

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
ROSWELL, NEW MEXICO**

February 5, 2023, at 10:00am

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

GATHERING

PRESERVICE MUSIC

“Take, O Take Me as I Am”
“Surely Goodness and Mercy”
“Blessed Be the Name”
“Take Our Bread”
“Fill My Cup, Lord”
“Holy Spirit, Thou Art Welcome”
“Let Us Break Bread Together”
“The Gift of Love” (February Hymn of the Month)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SHARING OF PRAYER REQUESTS

CHIMES

(The pouring of water invites us to remember and to celebrate our baptism into the body of Christ.)

PRELUDE

“Psalm 19” (Marcello)

***PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

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

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 112

Happy are those who fear the Lord,
who greatly delight in his commandments.
They rise in the darkness as a light for the upright;
they are gracious, merciful, and righteous.
It is well with those who deal generously and lend,
who conduct their affairs with justice.
Let us worship God.

***OPENING HYMN #645**

“Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above”
(Kirchengesang)

***PRAYER OF ADORATION**

Holy God, you gave the law to show your people the way of righteousness. Help us receive your commandments as grace and live as your obedient children, that your goodness may shine through us, to the glory of your name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

***GLORIA PATRI #581**

“Glory Be to the Father” (Greatorex)

CALL TO CONFESSION

Let us confess our sins before God, our help in times of trouble.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God, we have asked for your righteous judgment against others, but we have not acknowledged the sin in our own lives. We have worshiped you with our lips, but have dishonored you with our actions. We have prayed for you to end the suffering in our world, yet we have not practiced compassion and generosity toward others. Our religion has become the source of quarreling rather than a testimony to your grace. Forgive our self-righteousness and give us integrity of heart, that we may shine forth the light of your salvation, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

In mercy God forgives us our sin and grants us genuine repentance through the grace and power of the Holy Spirit. Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel.

**In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.
Thanks be to God!**

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Lord, open our understanding by the power of the Holy Spirit, that as the Word is proclaimed we may receive holy wisdom to understand the gifts you have bestowed on us. In Jesus' name we pray. **Amen.**

A MOMENT FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

READING FROM THE BOOK OF PSALMS

Psalm 112:1-10

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

READING FROM THE HEBREW SCRIPTURES

Isaiah 58:1-12

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

READING FROM THE NEW TESTAMENT

1 Corinthians 2:1-16

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

(Please stand for the reading of the Gospels if you are able)

***READING FROM THE GOSPELS**

Matthew 5:13-20

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

SERMON

***HYMN #515**

"I Come with Joy" (American 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.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING/DEDICATION

Loving God, we give thanks for all you have given us and praise you for your astounding goodness. Receive the dedication of our hearts, minds, and bodies for the ministry of your church. Bless our offering for the work of your kingdom, and give us wisdom for the right use of all you have provided, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING PRAYER (See Insert)

OUR LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our debts,
as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION FOR THE BREAD AND CUP

RECEIVING THE BREAD AND CUP

PRAYER FOLLOWING COMMUNION

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves to others in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SENDING

***CLOSING HYMN #693** *"The Gift of Love"* (English Folk Melody)
(February Hymn of the Month)

***MOMENT OF SILENCE TO PRAY FOR OUR CHURCH**

***CHARGE AND BLESSING**

***POSTLUDE** *"Shine, Jesus, Shine"*

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