

LAS PLACITAS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Living Faith, Loving God and Welcoming All

January 11, 2026

The Baptism of the Lord

10:30 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~

Happy New Year!

- ☼ Welcome to the Rev. Patricia Davison! Thank you for filling in for Matthew who is in Cuba this morning. We always enjoy having you with us.
- ☼ There will be a Placitas Artist's Series art reception and concert this afternoon. The reception and pre-concert talk start at 2:00 pm with the concert following at 3:00 pm. The concert features Zuill Bailey, solo cello. During intermission, you can purchase coffee and treats from SOMA Coffeehouse.
- ☼ The annual Congregational Meeting will be on January 25th after the 10:30 am service. Traditionally, we have a potluck also. Please use the sign-up sheet so we will know what yummy dish you are bringing.
- ☼ Happenings this week:
 - Monday, January 12 at 10:00 am: Spanish class; Session at 6:30 pm
 - Tuesday, January 13 at 9:30 and 10:30 am: Yoga classes; Deacon's meeting at 6:30 pm
 - Thursday, January 15 at 10:00 am: Bible Study, 7:00 pm: Choir practice
 - Friday, January 16 at 8:00am and 10:30 am: Yoga

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

“Wonder of Wonder, Here Revealed”

Choir

CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 148)

Rev. Patricia Davison

Leader: The voice of the Lord is powerful and full of majesty.

People: May God bless us with God’s Peace!

Leader: God’s voice proclaimed Jesus as God’s beloved.

People: In our own baptisms, we are claimed as God’s beloved.

OPENING HYMN #96 “On Jordan’s Bank the Baptist’s Cry”

Glory to God

CALL TO CONFESSION

Michael McPherson

On this Baptism of the Lord Sunday, we remember our own baptisms, where we were claimed as children of the covenant and beloved of God. Yet we sometimes live as those who are alienated from God. We have turned away from God, one another and the earth. Let us confess our sins, trusting in God’s mercy.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Michael McPherson

Merciful God, we confess that we are estranged from you and from one another. We treat others as strangers rather than as people created in your image and fellow children of God. We exploit the earth as though it were our possession rather than a gift entrusted to our care and a reflection of your image and glory. Forgive us our sins and transform us by your Spirit that we might live as people who have been baptized as your own children. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Rev. Patricia Davison

Friends, hear the good news of the gospel. Let us remember our baptisms and trust in God's mercy to restore our right standing as God's own. Thanks be to God!

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

Michael McPherson

O God, pour out your Holy Spirit upon us so that the words we are about to hear will become the Word of God for us this day. Help us to listen to what the Spirit is saying to the church.

FIRST READING

Isaías 42:1-9

Spanish liturgist: Miguel Zulueta

«Aquí está mi siervo, a quien sostengo,
mi elegido, en quien me deleito.

He puesto en él mi espíritu
para que traiga la justicia a todas las naciones.

No gritará, no levantará la voz,
no hará oír su voz en las calles,
no acabará de romper la caña quebrada
ni apagará la mecha que arde débilmente.

Verdaderamente traerá la justicia.

No descansará ni su ánimo se quebrará,
hasta que establezca la justicia en la tierra.

Los países del mar estarán atentos a sus enseñanzas.»

Dios, el Señor, que creó el cielo y lo extendió,

que formó la tierra y lo que crece en ella,
que da vida y aliento a los hombres que la habitan,
dice a su siervo:

«Yo, el Señor, te llamé
y te tomé por la mano,
para que seas instrumento de salvación;
yo te formé, pues quiero que seas
señal de mi alianza con el pueblo,
luz de las naciones.

Quiero que des vista a los ciegos
y saques a los presos de la cárcel,
del calabozo donde viven en la oscuridad.

Yo soy el Señor, ése es mi nombre,
y no permitiré que den mi gloria a ningún otro
ni que honren a los ídolos en vez de a mí.

Miren cómo se cumplió todo lo que antes anuncié,
y ahora voy a anunciar cosas nuevas;
se las hago saber a ustedes antes que aparezcan.»

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

Here is my servant, whom I uphold,
my chosen, in whom my soul delights;
I have put my spirit upon him;
he will bring forth justice to the nations.

He will not cry out or lift up his voice
or make it heard in the street;
a bruised reed he will not break,
and a dimly burning wick he will not quench;
he will faithfully bring forth justice.

He will not grow faint or be crushed
until he has established justice in the earth,
and the coastlands wait for his teaching.

Thus says God, the Lord,
who created the heavens and stretched them out,
who spread out the earth and what comes from it,
who gives breath to the people upon it
and spirit to those who walk in it:

I am the Lord; I have called you in righteousness;
I have taken you by the hand and kept you;

I have given you as a covenant to the people,^[a]
a light to the nations,
to open the eyes that are blind,
to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon,
from the prison those who sit in darkness.
I am the Lord; that is my name;
my glory I give to no other,
nor my praise to idols.
See, the former things have come to pass,
and new things I now declare;
before they spring forth,
I tell you of them.

SECOND READING

Matthew 3: 13-17

English liturgist: Michael McPherson

Then Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. John would have prevented him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?" But Jesus answered him, "Let it be so now, for it is proper for us in this way to fulfill all righteousness." Then he consented. And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw God's Spirit descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from the heavens said, "This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased."

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

ANTHEM

Elliot Smith

SERMON

"Remember Your Baptism"

Rev. Patricia Davison

~RESPONDING TO THE WORD~

HYMN OF RESPONSE #480

"Take Me to the Water"

Glory to God

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (from *A Brief Statement of Faith*)

Rev. Patricia Davison

We trust in God the Holy Spirit everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church. The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of the Church.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE 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. Amen.

INVITATION TO GIVE

DOXOLOGY

Glory to God #240, refrain

Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.

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

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

O God, in our baptisms we have been named and claimed as your covenant people, connected deeply with you, with one another, and with the earth. May these gifts be used as a witness to your love, peace and justice at work in the world, renewing the face of the earth.

~FOLLOWING THE WORD OUT INTO THE WORLD~

CLOSING HYMN #285 "Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song"

Glory to God

BENEDICTION

Rev. Patricia Davison

POSTLUDE

Mindy Sampson

Weekly Calendar

Sunday	1/11/26	8:30 am	Early worship Service: Upper Room
		10:30 am	Traditional Worship: Sanctuary
		2:00 pm	PAS Pre-concert talk and Art Reception
		3:00 pm	PAS Concert
		7:00 pm	Alcoholics Anonymous: Fellowship Hall
Monday	1/12/26	10:00 am	Spanish Class
		6:30 pm	Session
Tuesday	1/13/26	9:30 am	Yoga
		10:30 am	Yoga
		6:30 pm	Deacon's Meeting
Wednesday	1/14/26		
Thursday	1/15/26	10:00 am	Bible Study
		7:00 pm	Choir Practice
Friday	1/16/26	8:00 am	Yoga
		10:30 am	Yoga
Saturday	1/17/26	8:00 am	Casa Rosa Pantry Distribution
Sunday	1/18/26	8:30 am	Early worship Service: Upper Room
			Conversation with the Session
		10:30 am	Traditional Worship: Sanctuary
			Conversation with the Session
		7:00 pm	Alcoholics Anonymous: Fellowship Hall

Attendance January 4

8:30 am Service: 9

10:30 am Service: 41

Zoom: 10

Our thanks to.....

	1/11/26	1/18/26
English Liturgist	Michael McPherson	Nancy Walker
Spanish Liturgist	Miguel Zulueta	Geri Escarcida
Ushers	Reta Price	Katharine Gustafson
	Janice Langdale	Karl Gustafson
Refreshments	<i>2nd Sunday Coffee Hour</i>	<i>volunteer needed</i>
Audio-Visual	Mike Potter	Carl Peterson
Church Lock-up	Judie Hendry	Judie Hendry

	1/25/26	2/1/26
English Liturgist	Lynn Coburn	Jill Hensley
Spanish Liturgist	Missy DeLara	Dana Howarth
Ushers	John Muldrow	Jeannine Potter
	Eloise Sanchez	Mike Potter
Refreshments	<i>Annual potluck</i>	<i>volunteer needed</i>
Audio-Visual	Parke Rhoads	John Bullock

Our prayers for.....

BethAnne Bethel

Susan Booth

Doug Chapman

Jerry Clayton

Rob Clayton

Charlie DeLara

Johnathan DeLara

Missy DeLara

The family of Clarence Duran

Viola Duran

Bear Eriksson

Annette DeLara Good

Lexi Rae Hargrave

J.J. Herrera

Gordon Higby

Sue Hoff

Dan Howarth

David Howarth

Immanuel Presbyterian Church

Tommy Lucero

George Mueller and family

Reta Price

Alicia Rodarte and family

Ruby Sanchez Rodriques

The family of Marcella Sanchez

Herman Santillanes

Sharon Santillanes

Joe Schroeder

The family of Clara Stephenson

Edwina Trujillo

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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Ruling Elders:

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!



MISSION STATEMENT

Las Placitas Presbyterian Church is an inclusive community of all ages gathering for worship, prayer, learning, fellowship and spiritual growth. As members of the body of Christ, we celebrate God's grace in our lives and seek to extend God's love and promise through service, outreach, education, music, arts and witness. We are committed to peace and justice in the world, and to care for the earth as God's gift to humankind.

We cherish our origin as an early Spanish village mission church and honor this heritage in all of our activities.

We are Presbyterian in theology and governance, but welcome and support all people as they explore their personal life paths, emphasizing Christ's word, "Where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them"

~Matthew 18:20

OUR CHURCH HISTORY

In 1882, José L. A. Gurulé, a descendant of settlers of Spain's 1768 San Antonio de las Huertas Land Grant, invited Rev. José Ynés Perea, a native of Bernalillo and the first ordained Hispanic Presbyterian minister in the United States, to come to a meeting in Placitas. This led to holding monthly Presbyterian services.

On February 25, 1894, all 95 adults present at Sunday service led by Rev. James Menaul and Rev. Perea voted to organize the Presbyterian Church at Las Placitas. Presbyterian Churches began to be established in the New Mexico Territory starting with Santa Fe in 1867, and Placitas followed as the 35th church organized, 17th among those extant.

Early church services were held in the same one-room adobe house used from 1893 until 1900 as the Presbyterian Mission School. In 1913, the adobe house was renovated and a tower added for the bell purchased in 1894 from the San Felipe Pueblo. In 1930, a new church building was built in the same location, after razing the adobe house and reusing its bricks. In the early 1980s, an addition gave us the current sanctuary, the Fellowship Hall and a kitchen. Construction from August 2004 to May 2005 expanded the kitchen and added the administrative and educational wing.

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