

Announcements

Greeters

Remember the 'Before' times, when we had a couple of Greeters in the Narthex each Sunday? Well, as we reopen in-person worship, we would like to rebuild a team of Greeters, even though that will look different than before. You don't have to be a Deacon, or even an OPC member. It is easy and you only have to come a few minutes early. Call Hedy Martin if you are interested, at 602-789-9624.

Liturgist

If you would like to help out in our services, there is a need for a liturgist each week. This is a very important part of our service that is easy to do. We send you the liturgy ahead of time so that you can read through it. If this is something you think you could do, call Chuck Sedgwick, at 602-541-4079.

Montlure Traveling Day Camp

Montlure Day Camp (VBS) is scheduled for June 7-11 from 9 am to 3 pm. Pick up a brochure in the back of the Sanctuary or check out our website for more information. We must limit how many kids due to social distancing. You must pre-register.

Spring Luncheon

Mothers, daughters, cousins, women friends-all are invited to the Annual Spring Potluck Luncheon. Stop by the table on the Patio to sign up, and come on Saturday, May 22, 11:30 to Page Hall. This is an event to affirm our connection with each other, to our congregation, and to our denomination, as we share a meal, laugh, worship, listen to a Readers' Theater presentation, sing, and share with the women who worship at Orangewood PC (USA). Stop at the table in the patio to sign up today or call the church office.

Pentecost Offering

Between now and May 23 we will be accepting gifts for the Pentecost offering. This money is used to help our youth especially youth at risk in practical and spiritual ways. It supports faith development through congregational initiatives, the adult volunteer program, youth Triennium and others. Our local church keeps 40%. The mission committee has chosen to support Frontera de Cristo, a Presbyterian Border Ministry located in the sister cities of Agua Prieta, Sonora, and Douglas, AZ. Their ministries include a community center that provides educational, cultural, and developmental activities for the community, plus a family ministry to the unchurch including a weekly Bible school for children. There is also a program for youth designed to keep them from becoming involved in the cartels.

We hope you will generously support this vital border ministry. Gifts may be received during our offering on Sunday, dropped off at the church office, or online through the Give button on our website orangewood.church.

Sunday May 16, 2021

Prelude:

African Choir

Welcome/Announcements

Call to Worship

Leader: A new day has begun.

People: Hope wins!

Leader: A fresh start is granted.

People: Faith wins!

Leader: Come, let us worship God, who is inviting us into life in a new way, a way that transcends death, a way of hope and faith.

All: Love wins!

Opening Song:

I Gave Myself Away

African Choir

Confession

**Too often, Lord God,
we are hesitant in our proclamation;
seeking safe and suitable opportunities to speak of our faith.
Too often, Lord God,
we are half-hearted in our service;
reluctant to stand out from the crowd or to attract criticism.
Too often, Lord God,
we live as if dependent wholly on our own resources;
relying on our perceived skills and modest insights.
Too often, Lord God,
we look to the clouds for our inspiration,
in the vain hope of finding you there.
Forgive the poverty of our efforts and the frailty of our faith
and open wide our hearts and minds to the immanent presence
of our Risen, Living and Ascended Lord Jesus Christ.**

Assurance of Pardon

Passing of the Peace

Minute for Mission

Prayer for Illumination

First Lesson

Leviticus 8:6-9

⁶ Then Moses brought Aaron and his sons forward, and washed them with water. ⁷ He put the tunic on him, fastened the sash around him, clothed him with the robe, and put the ephod on him. He then put the decorated band of the ephod around him, tying the ephod to him with it. ⁸ He placed the breastpiece on him, and in the breastpiece he put

the Urim and the Thummim. ⁹ And he set the turban on his head, and on the turban, in front, he set the golden ornament, the holy crown, as the Lord commanded Moses.

Song

Good & Gracious King

Second Lesson

Ephesians 1:15-23

¹⁵ I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason ¹⁶ I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. ¹⁷ I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, ¹⁸ so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, ¹⁹ and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. ²⁰ God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, ²¹ far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. ²² And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, ²³ which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

Sermon:

The King's Wardrobe

Affirmation of Faith:

King Jesus,
You are not only risen and alive, you are Lord.
This your ascension,
your ascendancy over the whole universe.
You stand over and above all that is best in life as its source.
You stand above all that is worst as the ultimate victor.
You stand above all powers and authorities as judge.
You stand above all failure and weakness and sin
as forgiveness and love.
You alone are worthy of total allegiance, total commitment.
You are Lord,
'My Lord and my God.'

Prayer of Dedication

Offering

This I Believe

Doxology[CS1]

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Pastoral Prayer/Lord's Prayer

Hymn # 260

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus;
his the scepter, his the throne;
Alleluia! his the triumph,
his the victory alone!
Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion
thunder like a mighty flood:
"Jesus out of every nation
has redeemed us by his blood."

Alleluia! Not as orphans
are we left in sorrow now;
Alleluia! he is near us;
faith believes nor questions how.
Though the cloud from sight received him,
when the forty days were o'er,
shall our hearts forget his promise:
"I am with you evermore"?

Alleluia! Bread of angels,
here on earth our food, our stay;
Alleluia! here the sinful
flee to you from day to day.
Intercessor, friend of sinners,
earth's redeemer, hear our plea
where the songs of all the sinless
sweep across the crystal sea.

Alleluia! King eternal,
Lord omnipotent we own;
Alleluia! born of Mary,
earth your footstool, heaven your throne.
As within the veil you entered,
robed in flesh, our great high priest;
here on earth both priest and victim
in the eucharistic feast.

Dismissal/Benediction

Postlude - Chuck