FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH ROSWELL, NEW MEXICO

November 18, 2018 10:00 A.M.

<u>GATHERING</u>

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHIMES

PRELUDE

"Thanks Be to Thee" (Handel)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 16, selected verses

Protect me, O God, for in you I take refuge. I say to the Lord, 'You are my Lord; I have no good apart from you.'

The Lord is my chosen portion and my cup; you hold my lot.

The boundary lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; I have a goodly heritage.

I bless the Lord who gives me counsel; in the night also my heart instructs me.

I keep the Lord always before me; because he is at my right hand, I shall not be moved.

You show me the path of life.

In your presence there is fullness of joy; in your right hand are pleasures for evermore.

*OPENING HYMN #32

"I Sing the Mighty Power of God" (Herzogl)

*PRAYER OF ADORATION

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Most Holy God, who commands holiness of us, we confess today that we are not ready for the Day of the Lord. We busy ourselves with paltry and mundane matters, when that Day may come upon us at any time. We should be doing the work given us by your Son, but we are distracted, preoccupied, and self-centered.

Forgive us, we pray. Through your Holy Spirit, impress upon us the imminence of your Son's return. Move us to be ready, always about the ministry he has given us to do, especially for those around us who are destitute, desperate, and hopeless. Grant that we may use the days we are given to make visible your kingdom, until it becomes fully present on that Day.

In Christ we pray. 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

1 Samuel 1:4-20

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

READING FROM THE NEW TESTAMENT LETTERS Hebrews 10:11-25

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM "All Good Gifts" (Purifoy)

*READING FROM THE GOSPELS

Mark 13:1-23

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

A MOMENT FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

SERMON "The One Who Endures to the End"

*HYMN #213 "In the Cross of Christ I Glory" (Conkey)

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

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

"This Is My Father's World" (Harris)

*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

Redeeming God, we acknowledge the grim and alarming picture of the Day of the Lord found in Scripture, but we know that that Day and its aftermath are your plan for redeeming us and indeed the whole earth. We thank you that your Day, your redemption, your restoration, are coming, that the way things are is not the way they shall always be.

In response to this assurance, we dedicate ourselves to the unqualified service of Christ, the Son of Man, who will come in the clouds with power and glory. We dedicate ourselves to his instruction, his ministry, his example. We pray in his redeeming 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 #360

"Christ Is Coming!" (Neander)

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

*POSTLUDE

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

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