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Albuquerque NM

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December 2016

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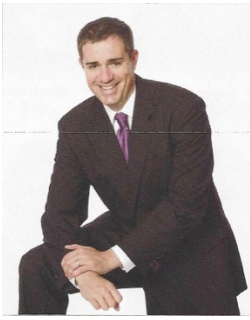
Second Presbyterian Church is a multicultural, multi-generational congregation. Our worship is bilingual, with liturgy and music in both Spanish and English, and an English language sermon.



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.

“Sounds of the Season”

Beautiful music is the art of the prophets that can calm the agitations of the soul; it is one of the most magnificent and delightful presents

God has given us.

Martin Luther

Queridos hermanas y hermanos en Cristo,

The liturgical season is resetting. We have arrived at Advent, the beginning of the liturgical calendar and the season leading up to Christmas. Advent encapsulates the four Sundays that precede the birth of the Christ-child. This year, the season is the longest it can possibly be since Christmas falls on a Sunday. I am delighted to share that our Advent theme is music. Music has a way of speaking to the soul, and as we await the hope of the coming messiah, we will engage our souls with the sounds of the season and the lyrics will be ancient biblical utterances from seasonal characters like John the Baptist and Mary.

Anthems, sermons, and liturgy will embrace our musical theme and worship will include weekly guest musicians. Their musical contributions will begin before worship officially starts, so you may encounter music when you walk into the sanctuary. See the newsletter article from the worship committee for further instruction.

Above you read a quote from Protestant Reformer Martin Luther about music. But philosophers see the value of music just as much as theologians. Twenty-four hundred years ago, Plato wrote that, “Music is a moral law. It gives soul to the universe, wings to the mind, flight to the imagination, and charm and gaiety to life and to everything.” My prayer is that through the soul-giving medium of music, God’s Word and Spirit will capture us with hope, in this season that leads to the birth of Jesus. May we hear it in all of its depth, but may we also sing in this season. “He who sings, prays twice,” wrote St. Augustine. The Good News of Jesus’ coming must be sounded out. He is the long-awaited messiah who bring hope to the world. We will celebrate his coming during Advent with music. That sounds good!

Feliz navidad, Roberto



EVANGELISM AND MEMBERSHIP

We have scheduled a class for new members on Saturday, December 10, 2016, 10:00am to 1:00pm. Lunch will be provided. 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. We always welcome new members at Second!

SESSION

The Session of Second Presbyterian Church held its monthly Session on Tuesday November 15, 2016. The following actions were taken:

1. **VOTED** to fund sending youth leaders, Susie and Frances Chang, to the Association of Presbyterian Church Educators Conference January 28-30, 2017.
2. **VOTED** to sign the Partnership Agreement between the Matanzas Central Presbyterian Church (MCPC) of Mantanzas, Province of Mantanzas, Cuba and Second Presbyterian Church.
3. From the Second Presbyterian Church Presbyterian Men's Group:
Whereas, we are a connectional church, and desire to create, maintain, and foster relationships with other congregations, Session **VOTED** to schedule four ruling elders, as many members from the Presbyterian Men's group, and the congregation as wish to go, to visit the following churches:
 - a. Sunday, February 12, 2017 - Smith Memorial United Church in Truchas, NM
 - b. Sunday, June 11, 2017 - Emmanuel Presbyterian Church in Peñasco, NM
 - c. Sunday, October 8, 2017 - Embudo Presbyterian Church in Dixon, NM
4. On the recommendation of the Personnel Committee, **VOTED** to propose changes in the Pastor's Terms of Call of a 2% raise in the Pastor's Effective Salary, which will be voted on at the December 4, 2016 Stated Congregational Meeting.
5. **VOTED** to add \$500.00 to finish out the second half of Rev. Dr. Kay Huggins' Parish Associate compensation.

Respectfully submitted,, Beverly Chavez, Clerk of Session



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



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

WORSHIP AND MUSIC

**ADVENT SEASON IS UPON US
PREPARE THE WAY OF THE LORD!**

Second Presbyterian Church is planning and preparing for the season of Advent which begins on Sunday, November 27. Please refer to the list of activities noted below and plan to join us for worship.

Throughout the four Sundays of the Advent Season, THE CONGREGATION IS ENCOURAGED to ARRIVE AT CHURCH BY 10:20 A.M. and to prayerfully take their seat. Along with the Bulletin, you will receive a prayer card to serve as a resource for reflection while guest musicians provide special music.

NOVEMBER 27 – FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Following the time for prayer and reflection at 10:30 a.m., we will be called to worship by the lighting of the first Advent Candle, the Candle of Hope. In the same manner, the Candles of Peace, Joy and Love, will be lit the next three Sundays.

- **Hanging of the Greens and Advent Wreath Workshop will take place following the benediction.** Those wishing to participate in decorating the sanctuary, gather around the Communion Table for a brief liturgy and the singing of a Christmas carol. Others wishing to take part in the workshop will move into Fellowship Hall where an area will be designated for that purpose. **Coffee and refreshments will be available in Fellowship Hall.**

- **Advent Devotional Booklets, "From Heaven to Manger"** are available on the table at the main entrance. Please take one per household. The daily readings call us not only to **pray, to think, but also to act** (each day will have a different suggestion about something special you can do for some one or yourself and your family during this season).

DECEMBER 11 – ALL CHURCH CHRISTMAS CAROLING

Come and join in the joyous ministry of caroling to our shut-ins and to those members who are unable to attend worship on a regular basis. There will be a sign-up sheet in Fellowship Hall on December 4. Thanks to Marie Kenny and Nancy Montoya who are once more coordinating this effort. Carolers will gather after worship in Fellowship Hall for a soup luncheon and to receive directions along with your team names. All age groups are welcome!

DECEMBER 18 – CHRISTMAS JOY OFFERING will be received on this day. As in years past, your gifts will go towards support for education and leadership development at Presbyterian related racial-ethnic schools and colleges, as well as helping families of active and retired church workers in need through the Assistance Program of the Board of Pensions.

DECEMBER 24 CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHTING SERVICE at 7:00 p.m. Following the service, gather around the firepit in front of the church for caroling and fellowship.

DECEMBER 25 CHRISTMAS DAY We will gather in Fellowship Hall for worship. Hot chocolate and biscochitos will be served.

**The Wednesday (11:00am) Bible Study have finished studying the prophet Jeremiah.
Leader: Rev. Dr. Kay Huggins, Parish Associate
Join us on Jan 11 as we begin our study of the book of Matthew!**



After a very busy year, filled with service projects, fund raisers and mission trips, the Castellano family will be hosting the **Youth's Christmas Party** in their home on Saturday, December 10. We are looking forward to not only fun and games but the serving of Italian cuisine as well! Thank you in advance to John, Margaret, Nicole and Amanda for sharing your home during the holidays!



MEXICAN DINNER AND BOUTIQUE, DEC 3

December 3rd is the Presbyterian Women's ***Annual Mexican Dinner and Boutique***. Tickets are \$10 for Adults and \$5 for Children. The dinner will be held in the Fellowship Hall, and the Boutique in the J. I. Candelaria Wing, from 4:30 pm to

6:30 pm. Come and enjoy some delicious food and beautiful crafts.



LAY READERS AND USHERS/HOSPITALITY

Date	Lay Leaders/Liturgists	Ushers/Hospitality
Dec 4	Frank Salazar	Desary Cocio and Orlando Duran
Dec 11	Annika Reid	Lorraine Romero and Mario Romero
Dec 18	Becky Johnson	Tony and Louella Gurule
Dec 24		TBA
Dec 25	<Not Needed>	

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

DECEMBER 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>
Dec 1	Margaret Perea Tilda Chavez	
Dec 3	Anita Romero Torres	
Dec 4	Lorraine Jimenez	Rob & Karla Woodruff
Dec 5	Carlos Candelaria	
Dec 6	Gary Lucero	
Dec 8	Dolores Romero	
Dec 13	Yvette Gallegos	
Dec 25		Eli & Carol Lopez
Dec 31		Bob & Candace Deuble

In The Beginning.....

“Our very first Pastor was the Reverend John Menaul, MD. He served us from 1889 to 1904. He was an ordained minister, as well as a medical doctor. He was also the brother of the Reverend James Menaul, Pastor of the First Presbyterian Church here in Albuquerque.

Reverend John Menaul came to us from the missionary field in Corsica, Africa. He had gone there with his wife, Harriet McMecham, and two daughters. They were there for three years, when his wife became very ill and died. The whole family was stricken with the same disease, but only the mother died.

When he and his daughters were well enough to travel, they returned to the United States. No sooner had he arrived in this country when he was encouraged by the Reverend Sheldon Jackson, the Synodical Missionary of all the Western Territory, to consider coming out West to work among the Indians. He accepted the offer and he and his two girls came out west to take a job with the Navajo Indians at Fort Defiance, in what is now Arizona.

There he met another missionary by the name of Miss Charity Ann Gaston. Those of you that attended Allison-James School in Santa Fe, will remember a boy's dormitory, Gaston Hall. The hall was across the highway from the main campus. That building was named after her.

It wasn't long before Reverend Menaul and Charity Ann decided to get married, for the young girls needed a mother to look after them. Soon after their marriage, they were transferred to take over the Presbyterian work at Laguna Indian Pueblo in the Territory of New Mexico. Here Reverend Menaul made use of his other talents. He built a schoolhouse and became one of the teachers. School books were very rare and he decided that it would be easier for the Indian children to learn to read in their own Keresean language.

The Laguna Indians didn't have a written language so he translated the widely used McGuffey reader into their language, which he had to learn first. He also owned a printing press and printed some books for the students to use. In addition to all this, he became their physician and shared the doctoring with the village Medicine Man. Because of all his talents, he and Charity Ann were well thought of and admired. The locals were amused at the couple's difference in stature. She was very tall for a woman and he was barely five feet tall. (One might say, the first Mutt and Jeff)

After fourteen years in the Laguna field, Rev. John Menaul was asked by his brother, Rev. James Menaul, the Pastor at the Presbyterian Church in Albuquerque to take over the newly organized Presbyterian Church In Los Martinez. Rev. James Menaul had been appointed as the Synodical Missionary to replace Reverend Sheldon Jackson. He was asked to take the job because he was also fluent in the Spanish language. The first job was to get a church building built. He and the whole Barrio took on the task and made all the adobes. They did all the work and they soon had their own building, but the church steeple had no bell in the tower.

The wagon train of trade goods came down by way of the "Camino Real" which passed through the Barrio of Los Martinez. We now know that Edith Boulevard, where Second Presbyterian church is located, was the original "Camino Real." When it was learned that the traders had a bell for sale, the Barrio people wanted to purchase the bell. The traders said the bell was for a church further north and they could not sell it to the Barrio people. A few days passed, and the traders came back. They still had the bell with them. They told the people that the church up north did not have the money to purchase it and they were heading home. The people of the Barrio rallied and the bell was purchased from the traders. The bell was transferred to the present bell tower in 1922, when the present building was built. That bell is well over one hundred years old.

The Reverend John Menaul put his printing press to good use again by printing religious tracts into the Spanish language. These tracts were distributed to Spanish Fields from Puerto Rico, Mexico and the Philippines. That printing press was donated to Menaul School when he retired and was later lost in a fire at the school. Reverend Menaul and Charity Ann stayed for our first fifteen years. He finally decided to retire in 1904. He and his wife went to Oklahoma to live with one of their daughters. Charity Ann passed on in 1906 and Reverend Menaul in 1907. They had started out with a solid Christian foundation."

From the History of Second Presbyterian Church, pgs 12-14

The Nominating Committee is excited to share with you the outcome of our efforts in preparing a slate of Elders and Deacons. We were pleased to have received a generous number of nominations. We had more nominations than open positions so not all nominees will be asked to serve. This is a good thing and we hope to keep up this momentum for future years.



On December 4th we will have our Stated Congregational Meeting immediately following worship. We encourage you to attend, hear our report and elect Elders and Deacons to lead our community into the future. We will also vote on proposed changes to the terms of call of our beloved Pastor.

We express our thanks to the Nominating Committee members for their energy, hard work and persistence.

Anita Romero Torres and Patricia Gilberto
Nominating Committee Co-Chairs

CAMINO DE VIDA CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION



Camino de Vida will host their Christmas celebration on Sunday, December 4, at 4:00 pm at the Camino de Vida church, 3907 Isleta Boulevard SW, Albuquerque, NM, 87105. The celebration will include a play and a meal. If you would like to purchase poinsettias to decorate the Camino de Vida church, notify Gloria Mirabal, mirabalg@msn.com, or **505-565-4765**.

December 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9:00 AM Adult Sunday School 10:30 AM Billigual Worship Service and Children Sunday 10:45 AM Children's Sunday School 11:30 AM Fellowship Time 11:40 AM Youth (all ages) Choir Practice & Hand Greens! 12:00 PM Hanging of the Greens! 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5:00 PM WINCS Ministry 				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6:30 PM Adult Choir Practice 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9:00 AM Church Women United 4:30 PM Mexican Dinner & Boutique
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9:00 AM Adult Sunday School 10:30 AM Billigual Worship Service and Children Sunday 11:30 AM Stated Meeting of the Congregation 11:40 AM Youth (all ages) Choir Practice & Hand Chimes 12:00 PM Fellowship Time 				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6:30 PM Adult Choir Practice 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9:30 AM Adult Choir Practice 10:00 AM New Member Class 5:00 PM Youth Group Christmas Party!
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9:00 AM Adult Sunday School 9:00 AM Deacons' Meeting 10:30 AM Billigual Worship Service and Children Sunday 10:30 AM CHRISTMAS JOY OFFERING 10:45 AM Children's Sunday 11:30 AM Fellowship Time 11:40 AM Youth (all ages) Choir Practice & Hand 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5:15 PM Session Potluck meal 6:00 PM Session Meeting 			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6:30 PM Adult Choir Practice 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10:00 AM DEADLINE FOR NEWSLETTER 7:00 PM CHRISTMAS EVE COMMUNION SERVICE
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Christmas Day 10:30 AM Billigual Worship Service and Children Sunday School 				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6:30 PM Adult Choir Practice 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:30 AM Presbyterian Men

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