

## Today's Servants

**USHERS:** Wayne Allcott, Lee Bisbee, Mike Fisher, Russ Mosser,  
Rich Nowak, Tom Rugen, John Stallings, Lee Steers

**ACOLYTES:** Noelle Peterson, Jeffrey Takeuchi

**READER:** Jan Elsea

**AUDIO:** Jim DeBusk

**VIDEO:** Kim Summers

## Worship Celebration

October 11, 2015 – 9:30 a.m.



Our Mission:  
*Alive with the Spirit,  
we bring God's love into action  
by igniting faith, transforming lives,  
and creating community.*



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## MEDITATION

*Imperfections are not inadequacies; they are reminders that we're all in this together.* ~ Brené Brown

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Dr. David Summers

## BLOOD DRIVE ANNOUNCEMENT

Jennifer Freeze  
United Blood Services of Arizona

**PRELUDE** *How Great is Our God with How Great Thou Art* arr. Bettcher  
Bells of Paradise

**CHORAL INTROIT** *God Who Made the World* Joseph Martin  
Paradise Singers, Dr. Andria Fennig, piano

## \* CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Fathers and mothers, sisters and brothers,

**People: families of all shapes and sizes,**

Leader: come and worship on this holy day. In a mother's embrace,

**People: in a father's care and helping hand,**

Leader: like the tender parent who gathers us into an abundant lap,

**All: God holds us this day and in every time of need.**

\* **HYMN OF PRAISE** *Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty* Hymnal No. 64

\* **OPENING PRAYER** (in unison) Rev. Eve Williams

**Eternal God, our parent, our Alpha and Omega,  
our beginning and our end,  
we have gathered in this time and at this place to worship you.**

**May this nest we call "family" be built with hope and faith.**

**Teach us the grace of placing our limitations within the wonder  
of your unlimited hands.**

**In Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen** *(from Myredeemerlives.com)*

## \* MOMENTS OF CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

*When you see an \* in the order of worship, please stand as you are able.*

\* **HYMN OF FELLOWSHIP** *Gather Us In vs. 1 & 2*  
*The Faith We Sing No. 2236*

*(Please fill out and pass the fellowship pad)*  
**ANTHEM** *Down to the River to Pray* arr. MacDonald  
Chancel Choir

## OPEN TABLE MOMENT

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and THE LORD'S PRAYER

## SHARING OF GOD'S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

**OFFERTORY** *Grandeur* Karen Thompson  
Jr. Bell Choir

\* **DOXOLOGY** *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* No. 94

## \* OFFERTORY PRAYER

\* **HYMN OF PREPARATION** *We Walk by Faith* *The Faith We Sing No. 2196*

**SCRIPTURE** *Genesis 15: 1-6; 16: 1-2, 15-16; 17: 15-16, 18-21*  
*(pg. 12 O.T., Pew Bible)*

Leader: God's Word for God's people.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**SERMON** *The Family Tree*  
*Part 2: The Parents* Rev. Eve Williams

\* **HYMN OF COMMITMENT** *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty* No. 139

## \* BENECTION

\* **POSTLUDE** *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty* Gunther Martin Göttsche  
Dr. Ashley Snavley, organ

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*Large-print bulletins, Bibles and hymnals, as well as assistive listening devices and wheelchairs, are available from the ushers.*