



***“Where Everyone Is Someone Special.”***

### Congregational response in bold

## PRELUDE

## Beverly Fletcher, organ

## GREETING, CENTERING, and CANDLE LIGHTING

## INTROIT

## “Down to the Water to Pray”

## Pepper Choplin

## Praise Team

**\*UNISON PRAYER**

**Almighty Creator, when storms sweep into our lives, as they will, we pause to consider our reaction. Does fear prevail or does our faith reveal our trust in you? Today we are reminded to turn to you and to be amazed by your calming presence. Of course, that's easier said than done, but this prayer is a helpful reminder, Amen.**

**\*OPENING**  
**HYMN**

## “Jesus Calls Us”

**(words on the screen)**

## **SILENT REFLECTION, PRAYER, THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**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.**

## PRAYER RESPONSE

## “Close to Thee”

**arr. Cindy Berry**

**Floyd Ellison, piano**

## GOSPEL READING

### Luke 8:22-25 (NRSV)

## SPECIAL MUSIC

**Zack Wells, guest Soloist**

## Stephen Schwartz

## SERMON

## “Afraid and Amazed”

**Rev. Brady Abel**

## HEALING SONG

## “Fairest Lord Jesus”

(words on the screen)

## HEALING SERVICE

## PRAYER of THANKSGIVING

**We give thanks and praise to you O God. In Jesus you have offered a ministry of healing, which has been shared with the disciples, and now extended, through your Holy Spirit, to this very time and place. Focus us, we pray, on giving what we have been given here, a reminder of your calm and caring presence throughout the world. Amen.**

## ANTHEM

## “I Will be With You ”

## Praise Team

# Joel Raney

## **CLOSING ANNOUNCEMENTS and BENEDICTION**

**\*CLOSING**  
**RESPONSE**

## “Because He Lives”

## Congregation

(words on the screen)

## POSTLUDE

### “Theme from “Finlandia”

**Beverly Fletcher, organ**

## Jean Sibelius



What’s Happening This Week...

<b>August 17</b> <b>8:15 am</b> <b>10:00 am</b>	<b>SUNDAY – Healing Service</b> <b>Praise Team Rehearsal</b> <b>Worship with Healing Service</b>
<b>August 18</b> <b>1:00 pm</b> <b>2:00 pm</b>	<b>MONDAY</b> <b>Walking Group</b> <b>Tai Chi in the Beehive</b> <b>Newsletter Deadline</b>
<b>August 19</b> <b>1:00 pm</b>	<b>TUESDAY</b> <b>Senior Exercise Class in the Beehive</b>
<b>August 20</b> <b>10:00 am</b> <b>12:00 pm</b> <b>1:00 pm</b> <b>7:00 pm</b>	<b>WEDNESDAY</b> <b>Converse &amp; Connect in the Beehive</b> <b>Power of the Pause – Stop and Pray</b> <b>Walking Group</b> <b>AA Meeting in the meeting room</b>
<b>August 21</b> <b>11:00 am</b> <b>1:00 pm</b>	<b>THURSDAY</b> <b>Bible Study, Pastor’s office</b> <b>Senior Exercise Class in the Beehive</b>
<b>August 22</b>	<b>FRIDAY</b> <b>Office Closed</b>
<b>August 23</b>	<b>SATURDAY</b> <b>Office Closed</b>
<b>August 24</b> <b>8:15 am</b> <b>10:00 am</b>	<b>SUNDAY</b> <b>Praise Team Rehearsal</b> <b>Worship</b>

Weekly Word

**Welcome!** Wherever you are on life’s journey, you are welcome here! Our prayer is that you will feel United Church is your spiritual home.

Please do not hesitate to contact our pastor or church leaders with questions. We hope you will return soon to worship at United Church!

STAFF

Rev. Brady Abel, Senior Pastor  
Greg Bradley, Moderator  
Heather Purtle, Vice Moderator  
Bill Zimmer, Past Moderator  
Alan Paulson, Minister of Music  
Beverly Fletcher, Organist  
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Lisa Dunbar, Parish Nurse  
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**MONTHLY PARTICIPATION**

**Head Usher:** Randy Skanes

**Greeters:** Mary Segers-Koscielny, Bud and Mary Sue Andreason

**Head Teller:** Mary Sue Andreason

**Tellers:** Diane Gahm, Gerry Paul, Donna Bone

**ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY: 85**

**DID YOU KNOW . . .** God is calling you today . . . but not on your cell phone! Please silence yours. ☺

**REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:** Conference Minister Rev. Dr. Altonnette D. Hawkins; Bill Lemkuil; Hedy Hall's relatives Cyndi and Ed Culver; Susan Aurich; Rozanne Freeman; Betty Abel; Lois Menefee's son-in-law Bob Conner; Sandy Krahn; Bud and Mary Sue Andreason's son Jeff and their niece Sue Armstrong; Kathy Geiger's sister Mary; Robin Lemkuil's friend Sharon Mohs; Greg Yagi's mom Nancy; Anne Scrivner's daughter Andrea and husband Wayne; Mary Lynn Heyne; Donna Bone and her son Chuck; Nancy Wohlhuter; Leslie Chrissan; Arlen and Rozanne Freeman's grandson Carson and their friend Bill; Ginger Dawson's son Craig; Karen Crawford's friend Kathy; Ann Mordt's friends Sheila and Barbara; Phil Costa's ex-wife Sue; Mary Segers Koscielny's brother Robert; Gerry Paul's son-in-law Steve and sister-in-law Theresa; Philip Atem. Prayers for Peace in Ukraine, Israel, Gaza, and all around the world.

**WELCOME!** Are you visiting with us today? Welcome to United Church of Sun City! We are so glad to see you! We hope you are blessed today as we worship The Lord together. If you have any questions about our Church, feel free to ask the pastor, usher, or contact the church office. We are so glad you are here today.

**BIBLE STUDY:** In-person study will continue on Thursday, August 21 at 11:00 am in Pastor's office. An E-mail will be sent out early in the week. All are welcome!

**HEALING SERVICE:** Today there is a Healing Service during our worship. The Healing service is not about cure, but is a reminder of God's caring presence and provision for what we most need. The service will include a time for anointment with oil. All are welcome to participate.

**NEWSLETTER DEADLINE:** Newsletter articles for the September newsletter are due Monday, August 18 to Robin at [office@uccsc.com](mailto:office@uccsc.com)

**SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE:** It's that time of year again! Nancy and Sally are asking for our help with much-needed school supplies. A list of the needed items can be found in the August Newsletter as well as on the flyers at the School Supply table. Start shopping now and take advantage of the sales. Bring your supplies through September 14. Thank you for helping to make a difference in a child's education!

**WOMEN'S RETREAT:** Arizona Disciples Women's Ministry Fall Retreat is September 12-14 at Chapel Rock Retreat Center in Prescott, AZ. Come and spend a weekend with other women in the cool pines of Prescott! Keynote speaker is Rev. Lori Tapia, National Pastor and president of the Obra Hispana of the Christian Church (DOC) in the US and Canada. Grab a flyer at the Welcome Table and register today!

**LIONS RECYCLE FOR SIGHT:** Changing lives, one pair at a time. Conveniently donate your old eyeglasses to the Surprise Grand Lions International. There is a collection box on the table at the back of church. The Lions club collects recycled eyeglasses and hearing aids and delivers them to the Sight and Hearing Office in Phoenix for distribution to needy persons all over the world. Did you know they also collect used cell phones and re-condition them to be used as 911 call phones for battered women and children. Great place to recycle your used eyeglasses, hearing aids and cell phones!

**AA MEETINGS** are held in the church meeting room by the breezeway on Wednesday evenings from 7:00 – 8:00 pm.

**SUICIDE & CRISIS LIFELINE** – Dial 988 if you or someone you know is struggling or in crisis, help is available. Call or text 988 or chat [988lifeline.org](https://988lifeline.org). The Lifeline provides 24/7, confidential and free emotional support for people in suicidal crisis or mental health-related distress.

**THE NATIONAL FRIENDSHIP LINE:** A phone number for seniors (60 years of age and older) who can call if they would like social interaction or to ask health questions. Trained volunteers are available. The Friendship Line is FREE and is sponsored by the Institute of Aging (IOA). Call 1-800-971-0016.

**GREETING CARDS:** Do you have an excessive amount of greeting cards taking up space in a drawer? We are looking for Birthday, Anniversary, Get Well, Sympathy, Thinking of You, To Cheer You etc. to use to send to our members and friends during the year. There is a basket on the Welcome Table to donate any greeting cards you would like us to use. Thank you!

**PRAYER REQUEST:** you are welcome to share your prayer requests with us at any time. You can contact us at the office, leave a message, send an e-mail, or fill out a prayer request slip (on the Welcome table) and leave it in the collection plate. Prayer is essential, help us help you!

**BIBLES and HYMNALS** are located on a rack near the door in the back of the Sanctuary. if you would like to use one during today's service, please take one with you to your seat. You are also welcome to follow along using the YouVersion Bible App or BibleGateway.com on your silenced phone.