

LAS PLACITAS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Living Faith, Loving God and Welcoming All

November 23, 2025

Christ the King

9:00 am

the Rev. Matthew Baugh, Pastor



Welcome to Las Placitas Presbyterian Church

Your presence is a gift. We are glad you are here and hope you find the worship service to be meaningful. May God's peace go with you as you begin a new week. If you are looking for a church home, know you are welcome here.

~ANNOUNCEMENTS~

- ☼ The annual Placitas Holiday Market is today, November 23, from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm. There are six sites to visit including LPPC. The Chili Pepper Café will be serving homemade tamales, Frito pie, posole, chili dogs and sweet things for dessert.

NOTE: There will be ONE service on Sunday, November 23, at 9:00 am.

- ☼ LPPC will be hosting a Thanksgiving Dinner for members and friends on Thursday, November 27 starting at 1:00 pm. If you don't have other plans, join us! The turkey will be provided. We ask that you bring a side dish to share. There is a sign-up sheet in the Fellowship Hall. Please sign-up or let Karen, in the office, know on or before Tuesday, November 25th that you will be attending.

Other events this week:

Monday, November 24 at 10:00am--Spanish Class

Tuesday, November 25 at 9:30 am--Yoga

Friday, November 28 at 10:00 am--Conversational Spanish

- ☼ The Rev. Matthew Baugh will be installed as our Pastor on Sunday, December 7 at 2:00 pm. There will be a reception following in the Fellowship Hall.

- ☼ **Books & stuffed animals + beans & rice for our Sisters & Brothers this Christmas.** Thanks to everyone for sharing children's books and stuffed animals for the Dignity Mission this Christmas! And for your ongoing offerings of beans and rice. Our cup (and wagon!) runneth over! *And, you still have time to contribute! Donations by Sunday, December 14th are greatly appreciated.* The LPPC youth will assemble special holiday "kids kits" in early December. And the last distribution of the year packs up for El Paso on December 15th.

Welcome Visitors - We welcome everyone visiting our service, whether this is your first time or you have worshipped with us before. We would love to be in touch with you, and ask that you fill out one of the blue cards in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate. We will have an opportunity in the near future for you to meet with our Pastor and Session, in order to get to know each other better and invite you to consider joining our wonderful church.

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Order for Worship

~THE PEOPLE GATHER~

Welcome to Las Placitas Presbyterian Church. If you are visiting, we invite you to sign one of the visitor cards to place in the offering plate, and everybody is encouraged to wear a name tag!

~ Please silence your cell phones. ~

Please stand or rise in spirit where items are noted with an asterisk.

~GATHERING AROUND THE WORD~

GATHERING MUSIC Mindy Sampson

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Steve Chewning

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

INTROIT "Prayer of St. Francis Choir

CALL TO WORSHIP (inspired by Matthew 6:25-34) Rev. Matthew Baugh

LEADER: Compassionate Christ, you tell us not to worry about our lives.

PEOPLE: We hear your words, but we wonder how we can stop worrying.

LEADER: You tell us not to be concerned about what we will eat, what we will drink, or what we will wear.

PEOPLE: We know that life is more than food and clothing, but we are still concerned.

LEADER: You tell us to consider colorful songbirds and beautiful flowers, and that they can teach us better priorities.

PEOPLE: We trust that we are more valuable than these things, and that God will surely care for us, too.

LEADER: But how do we learn to trust God and learn to stop worrying?

PEOPLE: When we look first for God's kingdom and God's righteousness. Then all these things shall be given to us.

*OPENING HYMN #172 "Blest Are They" Glory to God

CALL TO CONFESSION (Based on Hebrews 4:14-16) Jacque Fletcher

O Lord, we come before you to confess our sins and the times we have fallen short. We can do this because we know that Jesus was tempted in every way that we are. This allows us to approach God's throne with boldness, knowing that we will receive mercy in our time of need.

Trusting in God's mercy, let us confess our sins to God and each other.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Loving and eternal God, we confess that we sometimes approach you with our mouths, but not with our hearts. We bring you the leftovers of our time, energy, and faith. We have neglected your commands when it was inconvenient for us to keep them. We have disregarded our neighbors' needs. Have mercy on us! Forgive us our many debts! Cleanse us and give us the mind and heart of Jesus, who came not to be served but to serve. In his name, and for his sake, we come to you. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS (Based on Psalm 103:11-12)

Rev. Matthew Baugh

For as the heavens are high above the earth, so great is God's steadfast love toward those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far God removes our transgressions from us.

SHARING SIGNS OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST

As God's beloved and forgiven people, let us greet each other with words and signs of God's peace.

Alle - Alle - Alle - luia

Alle - Alle - Alle - luia

Alle - Alle - Alle - luia

Alleluia, Alleluia

A TIME FOR YOUNG CHRISTIANS

Cristo me ama, bien lo se, Su palabra me hace ver

Que los niños son de Aquel, Quien es nuestro Amigo fiel

Cristo me ama, Cristo me ama, Cristo me ama, La Biblia dice así.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Jacque Fletcher

Gracious God, give us humble and teachable hearts, that we may receive what you reveal, and do what you command. Amen.

READING FROM THE HEBREW SCRIPTURES

Éxodo 35:30-35

Spanish liturgist: Eloise Sanchez

Y dijo Moisés a los hijos de Israel: Mirad, Jehová ha nombrado a Bezaleel hijo de Urí, hijo de Hur, de la tribu de Judá; y lo ha llenado del Espíritu de Dios, en sabiduría, en inteligencia, en ciencia y en todo arte, para proyectar diseños, para trabajar en oro, en plata y en bronce, y en la talla de piedras de engaste, y en obra de madera, para trabajar en toda laboringeniosa. Y ha puesto en su corazón el que pueda enseñar, así él como Aholiab hijo de Ahisamac, de la tribu de

Dan; y los ha llenado de sabiduría de corazón, para que hagan toda obra de arte y de invención, y de bordado en azul, en púrpura, en carmesí, en lino fino y en telar, para que hagan toda labor, e inventen todo diseño.

One: El misterio revelado para todos. **All: Gracias a Dios.**

Then Moses said to the Israelites, “See, the Lord has called by name Bezalel son of Uri son of Hur, of the tribe of Judah; he has filled him with a divine spirit, with ability, intelligence, and knowledge, and with every kind of skill, to devise artistic designs, to work in gold, silver, and bronze, in cutting stones for setting, and in carving wood, in every kind of artistic craft. And he has inspired him to teach, both him and Oholiab, son of Ahisamach, of the tribe of Dan. He has filled them with skill to do every kind of work done by an artisan or by a designer or by an embroiderer in blue, purple, and crimson yarns and in fine linen or by a weaver—by any sort of skilled worker or designer.

READING FROM THE NEW TESTAMENT

Matthew 6:25-34

English liturgist: Jacque Fletcher

Therefore, I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air: they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? And which of you by worrying, can add a single hour to your span of life? And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? Therefore, do not worry, saying, ‘What will we eat?’ or ‘What will we drink?’ or ‘What will we wear?’ For it is the gentiles who seek all these things, and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

So do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will bring worries of its own.

Today’s trouble is enough for today.

One: The mystery of the ages, revealed to all. **All: Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM

"La Cathédrale Engloutie" (The Sunken Cathedral)

Mindy Sampson

Claude Debussy

SERMON

“Consider...”

Rev. Matthew Baugh

~RESPONDING TO THE WORD~

***HYMN OF RESPONSE #753 “Make Me a Channel of Your Peace”**

Glory to God

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Prayer of St. Francis)

Lord, make us instruments of your peace:

where there is hatred, let us sow love;

where there is injury, pardon;

where there is doubt, faith;

where there is despair, hope;

where there is darkness, light;

where there is sadness, joy.

O divine Master, grant that we may not so much seek

to be consoled as to console,

to be understood as to understand,

to be loved as to love.

For it is in giving that we receive,

it is in pardoning that we are pardoned,

and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

Amen.

THE LORD’S PRAYER

Our Father (Mother), who is in Heaven, holy is your name.

May your kingdom come, and your will be done,

On earth as it is in Heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our debts,

as we ourselves forgive our debtors.

And do not bring us to the time of trial.

INVITATION TO GIVE

“Give Thanks”

Choir

arr. by Anthony Chow

PRAYER OF DEDICATION (St. Martin's Presbyterian Church, Christchurch)

God of new life, out of the abundance of our lives, we offer these gifts to you. Through your blessing and our willingness to share, may these offerings become a source for hope and love in this church family, and in the community beyond us, in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

*DOXOLOGY

Glory to God #240, refrain

Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia! Give Praise to God's Name.

~FOLLOWING THE WORD OUT INTO THE WORLD~

CLOSING HYMN #643

"Now Thank We All Our God"

Glory to God

*BENEDICTION

Rev. Matthew Baugh

POSTLUDE

Mindy Sampson

Attendance November 16

8:30 am Service: 9

10:30 am Service: 33

Zoom: 9

Weekly Calendar

Sunday	11/23/25	9:00 am	Traditional Worship: Sanctuary
		10:00 am	Holiday Market and Chili Pepper Café
		7:00 pm	Alcoholics Anonymous: Fellowship Hall
Monday	11/24/25	10:00 am	Spanish Class
Tuesday	11/25/25	9:30 am	Yoga
Wednesday	11/26/25		
Thursday			
			
	11/27/25	1:00 pm	Thanksgiving Dinner
Friday	11/28/25	10:00 am	Conversational Spanish Class
Saturday	11/29/25	8:00 am	Casa Rosa Pantry Distribution
Sunday	11/30/25	8:30 am	Early worship Service: Upper Room
		10:30 am	Traditional Worship: Sanctuary
		1:00 pm	Memorial Service for Harriet Neal
		7:00 pm	Alcoholics Anonymous: Fellowship Hall

Our thanks to.....

	11/23/25	11/30/25
English Liturgist	Jacque Fletcher	Ivona McCrary
Spanish Liturgist	Eloise Sanchez	Dana Howarth
Ushers	Bev Schippers Tom Lee	Leigh Plante Dave Plante
Refreshments	<i>Holiday Market</i>	<i>volunteer needed</i>
Audio-Visual	Carl Peterson	Parke Rhoads
Church Lock-up	Mike Potter	Mike Potter

	12/7/25	12/14/25
English Liturgist	Lauren Mueller-Skinner	Lynn Coburn
Spanish Liturgist	Mia Archibeque	Judie Hendry
Ushers	Chris Mink Russell Mink	Donna Ebers Sara Moore
Refreshments	<i>Sue Hoff</i>	<i>Second Sunday Coffee Hour</i>
Audio-Visual	John Bullock	Mike Potter
Church Lock-up	Janice Langdale	Janice Langdale

Our prayers for.....

BethAnne Bethel	Tommy Lucero
Susan Booth	George Mueller and family
Charlie DeLara	Leonard Prairie
Johnathan DeLara	Rob Richmond
Missy DeLara	Alicia Rodarte and family
The family of Clarence Duran	Ruby Sanchez Rodriques
Viola Duran	The family of Marcella Sanchez
Bear Eriksson	Herman Santillanes
Charlene Filip	Sharon Santillanes
Annette DeLara Good	Joe Schroeder
Gordon Higby	The family of Clara Stephenson
Dan Howarth	Edwina Trujillo
David Howarth	Harvey Vigil

Spanish Heritage! In honor of our congregation's Spanish heritage, and out of respect for the ongoing cultural diversity of New Mexico, we include Spanish elements in the Sunday Service. The worship

service is recorded each week and edited onto a CD. There are free copies of recent services on the table in Fellowship Hall. Sermons may also be heard on our website: www.lasplacitaschurch.org/worship-at-lppc/sermons.

Hearing Assistance. Las Placitas Presbyterian Church offers a loop system for hearing aid wearers with a “T” (telecoil) setting. The worship service is broadcast directly through the hearing aid. Others desiring hearing assistance may check out a portable receiver and headset. Our public address system operates on a radio frequency which is transmitted to special assisted hearing devices that are available from the greeters or sound technician.

Online Giving. Las Placitas Presbyterian Church (LPPC) offers the convenience of donating online to support our ministries and missions. It is easy, safe, and secure. Thank you so much for your generosity and blessings! Simply go to www.lasplacitaschurch.org/give

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Class of 2026: Donna Ebers, Jacque Fletcher, Colleen Rust

Class of 2027: Lauren Mueller-Skinner, Carl Allen, Janice Langdale

Class of 2028: Steve Chewning, Judie Hendry, Mike Potter

Deacons:

Class of 2026: Martha Brown, Ivona McCrary, Eloise Sanchez

Class of 2027: Missy DeLara, Sue Hoff, Anna Howarth

Class of 2028: Katherine Gustafson, Kathy Peterson, Warren Peterson

Clerk of Session: Carl Allen

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Sunday Worship 8:30 am and 10:30 am

Gather for conversation and food after the 10:30 am Service!

