



October 10, 2021 - 10:30 AM  
*Proper 23*

## 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

*Be Thou My Vision (Hymn #83)*

Arr. Howard Helvey

Call to Worship

L: Please rise for our call to worship.

L: Seek good and not evil;  
seek the Lord and live!

*Amos 5:6, 14–15*

**P: May the Lord our God be with us.**

L: Seek good and not evil,  
that justice may prevail.

**P: May the Lord our God show us grace.**

L: Let us worship God!

**(Please Remain Standing)**

Opening Hymn #314

*All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name*

CORONATION

L: Please Be Seated

Call to Confession

Unison Prayer of Confession

**P: God of justice and mercy, we confess  
that we put ourselves first  
and trust in things that will not last.  
We desire the evil and scorn the good;  
we gather up power and wealth  
and push aside the needy in our way.  
O Lord, be gracious to us  
in spite of our great sin.  
Teach us to love your justice  
and share in your mercy.  
Help us to seek the treasure  
of heavenly life with you;  
through Jesus Christ our Savior.**

*Amos 5:6–7, 10–15;  
Mark 10:21, 31*

**(Silent Confession)**

L: Amen.

**(Please Stand)**

Gloria Patri, Hymn #670

GLORIA PATRI (GRETOREX)

Declaration of Pardon

L: We have a great high priest  
who has passed through the heavens:  
Jesus, God's Son, our Savior.

*Heb. 4:14*

**P: In 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

*Appalachian Grace*

arr. Hannibal/Raney

Call to Offering

Offertory

*The Unclouded Day*  
Sunday Afternoon Quartet

Arr. Ed Roush

**(Please Stand)**

Doxology, Hymn # 668

OLD HUNDREDTH

Prayer of Thanksgiving/Dedication

(Please be Seated)

**The Word**

Prayer for Illumination

Reading of Scripture

*Hebrews 4:12-16*

<sup>12</sup> Indeed, the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. <sup>13</sup> And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account.

<sup>14</sup> Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. <sup>15</sup> For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. <sup>16</sup> Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

L: The Word of our Lord.

**P: Thanks be to God!**

Response, Hymn #448

*Before the Throne of God Above*

BEFORE THE THRONE

Sermon

*"Let It Be Finished"*

Lyndi Peacock

**(Please Stand)**

Hymn of the Day #105

*Grace Greater than Our Sin*

MOODY

**(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

*Leaning on the Everlasting Arms (Hymn #453)*

arr. Faye López

**Assisting in Worship:**

Liturgist: Tommy Keenan

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](http://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](mailto:josephplace@mountainreformed.org). The deadline is Monday evening of each week for the coming weekend, but we always appreciate as much notice as possible.

## **Operation Christmas Child**

Thank you to everyone for your generous participation in Operation Christmas Child! Latest count is 121 shoeboxes, with several more expected. Wow!!!! Merry Christmas!

## **Songs from the Farm – Second Friday of each Month**

Songs from the Farm has returned! Our next gathering will be Friday, October 15<sup>th</sup> at 5:PM (a week later than normal). 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 meet at the home of Joe and Debbie Place, 2680 W Road 1 S in Chino Valley, 86323.

## **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](mailto: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.

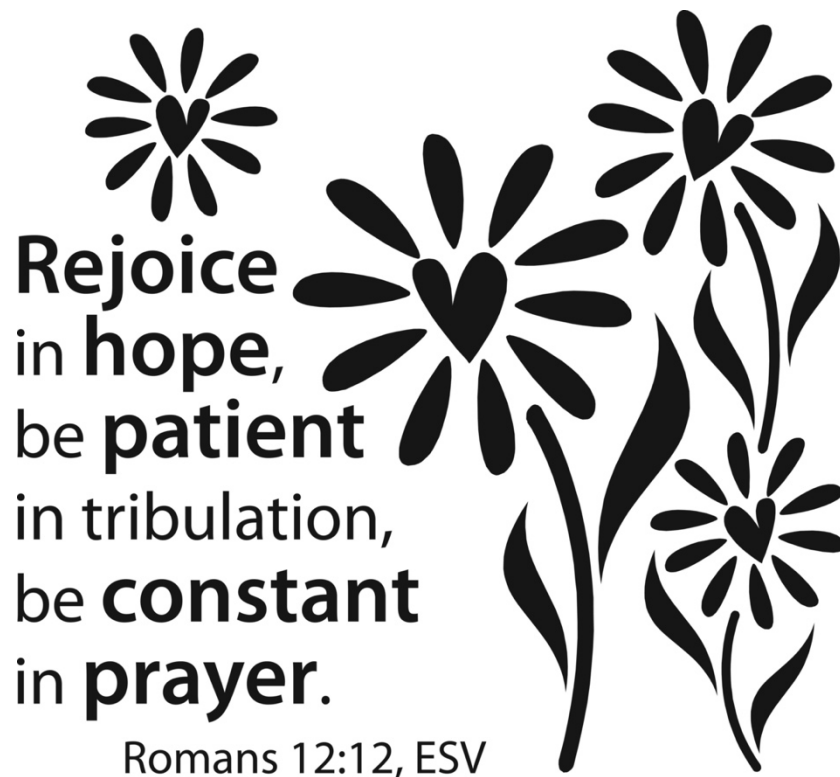
## **Non-Profit Corporation Status**

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!

**We recently received word that the IRS has assigned an agent to our application.**

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 recently received word that the IRS has assigned an agent to our application.**

We hope to have good news to report soon! **Please make all checks payable to Mountain Reformed Church.**



**10/3/2021 Worship Attendance: 68**  
**Bank Balances as of 10/6/2021: \$11,391**

Mountain Reformed Church Expense Budget

<b>Mountain Reformed Church Expense Budget</b>	(reflects our current operating expenses, not all projected expenses)		
	<b>Weekly</b>	<b>Monthly</b>	<b>Annually</b>
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
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$1128.52</b>	<b>\$4889.94</b>	<b>\$58683.28</b>