Saint Stephen's welcomes everyone who wishes to follow Christ, worship together, grow in faith and share God's love through service to others.

# TRINITY SUNDAY



Saturday, 25 May 5pm & Sunday, 19 May 10 AM 2024 Prelude: "If My People Will Pray", by Jimmy Owens arr. Fred Bock

Welcome and Announcements

**Rev Allison Cornell** 

## **Entrance Rites** - The people stand as they are able.

**Opening Hymn** "Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God Almighty"

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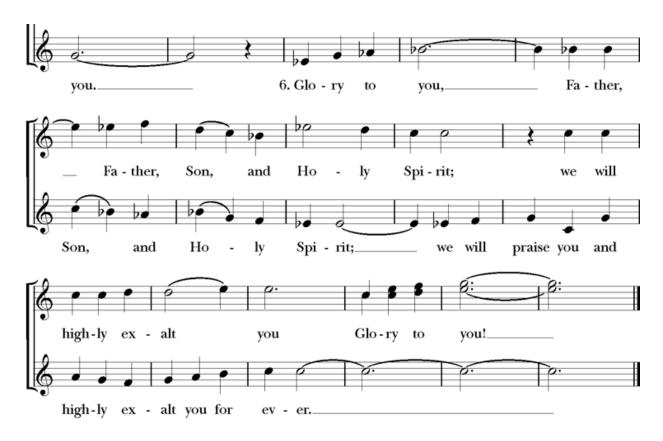
## **Opening Acclamation:**

Presider Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People Glory to God for ever and ever.







#### Salutation

Presider God be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Let us pray

#### **Collect of the Day:**

Almighty and everlasting God, you have given to us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of your divine Majesty to worship the Unity: Keep us steadfast in this faith and worship, and bring us at last to see you in your one and eternal glory, O Father; who with the Son and the Holy Spirit live and reign, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Word of God (please be seated)

## The First Lesson - A Reading from Hosea 11:1-4:

When Israel was a child, I loved them, and out of Egypt I called my child. They, the Baals, called to them, they went out to the Baals; they sacrificed and to idols, they offered incense. Yet it was I who walked toddling Ephraim, taking

them by their arms; yet they did not know that I healed them. | led them with human ties, with bonds of love. I was to them like those who lift babies to their cheeks. I bent down to them and fed them.

Lector: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

**People: Thanks be to God.** 

#### The Psalm -

**Psalm 131: 1-3**: (read responsively by verse)

1 WOMB OF LIFE, my heart is not lifted up, nor my eyes exalted;
I do not keep company with things great and too wondrous for me

- 2 Rather, I have soothed and quieted my soul, like a weaned child with her mother; my soul is like a weaned child within me.
- 3 Israel, hope in the WELLSPRING OF LIFE from now until forever.

The Second Lesson: A Reading from Paul's letter to the 2 Peter 1:16-18

For we did not follow sophisticated mythologies when we made known to you all the power and coming of our Redeemer Jesus Christ, rather we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. For Christ from God the Sovereign received honor and glory, a voice came to him from the Majestic Glory, saying, "This is my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased." And we ourselves heard this voice that came from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain.

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## **Gospel Lesson:**

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to

Matthew 28:16-20

#### **People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus sent them. And when they saw him, they bowed down worshipping him; but some doubted. Then Jesus came and said to them saying, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. Now look, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord People: Praise be to you, Lord Christ

## Sermon (Rev Keith Saar)

**Nicene Creed** All say together (CONTEMPORARY VERSION)

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, <u>was incarnate</u> of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen

## Prayers of the People (Form 1, edited, BCP pp. 383-385)

Leader: With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord. For the peace from above, for the loving-kindness of God,

People: and for the salvation of our souls, let us pray to the Lord.

Leader: For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the Holy Church of God,

People: and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord.

Leader: For our Bishops, priests, and deacons, and for all ministers in your unending loving-kindness we lift up to you:

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer: *The Church of the Province of Central Africa* 

In the Diocesan cycle of prayer: *Grace Church, in Lake Havasu City* And we pray for the first peoples of this land, especially the Apache peoples who called this area home. May we continue to support one another in love and empathy. Come, Spirit of Truth,

People: and for people doing God's will, let us pray to the Lord.

Leader: For our President, for the leaders of the nations,

**People:** and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.

Leader: For this city of Sierra Vista, for every city and community,

People: and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.

Leader: For seasonable weather, and for an abundance of the fruits of the

earth,

People: For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord.

Leader: For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, for the sick and the suffering, for the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives,

People: and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.

Leader: For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection,

People: and for all the departed, let us pray to the Lord.

Leader: For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation,

People: For the absolution and remission of our sins and offenses, let us pray to the Lord.

Leader: That we may end our lives in faith and hope,

People: without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord.

Leader: Defend us, deliver us, and in your compassion protect us, O Lord, with your grace.

People: In the communion of all the saints, we commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to you Holy and Living God. Amen.

#### **Confession of Sin**

Deacon: Let us confess our sins to God.

All: God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that influences us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

#### **Absolution**

Presider: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen**.

## **Exchange of the Peace**

Presider May the peace of Christ be always with you

All And also with you.

The Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Presider: I appeal to you, friends, by the mercies of God, to present yourselves as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship.

**Offertory Hymn** "Come Holy Spirit Heavenly Dove" #510 Doxology (Hymn #380 v. 3)

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.

## The Holy Communion

## The Great Thanksgiving

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Presider The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Presider Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Presider: We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing.

People: You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love.

Presider: And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing (say):



Bless · ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san- na in the high - est.

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God.

## Living among us, Jesus loved us.

He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor.

# He yearned to draw all the world to himself; yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love.

Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you. On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice.

Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new Creation (+), the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

In the fullness of time bring us, with St. Stephen and all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, forever and ever. **AMEN** 

And now as Jesus taught us, we pray: (Contemporary Lord's Prayer)

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be <u>your Name</u>. Your kingdom come, <u>your will</u> be done. On earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us <u>our sins</u> as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,

Now and forever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread (Presider breaks the consecrated bread)
Fraction Anthem G#830 Refrain Only: Seed Scattered and Sown



#### **Invitation to Communion:**

Presider: These are the gifts of God for the People of God. **People:** Christ invites us all to be known and fed here.

All are welcome and invited to come to The Lord's Table and receive communion in this church. It is gluten free bread and real wine. To dip/intinct your bread into the wine and then consume it, please come to the left altar rail. To eat your bread and then sip wine from the cup, please come to the right altar rail. To receive a blessing instead of the bread and wine, come to either rail and cross your arms over your chest and we will give you a blessing.

**Communion Hymn:** "All praise to thee for thou O king divine" #477

# Prayers for Birthdays, Anniversaries, Healing, and Gratitude Post Communion Prayer

Presider: Let us pray:

God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth.

Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit,

that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world, and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

#### **Benediction:**

Presider: And now may the Lord of peace himself give you peace at all times and in every way. And the blessing of God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit be with all of you now and forever.. **Amen.** 

#### **Dismissal**

Deacon: People of St. Stephen's, what does God call us to do?

People: We are called to love and serve.

Deacon: Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in God's Spirit.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!)

Closing Hymn: "All Glory be to God on high"

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Postlude: "Sing Praises!" By David Paxton

Please join us for refreshments after the service in the Parish Hall.

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