

BENDITOS SALUDOS! November 2019

SECOND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, ALBUQUERQUE, NM 812 Edith BLVD NE, Albuquerque, NM 87102-2408

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Organized on January 27, 1889

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.



Church Membership is 251

Mission Statement of Second Presbyterian Church

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In This Issue

"Just LOVE everyone, I' 11 sort 'em out later." - GOD

Del Pastor



A regular feature from The Reverend Doctor Robert B Woodruff Head of Staff of Second Presbyterian Church.

A Gift Exchange

"When we give cheerfully and accept gratefully, everyone is blessed." - Maya Angelou

Queridos Hermanos y Hermanas en Cristo,

The title of this article may conjure thoughts of Christmas. But that would make us a month early. However, November is also a month with a history of gift exchange. Even if it wanted to, November has no chance of escaping its identity as a month of giving and receiving. In many places, it is a fall harvest month in which the hard work of planting and cultivating is exchanged for a yield. Then there is the Thanksgiving holiday, predicated on the exchange of a harvest and the cooperation between members of the Wampanoag tribe and the pilgrims. With gratitude, the yield and strategies for winter living were shared with the European settlers, and they partook in a three-day-feast in which gratitude abounded. And for churches, November is stewardship emphasis month, during which we "cheerfully" consider what we will contribute to the mission and ministry of the church, and in doing so, recognize with gratitude, all the ways we are "blessed."

Like much of her writing, the late Maya Angelou's above quote is succinct while communicating so much. She identifies gratitude at the core of authentic giving and receiving. We give cheerfully when we give from a place of gratitude. We receive gratefully when we receive from that very same place. Scripture is replete with passages about gratitude and thanksgiving. A few especially worth visiting include: Psalm 136:1-3 (one of many Psalms), Luke 17:11-18 (a passage we will hear about this month in worship), II Corinthians 9:10-15, I Thessalonians 5:18.

There is something incredible about gratitude. It is accessible to anyone, regardless of circumstances. In fact, it is often experienced more abundantly by those with less than by those who have more. When we maintain gratitude in difficult times, it helps propel us forward while maintaining a sense of who we are. According to the American-Romanian writer Elie Wiesel, who lived in two Nazi concentration camps: "When a person doesn't have gratitude, something is missing in his or her humanity." Those words maintain added significance coming from someone who lived through such a harsh human reality.

Our stewardship theme this year is "20/20 vision." As we metaphorically plant seeds for the coming year, we seek God's clarity and direction for our church's journey ahead. November 17 will be Dedication Sunday—the Sunday we bring forward our financial pledges for 2020 during worship. As we all consider what we plan to pledge, may we be shaped by deep gratitude and thanksgiving—delighting in God's goodness and work in our wonderful congregation.

Grace & Peace, Roberto



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.

PRAYER LIST

Tillie Arellano	Joann Atencio	Floriada Baker	Jacob Barreras	
Christopher Bernard	Nicholas Brown	Emma Buck	Victor Byrum	
Molly Campione	Amanda Candelaria	Darla Capetillo	Mark Cavasos	
Cisco Chavez	Elsie Chavez	Lena De Herrera	Jack & Penny Dorwart	
Sandra Duran	Elizabeth Everitt	Mike Garcia	Patricia Heinzman	
Celia Klaus	Jonathan Leavitt	Katie Lewis	Fred Lingo	
Autumn Lopez	Sharon Lopez	Edna Lozoya	Alice Maestas	
Joe Martin	Dora Martinez	Isabel Martinez	M G Martinez	
Sigman Matthew	Adolph McCoy	Jared Montoya	Laura Montoya	
Tom Oler	Minnie Olivas	Eva Ortega	Karen Ortega	
Ray Otero	Sandra Poole	Wanda Romero Porcelo	David Preininger	
Michael Randall	Enrique Reza	Jerry Rivera	Robert "Bud" Romero	
Susan Romero	Joan Rosaire	Les Sandoval Family	Elifas Santillanes	
Keith Suazo	Raquel Tedder	Barbara Trujillo	Juanita Valdez	
Jackie Van Hauen	Emilia Vásquez	Carmen Vigil		

LAY READERS AND USHERS/GREETERS

Date	Lay	Ushers/Greeters
	Leaders/Liturgists	
Nov 3	Ruth Montoya	Johnson Family
Nov 10	Eli Lopez	Bob and Candace Deuble
Nov 17	Lynn Gatewood	Imelda Atencio and Tina Griego
Nov 24	Carlos Woodruff	Beverly and Reme Molo

Ushers/Greeters 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. At the end of the service, take the flame/light from the candles to the back of the church

(symbolizing the light going into the world), then extinguish.

Lay Leaders: Karmen Van Dyke - <u>kvd@swcp.com</u>

Ushers: Louella Gurulé - Lou3ag@gmail.com



CHRISTMAS IS COMING: ORDER POINSETTIAS!

It still feels like fall but the Advent Season and Christmas are just around the corner. Please consider your gift of a poinsettia to enhance the sanctuary during the coming holiday.

POINSETTIA ORDER FORM

Name			
# of poinsettias @ S	\$12.00 each	Amount paid	
In memory/honor	of	-	
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WORSHIP AND MUSIC

By Karmen Van Dyke and Don Bixby

Worship Services in November. Stewardship will be an important part of the first three services of November. Leadership of the Stewardship Committee will be liturgists, and "witnesses to stewardship", Esther Lopez, Francis and Susie Chang, as well as words of

faith from members who cannot regularly attend, will be presented.

All Saints Day November 3 The liturgical color for this service is White. As in previous years, images of loved ones who have passed since last November will be projected and memorialized during the service. If a loved one has passed since last November, you are invited to bring photos to the office well before the 3rd. You are invited to bring photos of those who have been remembered from previous years. These images will be placed on tables at the front of the sanctuary and become part of our celebration of the Cloud of Witnesses who have enriched our lives. The service will include Holy Communion. The color for the middle two Sundays of November is Green for what is designated "Ordinary Time." We will, however, be using an embroidered Turkish table cover graciously loaned by Ruth Montoya, with plenty of accents to celebrate the autumn season.

A Healing Service will be part of worship on November 10 as we prepare for the holidays. Scripture strongly affirms ministries of healing. Those who minister spiritual healing are channels of God's love. A Service of Healing is not necessarily a service of curing, but it provides an atmosphere in which healing can happen. Anointing with oil shows the power of touch, and is an act invoking the healing love of God. The oil points beyond itself and those doing the anointing to the action of the Holy Spirit and the presence of the healing Christ, who is God's Anointed One.

November 17 is **Dedication Sunday**, the culmination of our Stewardship Campaign -20/20 Vision. The Stewardship Committee with be providing details elsewhere in this newsletter.

Christ the King Sunday November 24 climaxes the liturgical year. Although originally a Roman Catholic Holiday instituted in 1925 by Pope Pius XI, it has since been adopted by other Christian denominations as well. The purpose of this holiday is to acknowledge Jesus Christ as the "King of all kings" and it was originally intended as a way to bring God back into a secular world. It is celebrated with Holy Communion on the final Sunday of Ordinary Time, the Sunday before Advent. The color of the banners for this celebration is changed from the **Green** of ordinary time to **White.** By the next week we will be entering the season of Advent when the color will be **Purple.**

Support Second! The programs and worship services of Second Presbyterian Church are maintained by the large and small gifts and acts of thoughtfulness by many people. For these gifts we are all grateful. You can support our programs in many ways, but there are signup sheets for three ways in the Fellowship Hall: 1) providing flowers, 2) serving as ushers, 3) helping with hospitality. You might want to choose dates with special significance.

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FOOD DONATIONS FIRST SUNDAY EVERY MONTH

By Don Bixby and Karmen Van Dyke

On the first Sunday of the month you are invited to bring nonperishable foods that will be taken to the Albuquerque food bank to help feed the many in our community who are without adequate food.

What happens to these food donations?

Albuquerque

- The food is dropped off at **Roadrunner Food Bank** (**RRFB**) or a designated location point in the Albuquerque metro.
- Volunteers sort donated food inside the RRFB warehouse and stack food on pallets.
- Partner agencies (food pantries/soup kitchens) order food from the RRFB online system, similar to any online grocery store.
- The RRFB fleet delivers the ordered food items to each partner agency at a set date and time.

RRFB clients receive food at hundreds of partner distribution sites across the state, which includes food pantries, soup kitchens, shelters, group homes, schools, low-income housing sites, senior centers and health care clinics. Mark the first Sunday of the month on your calendar to remind yourself of the many people in the city and across the state who rely on this system for adequate food.

HOMELESSNESS WILL MAKE YOU SICK AND CAN KILL YOU

By Don Bixby and Karmen Van Dyke

The statistics are grim. According to the New Mexico Coalition to End Homelessness, over 20,000 persons – over 2 % of Bernalillo County residents – will experience homelessness during the year. For over three decades, Albuquerque Health Care for the Homeless (AHCH) has served our community as the only health care organization in Central New Mexico dedicated exclusively to providing services to homeless people. When people experience homelessness, access to adequate health care can mean the difference between getting back on your feet or dying. AHCH believes all people are entitled to health care, including those living in cars or motels, couch surfing, on the street, in shelters and in transitional housing. Having access to medical care for chronic conditions like diabetes, high blood pressure, chronic pain, is essential.

AHCH provides critical services to over 7,000 men, women and children every year. By addressing the health-related causes of homelessness, AHCH makes it possible for people to find solutions to end their homelessness. While the needs are many, **Second is focusing on a collection of towels and stockings for men, women and children, during the Advent Season**. The clinic Resources Center has showers for the homeless and towels are always in demand. For folks who are out on the street all day, a fresh pair of socks is a treasure. **Please put bath towels and socks on your holiday shopping list for the homeless. For questions or further information contact Pat Bixby.**

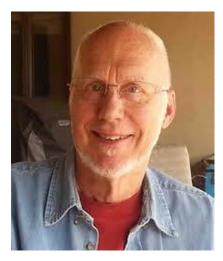


Food Donations by Month	Pounds Delivered
July	70
August	23.8
September	126
October	150
Total since July	299.8



LUTHERAN ADVOCACY MINISTRY-NM, 2019 ADVOCACY **CONFERENCE** Saturday, November 16, 8:30 am - 1:00 pm St. Michael and All Angels Episcopal Church 601 Montaño NW, Albuquerque, 87107

N PUBLIC POLICY Breakout session topics will include advocacy basics as well as issues related to our Advocacy Agenda, which are expected to come up during the 2020 state legislative session. The conference is open to everyone interested in learning more about advocating on public policies impacting our many neighbors living in poverty and with hunger.



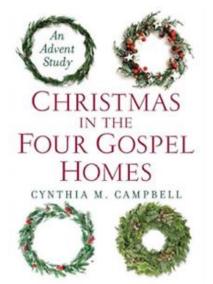
Keynote Speaker: Dr. Larry Rasmussen

Larry Rasmussen is the Reinhold Niebuhr Professor of Social Ethics Emeritus at Union Theological Seminary. Among other works, he is author of Earth-honoring Faith: Religious Ethics in a New Key(2013) and Earth Community, Earth Ethics (1996) and coauthor of Bible and Ethics in the Christian Life (1976, 1989, 2018). Dr. Rasmussen lives in Santa Fe.

> \$15 per person (including materials and lunch) Mail registration fee to LAM-NM (1701 Arroyo Chamiso, Santa Fe, 87505) or pay at the door on Nov. 16. Registration deadline: November 9 - To register click here

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY – ADVENT!

By Rev. Kay Huggins, Parish Associate



Join the Wednesday Bible Study for Advent!

This Advent, beginning on November 27 and continuing through three Wednesdays in December, we are studying Christmas in the Four Gospel Homes, by Cynthia M. Campbell. There is no more important question to answer than. "Who is Jesus *Christ to you?" and no better time to ask this question than Advent* as you prepare your heart and home for celebrating Christ's birth. *Consider joining us! Study books are* \$5.00 *and well worth every* cent.

Come. Share. Prepare. Learn. - Rev. Kay Huggins

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AMAZON SMILE

#1 holiday hack: When you shop at smile.amazon.com Amazon donates amazonsmile

Many of you are shopping for Christmas gifts. This is a good opportunity to increase Second's donations thru the AmazonSmile program. When you shop for

gifts at

smile.amazon.com/ch/85-6070506. AmazonSmile donates to Second. **USE IT YEAR-ROUND!**

<u>PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN CHRISTMAS BOUTIQUE</u>

By Gloria Mirabal

Saturday, December 7, 2019, -- 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Adults \$10.00 - Children \$5.00 Tickets may be purchased at the door. Takeout meals are available.

It's that time again for the Annual Presbyterian Women's Mexican Dinner and Boutique. Mark your calendars for December 7, 2019, 4:30-6:30pm at Second Presbyterian Church and make plans to attend. Tickets will be sold by

any PW member and will also be available at the door. The women of the church will be serving a delicious Mexican Dinner along with fresh sopaipillas and biscochitos! Bring a good appetite and enjoy! Please invite your family and friends to join you.

The Boutique, located in the Candelaria Wing, will be open from 4:30-6:30 as well. Many beautiful handcrafted items in the Boutique are created lovingly by talented members of our congregation. There will also be gently used items available for sale. The fresh smell of home baked items will be awaiting you as you enter the door to the Boutique. Delicious home baked goodies, pies, homemade jam are made by the excellent bakers in our congregation and will be available for sale at the Bake Sale. So be sure to plan on visiting the Boutique and Bake Sale, it promises to be a great and delicious shopping experience! You may even be able to get all your Christmas shopping done!

The proceeds from the Mexican Dinner and Boutique help support Menaul School, Camino De Vida, and other missions that the Presbyterian Women help fund. We hope to see you Saturday, December 7, at Second for a very enjoyable evening!

SUNDAY MORNING ADULT EDUCATION

by Rev. Kay Huggins, Parish Associate





9:00 – 10:00 am, in the Conference Room of JI Candelaria Wing Fall Quarter of The Present Word: Responding to God's Grace

This fall, we begin an overview of God's grace that spans all of Old and New Testaments from Genesis to II Peter. Divided into three units – God is Faithful, Responses to God's Faithfulness, and Faith Leads to Holy Living – this quarter provides the class with text to deal with the contemporary issues of everyday faith. The class shares leadership for each Sunday; the discussions are lively; and everyone receives a blessing through participating. Whether young or old, well studied or new to scripture, this class is a unique opportunity to explore scripture in community. Study guides are provided (large print!) and the class size expands from 7 to 15 depending on your participation!



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CHURCH WOMEN UNITED, NOV 1, WORLD COMMUNITY DAY



THE TIME IS NOW—"Resolve to Love" *Friday, November 1st 9:30 a.m. -* Sandia Presbyterian Church NE 10704 Paseo del Norte NE

(Go east on Paseo to Eubank, turn right on Eubank, then first left onto frontage road, turn left again and follow road to church)

The theme for WCD is based on John 4:23a — "But the time is coming— and

is here!" and focuses on global peace and justice. As women of faith we have a responsibility to reach beyond Christian denominations to brothers and sisters who are Muslim, Buddhist, Jewish and many others. It is a move from ecumenical to an interfaith orientation. Let us, through mutual respect, create an inclusive community that is just, caring and supportive within this new paradigm. In this transformational time, let us courageously **resolve to love** for peace.

Come, bring a friend of another faith and be blessed! Bring two friends and be doubly blessed!

Remember to bring your "Nickels for National" that you've been collecting all year long!

LOOKING FORWARD....CWU will be meeting on Friday, December 6th at Manzano del Sol, 5201 Roma NE for our Christmas event.

The Women's Ensemble from Central United Methodist Church will inspire us through song!

WINGS FOR L.I.F.E. NOVEMBER 2019

Second Presbyterian Church Monday evenings 5:30–7:30pm

Dinner, Mixers, Speakers, After-dinner tutoring & programming for Pre-K & K-12, & Karate Everyone welcome – Bring your families – Volunteers of all ages needed!

- Nov. 11 Workforce Solutions & All it Offers Lorraine Ruggles
 - Nov. 25 Making the Most of the Holidays

Ann Edenfield Sweet

Wings For LIFE International's mission is transforming lives to break the generational cycle of incarceration.

Matthew 25:40 NRSV

"I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me."

Wings For L.I.F.E. - Life-skills Imparted to Families through Education (WFL), is a national and state



Best Practice model whose **mission** is TRANSFORMING LIVES TO BREAK THE GENERATIONAL CYCLE OF INCARCERATION. WFL has won numerous awards, including the *National Award of Excellence in Crime Prevention* (top program in the U.S.) from the American Probation and Parole Association, the NM Children's Law Institute's *Child Welfare and Juvenile Justice Award*, the *NM Innovative Program Star Award*, (top 10 behavioral health programs in NM) and the Martin Luther King, Jr. *Keep the Dream Alive Award*. ;Benditos Saludos! November 2019

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A CONCERT TO CELEBRATE: CHRIST THE KING * REIGN OF CHRIST * ST. CECILIA

performed by the communities of Rio Rancho Presbyterian * Risen Savior Roman Catholic * Second Presbyterian

At **3:00pm November 17**, Second's Adult Choir with our Rio Rancho Presbyterian and Risen Savior Roman Catholic friends will present a concert witnessing to our ecumenical spirit and the reign of Christ we all proclaim. The program will include sacred music from Gospel to Mozart, and a small orchestra will enhance several anthems. All are invited to the free concert. Here are the selections, some of which include congregational participation:

PRELUDE "Wonderful Grace of Jesus" - Haldo Lillenas, arr. Rebecca Bonam (eight hands: Nancy Leffler, Richard Macklin, Nathan Secrest, Karmen Van Dyke)

Oneness in Christ "Father, I Pray that That May Be One" (John 17:22) - Christopher Walker "Worship as One" – Choplin

Christ, Our Peace

"On This Mountain" - Gerard Chuisano "Laudato Si—Be Praised, O God" - Ricky Manalo "Al Shlosha d'Varim" - Allan S. Naplan This text is a Jewish morality law: "The world is sustained by three things: by truth, by justice, by peace.

Christ's Call

"Down to the River to Pray" - traditional "Who Can Sail Without the Wind" - Dan Forest "I Want Jesus to Walk with Me" - arr. Alice Parker

Christ, Our Guide "Let It Rain" - Joseph M. Martin/David Angerman "Offertory" - John Ness Beck "Reap What You Sow" - Pepper Choplin "Order My Steps (in Your Word)" - Glenn Burleigh/arr. Jay Rouse

intermission - **INTERLUDE** "Revive Us Again" - John Husband, arr. by Rebecca Bonam

OBSERVING THE DAY

Christ, Our King "Our Lord, King of the Universe" (Psalm 29:10-11) - Christopher Walker "Alleluia" - Ralph Manuel "Gloria" from Misa Criolla - Ariel Ramirez "Gloria in excelsis #1" - Antonio Vivaldi "Gloria" from 12th Mass - Wolfgang A. Mozart

Christ's Benediction

"Go Out, Go Out" (Psalm 117) - Curtis Stephan

Second Presbyterian Church, Albuquerque NM *MILESTONES – God Bless You!*

- Happy Birthday and Good Wishes to all our members and friends of who are celebrating their birthday this month!
- Congratulations to all the happy couples who are celebrating their Anniversary.

Date	BIRTHDAYS	ANNIVERSARIES
Nov 1	Francis Chang	
Nov 2	Julian Griego	
Nov 3	Tara Candelaria	
	Candace Deuble	
Nov 4	Manuel Cotie	
	Robert Woodruff	
Nov 5	Karla Candelaria	
	Steve Gerstel	
Nov 6	Marty Martinez	
Nov 7	Suzanne Leavitt	
Nov 8		Dorothy and Trancito Romero
		Bruce and Desiree Sers
Nov 11	Dick Arndt	
Nov 14		Abel and Alma McBride
Nov 15	Lynn Gatewood	
	Elefio Montoya	
Nov 16	Ted Martinez	
Nov 18	Martin Wilson	
Nov 19	Eliana Ferns	
Nov 20		Clinton and Lauren Atwood
Nov 21	Alexis Ploof	
Nov 22	Alonzo Aragon	
	Shaun Barajas	
	Melody Rubio	
Nov 24	Emmanuel Johnson	
	Beverly Molo	
Nov 26	Lauren LaMonica	
	Sabrina Porragas	
Nov 27		Harry and Jeannie Hogan
Nov 28	Madison Mead	Miguel and Vicki Ojeda
	Kaylynn Soria	
Nov 30	Bo Garcia	
	Jeffrey Lin	
	Xavier McBride	
	Sarah Smith	

Church policy is to publish known birthdays in the newsletter unless the celebrant requests the date and/or month NOT to be published. This is to provide for some protection against identity theft. If you do NOT want your birth month/date to be published, please notify the LiveWire committee via email at livewire@secondpresabq.org or by notifying the Pastor or Office.



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