



**January 28, 2024**  
**4th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**Kirkn' O' the Tartans**  
**Annual Meeting of the Congregation**

**PRELUDE**                      *Scotland the Brave*                      R. Wilson  
William Don Carlos; Pipe Major, Tucson Highlander

**POURING OUT OF WATERS, PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

**TRINITY RINGING, CHOIR PROCESSIONAL**                      Pastor Craig

**INTROIT**

*Seek Ye First*

Seek ye first the kingdom of God  
and its righteousness,  
and all these things shall be added unto you.  
alleluia

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**CALL TO WORSHIP**

Bud Landry

4000 years ago, GOD heard the cries of enslaved people and cared. The God of his ancestors called Moses to lead the people out of slavery, through generations in the wilderness, to a Promised land. 502 years ago, God spoke through our ancestors, to protest and to reform beliefs and practices of Christianity. In the year 1 AD the Hohokam, the Pima and the Tohono O'dham indigenous tribes were the first to call this place their home, living and worshipping in this place. Flags of Mexico, Spain, the Confederacy, the State of Arizona and the United States of America have all claimed this land. As the first white ranchers arrived, the Hohokam people vanished. In 1953 a sign appeared on Route 19, "Live Now – Not Sometime – in an Established Community." Chicago developers bought 2900 acres near Canoa Ranch, for a new community described as: "A town too good to die, populated by people who have learned to live, a retirement community begun in 1960." In 1976 Rev. George and Mary Sweet contacted the Presbytery, United Church of Christ and Disciples of Christ, to form Valley United Presbyterian Church.

✠ **OPENING HYMN**

*Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*

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**THE ALTAR CALL**

Roger & Lynn Conroy

David & Donna Faulkner

Jerry Logan

David & Terry Luck

Gary McClellan & Maria Ramirez

Bob Miller & Susan Ervin

Kim Moss

Jean Picard

Peter & Linda Schrottenboer

Chuck & Joyce Smerick

**THE CONFESSION OF CHRISTIAN FAITH**

**THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Brothers and sisters, believe the Good News of the Gospel, in Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

✠ **GLORIA PATRI**

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Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end.

Amen, Amen.

**ANTHEM**

*Ancient Words*

L. Deshazo

Holy words long preserved for our walk in this world;  
They resound with God's own heart, O let the ancient words  
impart;  
Words of life, words of hope, give us strength, help us cope;  
In this world where'er we roam, ancient words will guide us home.

Ancient words, ever true, changing me, and changing you;  
We have come with open hearts, O let the ancient words impart.

Holy words of our faith handed down to this age,  
Came to us through sacrifice; O, heed the faithful words of Christ;  
Holy words long preserved for our walk in this world;  
They resound with God's own heart; O, let the ancient words  
impart.

**PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER**

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**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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

**CHORAL AMEN**

**CHILDREN'S TIME**

**SCRIPTURE**

Deuteronomy 18: 15-22

The LORD your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among you, from your fellow Israelites. You must listen to him. For this is what you asked of the LORD your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly when you said, "Let us not hear the voice of the LORD our God nor see this great fire anymore, or we will die."

The LORD said to me: "What they say is good. I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their fellow Israelites, and I will put my words in his mouth. He will tell them everything I command him. I myself will call to account anyone who does not listen to my words that the prophet speaks in my name. But a prophet who presumes to speak in my name anything I have not commanded, or a prophet who speaks in the name of other gods, is to be put to death."

You may say to yourselves, “How can we know when a message has not been spoken by the LORD?” If what a prophet proclaims in the name of the LORD does not take place or come true, that is a message the LORD has not spoken. That prophet has spoken presumptuously, so do not be alarmed.

Mark 1: 21-28

They went to Capernaum, and when the Sabbath came, Jesus went into the synagogue and began to teach. The people were amazed at his teaching, because he taught them as one who had authority, not as the teachers of the law. Just then a man in their synagogue who was possessed by an impure spirit cried out, “What do you want with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are—the Holy One of God!”

“Be quiet!” said Jesus sternly. “Come out of him!” The impure spirit shook the man violently and came out of him with a shriek.

The people were all so amazed that they asked each other, “What is this? A new teaching—and with authority! He even gives orders to impure spirits and they obey him.” News about him spread quickly over the whole region of Galilee.

L: This is the Word of the Lord

P: **Thanks be to God**

**SERMON** “HE TAUGHT WITH AUTHORITY, NOT AS THE SCRIBES”

**AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**      *The Creed of the Kirk*

As we believe in one God, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, so we firmly believe that from the beginning there has been, now is, and to the end of the world shall be, one Kirk, one company and multitude chosen by God, who rightly worship and embrace him by true faith

in Christ Jesus, who is the only Head of the Kirk, even as it is the body and spouse of Christ Jesus. This Kirk is catholic, that is, universal because it contains the chosen of all ages, of all realms, nations, and tongues, be they of the Jews or of the Gentiles, who have communion and society with God the Father, and with his Son, Christ Jesus, through the sanctification of his Holy Spirit. It is therefore, called the communion, not of profane persons, but of saints, who, as citizens of the heavenly Jerusalem have the fruit of inestimable benefits, one God, one Lord Jesus, one faith, one baptism. Therefore we utterly abhor the blasphemy of those who hold that men who live according to equity and justice shall be saved, no matter what religion they profess. For since there is neither life nor salvation without Christ Jesus; so shall none have part therein but those whom the Father has given unto his Son Christ Jesus, and those who in time come to him, avow his doctrine, and believe in him. (We include the children with the believing parents). This Kirk is invisible, known only to God, who alone knows whom he has chosen, and includes both the chosen who are departed, the Kirk triumphant, those who yet live and fight against sin and Satan, and those who shall live hereafter.

⌘ HYMN                      *God of Grace and God of Glory*                      307

**CALL FOR OFFERING**

**OFFERTORY**                      *Highland Cathedral*                      Rover/Korb

***\*Please print your name in the fellowship register: Friendship Pads in the pews are a great way to meet your neighbor.***

*\*\* If you have a special prayer request, please fill out the blue card in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate. There is also a box in the Narthex you may place it in as well. Our Pastors and Prayer Ministry Team will Pray for your request.*

✠ **DOXOLOGY**

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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.

✠ **HYMN**

*O God of Every Nation*

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**PLEASE STAY FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION**

**CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**

*Let There Be Peace On Earth*

Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me.  
Let there be peace on earth, the peace that was meant to be.  
With God as our Creator, children all are we.  
Let us walk with each other, in perfect harmony.

Let peace begin with me, let this be the moment now.  
With ev'ry step I take, let this be my solemn vow;  
To take each moment and live each moment in peace eternally.  
Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me.

✠ **POSTLUDE**

*Highland Cathedral*

Traditional

✠ **All those who are able, please stand**

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**FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY PROVIDED BY:** Maureen Brealey,  
Celebrating my Birthday.

**PLEASE REMEMBER THOSE RECENTLY IN THE HOSPITAL OR IN REHAB:**  
Dennis Van Vactor

**TOUR YOUTH ON THEIR OWN AND BEN'S BELLS**—Thursday, February  
15th. Sign up today.

**YOTO MISSION BREAKFAST**—Saturday, February 10th at 8:30 a.m.  
Tickets on Sale Today!

**MUSIC IN THE VALLEY PRESENTS** – Our Chancel Choir featuring  
Professor Darnell T. Roulhac. Saturday, February 10<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 p.m.  
in the Sanctuary. Tickets are available at the church office. \$20.00.

**THIS WEEK:**

**MONDAY:**

9:00 A.M. **PARKINSON'S CHAIR EXERCISES**— Charter Hall.

9:00 A.M. **MISSION QUILTERS**—Classroom 1

1:00 P.M. **BIBLE REFLECTIONS**—Classroom 5, and on Zoom

2:00 P.M. **FOUNDATION MEETING**—Classroom 5



**TUESDAY:**

- 9:00 A.M. **CARDIO DRUMMING**— Overflow Room
- 9:30 A.M. **PRAYER MINISTRY**—Sweet Family Room.
- 10:00 A.M. **YOGA WITH JOSIE**—Charter Hall. There is a \$5 fee.
- 1:00 p.m. **NOC MEETING**—Classroom 5
- 2:00 P.M. **JOYFUL SPIRIT ENSEMBLE REHEARSAL**—Sweet Family Room

**WEDNESDAY:**

- 9:00 A.M. **MEN'S BIBLE STUDY** - Classroom 1.
- 9:00 A.M. **PARKINSON'S CHAIR EXERCISE**—Charter Hall
- 10:00 A.M. **CHAIR EXERCISE CLASS**— Charter Hall
- 11:00 A.M. **COMMUNION PREP TRAINING** - Kitchen
- 3:00 P.M. **CHOIR REHEARSAL**— Spiritual Life Center

**THURSDAY:**

- 1:00 P.M. **THE BOOK – THE STORY OF GOD** - Classroom 5.
- 1:00 P.M. **PLANNING COMMISSION**—Classroom 1
- 2:00 P.M. **TUCSON SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA SET-UP & REHEARSAL**—Sanctuary
- 3:00 P.M. **LINE DANCE CLASS**- Fellowship Hall.

**FRIDAY:**

- 9:00 A.M. **PARKINSON'S CHAIR EXERCISES**—Charter Hall
- 9:00 A.M. **PIANO TUNER** - Sanctuary
- 3:00 P.M. **TUCSON SYMPHONY SET-UP**—Fellowship Hall, Sanctuary, Sweet Family Room
- 7:30 P.M. **TUCSON SYMPHONY CONCERT**—Fellowship Hall, Sanctuary, Sweet Family Room

**SATURDAY:**



8:00 A.M. **COMMUNION PREP**—Kitchen

9:30 A.M **KITCHEN WORKER PLANNING MEETING** – Fellowship Hall

VPC Financial - Attendance / On-Line Viewing Metrics			
Monthly Giving Support Contributions		Weekly Attendance / Viewing	
Dec. 2023		Through Week 3 (1/21/24)	
Monthly Giving Support	\$ 80,253	Weekly Attendance Sanctuary	340
Monthly Giving Budget	64,319	YTD 2024 Attendance Sanctuary	979
YTD Giving Support	768,813	Weekly Viewing On-Line	139
YTD Giving Budget	778,338	YTD 2024 Viewing On-Line	385
S. Ginader - VPC treasurer - <a href="mailto:steveginader@gmail.com">steveginader@gmail.com</a> - 952-687-1879 2024 Per Capita is \$41.50 per member			

**WELCOME** to all who enter this place. Drink deeply of the living waters of God’s grace as we worship together in spirit.

**VISITORS:** Consider yourself at home while you are here! Please enjoy a cup of coffee, lemonade and a cookie while visiting the Visitor’s Table in Fellowship Hall after the church worship service. You can pick up a Visitor’s Information Packet at the Visitor's Table or the Welcome Centers. If you would like to receive more information about us, visit us at [valleypres.net](http://valleypres.net) where you can sign up for our daily email blasts and monthly newsletter.

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