

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SUN CITY POSSE DRUG TAKE BACK – Saturday, October 24, 2026, from 9am to 2pm
at Posse Headquarters, 10861 W. Sunland Drive, Sun City, AZ 85351

SUN CITY POSSE SHRED-A-THON -- Saturday, October 24, 2026, from 9am to 12pm
at Posse Headquarters, 10861 W. Sunland Drive, Sun City, AZ 85351

Thank you for your offerings for the ministry of Christ’s church.
Donations may be placed in the **JOASH BOX**, which is located in
the front of the Sanctuary (on the wall near the piano).

Orange Visitor Cards are available in the pew racks –
drop in the Joash Box offering plate or give it to the Pastor.

Have a prayer request? Fill out the **Green** pew card and place
in the Joash Box offering plate or give to the Pastor.

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Office Hours

8:30am-3:00pm Tuesdays/Thursdays
8:30am-Noon Wednesdays
Closed Mondays and Fridays



Worship 9:30am Sunday, October 11th

MUSIC FOR GATHERING
WELCOME AND CHURCH NOTICES

Dr. Moyi Liu, Piano
Stewart Porter

Hearing Assistance is available! Please ask a sound technician.



PRELUDE UNISON responses are in **CAPITAL BOLD** text
*indicates to please stand, in body or in spirit

*CALL TO WORSHIP Mark Bakker, Liturgist

Leader: Spirit of Life, dwell among us:
PEOPLE: SEND YOUR GRACE LIKE RAIN TO NOURISH US,
Leader: Send your love like sun to warm us
PEOPLE: SPIRIT OF THE LIVING GOD,
WE ARE READY TO WORSHIP YOU!



*OPENING HYMN Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty No. 138 (vs. 1-3)

V.1 Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee;
Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity.

V.2 Holy, holy, holy! all the saints adore Thee,
Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee,
Who wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

V.3 Holy, holy, holy! though the darkness hide Thee,
Though the eye of sinfulness Thy glory may not see,
Only Thou art holy; there is none beside Thee
Perfect in power, in love, and purity.



PRAYER OF CONFESSION (UNISON)

Pastor Ann Utke

MERCIFUL LORD, WE BUILD OUR LIVES UPON YOU: FORGIVE US FOR OUR SINS. WE HAVE TRUSTED IN OUR OWN EFFORTS, AND FAILED TO ALIGN WITH YOUR PRIORITIES AND PURPOSES FOR OUR WORLD. GUIDE US TODAY, THAT WE WOULD PLACE OUR LEGACY IN YOUR HANDS ALONE (SILENT PRAYER)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Hear the good news! Who is in a position to condemn? Christ, we receive forgiveness of sins and fullness of grace. Be at peace with God and yourselves. Amen.



PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Mark Bakker, Liturgist

Almighty God, by your Holy Spirit, may our hearts learn to love your Word, and may our wills be strengthened to follow Jesus. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 145:1-8 p. 714

Liturgist: This is the Word of the Lord.
PEOPLE: THANKS BE TO GOD.



VOCAL ANTHEM

Lord, To You My Soul Is Lifted
Louis Bourgeois

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 20:1-16 p. 26

SERMON

Rev. Ann Utke

SUNG RESPONSE

For the Fruit of All Creation

Tune 544

V.1 For the harvests of the Spirit, thanks be to God.
For the good we all inherit, thanks be to God.
For the wonders that astound us,
For the truths that still confound us,
Most of all that love has found us, thanks be to God.

V.2 For the fruit of all creation, thanks be to God.
For God's gifts to every nation, thanks be to God.
In our world-wide task of caring for the hungry and despairing,
In the harvests we are sharing, God's will be done.



PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER (UNISON)

Remember in your prayers the congregation of Sierra Vista, Yuma (PCUSA); Habitat for Humanity; and Sun City Christian Church.

**OUR FATHER, WHO ART IN HEAVEN, HALLOWED BE THY NAME.
THY KINGDOM COME, THY WILL BE DONE
ON EARTH AS IT IS IN HEAVEN.
GIVE US THIS DAY OUR DAILY BREAD, AND FORGIVE US OUR DEBTS,
AS WE FORGIVE OUR DEBTORS. AND LEAD US NOT INTO TEMPTATION,
BUT DELIVER US FROM EVIL. FOR THINE IS THE KINGDOM,
AND THE POWER, AND THE GLORY, FOREVER. AMEN.**



AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (from *The Scots Confession*)

**WE CONFESS AND ACKNOWLEDGE ONE GOD ALONE,
TO WHOM ALONE WE MUST HOLD FAST,
WHOM ALONE WE MUST SERVE,
WHOM ONLY WE MUST WORSHIP,
AND IN WHOM ALONE WE PUT OUR TRUST.**

**GOD IS ETERNAL, INFINITE, IMMEASURABLE,
INCOMPREHENSIBLE, OMNIPOTENT, INVISIBLE;
ONE IN SUBSTANCE AND YET DISTINCT IN THREE PERSONS,
THE FATHER, THE SON, AND THE HOLY GHOST.**

**BY GOD WE CONFESS AND BELIEVE ALL THINGS IN HEAVEN AND EARTH,
VISIBLE AND INVISIBLE, TO HAVE BEEN CREATED, TO BE RETAINED IN THEIR
BEING, AND TO BE RULED AND GUIDED BY GOD'S INSCRUTABLE PROVIDENCE
FOR SUCH END AS GOD'S ETERNAL WISDOM, GOODNESS,
AND JUSTICE HAVE APPOINTED,
AND TO THE MANIFESTATION OF GOD'S OWN GLORY. AMEN.**

***CLOSING HYMN *God, You Spin the Whirling Planets* No. 285 (vs. 1 & 3 alt. words)**

V.1 God, You spin the whirling planets, fill the seas and spread the plain,
Mold the mountains, fashion blossoms, call forth sunshine, wind, and rain.
We, created in Your image, would a true reflection be
Of Your justice, grace, and mercy and the truth that makes us free.

V.3 Gracious Spirit, help us summon other guests to share Your feast,
Where triumphant Love will welcome those who have been last and least.
Then no more will envy bind us, nor will pride our peace destroy,
As we join with saints and angels to repeat the sounding joy!