

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
ROSWELL, NEW MEXICO**

**Sunday, February 17, 2019
10:00 A.M.**

The Sixth Sunday in the Season of Epiphany

GATHERING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHIMES

PRELUDE

“Praise Ye the Father” (Gounod)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 1

Happy are those
who do not follow the advice of the wicked,
or take the path that sinners tread,
or sit in the seat of scoffers;
but their delight is in the law of the Lord,
and on his law they meditate day and night.

**They are like trees
planted by streams of water,
which yield their fruit in its season,
and their leaves do not wither.
In all that they do, they prosper.**

The wicked are not so,
but are like chaff that the wind drives away.
**Therefore, the wicked will not stand in the judgement,
nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous;
for the Lord watches over the way of the righteous,
but the way of the wicked will perish.**

***OPENING HYMN #619**

“Praise, My Soul, the God of Heaven” (Goss)

***PRAYER OF ADORATION**

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**God of justice and compassion,
Forgive us, we pray, when we neglect and denigrate the poor
among us.**

Forgive us, we pray, when we ignore and dismiss those who are hungry.

Forgive us, we pray, when we forget and pass by those who are grieving.

Forgive us, we pray, when we scorn and deride those who speak courageously on behalf of your Son and his message.

Cleanse and heal us, we pray, through your Holy Spirit. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Friends, believe the good news of the gospel!
In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

***GLORY BE TO THE FATHER #581**

“Gloria Patri” (Greatorex)

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen. Amen.**

***PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

Please exchange these words with your neighbors: “The peace of the Lord be with you.” “And also with you.”

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

READING FROM THE HEBREW SCRIPTURES

Jeremiah 17:5-10

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

READING FROM THE NEW TESTAMENT LETTERS

1 Corinthians 15:12-26

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM

“Lord, For Thy Tender Mercies’ Sake” (Farrant)

***READING FROM THE GOSPELS**

Luke 6:17-26

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

A MOMENT FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

SERMON

“Discomfited (Again)”

***HYMN #729** “*Lord, I Want to Be a Christian*” (African American Spiritual)

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

The Nicene Creed (381 AD)

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
and of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God,**

**Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;**

through him all things were made.

**For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven;
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary,
and became truly human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven**

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and
glorified.**

He has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

SHARING OF PRAYER REQUESTS

PASTORAL PRAYER

RETURNING TITHES AND OFFERINGS TO GOD

MUSICAL OFFERING

“Simple Blessings” (Boyles)

*PRAISE GOD, FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW #606

(Genevan Psalter)

**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.**

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION

Triune God, Father, Son, and Spirit: with thanksgiving we proclaim the good news: Christ has indeed been raised from the dead, the first fruit of life everlasting. In him we all are made alive. He has destroyed every ruler and every authority. He has destroyed death itself.

How can we, then, live as if there is no resurrection? Fill us entirely with your Holy Spirit, so that we may fully live as those who have been raised with Christ, to life abundant and eternal. We pray in his astounding name. Amen.

*OUR LORD’S PRAYER

**Our Father in heaven,
holy is your name;
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

SENDING

*CLOSING HYMN #765

“May the God of Hope Go With Us”

(Argentine Folk Melody)

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

*POSTLUDE

*Please stand if you are able where asterisks are printed.

Words in **bold print** are spoken by the congregation.