SUNDAY WORSHIP 10:30 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL & NURSERY 10:30 AM

From the Pastor

CAMP SONG SUNDAY WITH JOYFUL NOISE WEAR YOUR CAMP OUTFIT!

We will have fun Sunday singing some songs from youth camp. A new version of Joyful Noise will be our musical guests, featuring some new singers and performers. Sue is liturgist. JJ & Ziggy share communion with the children. We will focus on the familiar children's story of Noah and the Ark, but from a scholarly, adult perspective. The Noah story is actually about God, and the view of God presented to us differs from today's traditional view of God.

depiction of Noah's ark landing on the "mountains of Ararat"

Date circa 1278-1324SourceNorth French Hebrew Miscellany, British Library; Author Isaac ben

Joseph of Corbeil





CHURCH CALENDAR

AUGUST 16 – PASS MEAL 5PM

AUGUST 25 – COFFEE HOUSE, 4-6 AUGUST 26 - EMBRY-RIDDLE CHAPEL TO GREET NEW STUDENTS (MELISSA & ELIZABETH)

SEPT. 9 – RETURN OF ZOOM FAITH FORUM 10AM
SEPT. 24 – CHURCH ANNIVERSARY SUNDAY WITH CONFERENCE
STAFF

Watch Worship Services Here

MOVIE FILMED AT CHURCH NOW AVAILABLE TO VIEW

LOOK FOR PATTY, ANDY, WYATT, AND WINNIE IN THE FILM OUR SANCTUARY AND PERKINS HALL ARE IN SEVERAL SCENES I FOUND IT BY SEARCHING ON FUBO

At long last, the movie that was filmed in Prescott with many scenes filmed in our facilities has premiered. Saturday evening July 30 the movie was shown for the first time. It has a new name, The Abagail Mysteries.

It was on Great American Family. You can check their website for information on where you can find their channel.

It also can be streamed on Pureflix.com. They are now a division of Great American Family. They have been offering a free week of Pureflix.

Very interesting to see our beloved church in a movie!

Tom



THANKS TO ALL THAT ATTENDED TUESDAY NIGHT!

WE HAD A HALF DOZEN POLICE, FIRE, AND DISPATCH PERSONNEL AND SOME NEIGHBORS JOIN WITH OUR CHURCH MEMBERS

LAUNCH PAD TEEN CENTER - BETTER TOGETHER INITIATIVE We have 17 who have signed up to participate. We are planning initial gatherings into small groups at this time.

A small group of people (family unit, friends, neighbors, coworkers, etc.) will schedule a day to come together once per quarter (every three months) to have a meal and discuss one of the topics in the TAC Better Together Guidebook. We also ask that you share your experiences by checking in with a teen from the Teen Advisory Council or completing a short survey after each meal.

The goal is to practice speaking and listening techniques outlined in the Guidebook around issues our community (through our Better Together Survey) deemed challenging to discuss. The goal is to have conversations in a respectful manner NOT to change people's perspectives, opinions, or ideas. The Teen Advisory Council hopes to allow everyone to share their point of view and to feel heard and valued, even around issues that sometimes cause friction or division.

FACEBOOK UPDATE

"We have a new Facebook group, First Congregational Church Prescott FCC - which you can join. We will be posting events, and meetup information for the community, as well as exploring ways to bring back our outreach partners; the LGBTQ community youth, AA, etc. and other groups who have used the church pre-Covid for meeting spaces. Please join the group, and join in the discussion! If you have any questions, you can email Brit and Mike Flores at bafwriter@gmail.com, our current group admins. All event questions and suggestions should be directed to the church email at FCCprescott@gmail.com.

EMBRY-RIDDLE CHAPEL OPEN HOUSE OUR THANKS TO MELISSA AND ELIZABETH FOR ATTENDING AGAIN THIS YEAR!

Embry Riddle Aeronautical University Fred and Fay Haas Memorial Interfaith Chapel will be hosting its annual Open House on Saturday, August 26, 2023, from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm. As has been done in previous years, we are inviting local religious and spiritual organizations to participate in this event. This event will allow for Embry Riddle Aeronautical University parents and students to become acquainted with the different faith and spiritual organizations represented in the Prescott area.

Each organization participating should have 1-2 representatives present to engage with incoming students and their parents to help them become acquainted with your organization. You are encouraged to bring pamphlets,

memorabilia representing your group, and a calendar of anticipated activities that your organization has planned for the upcoming months that the student may wish to attend. Each group will have a table and chairs set up in our main chapel space, unless otherwise requested. If you have any special requests or accommodation needs, please do not hesitate to contact us as soon as possible.

PICTURE DIRECTORY OF CONGREGATION

THE DIRECTORY IS NOW ON THE WEBSITE UNDER RESOURCES
THE PASSWORD IS THE SAME AS THE REGULAR DIRECTORY
EMAIL THE OFFICE TO RECEIVE IT: fccprescott@gmail.com
We are still working on the quality of the photos

AFTER CHURCH FELLOWSHIP – HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE

- **July 2** and **Sept 24** we will host an ice cream social after church with lactose free options, sherbet and all the trimmings for making sundaes.
- We plan congregation involved potlucks for the **fifth Sunday** of each month that has one **July 30, Oct 29 and Dec 31**
- **Dec 17**, birthday celebration Sunday, we plan a Christmas cookie share and exchange involving the whole congregation.

The rest of the time will remain as it is with congregants signing up to provide something substantial for sharing and the church providing salty snacks, cookies and fruit as needed.

SUNDAY WORSHIP BULLETIN

TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

August 6, 2023

10:30 a.m.

*Those who are able may stand

GATHERING TO WORSHIP GOD

Prelude: "This is the Day" + "Rejoice in the Lord Always"

Joyful Noise

This is the day. This is the day that the Lord has made, that the Lord has made. Let us rejoice! Let us rejoice and be glad in it, and be glad in it. This is the day that the Lord has made. Let us rejoice and be glad in it. This is the day! This is the day that the Lord has made.

Rejoice in the Lord always, again I say rejoice (2x) Rejoice, rejoice, again I say rejoice! (2x)

Words of Welcome – Announcements - *Passing of the Peace

Gather Song: "A Place in the Choir"

Joyful Noise

All God's creatures got a place in the choir, Some sing low and some sing higher, Some sing out loud on the telephone wire, And some just clap their hands, or paws, or anything they've got now.

A Time for Children of All Ages (Communion)

Hymn: "His Banner over Me is Love"

Congregation and Children

[I'm my Beloved's and he is mine], his banner over me is love (3x) His banner over me is love.

Call to Worship

Sue Hodge-Parker

L: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. All:

And also with you!

L: Worship is a coming to our senses in the presence of the Holy One.

All: Worship is realizing that we are infinitely cherished.

L: Worship is our whole being alive with love and gratitude. As Jesus said:

ALL: "Where your treasure is, there will your heart be also."

We are here to put first things first. L:

ALL: May we worship God, through the guidance of the Holy Spirit, and the love of Jesus

Christ.

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

Hebrew Scripture Reading: Genesis 6:5-22

Sue Hodge-Parker

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

We come to the Lord's Table. All are invited to come forward down the middle aisle and return to your seat by the side aisle. We receive communion by intinction – please take a piece of bread and dip it into the cup and partake immediately.

Communion Music: "We Come to Your Table" by Carey Landry

Joyful Noise

*Hymn: "This is My Commandment"

This is my commandment that you love one another that your joy may be full. (2x) That your joy may be full. That your joy may be full.

This is my commandment that you love one another that your joy may be full.

2. Love your enemies, be kind to those who hate you that your joy may be full...

Hebrew Scripture Reading: Genesis 7:1, 17-24; 8:1;15-17 Sue Hodge-Parker

Sermon: "The Noah Story is About God"

RESPONDING TO GOD'S GRACE

Anthem: "Rise and Shine"

Joyful Noise

Rise and shine and give God your glory, glory. (2x)
Rise and shine and tell a brand new story.
Children of the Lord.

Prayers of the People / The Lord's Prayer (Use trespasses)

Offering of Ourselves and our Gifts

Offertory: "Kumbaya"

Andrea Smith

*Doxology

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

*Prayer of Dedication

Sue Hodge-Parker

We give thanks to you, O God, for you have blessed us with all we need to do your work. Empower and embolden us to use our gifts in your service. May our sharing be a sign of your in-breaking realm and a source of healing and hope to a world in need. We pray this in the name of the One who sends us out, Jesus the Christ. Amen.

*Hymn: "This Little Light of Mine"

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine. (3x) Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

- 2. All around Prescott, I'm gonna let it shine....
- 3. Ev'ry where I go, I'm gonna let it shine...

*Benediction Pastor Jay

*Postlude: "This Little Light of Mine" (instrumental) Brian Moore

AUGUST MISSION NEWS

MONTHLY FOCUS: Our August Mission Outreach will be directed toward two funds dedicated to helping local immigrant students attain degrees in higher education—our congregation's own **DACA Fund** and **Prescott College's Freedom Education Fund**.

Our **DACA Fund** has previously assisted the Gardea family—Francisco, Franceny, and Fernando—for the past several years, providing support for their educational expenses and tuition at Arizona postsecondary schools including ASU, Prescott College, and Yavapai College.

The federal government has granted registered DACA enrollees legal status and the right to obtain a work permit. These rights are subject to a two-year time period, which can be renewed. We're eager to assist additional local families achieve their educational goals with the help of

your generous support.

Prescott College's Freedom Education Fund was established to grant scholarship money to students hoping to "pursue the experiential and transformative higher education of Prescott College. . . where donations have the power to truly make a difference in the recipients' lives."

Priority will be given to students with the most financial need and who are pursuing social or environmental justice work in their degree or activism. **The Freedom Education Fund** will not only provide money, but also set the foundation for future development of full-ride fellowships and more.

Donation checks may be made to the church with the memo **DACA/FEF**. Checks marked simply "Mission" will be used at the discretion of our mission team.

As always, thank you for remembering that we are blessed to be a blessing (Genesis 12:2).

Mission Outreach Committee members are Patty Gard, Carolyn Christians, and Becky Bryant, chairperson. If you would like to serve with us, or have any other outreach matters to discuss, please contact Becky at (928) 910-2820 or beckybryant2255@gmail.com.

PASS - PRESCOTT AREA SHELTER SERVICES OUR THANKS TO THE YOUTH FOR TAKING CARE OF THE AUGUST MEAL!

PASS, our local women's shelter, serves as a place for women and children experiencing homelessness. The **third Wednesday of every month (August 16)** our church provides dinner for the guests at the shelter. Meal items are brought to the church parking lot at 5:00 pm and then taken by one of our members to the shelter. Carolyn Christians has taken over this role from Patty Gard. We need new members to sign up to help each month. The sign-up sheet is in Perkins Hall.

TREASURER REPORT FOR JUNE 2023

A NOTE FROM THE TREASURER – JULIE MCCURDY

JUNE 2023

Income is \$96,791
Expenses are \$98,764
Expenses exceed income by \$1,971

53,000 has been spent from reserves in the Lummel Fund as 50% down-

payment for roof replacement on the church and office. It is anticipated that the roof expense will be covered by the Foundation.

Additional Reserve Funds of \$4,131 have been spent to offset some budgeted expenses.

SUPPORT THE CHURCH

Online – go to our website: www.fccprescott.org and look for the tab on the front page You can set up regular, ongoing giving or one-time giving.

Use your credit card and get some points!

Your bank may have free online bill pay. You find the tab on your online account, fill in the details of the check as you would a regular check, and the bank will mail it for you! You can set up a one-time check or recurring scheduled check amount.

Make a check out to the church and mail it to: 216 East Gurley Street, Prescott, AZ 86301

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