

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
ROSWELL, NEW MEXICO**

**Sunday, June 3, 2018
10:00 A.M.**

GATHERING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHIMES

PRELUDE

“Praise Him! Praise Him!” (Ritter)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 139, Selected Verses

O Lord, you have searched me and known me.
You know when I sit down and when I rise up;
you discern my thoughts from far away.

**You search out my path and my lying down,
and are acquainted with all my ways.**

Even before a word is on my tongue,

O Lord, you know it completely.

**You hem me in, behind and before,
and lay your hand upon me.**

Such knowledge is too wonderful for me;
it is so high that I cannot attain it.

**Wonderful are your works;
that I know very well.**

How weighty to me are your thoughts, O God!

How vast is the sum of them!

**I try to count them—they are more than the sand;
I come to the end—I am still with you.**

***OPENING HYMN #33** *“Praise the Lord! God’s Glories Show”* (Williams)

***PRAYER OF ADORATION**

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Saving God, we confess that we too often think and behave like
Pharisees, quick to enforce the rules and slow to demonstrate
compassion. The rules prescribe for us well-defined boundaries
and carefully marked limits. If we live only by statutes, life is**

simple: simple, but lacking in compassion and grace. Forgive us, God of second chances, when we make morality simple at the expense of loving others as Christ has loved us. Show us how to demonstrate compassionate justice, as Jesus did and does. We pray in his saving name. 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 3:1-10

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

READING FROM THE NEW TESTAMENT LETTERS

2 Corinthians 4:5-12

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

***READING FROM THE GOSPELS**

Mark 2:23-3:6

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

A MOMENT FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

SERMON

“What is Truly ‘Lawful?’”

***HYMN #526**

“Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ”

(Jamaican Folk Melody)

***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.**

RETURNING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS TO GOD

MUSICAL OFFERING

“Here I Am, Lord” (Schutte/Parks)

***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.**

THE LORD'S SUPPER

SOLO *"The Lord's Prayer"* (Ellingboe) Joan Arnold

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (PRAYER)

BREAKING THE BREAD AND FILLING THE CUP

SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP

PRAYER FOLLOWING COMMUNION

SENDING

***CLOSING HYMN #363** *"Rejoice, the Lord is King!"* (Darwall)

***CHARGE AND BLESSING**

***POSTLUDE**

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

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