



**November 7, 2021**

24th Sunday after Pentecost

**PRELUDE:** *Humbly We Adore Thee / Canon in D*  
Traditional / Pachelbel arr. R. Lau

**PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP** Pastor Craig

**PASSING THE PEACE**

**RINGING OF THE BOWL**

**POURING OUT THE WATERS**

**CALL TO WORSHIP** Pastor Diane  
Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.  
Watch and be ready, for you do not know on what day our Lord is  
coming.

**CALL TO PRAYER**

The Lord our God in Jesus Christ has taught us that love is the fulfilling of the Law. Send Your Holy Spirit upon us, pouring into our hearts that most excellent gift of love, that we may love You with our whole being, and our neighbors as our own life.

**UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

L: God of the ages, we praise You for all Your servants, who have done justice, loved mercy, and walked humbly with their God. For apostles, martyrs and saints of every time and place, who in life and death have witnessed to the truth,

**P: We praise You, O God.**

L: For all servants who have faithfully served You, witnessed bravely, died in faith, who continue as shining lights in our world,

**P: We praise You, O God.**

L: For those seeming no longer remembered, who earnestly sought You in darkness, who held fast their faith in trial and served others,

**P: We praise You, O God.**

L: For those we have known and loved, who by their faithful obedience and steadfast hope have demonstrated the same mind that was in Christ Jesus,

**P: We praise You, O God.**

L: Keep us grateful for their witness, like them, eager to follow in the way of Christ. Then, at the last, bring us with them to share in the inheritance of the saints in light; through Jesus Christ the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who as our great high priest needs no ratification or repetition.

*(Silent prayer)* **Amen**

## **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

In the resurrection of Christ Jesus, God gave us the promise of life which death itself cannot obscure or destroy. In the strength of this unshakable promise grant us new hearts to live, even now as Christ's new creation! 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.

## **RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS**

David Gay	Kurt Hargleroad	Linda Piotrowski
Joyce Gay	Bernadette Nicholson	Charles Ramsay
Ellie Hargleroad	Don Nicholson	Maureen Ramsay

## **ANTHEM**

*Take and Eat*

G. Grier

I eat the bread that you have broken.  
I drink the wine that you have poured for me.  
I do this in remembrance of your sacrifice.  
I hear the words that you have spoken.  
I feel the love that you have given me,  
I know that I will be with you in paradise.

Chorus:

So, I take and eat the living bread of life prepared for me.  
And I take and drink the giving wine you poured to set me free.

O Lord, I pray that you will fill my heart.  
O Lord, I pray that you will make me whole.  
O Lord of life, please help me quench my thirsty soul.  
I will remember as I take and eat,  
the greatest sacrifice you made for me.  
O precious Lord, I will prepare myself for thee.

Chorus

Amen.

## **CHILDREN'S TIME**

### **SCRIPTURE**

Ruth 4:1-12, 18-22

Meanwhile Boaz went up to the town gate and sat there. When the guardian-redeemer he had mentioned came along, Boaz said, "Come over here, my friend, and sit down." So he went over and sat down.

Boaz took ten of the elders of the town and said, "Sit here," and they did so. Then he said to the guardian-redeemer, "Naomi, who has come back from Moab, is selling the piece of land that belonged to our relative Elimelech. I thought I should bring the matter to your attention and suggest that you buy it in the presence of these seated here and in the presence of the elders of my people. If you will redeem it, do so. But if you will not, tell me, so I will know. For no one has the right to do it except you, and I am next in line."

"I will redeem it," he said.

Then Boaz said, "On the day you buy the land from Naomi and from Ruth the Moabitess, you acquire the dead man's widow, in order to maintain the name of the dead with his property."

At this, the guardian-redeemer said, "Then I cannot redeem

it because I might endanger my own estate. You redeem it yourself. I cannot do it.”

(Now in earlier times in Israel, for the redemption and transfer of property to become final, one party took off his sandal and gave it to the other. This was the method of legalizing transactions in Israel.)

So the guardian-redeemer said to Boaz, “Buy it yourself.” And he removed his sandal.

Then Boaz announced to the elders and all the people, “Today you are witnesses that I have bought from Naomi all the property of Elimelech, Chilion and Mahlon. I have also acquired Ruth the Moabite, Mahlon’s widow, as my wife, in order to maintain the name of the dead with his property, so that his name will not disappear from among his family or from the town records. Today you are witnesses!”

Then the elders and all the people at the gate said, “We are witnesses. May the LORD make the woman who is coming into your home like Rachel and Leah, who together built up the family of Israel. May you have standing in Ephrathah and be famous in Bethlehem. Through the offspring the LORD gives you by this young woman, may your family be like that of Perez, whom Tamar bore to Judah.”

This, then, is the family line of Perez:

Perez was the father of Hezron,  
Hezron the father of Ram,  
Ram the father of Amminadab,  
Amminadab the father of Nahshon,  
Nahshon the father of Salmon,  
Salmon the father of Boaz,  
Boaz the father of Obed,  
Obed the father of Jesse,  
and Jesse the father of David.

**SERMON**

**REDEMPTION**

**HYMN**

*All People That on Earth Do Dwell*

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**CALL FOR OFFERING**

**OFFERTORY** *Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence* M. Hayes, M. Gaspard

✦ **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.

**INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

**THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

✦ **PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

*The Lord's Prayer* Albert Hay Malotte

**SERVING ONE ANOTHER**

✦ **HYMN**

*We Shall Overcome*

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✦ **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**      *We Gather Together*    Kremser arr. A. Fedak

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

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**All Worship Services are available for replay on our website:**

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**Sanctuary Flowers provided by:** John and Barbara Bently.

**Please remember those currently or recently hospitalized or in rehabilitation:** Marti Long.

**The Carnations on the Baptismal Font** are in honor of the 9 new members received today.

VPC Financial - Attendance / On-Line Viewing Metrics			
Monthly Giving Support Contributions		Weekly Attendance / Viewing	
October-2021		Through Week #45 (10/31/21)	
Monthly Giving Support	\$ 59,179	Weekly Attendance Sanctuary	189
Monthly Giving Budget	\$ 37,795	* YTD 2021 Attendance Sanctuary	6,278
*YTD Giving Support	\$ 561,120	** Weekly Viewing On-Line	140
*YTD Giving Budget	\$ 514,152	** YTD 2021 Viewing On-Line	6,232
		* YTD 2021 Attendance / On-Line	12,510
		* YTD 2020 Attendance Sanctuary	5,599
<i>* YTD = Year to Date      ** Number of on-line devices tuned into Sunday service</i>			
<i>D. Brooks - VPC treasurer - dxb38@cox.net - 520-399-3959      2021 Per Capita is \$41.50 per member</i>			

**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 pick up a Visitor’s Information Packet while enjoying refreshments at our Visitor’s Table in Fellowship Hall. If you would like more information about our church, visit us at valleypres.net where you can sign up for our daily email blasts and monthly newsletter.

**HISTORY OF CHURCH MUSIC WITH WES MOULTON** -This class on the History of Music will meet Tuesday, at 10:00 a.m. in the Spiritual Life Center. No need to register.

**STEPHEN MINISTRY INFORMATION TABLE**

STOP by the SM table in Charter Hall after worship today and learn more about how YOU can make a difference in someone’s life through Stephen Ministry.

**SUPPER CLUSTERS!** It’s time to sign up for Supper Clusters. Stop by the Supper Cluster table following worship.

Our **Fall MISSION BREAKFAST** will be held on Saturday, November 13 at 8:30 am in Fellowship Hall. **YOUTH ON THEIR OWN** will be the featured Mission! Bethany Neuman, Director of Development and Communications will tell how YOTO supports homeless youth in the greater Tucson Metropolitan Area! Tickets (\$5) will be sold after church TODAY! Hope to see you there!!!

### **OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOE BOXES – YEAR 2021**

There are **empty** Christmas Shoe Boxes available to pick up in Fellowship Hall **today**. Take a Shoe Box and fill it with items for either a boy or girl. The Shoe Boxes will also be available at the church's office November 8 - 12, 2021, during business hours. Join in this annual project and have fun filling a box for a child who might not receive anything for Christmas. Think of the smile and excitement of that child receiving your Christmas Shoe Box. **Your filled Shoe Box must be returned to the church no later than Sunday, November 14, 2021.**

### **REGISTER FOR THE THANKSGIVING MEAL**

Thursday, November 25<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m. A sign-up sheet will be available in Fellowship Hall after Worship. ***Attendees must sign up*** to determine the amount of food to prepare. There is a limit of 125 attendees.



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