

LAS PLACITAS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Living Faith, Loving God and Welcoming All

July 5, 2026

Sixth Sunday of Pentecost

9:30 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~

- ☼ Happenings this week: Please see the insert for meetings this week.
- ☼ "What Happened to Pluto?" Find out the surprising answer at the Jardineros de Placitas meeting on Wednesday, July 8, 2026 at 9:30 am.
- ☼ The PREP presentation on Tuesday, July 14, 2026 will be about sheltering in place in time of an emergency. The presentation starts at 7:00 pm.
- ☼ On Wednesday, July 15, 2026, at 6:00 pm, at Second Presbyterian Church in Albuquerque, individuals across the presbytery are invited to worship together and share the gift of fellowship and solidarity. A gathering of the faithful insurgents!

- ☼ 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

CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Matthew Baugh

LEADER: As we gather to worship on this anniversary of our nation's birth, let us do so with humility, praying that we always strive for our highest ideals.

PEOPLE: As God has shed grace on the beautiful land we live in, may God also give grace to her people. May we offer brotherhood to everyone, sharing our blessings with people from every land, faith, and expression of love.

LEADER: May we take our blessings not as our due, but as God's gifts, to be shared with the world, and especially with the poor, the tired, and the rejected.

PEOPLE: May God mend our every flaw and confirm our soul with self-control, balancing liberty with law.

LEADER: May we strive to be worthy for all God has given us. May we nurture justice, cherish compassion, and live humbly.

PEOPLE: May God our gold refine, till all success is nobleness, and every gain divine.

OPENING HYMN #340

"This Is My Song"

Glory to God

CALL TO WORSHIP

(James 4:6-10)

Maddalyn Moore

The letter of James tells us, "God opposes the proud, but gives grace to the humble... Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will exalt you."

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious and loving God, we come before you on this 250th anniversary of our nation seeking humility. It is easy to be proud in a wealthy and strong country that has achieved so many things. Yet on this day, we confess we often fall short of your calling for us. It is so easy for us to become selfish, imagining that you love us more than other nations and cultures. It is easy to imagine that we deserve our riches and our power. It is easy to let our pride turn into contempt for others who have not been so materially blessed. Forgive our foolish hubris, God. Remind us that wealth and strength are only blessings when we remember to use them for the furtherance of your kingdom. Rekindle in our hearts the love that tells us all people are our sisters and brothers. Make us zealous in the cause of justice and mercy for all people. Use our strength and prosperity for the healing of the world. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS (Psalm 130:3-4)

“If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand? But there is forgiveness with you, so that you may be revered.” In the name of Jesus Christ, our sins are forgiven.

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.

I am the church. You are the church

We are the church together.

All who follow Jesus,

all around the world,

Yes, we're the church together!

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.

ORACIÓN PARA LA ILUMINACIÓN

Eloise Sanchez

Serénanos ahora, oh Señor, llevándonos a una quietud que sana y escucha. Abre los corazones heridos al bálsamo de tu Palabra. Háblanos con claridad para que sintamos cómo nuestros espíritus saltan de alegría y rebosan de esperanza como testigos de tu resurrección. Amén.

Spanish liturgist: Eloise Sanchez

No entiendo lo que me pasa, pues no hago lo que quiero, sino lo que aborrezco. Ahora bien, si hago lo que no quiero, estoy de acuerdo en que la Ley es buena; pero en ese caso, ya no soy yo quien lo lleva a cabo, sino el pecado que habita en mí. Yo sé que en mí, es decir, en mi carne, nada bueno habita. Aunque deseo hacer lo bueno, no soy capaz de hacerlo. De hecho, no hago el bien que quiero, sino el mal que no quiero. Y si hago lo que no quiero, ya no soy yo quien lo hace, sino el pecado que habita en mí.

Así que descubro esta ley: que cuando quiero hacer el bien, me acompaña el mal. Porque en lo íntimo de mi ser me deleito en la Ley de Dios; pero me doy cuenta de que en los miembros de mi cuerpo hay otra ley, que es la ley del pecado. Esta ley lucha contra lo que considero bueno, y me tiene cautivo. ¡Soy un pobre miserable! ¿Quién me librará de este cuerpo sujeto a la muerte? ¡Gracias a Dios por medio de Jesucristo nuestro Señor!

En conclusión, con la mente yo mismo me someto a la Ley de Dios, pero mi carne está sujeta a la ley del pecado.

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

I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. But in fact, it is no longer I who do it but sin that dwells within me. For I know that the good does not dwell within me, that is, in my flesh. For the desire to do the good lies close at hand, but not the ability. For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do. Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I who do it but sin that dwells within me.

So, I find it to be a law that, when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand. For I delight in the law of God in my inmost self, but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. Wretched person that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

So then, with my mind I am enslaved to the law of God, but with my flesh I am enslaved to the law of sin.

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

English liturgist: Maddalyn Moore

"But to what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another, 'We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we wailed, and you did not mourn.' For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, 'He has a demon'; the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, 'Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of

tax collectors and sinners!" Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds."

At that time Jesus said, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father, and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

"Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

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

SPECIAL MUSIC

SERMON

"Confirm Thy Soul..."

Rev. Matthew Baugh

~RESPONDING TO THE WORD~

HYMN OF RESPONSE #146 "Oh Cristo, Nuestro Gozo y Bien"

El Himnario

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

(from progressivechristianity.org)

We believe in God, the source of all life, wholeness, and love.

We believe that God is revealed in Jesus Christ.

We believe that in his life, Jesus reveals God in grace, mercy, forgiveness, and justice.

We believe that in his death, Jesus reveals God's determined presence in the world even in the face of hatred, violence, and pain.

We believe that in his resurrection, Jesus reveals God calling us to abundant life both now and forever; life beyond our fearful and fragile imaginations.

We believe that God lives among us, within us, and through us by the power of the Holy Spirit.

We believe that God moves us to be together in communities of faith, hope, and love.

We believe these things not out of certainty but out of faith; as one who trusts in the reality of God revealed in Jesus Christ through the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

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, the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

INVITATION TO GIVE

DOXOLOGY

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**A Dios el Padre celestial,
Al Hijo Nuestro Redentor,
Y al eternal Consolador,
Unidos todos alabad. Amén**

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Gracious God, accept the gifts we offer, our work, our resources, our prayers. Let them be the best form of sacrifice, not to impose suffering on ourselves or others, but to transform the world. May these offerings further the work and witness of Jesus Christ and his Church. Amen.

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation to the Table

Prayer of Thanksgiving

El Señor esté con ustedes.

Y con tu espíritu.

Levantemos el corazón.

Lo tenemos levantado hacia el Señor.

Demos gracias al Señor, nuestro Dios.

Es justo y necesario darle gracias al Señor, nuestro Dios.

Let us Pray.

God of all life, new life, and eternal life, through you, the power of your love, defeated the power of death. Unite us with you and with all who seek to follow your life-giving way, so that with all those in the family of faith, and with all our sisters and brothers, who may have lost hope, we bring to you our songs of praise. We join the angelic chorus, in honoring you, saying:

Holy, holy, holy

Lord, God of power and might.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest!

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

Hosanna in the highest!

You are indeed holy and blessed, oh Lord, for you saw sickness, and as the great physician, you healed it. Now, believing that you are the one who calls us to new life, and trusting that you have the sin of humanity and have made intercession for both the

prosecutors and the persecuted, we lift our voices to proclaim the mystery of faith:

Cristo ha muerto.

Cristo ha resucitado.

Cristo volverá.

Sanctify now this bread and this cup and all of us as we share in them. Through this holy meal make us truly the body of Christ; salt and light and yeast to transform the world, and servants of your kingdom of justice and peace. We ask these things in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Sharing the Elements

Prayer After Communion

~FOLLOWING THE WORD OUT INTO THE WORLD~

CLOSING HYMN #339

“Lift Every Voice and Sing”

Glory to God

BENEDICTION

Rev. Matthew Baugh

POSTLUDE

Mindy Sampson

Tom Ulrich
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Albuquerque, NM 87123

June 30, 2026

Dear Friends and Colleagues,

With heartfelt sincerity, I want to express my deep appreciation for your kindness and generosity in providing a space for the Service of Justice and Hope on June 10. Your extraordinary grace in sharing the warmth of your beautiful sanctuary not only supplied an ideal venue for worship, but it also heightened the movement of God's Spirit as all of us who gathered together sought to continue our journey of discipleship.

In addition, I will never be able to sing enough praises for all the saints at Placitas who worked tirelessly to coordinate all the necessary details to make the service possible. The gifts that they shared, the time they invested, and the commitment they exhibited, served to reveal the love of God that is so evident among all of you. Not only are you demonstrating true care and compassion for our churches, but you are also strengthening and supporting the work of the body of Christ in our corner of God's kingdom. Thank you so much for being a light that brightens our churches, our presbytery, and our world.

As new hopes, new dreams, and new visions dawn upon the world's landscape, may God's grace cascade upon you . . . may the splendor of God's light illumine your way . . . and may the God who is Love surround you with gifts of abundant life.

With deepest gratitude,

Tom Ulrich

The Photography of Harriet Neal

Harriet Neal was an accomplished and well-known Placitas photographer.

One of Harriet's final wishes was for her completed framed work to be sold posthumously for the benefit of Placitas Artists Series, which she and her husband, James, have generously supported over the years. Her pieces are now on sale through August in the fellowship hall of the church.

Placitas Artists Series, which will begin celebrating its 40th year of concerts and art exhibitions at LPPC this fall, thanks you for your support of the organization through your purchases.

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Service of Justice and Hope

Wednesday, July 15 at 6:00 p.m.

Second Presbyterian Church

812 Edith Blvd NE, Albuquerque

On Wednesday, July 15, at 6:00 p.m. at Second Presbyterian Church, in Albuquerque, individuals across the presbytery are invited to worship together and share the gift of fellowship and solidarity at "A Service of Justice and Hope."

As a community of faith, let us shine God's light from the sanctuary upon the horizons of political realities, pouring across the landscape like a river of luminous hope, as our discipleship becomes a liturgy, our struggle for justice composes new psalms of equity, and our solidarity becomes a hymn that inspires and encourages us to stand shoulder to shoulder and heart to heart.

As followers of Jesus Christ, let us worship with our fellow disciples remaining radical in our love, relentless in our commitment, and unshakable in our faith, making the voice of the church impossible to ignore.

Please gather with us in unity.

Weekly Calendar

Sunday	7/5/26	9:30 am	Traditional Worship Service: Sanctuary
		7:00 pm	Alcoholics Anonymous: Meeting Room
Monday	7/6/26	5:30 pm	Yoga
		7:00 pm	Mission Committee
Tuesday	7/7/26	9:30 am	Yoga
		10:30 am	Yoga
		5:30 pm	Yoga
Wednesday	7/8/26	9:30 am	Jardineros de Placitas
Thursday	7/9/26	6:00 pm	Finance Committee Meeting
Friday	7/10/26	8:00 am	Yoga
		10:30 am	Yoga
Saturday	7/11/26	8:00 am	Casa Rosa Pantry Distribution
Sunday	7/12/26	9:30 am	Traditional Worship Service: Sanctuary
		7:00 pm	Alcoholics Anonymous: Meeting Room

Attendance:

Sunday June 28, 2026

9:30 am service: 33

Zoom: 10

Our thanks to.....

	7/5/26	7/12/26
English Liturgist	Maddalyn Moore	Carl Allen
Spanish Liturgist	Eloise Sanchez	Judie Hendry
Ushers	Donna Ebers & Aspen Moore	Bev Schippers
	Lucca Moore	Dawn Wolf
Refreshments	<i>Ruth Allen/Parke Rhoads</i>	<i>volunteer needed</i>
Audio-Visual	Carl Peterson	Parke Rhoads
Acolyte	Elizabeth Rhoads	Harvey Vigil
Church Lock-up	Don Turton	Janice Langdale

	7/19/26	7/26/26
English Liturgist	Jacque Fletcher	Janice Langdale
Spanish Liturgist	Miguel Zulueta	Geri Escarcida
Ushers	Chris Mink	Tom Lee
	Russell Mink	Wendy Ingram
Refreshments	<i>volunteer needed</i>	<i>volunteer needed</i>
Audio-Visual	John Bullock	Mike Potter
Acolyte	Maddalyn Moore	Harvey Vigil
Church Lock-up	Janice Langdale	Don Turton

Our prayers for.....

the son of Amarilis Alfonso

Willie Arriola

BethAnne Bethel

Susan Booth

Bunny Bowen

Doug Chapman

Charlie DeLara

Johnathan DeLara

Missy DeLara

The family of Clarence Duran

Viola Duran

Lexi Rae Hargrave

J.J. Herrera

Gordon Higby

Sue Hoff

Dan Howarth

David Howarth

Tommy Lucero

Bruce and Wilda MacLaughlin

George Mueller and family

Marisa Navarette

Jeannine Potter

Jack Patterson

Reta Price

Alicia Rodarte and family

Ruby Sanchez Rodriques

Anna Sanchez

The family of Marcella Sanchez

Herman Santillanes

The family of Clara Stephenson

Edwina Trujillo

Rita Valdez

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. 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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Accompanist: Mindy Sampson

Ruling Elders:

Class of 2027: Carl Allen, Janice Langdale, Maggie Gregg

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

Class of 2029: Don Turton, Tom Lee, Linda Davey

Deacons:

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

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

Class of 2029: Ivona McCrary, Eloise Sanchez, Greg Filip

Clerk of Session: Carl Allen

LAS PLACITAS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday Worship 9:30 am

Gather for conversation and food after the 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.