

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
ROSWELL, NEW MEXICO**

**November 14, 2021**

**10:00am**

**THE TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

**GATHERING**

**PRESERVICE MUSIC**

*“O Worship the King, All Glorious Above”*

*“In the Cross of Christ, I Glory”*

*“Wash, O God, Our Sons and Daughters”*

*“My Lord! What a Morning”*

*“Take the World, but Give Me Jesus”*

*“He Keeps Me Singing”*

*“His Eye Is on the Sparrow”*

*“Here on Jesus Christ, I Will Stand”*

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**SHARING OF PRAYER REQUESTS**

**CHIMES**

**PRELUDE**

*March from “Rinaldo” (Handel)*

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

Psalm 16:7–11

Bless the Lord who counsels and guides us.

**Because we keep the Lord ever before us, we shall not be moved.**

Rejoice! Let your hearts be glad!

Let your spirits rejoice and your bodies rest secure.

**For God does not give us up to death, but shows us the path of life.**

**Praise the Lord!**

**\*OPENING HYMN #810**

*“When in the Night I Meditate” (Day’s Psalter)*

**\*PRAYER OF ADORATION**

Holy God, creator of all that is and is to come, you made the world and called it good. We thank you and praise you, for we have wreaked havoc on your good creation, yet you promise to make all things whole and live among us in joy and peace. Keep us watchful for Christ’s coming, enliven our hope, and support us through the birth pangs of your new creation, that we may welcome you with songs of praise. **Amen.**

## **CALL TO CONFESSION**

Since we have a great high priest, Jesus Christ, let us approach the throne of grace in full assurance of faith, for God has promised to be merciful.

## **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**God of grace, all around us are wars, and rumors of wars, and we are afraid for ourselves and our world. We follow after false leaders and grasp for whatever security we can find. Forgive us, Lord, for we are quick to forget that all of life is in your hands. Renew our hope, increase our courage, and keep us watchful for the signs of your just and peaceful reign that is to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

People of God, Jesus Christ, who gave himself once and for all, forgives and saves. Therefore, be reconciled to one another, holding fast to the confession of our hope, through Christ our Lord.

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

## **THE WORD**

### **PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

O Lord, you have the words of eternal life. Speak to us by the power of your Holy Spirit, that we might hear what you would say to us today. **Amen.**

### **READING FROM THE HEBREW SCRIPTURES**

Daniel 12:1–3

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

### **READING FROM THE NEW TESTAMENT**

Hebrews 10:11–14

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

### **DUET**

*“When the Roll is Called Up Yonder”* (Arr. Pethel)

Wayne Bevers and Bob Entrop

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

### **\*READING FROM THE GOSPELS**

Mark 13:1–8

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

## SERMON

\*HYMN #347

*“Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence”* (French Melody)

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

*The Apostles’ Creed*

**I believe in God,  
the Father Almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting.  
Amen.**

## PASTORAL PRAYER

### MEDITATION ON THE STEWARDSHIP OF TIME, TALENT, AND TREASURE

“Now he who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will also supply and increase your store of seed and will enlarge the harvest of your righteousness.” (2 Corinthians 9:10)

Notice the connection the Apostle Paul makes between increasing your store of seed and enlarging the harvest of your righteousness. When we are equipped with enough resources to give generously, our capacity to produce a greater effect is increased.

Paul makes a holy assumption here that, as God supplies, the Corinthians by the time of his writing would use the blessings appropriately—that is, for righteous works, such as funding the mission and work of the church. (Tithe.ly)

## MUSICAL OFFERING

*“Leaning on the Everlasting Arms”* (Logan)

## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION

**How can we thank you, O God, for all that you have done? You give us life; you give us hope; you give us your very self. Take our offerings—and our very selves—that your will may be done in our church, in our community, and throughout your wide and beautiful world. In Jesus’ name we pray. 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 #735**

*“I Need Thee Every Hour”* (Lowry)

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

**\*CHARGE AND BLESSING**

**\*POSTLUDE**

*“Heaven Came Down”*

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

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