



A Thank You from Pastor Rich January 7, 2021

Saludos en el nombre de Jesucristo!

In the past week, and even before this week when I was living in Ohio, I have been welcomed to my new home in New Mexico in so many ways. I have had cards and gift baskets delivered to me in Ohio, I have had another gift basket delivered to me here in Corrales, I have had books and other reading material given to me, I have had meals prepared and groceries picked up for me, and these are just some of the many things people have done for me. I hope you know that I am being completely sincere when I tell you that in all my years of ministry, I have never felt so loved or so welcomed. A mere “thank you” from me seem so inadequate.

The gospel of Matthew tells us that once when Jesus was speaking to his disciples, he told them “Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me.” How many times have you heard someone immediately decide that a certain church was a good church for no other reason than “they made me feel so welcome”? On the other hand, no matter how many bells and whistles a church may have, you will hear someone immediately decide it isn’t where they want to go to church because “no one welcomed me”. People don’t forget whether or not you made them feel welcome when they come to a new place, and I promise I won’t ever forget the hospitality you’ve shown me.

This Sunday, our scripture readings are Genesis 1: 1-5 and Mark 1:4-11. My sermon is titled Taking Our Place. I look forward to seeing you all at 9am over Zoom.

Blessings,

Pastor Rich

Las Placitas Presbyterian Church is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom

meeting.

Topic: Las Placitas Presbyterian Church's Sunday Service

Time: 9:00am