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Albuquerque NM

!BENDITOS SALUDOS!

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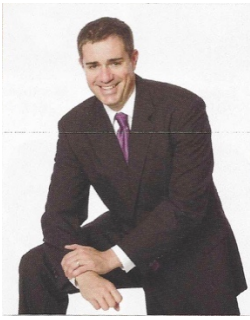
Second Presbyterian Church is a multicultural, multi-generational congregation. Our worship is bilingual, with liturgy and music in both Spanish and English, and an English language sermon.



Mission Statement of Second Presbyterian Church

Second Presbyterian Church exists as a vital worshipping community of faith guided by the good news proclaimed by Jesus Christ. Our multigenerational, multicultural, and bilingual community exemplifies the diversity of God's creation unified by God's hope and love. Our ongoing mission is to cultivate that hope and love for all generations by living and sharing it with the world.





Del Pastor

A regular feature from

The Reverend Doctor Robert B Woodruff

Head of Staff of Second Presbyterian Church.

“Growing the Garden”

Queridos hermanos y hermanas en Cristo,

One of my favorite biblical metaphors is that of a garden. The Bible uses it as an ideal venue for human dwelling. God created the heavens and the earth, and placed humanity in a garden to live in harmony with God and creation. Things went well, until Adam and Eve broke the one rule God had placed on their garden existence. The result of consuming the forbidden fruit was eviction from the garden. We might say that ever since, humanity has toiled to try and work its way back into the garden. In a world that beholds both beauty and brokenness, in order to obtain the latter, we must rely heavily on grace. But we must also work to cultivate meaningful, healthy growth for ourselves and others—all in obedience to our Creator.

Garden as metaphor can be allegorically applied to many situations, but I see it as an excellent image for a church. The church as a garden seeks to cultivate faith, hope, and love to the point of overflowing into the world around it. A healthy church means a faithful and cooperative enterprise that generates a harvest blessed by God that spiritually and even sometimes physically, feeds those both inside and outside its walls. In a world that is often cutthroat, a church serves as an alternative community that models the love-ethic of Jesus Christ. Second Church is indeed blessed to be a growing garden of faith. It is a garden replete with people of tremendous talents and generous with their time and treasures. This, with God’s grace, has led it to become a flourishing garden.

In this season of stewardship, we are afforded time for reflection about this garden in which we worship, fellowship, and mission. The stewardship committee, the session, and your pastors see the continued promise for the growth of the garden. For five weeks, you will hear thoughtful testimonies from church members during worship, as they name the way the fruits of the garden impact them. In meeting with the stewardship committee and those who will be giving testimonies, vibrant worship, growing youth and children’s ministries, and expanding mission initiatives were consistently the most appreciated fruits of the Second Church garden. But many more were named. And I believe many opportunities exist to continue healthily growing those fruits.

November 20th will be Dedication Sunday, when we carry forward our pledges to the front of the sanctuary during worship. The pledges are normally thought of as promises of economic resources for the cultivation of the coming year. As you thoughtfully consider your pledge, if you are in a position to, please consider growing it consistent with the growth of the community. But consider also a pledge of God-given talents and time to this community of faith. And of course, if you feel blessed to be a part of this garden, take some time to indulge your gratitude for the blessed garden that is Second Church.

Grace & Peace, Roberto



EVANGELISM AND MEMBERSHIP

We have scheduled a class for new members on Saturday, December 10, 2016. If you are interested or you know someone who is interested, please let Pastor Rob or Beverly Chavez know. The Church phone number is 242-8005. Or you can contact Pat Gilberto at 836-7116. We always welcome new members at 2nd Church!

SESSION

The Session of Second Presbyterian Church held its monthly Session Meeting on Tuesday, October 18, 2016. The following action was taken.

1. Session **VOTED** to have a congregational luncheon after the Worship Service on November 6, 2016, honoring Joe & Priscilla Candelaria for 26 years of publishing the church newsletter.

Respectively submitted. Beverly Chavez, Clerk of Session



PLEASE KEEP THESE MEMBERS AND FRIENDS IN YOUR PRAYERS

Anyone wishing a phone call or a visit with Pastor Rob, please feel free to let him know, or Beverly Chavez, by calling the Church at (505)242-8005.

Tillie Arellano	Sandra Duran Poole	Rev. Carlos Lopez	Elizabeth Reil
Ernestine Arndt	Sandra Duran	Socorro Maes	Enrique Reza
Maria Barela	Elizabeth Everitt	Joe Martin	Susan Romero Chavez
Jacob Barreras	Theresa Gallegos	Dora Martinez	Robert "Bud" Romero
Christopher Bernard	Mike Garcia	Isabel Martinez	Elifas Santillanes
Virginia Blake	Tom Gonzalez, Jr.	Joan Martinez	Ruth Santillanes
Nona Bowman	Patricia Heinzman	Sigman Matthew	Ariana Trehan
Nicholas Brown	Nathan Kloecker	MG Martinez	Barbara Trujillo
Emma Buck	Olga Joyce	Adolph McCoy	Juanita Valdez
Carlos Candelaria	Celia Klaus	Minnie Olivas	Jackie Van Hauen
Darla Capetillo	Fred Lingo	Ambrosio Ortega	Carmen Vigil
Mark Cavasos		Wanda Romero	George Vigil
Cisco Chavez		Michael Randall	Pas Vigil
Lena De Herrera			

**The Wednesday (11:00am) Bible Study is studying the words, world, and wounds of the prophet Jeremiah.
Leader: Rev. Dr. Kay Huggins, Parish Associate**



"Rather than confronting matters head on, Jeremiah tells and retells the catastrophe of his time indirectly...in unforgettable poetic ways. In the process this book tells the truth. But to quote Emily Dickinson's words about poetry, it "tells it slant." Jeremiah is a work of art: as **work** it provides words to enable Judean victims to speak of disaster; as **art**, Jeremiah reaches through the ages to touch people who have known many, many kinds of suffering."

JOIN OUR BIBLE STUDY ON WEDNESDAYS IN FELLOWSHIP HALL!

(Jeremiah Bible Study concludes on November 23;
Check the December newsletter for information on the next session to begin in January.)

CHILDREN IN WORSHIP

Whether we consider children to be the church of the future—or children to be the church of NOW, children/youth must be seen and heard in Sunday morning worship for either to be so.

Second Presbyterian folks have (nearly) always demonstrated their appreciation for anyone who provides Sunday morning leadership, and especially children and youth—singing as a choir or soloist, playing an instrument for the offertory, reading scripture, ushering, processing the communion elements, lighting candles—even coming forward for the Children's Illumination. Beginning last year, our children are always worshipping with us on the first Sunday of the month at the celebration of communion, the Lord's Table.

We are trying to insure the participation of children and youth EVERY Sunday. Like our adults, those roles or responsibilities will be varied, as they have been in the past, but, hopefully, CONSISTENTLY part of the worship experience. If our children aren't given regular opportunities to BE the church, how will that happen in the future?

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The Worship Committee is trying to insure that that our youth and children are taken seriously in their participation and leadership in worship, but we will need parents and grandparents to be part of that opportunity. If your child/youth wants to do any of the many ways to serve God in worship, please let us know. We will provide assistance, even transportation, to make it be so!

The Worship Committee: Ruth Montoya, chair; Louella Gurule, ushers; Karmen Van Dyke, music; Marie Kenny, readers; Nancy Montoya, arrangements and deacon; Anita Torres, leadership opportunities; Susie Chang, youth connection; Kelly Van Andel, “special” enhancements; Beverly Chavez, church secretary.

YOUTH



In years past, USO Canteens were generally located near train stations. This afforded traveling soldiers a place to relax and socialize before they were sent to war. The folks hosting the



Canteens were usually the local townspeople. They would bring baked goods and home cooked snacks and meals to share. And there was always a record player – if not a live piano player - playing tunes in which soldiers could listen to and, often times if they were lucky enough to find a willing partner, dance the night away.

So, to honor our Veteran’s and military personnel this year for Veteran’s Day, the Youth at Second Church are re-creating a Canteen. Food, music and entertainment will be provided. Naturally, the Vets and their families are the guests of honor but we would also like to extend the invitation to folks in the congregation who would like to join in the celebration. Please RSVP to the Changs @ 890 8309. Our Canteen will be open on:



Date: Saturday, November 12, 2016
Time: 11am

LAY READERS AND USHERS/HOSPITALITY

Date	Lay Leaders/Liturgests	Ushers/Hospitality
Nov 6	Lynn Gatewood	Leyla Cocio and Desary Cocio
Nov 13	Tessie Lopez	Mickey McHugh and Tina Griego
Nov 20	Esther Lopez	Thelma Trujillo and Harriette Bransetter
Nov 27	Arthur Trujillo	Pat and Don Bixby

Ushers(Hospitality) please be in the sanctuary 30 minutes before the service begins, and read the instructions in the back of the church. If Acolytes are not available, light the candles at the beginning of the service and extinguish them at the end of the service. And, Thank You!!
Louella Gurulé - Lou3ag@gmail.com

WHO TO CONTACT

Session Moderator - Rev. Dr. Robert Woodruff – pastor@secondpresabq.org

Pastor Emeritus - Rev. Jaime Quinones

Parish Associate - Rev. Dr. Kay Huggins

Session

Building and Grounds – Abel McBride (2018) - 2pc-buildings-and-grounds@secondpresabq.org

Christian Education – Anita Abeyta (2016) - 2pc-christian-ed@secondpresabq.org

Evangelism & Membership Committee – Pat Gilberto (2016) and Anna Torres (2017) –

2pc-membership-and-evangelism@secondpresabq.org

Hospitality – Martha Powers (2017) - 2pc-hospitality@secondpresabq.org

LiveWire – George Huggins (2018) and Steve Montoya (2016) – livewire@secondpresabq.org

Mission – Martha Powers (2017) and Anna Torres (2017) - 2pc-mission@secondpresabq.org

Nominating – Anita Torres (2017) and Pat Gilberto (2016) - 2pc-nominating@secondpresabq.org

Personnel – Kris Johnson (2017) and Ron Romero (2016) - 2pc-personnel@secondpresabq.org

Stewardship and Finance – John Van Dyke (2018) - 2pc-finance-stewardship@secondpresabq.org

Worship and Music – Ruth Montoya (2018) - 2pc-worship@secondpresabq.org

Board of Deacons**-Class of 2016-**

Yvonne Gallegos

Sara Keegan

Ella Porragas

-Class of 2017-

Elefio Montoya

Gloria Montoya

Clarabelle Padilla

-Class of 2018-

Mickey McHugh

Beverly Molo

Kelly Van Andel

Church Secretary – Beverly Chavez

Organist – Beverly Chavez, Clerk of Session

Bookkeeper – John Van Dyke

Paying Treasurer – Mary Montoya

Moderator Pres. Women – Mary Montoya

Counting Coordinator – Lynn Gatewood

Presbytery Commissioners – Susie Chang, Abel McBride, Glora Mirabal

Alternate Commissioners – George Huggins and Lynn Gatewood

School Superintendent – Anita Abeyta

Youth Coordinators – Suzie and Francis Chang

If we've got your contact info wrong for either Benditos Saludos!, the Church Directory, or email announcements, or if you want to stop, or begin, any of these communications, please send email to livewire@secondpresabq.org, or notify the church office at 505-242-8005

NOVEMBER MILESTONES

- *Happy Birthday and Good Wishes to all the members and friends of Second Church who are celebrating their birthday this month!*
- *Congratulations to all the happy couples who are celebrating their Anniversary.*
- *God Bless You.*

<i>Date</i>	<i>BIRTHDAYS</i>	<i>ANNIVERSARIES</i>
Nov 1	Francis Chang	
Nov 2	Julian Griego	
Nov 3	Candace Deuble	
Nov 4	Rob Woodruff	
Nov 5	Steve Gerstel	
Nov 6	Marty Martinez	
Nov 8		Trancito and Dorothy Romero
Nov 9	Nancy Montoya	
Nov 11	Susanne Leavitt	
Nov 15	Elefio Montoya Lynn Gatewood	
Nov 16	Ted Martinez	
Nov 23		Elifas and Ruth Santillanes
Nov 24	Beverly Molo	
Nov 26	Sabrina Porrugas	
Nov 27		Harry and Jeannie Hogan
Nov 28	Raymond Chavez	
Nov 30	Xavier McBride	

LIVEWIRE

Yes! Our worship services are being recorded! Excerpts of worship services will be posted on YouTube © and linked from the website of Second PC. You can find the page on our website under “Church Life” or go directly:

<http://www.secondpresabq.org/worship-videos.html>



“Everything I learned I learned from the movies.” — Audrey Hepburn

In The Beginning.....

“On January 27, 1889, according to the records in the first minutes of Second Church, a committee of two ministers, Rev. James A. Menaul and Rev. Jose Ynes Perea, appointed by the Presbytery of Santa Fe, which met in Socorro, New Mexico, gathered with a group of people in the adobe residence of Senor Epifanio Arreola. Here they organized the Albuquerque Spanish Church, now Second Presbyterian Church (USA),...”



“The church was organized with fifteen members who were examined, baptized and partook of the Lord's Supper in that service. Twenty-two became charter members. The charter members were as follows: Miguel Martinez, Trinidad Martinez, José Martinez Durán, José Martin y Candelaria, Martin Durán, Marfa Duran, Isidora C. Chavez, María de Jesus C. Garcia, Rasaura Velasquez, Clara Martinez, Librada Martinez, Laura Martinez, William Dauber,

Luisa Martinez, Manuel Fernandez. By letter were: Epifanio Arreola and Guadalupe Burgan Arreola and five of their children.”

From the History of Second Presbyterian Church, pgs 9-10

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Thanks to all of you who participated in the nominating process for future Deacons and Elders. We all know this is a vital part of the process of identifying leaders for our Church community. Mil gracias. We will consult with the nominees and present the slate for election during the Congregational Stated Meeting after worship on December 4, 2016.

GARDENING SEASON

Stewardship at Second Presbyterian



The weeks of October 23 and 30, November 6 and 13, will focus on our congregation's stewardship of time, talents, and treasure. The *Stewardship Committee* has asked for a brief stewardship message on the significance of:

our **youth program** from James and Eugenia Bencomo,
our **worship** from Karmen Van Dyke,
our **hospitality** toward new persons from Jack Torres,
our **mission** from Gloria Mirabal,
our **pastoral care** from Joyce Carlson Leavitt.

These are areas that the committee saw as especially significant in the life of Second Presbyterian—and are areas hoping to expand to meet new and greater needs and programs.

Rob, in his preaching, will be growing our congregational **Garden of Giving** on October 30, November 6, and November 13, and our gifts to God in pledge card form will be presented on November 20.

The congregation has been increasingly generous in the past, but currently our potential mission and work of the church is pressing our budget very hard. We hope you will each consider the ways in which you and the church have been blessed in the past year, and increase you pledge accordingly. God has much for us to do—and your time, talent, and treasure will make it so.



PERSONNEL APPRECIATION

We are blessed at Second Presbyterian Church to have a Loving Pastor and a caring staff. Please join us on November 20th, 2016, after worship in the fellowship hall to honor and celebrate their hard work and tireless dedication-to the congregants and to their families. The calling into service is challenging with it highs and lows; but is one that is also honored by our Lord and by His headship, our God. May they continue to faithfully witness and serve as the Spirit Leads.

Again, join us as we honor them; please bring your favorite dish for Pot-Luck

7 Thank You(s)

- *Thank you for going to God on our behalf and praying for us daily*
- *Thank you for studying God's Word and communicating its truths to us in a compelling fashion.*
- *Thank you and your family for the sacrifices made*
- *Thank you for demonstrating grace, love and patience when people question your motives and competencies. Sheep are a bit simple, but they can bite and sometimes have a taste for Pastor and church staff.*
- *Thank you for the countless (often thankless) hours of work you give for others*
- *Thank you for being men and women who seek Gods face, seek his wisdom, model forgiveness and His Love.*
- *Thank you for your humility; as his strength awakens as we submit to His authority in our weakness.*

We are honored to have a strengthening body, a committed Pastor, dedicated workers and steadfast leaders.

Hebrews 6:10 ¹⁰ For God is not unjust. He will not forget how hard you have worked for him and how you have shown your love to him by caring for other believers,^[a] as you still do. ¹¹ Our great desire is that you will keep on loving others as long as life lasts, in order to make certain that what you hope for will come true. ¹² Then you will not become spiritually dull and indifferent. Instead, you will follow the example of those who are going to inherit God's promises because of their faith and endurance."

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November 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9:00 AM Adult Sunday School 9:15 AM Youth (all ages) Choir Practice & Hand Chimes 10:30 AM Bilingual Worship Service and Children Sunday School 11:30 AM Fellowship Time 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Halloween 6:00 PM Halloween Party 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 11:00 AM Bible Study - Jeremiah 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6:30 PM Adult Choir Practice 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9:00 AM Church Women United 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Daylight Saving Time Ends 9:00 AM Adult Sunday School 9:15 AM Youth (all ages) Choir Practice & Hand Chimes 10:30 AM Bilingual Worship Service and Children Sunday School 11:30 AM Potluck 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Election Day 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 11:00 AM Bible Study - Jeremiah 1:00 PM Mobile Food Pantry 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6:30 PM Adult Choir Practice 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Veterans Day 	
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