

**FIRST PRESTERIAN CHURCH  
ROSWELL, NEW MEXICO**

**Song Lyrics for Sunday, October 11, 2020**

**OPENING HYMN #645**      *“Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above”*  
(Kirchengesang)

Sing praise to God who reigns above, the God of all creation,  
the God of power, the God of love, the God of our salvation.  
With healing balm my soul is filled, and every faithless murmur stilled:  
to God all praise and glory!

The Lord is never far away, but, through all grief distressing,  
an ever-present help and stay, our peace and joy and blessing,  
as with a mother’s tender hand God gently leads the chosen band:  
to God all praise and glory!

Thus all my toilsome way along I sing aloud thy praises,  
that all may hear the grateful song my voice unwearied raises.  
Be joyful in the Lord, my heart; both soul and body, take your part:  
to God all praise and glory!

**HYMN #662**      *“Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies”*  
(German Folk Melody)

Christ, whose glory fills the skies; Christ, the true, the only light;  
Sun of Righteousness, arise; triumph o'er the shades of night;  
Dayspring from on high, be near; Daystar, in my heart appear.

Dark and cheerless is the morn unaccompanied by thee;  
joyless is the day's return till thy mercy's beams I see;  
till they inward light impart, cheer my eyes, and warm my heart.

Visit then this soul of mine; pierce the gloom of sin and grief;  
fill me, radiancy divine; scatter all my unbelief;  
more and more thyself display, shining to the perfect day.

**CLOSING HYMN #687**

*“Our God, Our Help in Ages Past”* (Croft)

Our God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come,  
our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home:

Beneath the shadow of thy throne thy saints have dwelt secure;  
sufficient is thine arm alone, and our defense is sure.

Before the hills in order stood, or earth received its frame,  
from everlasting thou art God, to endless years the same.

Our God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come,  
be thou our guard while life shall last, and our eternal home.