



September 26, 2021 - 10:30 AM
Proper 21

Gathering

Words of Greeting and Life of the Church

Pastor Joseph Place

L: Blessings to you, servants of God.

Ps. 134

P: We lift up our hands and bless the Lord!

L: This is the day that the Lord has made;

Ps. 118:24

P: Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

Prelude

Breathe on Me, Breath of God (Hymn #334)
Dr. Craig Ralston

Arr. Jim Fox

Call to Worship

L: Please stand for our Call to Worship.

L: Upon this gathering of your people,
pour out your Spirit, O Lord.

Num. 11:16–29

**P: Be near to us and speak to us,
and we will proclaim your glory.**

L: Let us worship God!

(Please Remain Standing)

Opening Hymn #33

I Sing the Mighty Power of God

ELLACOMBE

L: Please Be Seated

Call to Confession

Unison Prayer of Confession

**P: God, our strength and savior,
you know our great transgressions,
our hidden faults, our secret sins.
With our hands we grasp at power;
with our feet we stumble into evil;
with our eyes we look out for ourselves.
Forgive us, gracious God,
and lead us in your holy way
of life and love and peace;
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.**

*Ps. 19:12–14;
Mark 9:43–47*

(Silent Confession)

L: Amen.

(Please Stand)

Gloria Patri, Hymn #670

GLORIA PATRI (GRETOREX)

Declaration of Pardon

L: Though we wander from the truth,
God brings us back
and saves our souls from death.

Jas. 5:19–20

**P: In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.
Thanks be to God.**

L: Let us pass the peace of Christ.

Passing of the Peace (please refrain from physical contact)

(Please be Seated)

Choir Anthem

He Never Failed Me Yet
Joseph Place, Soloist

Robert Ray

Call to Offering

Offertory

Change My Heart, O God
Mountain Reformed Church Ukelele Choir

Arr. Bonnie Pettit

(Please Stand)

Doxology, Hymn # 668

OLD HUNDREDTH

Prayer of Thanksgiving/Dedication

(Please be Seated)

The Word

Prayer for Illumination

Reading of Scripture

James 5:13-20

¹³ Are any among you suffering? They should pray. Are any cheerful? They should sing songs of praise. ¹⁴ Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord. ¹⁵ The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up; and anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven. ¹⁶ Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective. ¹⁷ Elijah was a human being like us, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. ¹⁸ Then he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain and the earth yielded its harvest.

¹⁹ My brothers and sisters, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and is brought back by another, ²⁰ you should know that whoever brings back a sinner from wandering will save the sinner's soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.

L: The Word of our Lord.

P: Thanks be to God!

Response, Hymn #522

In His Time

IN HIS TIME

Sermon

"The Prayer of Faith"

Pastor Joseph Place

(Please Stand)

Hymn of the Day #154

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

CONVERSE

(Remain Standing)

Affirmation of Faith

**I BELIEVE in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;
he descended into hell;
the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost;
the holy catholic Church;
the communion of saints;
the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body;
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

(Please Be Seated)

Prayers of the People, concluded with The Lord's Prayer in unison:

**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.**

Sending

Benediction

Postlude

The Old Rugged Cross (Hymn #320)

Arr. Sherrie Johnson



The flowers today are in celebration of Ron and Sharon Tom's anniversary!

Assisting in Worship:

Liturgist: Sheri Simpson

Ushers: Beth Wingate, Sharon Tootle, Sandy Stamper, Jean Risdon
Larry and Shirley Culver

Greeter and Coffee Fellowship Coordinator: Karen Thorstad

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Welcome to Mountain Reformed Church!

We are so grateful that you have chosen to worship with us today! **The vision** of our church is to provide an open door to relationship with God for all through worship, teaching God's Word, and by celebrating with music and the arts. **Our mission** is simple: **All Glory to God!** Our church is independent and non-denominational, with a theology based in the reformed way of being Christian. Please see our website at www.mountainreformed.org for more information about our church.

MRC Bulletin and Weekly Email

Would you like to place an announcement in the Sunday bulletin or “**This Week at Mountain Reformed Church**” email? Please send your info to josephplace@mountainreformed.org. The deadline is Monday evening of each week for the coming weekend, but we always appreciate as much notice as possible. Thank You, Karen Brown for volunteering to complete the bulletin for us!

Operation Christmas Child

Operation Christmas Child reminder: please bring your filled shoeboxes back next Sunday, Oct 3! Thank you to everyone who has participated in the wonderful, worldwide outreach program!

Men's Breakfast

The next Men's Breakfast will be Monday, Oct 4 at 8am at Sally B's next to the Safeway In P.V. All men are welcome!

Women's Book Study – “The Journey”

The women of Mountain Reformed Church will be reading and discussing “The Journey” by Adam Hamilton (purchase from Amazon or other sources), a book about the birth of Jesus Christ. The first meeting is Saturday, October 9th at the home of Joe and Debbie Place, 2680 W Road 1 S, Chino Valley, AZ 86323. You should read chapters 1 & 2 for the first meeting. Lyndi Peacock will be your Tour Guide! See Lyndi if you have questions.

Songs from the Farm – Second Friday of each Month

Songs from the Farm has returned! We will be having a gathering on the second Friday of each month when weather permits. Status will be announced by email and on the Mountain Reformed Church [FaceBook page](#). We will gather 45 minutes before sunset at the home of Joe and Debbie Place, 2680 W Road 1 S in Chino Valley, 86323. Keep an eye on your email and our [FaceBook page](#) for more details!

COVID-19 precautions:

Mountain Reformed Church seeks to provide in-person worship while maintaining appropriate safety guidelines. According to CDC guidelines, it is recommended that you wear a mask if you are not fully vaccinated for your own protection and the protection of others. Please continue to refrain from physical contact. If you are experiencing fever or symptoms, please stay at home.

Prayer Ministry and Prayer Chain

If you would like to be a part of our prayer ministry and prayer chain, please indicate this on the welcome card in your bulletin. Bonnie Pettit coordinates this ministry, and she will send prayer requests to you by email. counselorchick1@yahoo.com

Volunteers Needed

We need volunteers in several areas to help facilitate worship:

If you would like to help, please let us know! We need Ushers, Liturgists, Coffee Fellowship Helpers, Setup Assistants, Sound Technicians and Camera Operators.

Flowers - Sheri Simpson coordinates our Flower Ministry. If you would like to commemorate a special occasion by providing flowers, please ask an usher to guide you to the flower sign-up chart.

Non-Profit Corporation Status

We are diligently working to get approval for non-profit, 501(c)(3) status. Until that time your gifts will not be tax deductible, but we need your support. We are making progress! Mountain Reformed Church is now active as a Non-Profit Corporation with the Arizona Corporation Commission. We now have an employee ID number and bank account. Our form and supporting documents for the 501(c)(3) has been filed with the IRS. We hope to have good news to report soon! **Please make all checks payable to Mountain Reformed Church.**

9/19/2021 Worship Attendance: 76
Bank Balances as of 9/22/2021: \$13,832

Mountain Reformed Church Expense Budget

Mountain Reformed Church Expense Budget	(reflects our current operating expenses, not all projected expenses)		
	Weekly	Monthly	Annually
Auditorium Rental	\$300.00	\$1300.00	\$15600.00
Choir Room (Civic Center 331)	\$30.00	\$130.00	\$1560.00
Internet Presence (Website, email, streaming license, etc.)	\$17.31	\$75.02	\$900.28
Video Editing	\$150.00	\$650.00	\$7800.00
Printing	\$60.00	\$260.00	\$3120.00
Licensing (Church Copyright License)	\$6.44	\$27.92	\$335.00
Music Expenses (choir music, congregational arrangements, ensemble music)	\$150.00	\$650.00	\$7800.00
Insurance	\$14.77	\$64.00	\$768.00
Joseph Place, Pastor of Worship	\$100.00	\$433.00	\$5200.00
Ryan Gastonguay, Minister of Music	\$100.00	\$433.00	\$5200.00
Pianists/ Accompanists	\$200.00	\$867.00	\$10400.00
Total Expenses	\$1128.52	\$4889.94	\$58683.28