

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
ROSWELL, NEW MEXICO**

**January 15, 2023  
10:00am**

**SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY**

**GATHERING**

**PRESERVICE MUSIC**

*“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”*  
*“We Are Marching in the Light of God”*  
*“Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me”*  
*“I Would Be True”*  
*“Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts”*  
*“O How I Love Jesus”*  
*“Grace Greater than Our Sin”*  
*“Thy Word”*

**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**

*“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”* (Runyan)

**\*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

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

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

Psalm 40:3, 5

Sing a new song,  
**a song of thanks and praise,**  
for God has done wondrous deeds,  
**and is great beyond compare!**  
Let us worship God!

**\*OPENING HYMN #327**

*“From All That Dwell Below the Skies”*  
(Kirchengesang)

## **\*PRAYER OF ADORATION**

Holy God, you sent your son to be the light of the world, so that all may know the brightness of your love. Fill us with your grace this day that we too may bear witness to his light and serve your coming reign. In Jesus' name we pray. **Amen.**

## **\*GLORIA PATRI #581**

*"Glory Be to the Father"* (Greatorex)

## **CALL TO CONFESSION**

Let us confess our sins to God, for the Holy One is steadfast in love and always ready to forgive.

## **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**Mothering God, we have chased after foolish things, and spent our strength on vanity; our labor has been in vain. Deliver us from arrogance and forgive our self-concern, that we may find our reward with you, as servants of your dream. Through Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.**

## **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Beloved, we are forgiven in Christ, the Lamb who bears our sin. Happy are those who put their trust in God, and delight to do God's will, for God makes our footing sure upon the rock of Christ. Friends, hear the Good News of the Gospel.

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

## **THE WORD**

## **PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

Come, Holy Spirit, Heavenly Dove: Open our ears to the truth of your word, that the testimony of Christ may be strengthened among us and the glad news of deliverance revealed. **Amen.**

## **MOMENT FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES**

Margo Fullinwider

## **READING FROM THE BOOK OF PSALMS**

Psalm 40:1-11

The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God!**

**READING FROM THE HEBREW SCRIPTURES**

Isaiah 49:1-7

The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God!**

**READING FROM THE NEW TESTAMENT**

1 Corinthians 1:1-9

The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God!**

**DUET**

*"The Chariot Spiritual"* (American Spiritual, Arr. Moore)  
(Wayne Bevers, Bob Entrop)

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

**\*READING FROM THE GOSPELS**

John 1:29-42

The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God!**

**SERMON**

**\*HYMN #268**

*"Crown Him with Many Crowns"* (Elvey)

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

**This is the good news which we have received, in which we stand, and by which we are saved, if we hold it fast: that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day, and that he appeared first to the women, then to Peter, and to the Twelve, and then to many faithful witnesses. We believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the Living God. Jesus Christ is the first and the last, the beginning and the end, he is our Lord and our God. Amen.**

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

**INVITATION TO THE OFFERING**

Our God has done wondrous things, too numerous to count. Through steadfast love and faithful care, God enriches us in every way. Therefore, do not delay! Let us offer to God ourselves this day, all that we have and all that we are, in praise and love of Christ.

**MUSICAL OFFERING**

*"Leaning on the Everlasting Arms"* (Logan)

**\*DOXOLOGY #606**

Genevan Psalter

**\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION**

We give you thanks, O loving God, that you have placed in the hearts of your faithful people, the gift of generosity and the desire to do your will. Use these gifts to proclaim good news to every nation and restore all people to Christ. Amen.

**\*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.

**SENDING**

**\*CLOSING HYMN #110**          *“Love Has Come”* (French Melody)  
(January hymn of the month)

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

**\*CHARGE AND BLESSING**

**\*POSTLUDE**    *“Leaning on the Everlasting Arms”*

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