

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
ROSWELL, NEW MEXICO
ANNOUNCEMENTS
Sunday, December 1, 2024**

Thanks to Reverend Jim Bignell, Doug Lunsford, Bob Kurtz, Pastor Terry Aiello, Bob and Joy Kurtz, and Carola Spreacker for helping lead worship today!

Thank you to the Choir Ensemble for sharing their musical talents with us this morning!

The Lord's Supper: First Presbyterian Church is celebrating the Lord's Supper (Communion) today! The Lord's Table is open to all who profess faith in Christ, and children are also welcome. Baptism is encouraged, but not required. This is the joyous feast of the Lord! Welcome to his table.

The Lord's Supper: The bread/juice have been prepared by our Chancel Guild. Please come forward by the center aisle row by row. We use a "modified intinction" — parishioners walk to the front, take a piece of bread from the plate and dip it in the cup of juice and consume the elements before returning to the pews.

The Season of Advent begins today! Join us through the season as we remember and anticipate the arrival of Christ, the Anointed One.

The Fellowship Committee is planning a Christmas Luncheon on Sunday, December 15th! The Fellowship Committee will furnish the main dish, side dishes, salad, rolls, and drinks. Please join us and bring your favorite desserts!

The Christmas Joy Offering of the Presbyterian Church (USA) is collected during the Advent Season, from Sunday, December 1st through December 21st. This offering aids current and retired church employees in need, and racial/ethnic minorities studying at Presbyterian schools. Christmas Joy Offering envelopes are available in the pew pockets!

The order form for the Poinsettias for Christmas Eve is in this morning's bulletin! Please complete and return the order form to the church office, or drop it in the offering plate along with \$25.00 per potted plant, by Sunday, December 15th.

The Angel Tree Program will be a little different this year! The Mission Committee will choose one family and purchase toys for the children and food for their Christmas Dinner. A donation box is set up in the narthex or drop your check in the collection plate for this worthy cause!

The Christmas Toys for Tots Program is already underway! Money donations are welcome, and checks can be written to "Toys for Tots" with "Chaves County, NM" on the memo line. The money donations need to be in by December 8th. You can also drop unwrapped toys for local children in a dedicated box located in the narthex by Wednesday, December 18th.

We are still taking donations for our Church Family members, Ross Robertson and Joe Fuentes, who suffered significant loss from the flooding that happened in Roswell, NM on October 19-20th. Make your checks payable to the First Presbyterian Church; in the subject line, write the name of the donee(s) and the portions of the donation, if there is more than one; mail your check to the church or drop it in the offering plate. Please contact Doug Lunsford if you have any questions.

The Christmas Eve Service will be held on Tuesday, December 24th, at 5:30pm, in the Church Sanctuary. Worship will include carols, scripture readings, Communion, and candle lighting. Come, and invite a friend!

Weekly Bible Study is scheduled every Wednesday evening at 6:00pm, in the Parlor. If you have any questions, please contact Reverend Bignell or the Church Office.

Pledges of giving to God for 2025 are still very welcome! Pledge cards are located in the Church narthex and Church Office. Thank you for your pledge to God through our Church!

Online Giving. Go to fpcroswell.org/give.html for more information, or scan the QR code to the right using your smartphone. You may specify a one-time or recurring gift using your checking account or a credit card. You may designate your offering for the church's General Fund, Deacons' Fund, or Pastor's Assistance Fund. Thank you for your continued faithful giving to God, through First Presbyterian Church.



Praying Through the Church Roll

Edith Malcolm

Doug & Wendy Lunsford

Richard Van Winkle

Please pray for...

Ann Ruback
Betsy Cunningham
Helen Ferrell & Family
Terry & Linda Aiello
Dr. Sara Montgomery
Wayne Bevers
Lois Wilson
Ross Robertson
Joe Fuentes
Maria Pacquing
Joanie Milroy
Enrique Moreno
John Huff

Ron Miller
Mike Friel
Betty Young
Roswell Youth Challenge
Those affected by Parkinson's disease.
The families of two Civil Air Patrol members who died in a plane crash.
All the people affected by the rains & flooding in the Roswell area.
Continued prayers for the people in Florida and the Carolinas affected by the hurricanes.
Prayers for those traveling this busy Weekend.

Serving This Week

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| Liturgist | Reverend Jim Bignell |
| Service Elder | Doug Lunsford |
| Camera | Bob Kurtz |
| Moment for Young Disciples | Pastor Terry Aiello |
| Vocalists | Choir Ensemble |
| Lighting of the Advent Candle | Bob & Joy Kurtz |
| Chancel Guild | Deb Prince, Ann Hultman |
| Inspirational Phone Message | Bill Wolf |

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| Organist | Carola Spreacker |
| Music Director | Wayne Bevers |
| Custodian | Joe Fuentes |