

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
ROSWELL, NEW MEXICO**

**July 8, 2018
10:00 A.M.**

GATHERING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHIMES

PRELUDE

“Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah” (Smith)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 48, Selected Verses

Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised
in the city of our God.

**His holy mountain, beautiful in elevation,
is the joy of all the earth,
Mount Zion, in the far north,
the city of the great King.**

Within its citadels God
has shown himself a sure defense.

**We ponder your steadfast love, O God,
in the midst of your temple.**

Your name, O God, like your praise,
reaches to the ends of the earth.

Your right hand is filled with victory.

**Let Mount Zion be glad,
let the towns of Judah rejoice
because of your judgments.**

***OPENING HYMN #666** *“O Splendor of God’s Glory Bright”* (Praetorius)

***PRAYER OF ADORATION**

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**God who provides, we confess this morning that we acknowledge
the living Messiah with our words, but our actions betray our
feeble faith. We fear we have been abandoned, that we are after
all left only to our own unsteady abilities. We confess that we**

**ignore his command to go in his power to continue his work today.
We are timid and faltering disciples.**

**Forgive us, we pray, for failing to trust completely in the one who
sends us, and for failing to acknowledge the power we have in his
name, to heal, to cast out demons, to witness on his behalf.
Strengthen us for our service, through your irrepressible Spirit.
We pray in the name of the one who sends us. 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

2 Samuel 5:1-5

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

READING FROM THE NEW TESTAMENT LETTERS

2 Corinthians 12:2-10

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

MUSICAL QUARTET

“Heaven’s Jubilee” (Speer/Hamby)
Joan Arnold, Wayne Bevers, Wayne Glass, Charles Stevens

***READING FROM THE GOSPELS**

Mark 6:1-13

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

A MOMENT FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

SERMON

“Sent, with Authority”

*HYMN #726 “Will You Come and Follow Me” vss. 1-3, 5 (Scottish Melody)

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

From *The Confession of 1967*

The life, death, resurrection, and promised coming of Jesus Christ has set the pattern for the church’s mission. His life as a man involves the church in the common life of all people. His service to humanity commits the church to work for every form of human well-being. His suffering makes the church sensitive to all the sufferings of people so that it sees the face of Christ in the faces of individuals in every kind of need. His crucifixion discloses to the church God’s judgment on our inhumanity and the awful consequences of our own complicity in injustice. In the power of the risen Christ and the hope of his coming, the church sees the promise of God’s renewal of our life in society and of God’s victory over all wrong.

ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF DEACONS AND ELDERS

RETURNING TITHES AND OFFERINGS TO GOD

MUSICAL OFFERING

“Just a Closer Walk with Thee” (Denton)

*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

God who calls, who summons us to service, we thank you that you equip us abundantly for that service, through the astounding, surprising, unpredictable work of your Holy Spirit in our lives, our lives as individuals and our lives as the church of Christ. In the strength of the Spirit we are able to do far more than we can think or imagine.

Therefore, today we recommit ourselves to the work of Christ in the world: healing, restoring, speaking. Comforting, challenging,

-serving. Encouraging, laboring, praying. Not in our own strength, but in the irrepressible power of your Spirit.

**All praise and honor to you, God who calls, God who equips.
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 #822** *“When We Are Living”* (Spanish Melody)

***CHARGE AND BLESSING**

***POSTLUDE**

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

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