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And a highway shall be there, and it shall be called The Holy Way.

Isaiah 35:8

February 28, 2016
Third Sunday in Lent

“Just as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my plans than your plans.”
Isaiah 55:9

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS — WELCOME!

PRELUDE *Spirit of God, Descend Upon my Heart* arr. Lloyd Larson

INTROIT *We Gather Here in Jesus’ Name* (vs. 3) Chancel Choir

***CALL TO WORSHIP** (Psalm 63:1-4)

LEADER: O God, you are my God, I seek you, my soul thirsts for you; my flesh faints for you, as in a dry and weary land where there is no water.

PEOPLE: **So I have looked upon you in the sanctuary, beholding your power and glory.**

LEADER: Because your steadfast love is better than life, my lips will praise you.

PEOPLE: **So I will bless you as long as I live; I will lift up my hands and call on your name.**

***HYMN** *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing* #475

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love: venturing into the fields of temptation, claiming glory for ourselves, dawdling in the haunts of self-indulgence, sidestepping our noble calls and eternal claims of love in Jesus Christ. If not for Your ceaseless streams of mercy, if not for Your incessant seeking of the lost, if not for Your entering into our heartbreak in Jesus crucified, we would be nowhere. But we are not. At the fount of Your endless blessings, our hearts sing Thy grace. May it be so, forever and ever. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

***RESPONSE** *Glory Be to the Father* #581

A TIME OF GREETING

ANTHEM *Loving God* Men’s Quartet: Phil Hollis,
Joel Mattson, Terry Saxton
& Dick Weller

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE (After the message, children entering the 5th grade and younger are invited to attend Sunday School in the Ranch House.)

SCRIPTURE (NT p. 76) Luke 13:1-9

HYMN *When Memory Fades* #808

SCRIPTURE (OT p. 685) Isaiah 55:1-9

SERMON “Tending the Barren Tree”

OUR CARES AND CELEBRATIONS

PASTORAL PRAYER

LORD’S PRAYER *Amen* #601

OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS AND TITHES

OFFERTORY *Lagrime* Ryan Phillips, Guitar

***DOXOLOGY** #606

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

***HYMN** *Lift Every Voice and Sing* #339

***BENEDICTION**

***RESPONSE** *Let There Be Peace on Earth*

POSTLUDE *Lord of Dance* arr. Joel Raney

* Please stand if you are able.

Announcements & Opportunities
February 28, 2016

Welcome to our Worship Celebration this morning!

We worship every Sunday morning at 9:30 am and offer Sunday School for children. **Help us get acquainted with you by filling out our attendance pad and our guest card!** Please join us for **refreshments** and fellowship at our Coffee Social Time in the Ranch House **following our service.** You will find sign-up sheets on the bulletin board in the Ranch House for our upcoming events and volunteer opportunities.

Next Sunday's Scripture Readings

Joshua 5:9-12
Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

Our church strives to be fully accessible to all persons. The **first four rows** on the pulpit side of the sanctuary are designated "**Fragrance-Free.**"

Personal Receivers are available in the AV Room for those needing hearing assistance. **Any chair in our sanctuary can be moved** to make room for persons in **wheelchairs**—our ushers are ready to help. Recorded Audio Tapes are available in the AV Room after each service for your convenience or you can read our **sermons online at www.holywaypc.org.**

Bible Study meets on Tuesday. You are invited to join us for coffee and homemade snacks in the Conference Room at 9:00 a.m. We are studying **2 Corinthians.**

Remember the church in your will

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✚ Thank you to everyone who has participated in the development of our new **photo directory!** Our final session on Tuesday, March 1st still has some open slots. If you are not interested in having your photo in our directory, we would still love to include your information in our directory. Blank information cards are available on the narthex table.

✚ **Monday Social Group** will meet on Monday at 10:30 am in the library. Come see what we are creating!

✚ Long time Holy Way member **Rodger Schumacher** celebrates his 90th birthday on Tuesday. Send him a birthday greeting at: Avalon Health Care, 2900 E. Milber Street, Room 201, Tucson, AZ 85714.

✚ "**Final Words from the Cross**", will meet on Wednesday at 2:00 pm in the Conference Room.

✚ **Men's Breakfast** will meet at Little Mexico Steakhouse on Thursday at 8:00 am. It is located on Valencia, near Cardinal.

✚ **Stephen Minister** training will meet on Thursday at 9:00 am in the Conference Room.

✚ Next Sunday, we will start with a **Hymnsing** at 9:20 am, celebrate communion and receive food items for Food Bank Sunday. Our trained team of communion servers will bring communion to homebound members after our service.

✚ The **Mission Committee** will meet next Monday, March 7th, at 6:00 pm at the home of Mooneen Ringenberg.

✚ Don't forget to sign up for **Dinner in the Ranch House**, Wednesday, March 9th, at 6:00 pm. We will be serving Lasagna, Salad and Dessert. The sign-up sheet is in the Ranch House.

✚ **The 3rd Annual Holy Way Women's Retreat** will be held March 11th to March 13th, 2016, at the Amado Inn in Amado, (just south of Green Valley).

✚ Al Baumrucker is directing the **Foothill Drama Club's** murder/comedy of "*Murder at the Orient Express*". Performances are at the Tucson Estates Clubhouse located at 5700 Lone Star Drive, on March 11, 12, 13 & 14. See Al or Rosalie for show times and tickets.

✚ **Warming Up Sells!** Boxes are provided in the Ranch House for collecting warm clothes, blankets, and personal hygiene products for the people who live in the Sells area. Your contributions are so appreciated! A special thanks to those who have already contributed!

CALENDAR

Sun.	Feb. 28	9:30 am 6:00 pm	Worship & Sunday School Ala-teen & Al-anon Meetings
Mon.	Mar. 1	9:30 am 10:30 am	Yoga Monday Social Group
Tue.	Mar. 2	9:00 am 4:00 pm 6:00 pm	Bible Study Girl Scouts Al-anon Meeting
Wed.	Mar. 3	2:00 pm	Lenten Class
Thur	Mar. 4	8:00 am 9:00 am 5:30 pm 6:15 pm	Men's Breakfast Stephen Ministry Training Al-anon Chancel Choir
Sun.	Mar. 6	9:20 am 9:30 am 6:00 pm	Hymnsing Worship, Sunday School, Communion & Food Bank Sunday Ala-teen & Al-Anon

SESSION

Class of 2016	Sherri Atleson	Cong. Life, Mission, Worship
Class of 2016	Dee Ellis	Admin., Christian Ed., Deacons
Class of 2016	Sharon Groves	Clerk, Nominating Committee
Class of 2016	Mooneen Ringenberg	Mission
Class of 2017	Karl Allen	Christian Education, Worship
Class of 2017	Barbara Armbruster	Congregational Life
Class of 2017	Carol Hearn	Cong. Life, Finance, Mission
Class of 2017	Dennis Toresdahl	Buildings & Grounds
Class of 2018	Tom Bernardo	Administration, Buildings & Grounds
Class of 2018	Ellen LaCroix	Mission
Class of 2018	Marcus Mattias	Christian Education
Class of 2018	Dudley Williams	Buildings & Grounds, Finance

PRAYER CONCERNS

Soldiers & Peacemakers – for their physical, mental, and spiritual health.

All the unspoken prayer concerns.

Your prayers this week will give them the sustaining power we all need.
Please pray for them!

Margaret Agee – Health Concerns
Lynn Allen – Health Concerns
Barbara Armbruster – Health Concerns
Rose Atcher (Mooneen's Niece) – Health Concerns
Dick Canfield (Rich Marsch's uncle) – Health Concerns
T.R. Ellis – Recovering from Broken Hip
Carol Hearn – Recovering from Knee Surgery
Jane Hosler's Sister-in-Law, Rhoda – Health Concerns
Dave Malmberg – Health Concerns
Mary & Rich Marsch's son Bob – Health Concerns
Toni (Wendy Mattias' friend) – Health Concerns
Doug Myers – Health Concerns
Lyle Olmstead – Health Concerns
Anita Parsil – Health Concerns
Betty Reichlein – Health Concerns
Charles Sayers – Health Concerns
Don Skinner – Health Concerns
Rodger Schumacher – Health Concerns
Ann Toresdahl – Recovering from Surgery
Anne Trueman – Health Concerns

Our Prayer Chain is always available – contact Phyllis Crouthers at 578-8369 or Anita Parsil at 578-2410. If unable to reach Phyllis or Anita, you can email the church office at office@holywaypc.org.