

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
ROSWELL, NEW MEXICO**

TRINITY SUNDAY

May 27, 2018

10:00 A.M.

GATHERING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHIMES

PRELUDE

“Holy, Holy, Holy” (Prentiss)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 29

Ascribe to the Lord, O heavenly beings,
ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.
Ascribe to the Lord the glory of his name;
worship the Lord in holy splendor.

**The voice of the Lord is over the waters;
the God of glory thunders,
the Lord, over mighty waters.**

**The voice of the Lord is powerful;
the voice of the Lord is full of majesty.**

The voice of the Lord breaks the cedars;
the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon.
He makes Lebanon skip like a calf,
and Sirion like a young wild ox.

**The voice of the Lord flashes forth flames of fire.
The voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness;
the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.**

The voice of the Lord causes the oaks to whirl,
and strips the forest bare;
and in his temple all say, ‘Glory!’

**The Lord sits enthroned over the flood;
the Lord sits enthroned as king forever.**

May the Lord give strength to his people!

May the Lord bless his people with peace!

***OPENING HYMN #2**

“Come, Thou Almighty King” (Giardini)

***PRAYER OF ADORATION**

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God, who is Rock and Lamb and Advocate, we confess today that we are so often lost in the immensity of your presence, in the depth of your being, in the vastness of your nature. We are unable to simply live in communion with you, with our understanding incomplete. We try instead to fit you into our boxes, our categories, our compartments. Forgive us, we pray. Through your Holy Spirit, show us how to simply rest in you, abide in you, cling to you, and to be overwhelmingly blessed. We pray in the name of the Son, our hope. 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

Isaiah 6:1-8

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

READING FROM THE NEW TESTAMENT LETTERS

Romans 8:12-17

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

INTERLUDE

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By Raylene Moore

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

A MOMENT FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

SERMON

“How Can These Things Be?”

***HYMN #11**

“*Source and Sovereign, Rock and Cloud*” (Parry)

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

The Apostles’ Creed

**I believe in God,
the Father Almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.
Amen.**

SHARING OF PRAYER REQUESTS

PASTORAL PRAYER

RETURNING TITHES AND OFFERINGS TO GOD

MUSICAL OFFERING

“*Holy, Holy, Holy*” (Prentiss)

***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**

Spirit and Father and Son, your voice thunders over the waters, full of majesty. Your voice emits flashing flames of fire. Your word shakes the wilderness and shatters the trees of the forest. You are enthroned over the raging waters. You are enthroned as King forever.

You have not condemned us for our sin but have instead come to us as Jesus of Nazareth, so that the world might be saved through the Son.

You call us to speak, to witness, to serve, saying to us, “Who will go for us, and whom shall I send?” We reply with joy and trust, “Here we are! Send us.” 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 #1** *“Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!”* (Dykes)

***CHARGE AND BLESSING**

***POSTLUDE**

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

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