



## First United Methodist Church of Gilbert

*Serving, Giving, Welcoming, Growing in the likeness of Christ*

September 3, 2023

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## **\*Opening Prayer**

Liturgist

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of your Name; increase in us true religion; nourish us with all goodness; and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. Amen.

## **Anthem**

*"Father of Light and Life"*

Choir

## **Scripture Reading**

Exodus 3: 7-14 : Matthew 16: 21-28

## **Message**

Pastor Rick Casebolt

## **Pastoral Prayer**

## **Offering**

**Offertory** (8:00) & (9:30)

*"I Speak Jesus"*

## **\*Doxology**

*"Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow" #95*

## **\*Offering Prayer**

Liturgist

God of power and might: We, like Peter, struggle with the image of a savior sent to suffer and die. We may seem to be doing great in following Christ, but we too stumble at this point. Perhaps we stumble because we know that what follows is Christ's call to us to deny ourselves and pick up a cross of our own in order to follow. As we bring gifts for the work of building your kingdom, help us to learn to deny, carry, and follow. In Christ's holy name, we pray. Amen.

## **The Sacrament of Communion**

### **The Lord's Prayer**

## **Music During Communion**

*"I Have A Savior"*

Jeanie High

## **Prayer after Communion**

Liturgist

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

## **\*Closing Music**

(8:00)  
(9:30)

*"Ye Servants of God"*  
*"Lay Me Down"*

Vs. 1,2,4

**#181**

## **\*Blessing**

## **Postlude**

*"They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love"*

## Thank you for joining our services today!

If you have any questions or comments please contact us at [connection@gilbertumc.org](mailto:connection@gilbertumc.org)

CLERGY: Pastor Rick Casebolt and Pastor Adriana Hernandez  
MUSIC DIRECTOR: Randy Van Der Pol ORGANIST: Marilyn Harter  
**TODAY'S LITURGIST: Sharon Kotsonas & Val Kellogg**

## ADULT EDUCATION

Adriana's Sunday School (starts Sep. 10th)	Sun.	11am	Room 136
Jan's Bible Study (starts Aug. 31st)	Thu.	6:30pm	Room 201
Rick's Bible Study (starts Aug. 30th)	Wed.	6:30pm	Room 130
Tuesdays Bible Study	Tu.	9:30am	Room 130
Saturday Aug 19 <sup>th</sup>	Sat.	5pm	

- See Website and eNews for new classes and updates
- Register on yellow card, thru website or office

## TRUNK or TREAT

### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Email Pastor Adriana or Eric Butler at [pastoradriana@gilbertumc.org](mailto:pastoradriana@gilbertumc.org) or [home@mebutler.com](mailto:home@mebutler.com)

## COFFEE HOUR

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