



Making disciples who make disciples
Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost
November 15, 2020

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Worship Service Times

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Next Parish Council Meeting
November 18, 2020 7 p.m.

Thank you to all who have submitted their

devotions. There are still **12** outstanding. Please submit yours as soon as possible.

In Word – Numbering Our Days

I lost a friend this week.

He was a remarkable man, whom I met in late February at lunch with another pastor as Christ the Redeemer was a few weeks away from being without a home. We had looked at multiple locations and all were either too costly or required renovations we could not afford.

Faith Lutheran Church apparently had a difficult situation with another group that had rented use of their facility, and the idea of renting to someone else was not a popular one. Their new pastor, however, saw God's hand at work in this, bringing two groups of Christians together to share the same facility and further his kingdom.

Glen Larson was a man who served Jesus. I know many people who *want* to serve Jesus, even more who think it's a really good idea that *someone else* ought to do, and some who give it a shot as the mood strikes them. Rare is the person in whom one sees the Holy Spirit glorified consistently. Glen was that rare individual who made you feel you were part of the body of Christ, beyond just knowing it.

And as God often does for me, a reading for this Sunday's service resonated in my heart regarding a lesson I can take from my friend and brother.

³ *You return man to the dust, saying,
“Return, O sons of man.”*

⁵ *You sweep them away like a flood.
They fall asleep. In the morning they
are like grass that sprouts anew.*

⁶ *In the morning it blossoms and
sprouts anew; by evening it withers
and dries up.*

¹⁰ *As for the days of our years, within
them are seventy years or if by strength
eighty years, and their pride is trouble
and disaster, for it passes quickly and
we fly away.*

¹² *So teach us to number our days that
we may gain a heart of wisdom.*

— *Psalm 90:3, 5, 6, 10, 12 (LEB)*

Each of us decays when we die. Our bodies disintegrate without life in them. Our sins are known by God, and only through his grace are they removed from us. In this psalm written by Moses, he reminds us that our life on earth is not endless. There is an expiration date stamped on each of us by the manufacturer that only he can see. That date, though hidden from our eyes, is nonetheless real.

Moses’ prayer in this psalm is for God to guide us to number our days. Counting from birth, by Moses’ estimate (which aligns with the current life expectancy statistics), we have on average of between 25,568 and 29,220 days. Every decade is about 3,652 days, so I’ve been around about 21,915. How many of those days have I spent truly serving Jesus? Not enough. In the 245 days I had the

pleasure of knowing Glen, there was never a moment that didn’t showcase his love for Jesus. Every decision and discussion felt guided by God. Glen didn’t know how many days he had left, that number was a shock to all who knew him. But he lived as though each day mattered for his mission. He lived his life showing others God’s grace. He lived as though he had numbered his days.

I pray we might all do the same.

In Christ,

Fr. Austin



Readings for November 15

Zephaniah 1:7, 12-18;
Psalm 90:1-8, [9-11], 12
1 Thessalonians 5:1-11;
Matthew 25:14-30



Those Who Serve Sunday

Altar Guild ~ Jennifer Kircher
Ushers ~ Jim Slater & David Wayman
Lessons ~ All Manning
Prayers ~ Connie Whitener
Chalice ~ Sherri Wayman & Mary Sue Houston





Altar Guild has the
**Church Year
Calendars**

available for \$5 each. They are available in the foyer. Please leave your payment in the basket. Thank you and God bless you.



**K-B Books will be here
Nov. 22!**

We all look forward to the annual visit from Kathryn Bunch. Many of you already know that K-B Books carries a large inventory of books and gifts for healing, peace, joy and much more. Kathryn and her books will be here Sunday, Nov. 22. Please come and show your support for her wonderful ministry.



**Prayer, Praise and
Healing Service**

Wednesday, November 18 5:30 p.m.
Theme: Thanksgiving Blessings

Speaker – Motty Durham
“An Attitude of Gratitude”
Holy Communion, Hands on prayer,
Anointing with oil

COVID-19 precautions will be in place.
Bring a friend!



Greetings! It is that time of year for poinsettias for the altar on Christmas Eve. A donation of \$15 is suggested for a live poinsettia. After the service, they will be given

to shut-ins and residents at Yuma Nursing Care who do not have family or friends visiting. Order forms can be found at the end of this newsletter and in the Narthex on Sunday.



Sunday, November 15

11:30a.m. Worship Service

Tuesday, November 17

6:30 a.m. Bible Study – Job

9:30 a.m. Prayers and Squares – CtR Library

1 – 3 p.m. Bible Study at Dorothy Warner’s home

Wednesday, November 18

2:00 p.m. Bible Study - Pauline Letters (Romans)

5:30 p.m. Prayer, Praise & Healing Service

7:00 p.m. Parish Council Meeting

Thursday, November 19

10 a.m. – Noon Women’s Prayer Group

(CtR Library) **NEW DAY AND LOCATION!**

Sunday, November 22

KB Books will be here!

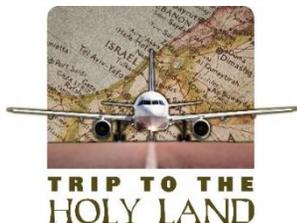
11:30 a.m. Worship Service



Join Fr. Austin on a Trip to Israel!

This trip will depart Feb. 22 and return March 1.

Brochures and Registration forms for Fr. Austin's trip are available in the Narthex at church, or by contacting the office.



Do you have a prayer request that you would like to submit? Our Tuesday prayer group will be praying for all submissions at our weekly meetings. Kindly submit your prayers to Deacon Linda via email – llstokes1@me.com, or call at 928-259- 6620, or fill out a form found in your bulletin during our worship service. All prayers are kept confidential.



PRAYERS FOR THE DEANERY OF AZ

The Right Rev. Keith and Gail Andrews,
Bishop of the Diocese of Western Anglicans

The Very Rev. Thomas and Elizabeth Phillips, Dean of the Deanery of Arizona

Spencer Johnson, President of the Executive Committee of the Diocese

Roger Pelham, Chairman, the Steering Committee of the Deanery

Lord, we ask you to comfort and sustain all who in this transitory life are in sickness, or any other adversity. Open the hearts to know your love and feel your presence.

We pray for the family of Pastor Glen Larsen, Mary Mansfield, Ann Traverso, Linda Pruden, Denise, Connie, Sue, Scotty Haskell, St. Paul's Church (Payson, AZ), Christopher Randle, Diane Manning, Fr. Austin, Bishop Keith, Abbie Bundy, Betty (Bo Peep) Penny, Donna, Dcn. Linda, Lorraine Chavez, Steve Chacon, Merle Shyne, Laura, Darlene O., Maddy, Lauren, Steven, Elena, Officer Shay K. Mikalonis, Niki, Roni, Bob, Carol, Mickey Greenlund, Zachary, Kathy Watson, Tyler, and Pray for the World.

If you would like to submit prayer requests for this newsletter or if you have any updates, please contact the church office at 928-343-9551, or ctryuma@gmail.com



CtR Prayer Project

Romans 8:28-And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love Him, who have been called according to His purpose.

I believe in climate change; however, I do not believe it is caused by man. The main reason for my belief is that I honestly believe that God is in complete control of everything. He created Earth and everything and everyone living here, and His Word tells us that He sustains all that He created. I found support for my climate-change belief several years ago, while vacationing in Alaska. My husband was awaiting hip replacement surgery, and although he was with me, he was unable to walk up the path to the Visitor Center at Mendenhall Glacier, so I told him I would pass along what I learned up there. The movie shown pictured the

world during the last Ice Age, which ended approximately 11,700 years ago. There have been five or six major ice ages in the history of Earth over the past billion years, so I came away convinced that it was all God's doing, not mankind's. (Google Wikipedia's "Timeline of Glaciation" to learn more.) All this to say that I still believe God is in complete control today, and that is why I am mustering all the self-control I am capable of to convince myself that in the midst of all the confusion and political unrest, God knows what He is doing and will work all things to the good of those who love Him and are called according to His purposes. What are His purposes? To save as many souls as He possibly can. To stick to the timeline, He has been following since the creation of the world. To assist His children with wholeness of mind, body, and spirit, when needed. To restore His creation to its original goodness. And to bring glory to the Godhead. There are many more purposes we could tack onto this list, but suffice it to say that all these are important to Him. What is happening in the USA and the world right now seems monumental and frightening to mankind, but in the overall scheme of things, it is a mere hiccup to our Sovereign God. Either we do not believe God and we reject all that He is doing, or we believe and trust the Lord. Either we panic, grow more and more agitated, and live each day in fear, or we remain calm and allow Him to show us, one day at a time, that He is at work behind the scenes to bring us His lasting peace. Like the glaciers during the Ice Age, either we are in meltdown, flooding the earth with our tears, or we are standing firm and waiting for God to warm us up in His own good time. The choice is ours.

Praying in One Accord-If we are in one accord concerning God's sovereignty, purposes, and goals, we will be able to withstand the storms that come our way.

Accord Prayer-Lord Christ, through the power and guidance of Your Holy Spirit, please help us through these troublesome times; keep reminding us that You are in complete control, and that all things will work for our good. In Your Name we pray. Amen.

Prayer of Thanksgiving-Heavenly Father, thank You for loving us so much that You don't

leave us helpless in difficult times; thank You for promising to be with us and to lead us to everlasting peace. Amen.



KCFY Fall Sharathon

Nov. 18-20

Help keep Christian radio on the air!
The goal is \$85,000 – that will keep KCFY
broadcasting for the next 6 months.
Call 928-317-8810 or go to www.kcfy.com to
donate.



*Poinsettia Altar
Flowers for
Christmas Eve*

From: _____

*Indicate in Memory of or
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Amount of donation: _____

Suggested donation is \$ 15

*Thank you for supporting the Altar Guild
with your offering.*