**The Holy Way Presbyterian Church**

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**December 31, 2023 9:30am**

**Celebrating the New Year!**

**Prelude:** Dr. Astrid Chan

**Welcome to Worship:** Rev. Tina Salvaneschi

**Opening Prayer**

**Call To Worship:** Lay leaderTerry Saxton

Leader: As the land is renewed each year

and new crops sprout,

**People: so the Lord God is restoring us.**

Leader: We are transformed by God’s glory and power,

**People: Through God’s revelation in a little child.**

Leader: Salvation shall bring complete transformation.

**People: And the Lord God is saving us.**

**With our whole being we rejoice in our God, the Everlasting Father.**

**Let us worship God the Almighty! Amen**

**Opening Hymn:** *Joy To The World (Hymn 134)*

Phil Hollis

**Birthday’s and Anniversaries** Stephen Levine

**Sing Happy Birthday/Anniversary** Terry Saxton

If you want to participate in our tradition of celebrating your birthday or anniversary by giving money towards the church improvements, music department, or children’s ministry, please waive your hand, or stand up and Pastor Tina will receive your donation in the basket!

**Celebrations, Joys and Concerns** Rev. Tina Salvaneschi

The People of the Congregation Share Joys and Concerns

(Someone will bring the microphone to you)

**...The Lord’s Prayer**

**People:** 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

**Anthem:**  *Sing With The Angels* Ensemble

**Tithes and Offering: Prayer** Rev. Tina Salvaneschi

(Option: Place your index card with a private prayer for Pastor and place it in the offering tray)

**Offertory Music:**  Dr. Astrid Chan

**Doxology:** *(Hymn #606)* Congregation

Please stand if you are able

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;*

*praise Him all creatures here below;*

*praise Him above, ye heavenly host;*

*praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

**Scripture Reading:** Lay Leader Terry Saxton

**Haggai 2:1-9**

**2**In the seventh *month,* on the twenty-first of the month, the word of the Lord came by Haggai the prophet, saying: **2**“Speak now to Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel, governor of Judah, and to Joshua the son of Jehozadak, the high priest, and to the remnant of the people, saying: **3**‘Who is left among you who saw this temple in its former glory? And how do you see it now? In comparison with it, *is this* not in your eyes as nothing? **4**Yet now be strong, Zerubbabel,’ says the Lord; ‘and be strong, Joshua, son of Jehozadak, the high priest; and be strong, all you people of the land,’ says the Lord, ‘and work; for I *am* with you,’ says the Lord of hosts. **5**‘*According to* the word that I covenanted with you when you came out of Egypt, so My Spirit remains among you; do not fear!’

**6**“For thus says the Lord of hosts: ‘Once more (it *is* a little while) I will shake heaven and earth, the sea and dry land; **7**and I will shake all nations, and they shall come to the Desire of All Nations, and I will fill this temple with glory,’ says the Lord of hosts. **8**‘The silver *is* Mine, and the gold *is* Mine,’ says the Lord of hosts. **9**‘The glory of this latter [e]temple shall be greater than the former,’ says the Lord of hosts. ‘And in this place I will give peace,’ says the Lord of hosts.”

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be To God.**

**Message:**  *Be Strong, The Best is Yet to Come!* Rev. Tina Salvaneschi,,

**Sending Hymn:** *Go, Tell It On The Mountain (Hymn 136)*

Phil Hollis

**Benediction:** Rev. Tina Salvaneschi

**Song:** *Let There Be Peace On Earth* Congregation

**Let There Be Peace on Earth**

Let there be peace on earth

And let it begin with me

Let there be peace on earth

The peace that was meant to be

With God as our father

Christians all are we

Let us walk with each other

In perfect harmony

Let peace begin with me

Let this be the moment now

With every step I take

Let this be my solemn vow

To take each moment

And live each moment

In peace eternally

Let there be peace on earth

And let it begin with me

ANNOUNCEMENTS!

\* Our office will be **closed on Monday, January 1st,** New Years Day!

\* **Sunday, January 7th** following worship service, well will have a brief **congregational meeting** to elect 2 new Deacons and 1 new Elder into service.

\* **Sunday, January 7th we are kicking off the new start of Kingdom Seekers! Our new Sunday school for children** lead by Kathy Americano for children ages 4 to 12 plus. Please invite your grand children and their friends to support our new *full time* ministry.

EVERY WEEK!

\* Monday: ***The Handcraft Group meets at 10:00 am*** *in the Conference Room. All handcrafts (knitting, coloring, etc) welcome! Come make something with your hands and enjoy great fellowship time together.*

\* Tuesday: Stay Connected During the Week! **“Sermon Debrief Bible Study”. 10:00am,** in the Conference Room.

\* **Diaper bank of Southern Arizona -** The Holy Way supports this organization who provides adult products to seniors in our community. To contribute products or money for this organization please talk with Sherri Atleson. 520-560-5589