:00 a.m. - Rich Radwick  
10:45 a.m. - Joy Pearl Rurangwa

**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. - \*Monty Brandes, Carol  
Brandes, Sylvia Diamond,  
10:45 a.m. - \*Anna Bratlien, Gary  
Peterson, Richard Zimmer

## **TODAY! FAITH FORMATION**

**Opening and Adult class will be held in the Sanctuary.**

### **TONIGHT! CANDLELIGHT DINNER FUNDRAISER -- 5:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall!**

Our youth are excited to host this special youth fundraiser filled with a delicious pasta dish from Olive Garden along with fresh salad, bread sticks and dessert! A freewill donation will be collected during the dinner. If you missed the RSVP deadline last week, please see Linda Perry today on the patio as we may have room for just a few more folks! If you are unable to attend, but wish to make a donation, please make checks payable to SELC with "Youth Fundraiser" in the memo line.

**YOUTH CONNECTS REGISTRATION RSVP IS TODAY!** All 6<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> grade youth who wish to attend the all-day Youth Connects event on November 9<sup>th</sup> in Tucson, **must RSVP to Linda Perry!** The price will increase after that and we want to register early. Cost is \$75 which includes all materials, lunch and dinner.

**FAITH FORMATION TEAM MEETING** - October 1 at 6:30 p.m. Room 3! Parents of SELC children and youth are especially encouraged to attend!

**BLESSING OF THE PETS - Saturday, October 5, 2019 at 9:00 am** at New Frontier Animal Medical Center, 2045 Paseo San Luis, Sierra Vista, AZ - Join us in our Celebration of God's Amazing Creatures. Bring your pets - dogs, cats, birds, small mammals, reptiles, or even a Photo of your pet! Hang out with Our Pet Loving Pastors: Rev. Allison Cornell, St. Stephen's Episcopal Church; Pastor Mark Perry, Sierra Lutheran Church; and Rev. Tina Squire, Sky Island Unitarian Universalist Church. Each Blessed Pet (or photo) will Receive a Blessing Card. Bring Your Own Chair or Blanket. Donations Will be Gratefully Accepted by our Local Animal Shelters. Suggestions: Food Bowls, Leashes, Bags/Cans of Food, Cat Littler, Towels.

**SUPER YOUTH GROUP 6<sup>th</sup> -12<sup>th</sup> Gr. October 6 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.**

**ALL YOUTH REHEARSAL- October 17 - 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.** NO Sr. High LIFT/Confirmation due to Fall Break October 14 -18. We will be starting in the planning of and rehearsal for the upcoming Youth Sunday.

**GUEST SPEAKER: PASTOR REBECCA BOARDMAN, Lutheran Campus Ministry**  
**October 13, 2019** - 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](http://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.*

**SERMON SERIES** - This month features a sermon series on "What is Truth?" or, "Where Now is the Authority?" in an attempt to provide guidance for discerning what really belongs to The Truth. Tools and resources will be shared about how we can better discern which voices are authentic in following God's values using the classic four categories of determining authority according to Scripture, Tradition, Reason and Experience. **Copies of Pastor Mark and Intern Pastor Paul's notes for each sermon are available to pick up in the Narthex.** If you are unable to make it to church or would like to hear a sermon again, you also can go to our website to access services online.

**INTERFAITH REVIVAL 2019 - Thursday, October 10 & Friday, October 11, at 6:00 pm and Saturday, October 12 at 4:00 pm.** "Where God's leaders ignite to unify believers, those who are wandering may be found, coming together in a spirit of holiness. Meeting at the point where everybody is somebody! Held at Shiloh Christian Ministries, 1519 Avenida del Sol, Sierra Vista. Revival speaker, Dr. Felix Gilbert from Aurora, CO. A Free Choir workshop will be held from 10:00 am -12:00 pm, at Church of God in Christ, 100 W Nelson Dr, SV, led by M.D. Stokes. For more info, call 520-803-9577.

**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.

**Flowers Provided by Wilma Bell in memory of husband Henry.**

**Oil for The Eternal Light Provided by Rich and Linda Radwick  
in celebration of their 52<sup>nd</sup> wedding anniversary.**

**CALENDAR 9/29/19 - 10/6/19**

SUN 9/29	8:00 & 10:45 AM	Worship Services
	9:30 AM	Faith Formation for ALL Ages
	5:30 PM	Candlelight Dinner Fundraiser
MON 9/30		
TUE 10/1	7:45 AM	Exercise Group
	6:30 PM	Faith Formation Team Meeting - Room 3
	7:00 PM	Fellowship Hall Reserved
WED 10/2	9:00 AM	Bible Study - Music Room
	2:30 PM	Helping Hearts Tutoring - Fellowship Hall
THUR 10/3	7:45 AM	Exercise Group
	9:00 AM	Stitch-In-Time Quilters - Fellowship Hall
	12:30 PM	LIFT - Sr. High Youth Room
	2:30 PM	Confirmation - Jr. High Youth Room
	4:30 PM	Worship & Music Team Meeting - Music Room
	4:30 PM	Partner's in Praise Rehearsal - Sanctuary
	7:00 PM	Choir Rehearsal - Sanctuary
	7:00 PM	Plus Square Dancers
FRI 10/4	1:00 PM	Senior Games - Fellowship Hall
	6:00 PM	Square Dancing - Fellowship Hall
SAT 10/5	7:00 AM	Men's Prayer Breakfast - Fellowship Hall
	9:00 AM	Blessing of the Pets - New Frontier Medical Center
SUN 10/6	8:00 & 10:45 AM	Worship Services / In-Home Communion
	9:30 AM	Faith Formation for ALL Ages
	aprx. 12:15 PM	Youth Bowling Trip in Tucson

**Food Donations for Next Sunday Will Go to Peaches Pantry.**

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