

# WORSHIP FOR THE LORD'S DAY

COMMUNION WORSHIP SERVICE | 7:30 AM | NOVEMBER 21, 2021

PRELUDE | **Prayer of Thanksgiving** (Netherlands Folk Song)  
*Carolyn K. Smith, organ*

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

\*TIME OF GREETING

## LOOKING UPWARD

\*THE CALL TO WORSHIP | Based on Psalm 61

*Pastor: Hear my cry, O God; listen to my prayer.*

**People: From the ends of the earth I call to You, I call as my heart grows faint; lead me to the rock that is higher than I.**

*Pastor: For You have been my refuge, a strong tower against the foe.*

**People: I long to dwell in Your tent forever and take refuge in the shelter of Your wings.**

*Pastor: For You have heard my vows of commitment to You, O God.*

**People: You have given me an inheritance reserved for those who fear Your name.**

**Unison: Let us worship God!**

\*THE HYMN OF PRAISE | **Crown Him With Many Crowns** vs. 1-3 #345

## GROWING INWARD

THE WORD PREACHED | *Pastor Pete Seiferth*

**Building Your Best Life** | Matthew 7:24-29

## RECEPTION OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

*There are many ways you can give today: you can mail your gift to the church (7650 N Paseo del Norte, Tucson, AZ 85704), you can give via text (text \$\_\_\_ amount to 520-263-0034), or you can also give online at [sapctucson.org/give](http://sapctucson.org/give).*

OFFERTORY | **Now Thank We All Our God** (arr. Kauffman/Oley)

*Carolyn K. Smith, organ*

\*THE DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

## THE INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

## THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

*Pastor: The Lord be with you.*

**People: And also with you.**

*Pastor: Lift up your hearts!*

**People: We lift them up to the Lord.**

*Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.*

**People: It is right for us to give thanks and praise.**

**Unison: Truly it is our joyful duty to give thanks to You at all times and in all places, O Lord, our Creator, and everlasting God! You spoke the heavens into being with all its hosts, and the earth with all its plenty. You created us in Your image, and have given us life and being, which preserve us by Your providence. Truly, You have shown us the fullness of Your love by sending into the world Your Son, Jesus Christ, the eternal Word, made flesh for us and for our salvation. For the precious gift of this gentle, yet mighty Savior Who has reconciled us to You, we praise and bless You, O God. With Your whole church on earth and with all the company of heaven, we worship and adore Your glorious Name.**

## THE MORNING PRAYER AND OUR LORD'S PRAYER

## THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION OF THE SUPPER

## WE SHARE THE BREAD AND THE CUP

\*WE PRAY TOGETHER

**Gracious Lord, having received the bread and cup, fill us anew with Your Holy Spirit that we may attain to the unity of the faith, and grow up in all things into the Lordship of our Christ.**

## REACHING OUTWARD

\*THE SENDING HYMN | **The Solid Rock** vs. 1-3 #92

## THE BENEDICTION AND LITANY OF DEDICATION

## PRESENTATION OF STEWARDSHIP COMMITMENTS

*You are invited to come forward and put your Estimate of Giving 2022 Pledge Cards in the baskets as a prayerful and celebratory way of dedicating yourselves and your stewardship commitments for the coming year.*

\*POSTLUDE | **Nun Danket Alle Gott, Now Thank We All our God**

(Siegfried Karg-Elert) | *Carolyn K. Smith, organ*

*\*Please stand as you are able*

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## SERVING YOU THIS MORNING...

WORSHIP TEAM: Mark Gary, Carolyn K. Smith

TECHNICAL STAFF: Rob Lantz

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# SERMON NOTES

## “Building Your Best Life”

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The Conclusion of Jesus' Sermon on the Mount!

### Three contrasts: Matthew 7:13-23

1. The narrow gate (of obedience to Jesus) AND the wide gate (of self-absorption).
2. The good tree (wise teachers of truth, producing fruit of obedience) AND the bad tree (false prophets like wolves in sheep's clothing).
3. Those who truly learn and “do the will of my Father” AND those who call Jesus “Lord” yet stop short of full obedience.

### The fourth contrast: Matthew 7:24-29

4. The wise one who puts Jesus' words into practice AND the foolish one who doesn't.

*“What we have come to call the Sermon on the Mount is a concise statement of Jesus' teachings on how to actually live in the reality of God's present kingdom available to us from the very space surrounding our bodies. It concludes with a statement that all who hear and do what He there says will have a life that can stand up to everything -- that is, a life for eternity because it is already in the eternal.” Dallas Willard, The Divine Conspiracy, p 97.*

- The three most important factors in deciding where to build your life:
- Three facets of the Foundation Rock to build upon:
  1. \_\_\_\_\_
  2. \_\_\_\_\_
  3. \_\_\_\_\_

*The LORD lives! Praise to my Rock! May the God of my salvation be exalted!*  
Psalm 18:46 NLT

Rev. Dr. Pete Seiferth  
*Best. Sermon. Ever.*  
Matthew 7:24-29



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