

LAS PLACITAS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Living Faith, Loving God and Welcoming All

January 18, 2026

Second Sunday after Epiphany

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~

- ✿ 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 19 at 10:00 am: Spanish class; Session at 6:30 pm
 - Tuesday, January 20 at 9:30 and 10:30 am: Yoga classes; PREP Alliance presentation on Homeowner's Fire Insurance at 5:00 pm; Fellowship Committee meeting at 5:30 pm; Casa Rosa Board Meeting at 6:00 pm.
 - Wednesday, January 21 at 9:30 am: Jardineros Book Club
 - Thursday, January 22 at 10:00 am: Bible Study, 7:00 pm: Choir practice
 - Friday, January 23 at 8:00am and 10:30 am: Yoga
 - Saturday, January 24 at 9:00am: Centering Prayer Workshop

- ✿ 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 Choir

CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 40) Rev. Matthew Baugh

LEADER: I waited patiently for the Lord; God inclined to me and heard my cry.

PEOPLE: **God drew me up from the desolate pit, out of the miry bog. God put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise.**

LEADER: You have multiplied your wondrous deeds and your thoughts toward us; none can compare with you.

PEOPLE: **Sacrifice and offering you do not desire, but you have given me an open ear. Burnt offering and sin offering you have not required.**

LEADER: I delight to do your will, O my God; your law is within my heart."

PEOPLE: **I have spoken of your faithfulness and your salvation; I have not concealed your steadfast love and your faithfulness; let your steadfast love and your faithfulness keep me safe forever.**

OPENING HYMN #39 "Great is Thy Faithfulness" Glory to God

CALL TO CONFESSION (Hebrews 10:22) Nancy Walker

"Let us draw near to God with sincerity of heart and full assurance of faith, our guilty hearts sprinkled clean, our bodies washed with pure water." Let us confess our sins before God and one another.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Nancy Walker

Our Father, forgive our sins, both the sins that we remember, and the sins we have forgotten. Forgive our failures in the face of temptation, and those times when we have been stubborn in the face of your guidance. Forgive the harsh judgments we have made of others, and the leniency we have shown to ourselves. Forgive the lies we have told, and the truths we have avoided. Forgive us the pain we have caused others and the indulgence we have shown ourselves. Lord God, have mercy on us and make us whole. In Jesus Christ, our Savior's name, Amen.

SILENT PRAYER

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS (based on Romans 6:3–4)

Rev. Matthew Baugh

St. Paul writes: “Do you not know that all of us who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? Therefore, we were buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we also might walk in newness of life.”

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 - lulia
Alle - Alle - Alle - lulia
Alle - Alle - Alle - lulia
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

Nancy Walker

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that as the Scriptures are read and your Word is proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.

LECTURA DE LAS ESCRITURAS HEBREAS

Isaías 42:1-9

Spanish liturgist: Geri Escarcida

Escúchenme, costas lejanas,
oigan esto, naciones distantes:

El Señor me llamó antes de que yo naciera,
en el vientre de mi madre pronunció mi nombre.

Hizo de mi boca una espada afilada
y me escondió en la sombra de su mano;
me convirtió en una flecha pulida
y me escondió en su aljaba.

Me dijo: «Israel, tú eres mi siervo;
en ti seré glorificado».
Y respondí: «En vano he trabajado;
he gastado mis fuerzas sin provecho alguno.

Pero mi justicia está en manos del Señor;
mi recompensa está con mi Dios».

Y ahora dice el Señor,
que desde el seno materno me formó para que fuera yo su siervo,
para hacer que Jacob se vuelva a él,
que Israel se reúna a su alrededor;
porque a los ojos del Señor soy digno de honra
y mi Dios ha sido mi fortaleza:
«No es gran cosa que seas mi siervo,
ni que restaures a las tribus de Jacob,
ni que hagas volver a los de Israel, a quienes he preservado.

Yo te pongo ahora como luz para las naciones,
a fin de que lleves mi salvación hasta los confines de la tierra».

Así dice el Señor,
el Redentor y Santo de Israel,
al despreciado y aborrecido por las naciones,
al siervo de los gobernantes:
«Los reyes te verán y se pondrán de pie,
los príncipes te verán y se postrarán,
por causa del Señor, el Santo de Israel,
que es fiel y te ha escogido».

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

Listen to me, O coastlands;
pay attention, you peoples from far away!
The Lord called me before I was born;
while I was in my mother's womb he named me.
He made my mouth like a sharp sword;
in the shadow of his hand he hid me;

he made me a polished arrow;
in his quiver he hid me away.
And he said to me, "You are my servant,
Israel, in whom I will be glorified."
But I said, "I have labored in vain;
I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity;
yet surely my cause is with the Lord
and my reward with my God."

And now the Lord says,
who formed me in the womb to be his servant,
to bring Jacob back to him,
and that Israel might be gathered to him,
for I am honored in the sight of the Lord,
and my God has become my strength—
he says,
"It is too light a thing that you should be my servant
to raise up the tribes of Jacob
and to restore the survivors of Israel;
I will give you as a light to the nations,
that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth."

Thus says the Lord,
the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One,
to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nations,
the slave of rulers,
"Kings shall see and stand up;
princes, and they shall prostrate themselves,
because of the Lord, who is faithful,
the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you."

READING FROM THE GOSPELS

John 1:29-42

English liturgist: Nancy Walker

The next day he saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, "Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! This is he of whom I said, 'After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.' I myself did not know him, but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel." And John testified, "I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, 'He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.' And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Chosen One."

The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by he exclaimed, “Look, here is the Lamb of God!” The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, “What are you looking for?” They said to him, “Rabbi” (which translated means Teacher), “where are you staying?” He said to them, “Come and see.” They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o’clock in the afternoon. One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother. He first found his brother Simon and said to him, “We have found the Messiah” (which is translated Anointed). He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, “You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas” (which is translated Peter).

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

ANTHEM Choir

SERMON Rev. Matthew Baugh

~RESPONDING TO THE WORD~

HYMN OF RESPONSE #60 “Te Cuidará el Señor” El Himnario

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**We are not alone,
we live in God’s world.**

**We believe in God:
who has created and is creating,
who has come in Jesus,
the Word made flesh,
to reconcile and make new,
who works in us and others
by the Spirit.**

We trust in God.

**We are called to be the Church:
to celebrate God’s presence,
to live with respect in Creation,
to love and serve others,
to seek justice and resist evil,
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,
our judge and our hope.**

In life, in death, in life beyond death,

**God is with us.
We are not alone.**

Thanks be to God.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER (The Message)

**Padre nuestro que estás en los cielos, santificado sea tu Nombre;
venga tu reino;
hágase tu voluntad, así en la tierra como en el cielo;
danos hoy el pan nuestro de cada día;
perdona nuestras ofensas, así como nosotros perdonamos a los que nos ofenden; no nos dejes caer en la tentación y líbranos de mal. Porque tuyo es el reino, el poder y la gloria,
por siempre.**

Amén..

INVITATION TO GIVE

DOXOLOGY

Glory to God #240, refrain

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Lord, you are the giver of every good gift. Accept these offerings we pray, that through them we may do justice, and love kindness, and walk humbly with you, our Sovereign and our God.

~FOLLOWING THE WORD OUT INTO THE WORLD~

CLOSING HYMN #187 “Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us” Glory to God

BENEDICTION Rev. Matthew Baugh

POSTLUDE Mindy Sampson

Weekly Calendar

Sunday	1/18/26	8:30 am	Early worship Service: Upper Room
		10:30 am	Traditional Worship: Sanctuary
		7:00 pm	Alcoholics Anonymous: Fellowship Hall
Monday	1/19/26		Martin Luther King Day
		10:00 am	Spanish Class
Tuesday	1/20/26	9:30 am	Yoga
		10:30 am	Yoga
		5:00 pm	PREP Alliance Presentation on Homeowner's Fire Insurance
		5:30 pm	Fellowship Committee Meeting
		6:00 pm	Casa Rosa Board Meeting
		6:00 pm	Yoga
Wednesday	1/21/26	9:30 am	Jardineros Book Club
Thursday	1/22/26	10:00 am	Bible Study
		7:00 pm	Choir Practice
Friday	1/23/26	8:00 am	Yoga
		10:30 am	Yoga
		6:00 pm	Yoga
Saturday	1/24/26	8:00 am	Casa Rosa Pantry Distribution
Sunday	1/25/26	8:30 am	Early worship Service: Upper Room
		10:30 am	Traditional Worship: Sanctuary
			<i>Annual Congregational Meeting and Potluck</i>
		7:00 pm	Alcoholics Anonymous: Fellowship Hall

Attendance January 11

8:30 am Service: 10

10:30 am Service: 40

Zoom: 11

Our thanks to.....

	1/18/26	1/25/26
English Liturgist	Nancy Walker	Lynn Coburn
Spanish Liturgist	Geri Escarcida	Missy DeLara
Ushers	Katharine Gustafson	John Muldrow
	Karl Gustafson	Eloise Sanchez
Refreshments	Katharine Gustafson	<i>Annual Potluck</i>
	Karl Gustafson	
Audio-Visual	Carl Peterson	Parke Rhoads
Church Lock-up	Judie Hendry	Judie Hendry

	2/1/26	2/8/26
English Liturgist	Jill Hensley	Carl Allen
Spanish Liturgist	Dana Howarth	Mia Archibeque
Ushers	Jeannine Potter	Joan Chewning
	Mike Potter	Steve Chewning
Refreshments	volunteer needed	2nd Sunday Coffee Hour
Audio-Visual	John Bullock	Mike Potter
Church Lock-up	Matthew Baugh	Matthew Baugh

Our prayers for.....

BethAnne Bethel

Dan Howarth

Susan Booth

David Howarth

Doug Chapman

Mike Huffstetler

Jerry Clayton

Immanuel Presbyterian Church

Rob Clayton

Tommy Lucero

Charlie DeLara

George Mueller and family

Johnathan DeLara

Reta Price

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

Annette DeLara Good

Sharon Santillanes

Lexi Rae Hargrave

Joe Schroeder

J.J. Herrera

The family of Clara Stephenson

Gordon Higby

Edwina Trujillo

Sue Hoff

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!



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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