

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
ROSWELL, NEW MEXICO**

**JANUARY 17, 2021
THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY**

GATHERING

PRESERVICE MUSIC SET

“O Worship the King, All Glorious Above”

“Lead Me, Lord”

“Lord, Prepare Me”

“Lord, Speak to Me”

“Jesus Calls Us”

“You Are My Strength When I Am Weak”

“Jesus Is Lord of All”

“We Gather Here in Jesus’ Name”

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHIMES

PRELUDE

“Processional of Joy” (Hopson)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 139, Selected Verses

Where can I go from your spirit?

Or where can I flee from your presence?

If I ascend to heaven, you are there;

if I make my bed in Sheol, you are there.

If I take the wings of the morning

and settle at the farthest limits of the sea,

even there your hand shall lead me,

and your right hand shall hold me fast.

If I say, ‘Surely the darkness shall cover me,

and the light around me become night,’

even the darkness is not dark to you;

the night is as bright as the day,

for darkness is as light to you.

***OPENING HYMN #619**

“Praise, My Soul, the God of Heaven” (Goss)

***PRAYER OF ADORATION**

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Compassionate God, the Apostle Paul reminds us that just because something is lawful does not make it beneficial. We are held to a higher standard of right and wrong than what is simply within the law, whether it be the secular law of our state and nation, or the law given to the people of Israel through Moses. Forgive us when we fail to live by the ethical standard we received from your Son: to love you with all our being, and to love others as we love ourselves. Forgive us when we strive for only what is lawful, rather than what is right. Heal and restore us, mighty God. We ask in the name of your Son, Jesus the Anointed One. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Friends, believe the good news of the gospel!
In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

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

1 Corinthians 6:12-20

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

*READING FROM THE GOSPELS

John 1:43-51

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

SERMON

“Come and See”

*HYMN #720

“*Jesus Calls Us*” (Jude)

***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.**

PASTORAL PRAYER

MEDITATION ON THE STEWARDSHIP OF TIME, TALENT, AND TREASURE

Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, "Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents." His master said to him, "Well done, good and

trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.” Mathew 25:20-21

MUSICAL OFFERING

“Here I Am, Lord” (Schutte/Parks)

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION

Amazing God, you call each one of us, like young Samuel, to your service and to the service of others, equipping us in every way for the labor to which we are each called. You call our names, for our names and everything about us are known deeply and intimately by you.

Fill us to overflowing with your Holy Spirit, so that we may, like Samuel, respond with eagerness to your call, even when that to which you call us is difficult, time-consuming, draining, and frightening. Remind us continuously of the sacrifice your Son made for us, and strengthen us for sacrificial service in his name. 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 #69**

“I, the Lord of Sea and Sky” (Schutte)

***CHARGE AND BLESSING**

***POSTLUDE**

“I Stand Amazed”

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

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