



# ¡BENDITOS SALUDOS!

## January 2020

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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 249

#### Mission Statement of Second Presbyterian Church

*Second Presbyterian Church is 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.*

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*“Just LOVE everyone, I’ ll sort ‘em out later.” – GOD*



### ***Del Pastor***

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

## **"Thoughts for the New Year"**

Hermanos y Hermanas en Cristo,

As we say goodbye to 2019 and welcome 2020, many of us are considering resolutions. It is the time of year in which we can naturally begin something new. We are wise to contemplate changes and improvements for our lives in the form of resolutions. Last week at the gym, someone commented about how the membership will spike in January. Every year the number of people showing up to work out increases in January and February. But it was also mentioned that, by March, gym participation will recede to normal levels. The indication, of course, is that many who believe the new year is a good time to start an exercise routine wane in their enthusiasm within a couple of months. What makes a New Year's resolution successful depends upon myriad of factors. However, one important element of sticking with a resolution is making space for something new.

Many resolutions wither after we embrace the idea of doing something new, but do not prepare ourselves spiritually, psychologically, or practically to sustain that idea. If our lives are already filled, how can we fit anything else into them? Kenosis (κένωσις) is the Greek word from the New Testament that describes Jesus emptying himself to be filled with God's will. Such a notion may be helpful for both new resolutions as well as our spiritual journeys. A sustained resolution and a sustained faith journey require continually making space for the new.

In the words of the late author Joseph Campbell, "We must be willing to let go of the life we have planned, so as to accept the life that is waiting for us." As we begin the new year, let us be honest with ourselves about what we need to let go of—what we need to empty ourselves of—to live into new and faithful practices. We may need to let go of emotions, ideas, or habits that hold us back from what God calls us to be and do.

¡Que Dios los bendiga y que tengan próspero año Nuevo!  
God bless you and may you prosper in the new year!

Roberto



**PRAYER LIST**

**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	Joann Atencio	Floriada Baker	Jacob Barreras
Christopher Bernard	Nicholas Brown	Emma Buck	Victor Byrum
Molly Campione	Amanda Candelaria	Darla Capetillo	Mark Cavazos
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 Leaders/Liturgists	Ushers/Greeters
Jan 5		
Jan 12		
Jan 19		
Jan 26		

*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 - [kvd@swpc.com](mailto:kvd@swpc.com)

Ushers: Louella Gurulé - [Lou3ag@gmail.com](mailto:Lou3ag@gmail.com)

**PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN GATHERING**

*Women of the Presbytery of Santa Fe*

**Countering Injustice As Bearers of God's Life-giving Love:** Rev. Jamie Martinez, Chaplain, UNM Hospital, will lead guided meditation/reflection and discussion on our call to justice work and our roles in countering injustice.

**Sharing Stories of Our Mission and Ministry of Love and**

**Justice:** Representatives from Santa Fe Presbytery Congregations will convey ways they have engaged in partnerships that show their mission of love and justice in areas of: homelessness; racism/discrimination; food insecurity/hunger; education; poverty, violence.

**Acknowledging the Historical Perspective of the Struggle for Women's Rights and Human Rights in the Finger Lakes Region of New York:** Carol Main, from Grand Canyon Presbytery and Synod of the Southwest Representative to the PW PCUSA 2019 Mission Experience will share her insights from her July 2019 visit to historical sites involved in justice work related to suffrage and abolition.

**Together in Service:** Participants will join together in a letter writing project to asylees.

[Download Flyer for more information and Sign-Up details](#)



**WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY**

**“They Showed Us Unusual Kindness” Acts 28: 2**



*This is the theme from the Christian Churches of Malta. Using their materials, we will hold a bilingual prayer service:*

Monday, January 20, 2020 at 7 pm  
reception following at Camino de Vida Church  
3907 Isleta Blvd. SW

Camino de Vida is a new church beginning through the Presbyterian Church U.S.A. and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity does not simply mean that I pray for you and you pray for me, but that we pray together for the building up of a new community made up of old and new faces. In that, we celebrate our diversity but truly become strangers no more.

*Please invite your bilingual friends to share in this special service of Unity*

*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](mailto:livewire@secondpresabq.org), or notify the church office at 505-242-8005.*

**PRESBYTERY LOGO**

**Call for New Logo Design**

The Presbytery is accepting design ideas for a new logo. We invite you and any creative types in your congregation to consider offering artistic visions that could be incorporated into a new logo for the Presbytery of Santa Fe.

We will be receiving designs until February 7th, at which time they will be prepared for a process at the February Presbytery meeting where we will reflect on which of these visions speak to us. We will not be choosing just one, but will look at the many and decide which ones might be incorporated into a final logo. We will then hand those off to a graphic designer to help us create one or a couple of final options, to be decided upon at the July meeting. Please send your designs to [asc@santafepresbytery.org](mailto:asc@santafepresbytery.org) or call 505-345-5657 to drop them by the Presbytery office.



**\*Submission details and guidelines for designing new logo for the Presbytery of Santa Fe - [Guidelines](#)**

## **WORSHIP AND MUSIC**

*By Don Bixby*

### **The Christian Liturgical Year**

Advent marks the beginning of the Christian Liturgical year, but Epiphany is the first Sunday of our secular year. In Western Christianity, the feast commemorates principally (but not solely) the visit of the Magi to the Christ Child. It is sometimes called Three Kings' Day. The traditional date for the feast is January 6, or the Twelve day after Christmas. Since 1970, the celebration is held on the Sunday after January 1. Popular Epiphany customs include Epiphany singing, chalking the door, having one's house blessed, consuming Three Kings Cake, winter swimming, as well as attending church services. In the Hispanic culture Epiphany is a significant holy day and our worship service this year will reflect a very Spanish flavor.

The liturgical color for Epiphany is white but changes to green the following day. On Sunday, January 12, we celebrate the Lord's baptism, and the color for that day is white, again, immediately changing back to green until the beginning of Lent, when the color is purple.

### **Sounds of the Season**

The Worship Committee, with initiation by Karmen Van Dyke, has contracted with Pace Electronics to upgrade our sanctuary sound system. We now have a new pulpit microphone, an additional channel on our sound board for another microphone, and other adjustments. We will all appreciate these improvements in our audio experience in worship.



### **Food Bank Donations**

The first Sunday of every month we celebrate Holy Communion and collect non-perishable food items for the regional food bank. In the last six months from July to December Second Church delivered 550.8 pounds of food to Road Runner Food Bank. **Mark January**

**5** on your calendar, and let's get the new year off to a great start with food donations.

<b>Food Bank Donations</b>	
<b>Month</b>	<b>Pounds Delivered</b>
July	70
August	23.8
September	126
October	150
November	108
December	73
<b>Total from July</b>	<b>550.8</b>

### **Flowers for Worship**

A sign-up sheet is posted in the Fellowship Hall, where you can choose a date to bring flowers for the service. It is our tradition that flowers for worship are provided to honor a person or event of significance, such as the memory of a departed loved one or an anniversary. Flowers should be delivered well before the beginning of the service. These flowers may then be taken to our members and friends in the Furthest Pew (shut-ins), if the "contributor" so desires.

### **Hospitality**

Fellowship is an important element of our church community. The gatherings after worship for coffee and conversation are in need of assistance to provide food and help with set-up and especially cleanup on Sunday mornings. A sign-up sheet is posted in the Fellowship Hall, where you can choose a date to contribute to this valuable ministry. For questions, contact Ella Porragas or Sandra Duran.



## **WED BIBLE STUDY WINTER/SPRING 2020 – THE EARLY CHURCH**

*11am-Noon on Wednesday*



### **Introducing: The Early Church**

“From its very beginning, the Christian message was grafted onto human history. The good news Christians proclaim is that in Jesus Christ, and for our salvation, God entered human history in a unique way. History is crucial for understanding not only the life of Jesus, but the entire biblical message.” Justo L. González The Story of Christianity

This is the

path through time we will follow :

- January 8 - Introduction and Overview
- January 15 - The Fullness of Time for Jesus’ coming
- January 22 - The Church in Jerusalem
- January 29 - The Mission to the Gentiles
- February 5 - First Conflicts with the State
- February 12 - Persecution in the 2nd Century
- February 19 - The Defense of the Faith
- February 26 - The Deposit of Faith: Creeds & more



## **SUNDAY MORNING ADULT EDUCATION**

*by Rev. Kay Huggins, Parish Associate*

**9:00 – 10:00 am, in the Conference Room of JI Candelaria Wing  
Winter Quarter of The Present Word: Honoring God**



Welcome to the winter quarter of The Present Word, a study of personal and corporate expressions of worship. We begin our study with King David, known as “a man after God’s own heart.” David is a strong example of a spiritual leader who worships God in his own life but who also takes bold measures to ensure Israel’s right worship as prescribed in God’s holy covenant. On December 22, the fourth Sunday of Advent, we look at worship through the eyes of Mary’s Song in Luke 1. Her worshipful song of thanksgiving and praise is reminiscent of many of the Hebrew psalms attributed to David.

In January 2020, we explore worship through the building of the Temple in Jerusalem. While David put all the plans in place for constructing a house for God, it was his son Solomon whom God ordained to complete the work. In February, we join the disciples to sit at the feet of Jesus and learn from his teaching on honoring God through our worship.

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!

## **PUERTO RICO UPDATE**

*( The following is the text of the letter that Lynn Gatewood read during worship on December 15. The text has been edited for readability. The original letter and pictures mentioned in the letter can be seen on the Puerto Rico page under CHURCH LIFE. – Ed. )*

**Instituto de Ciencias para la Conservación de Puerto Rico, INCICO**  
**Haciendas del Lago #21, calle 301, Bo. Carraizo, San Juan, P.R. 00926**  
**787-238-0694 / incicopuertorico@gmail.com**  
November 11, 2019

Hello Lynn:

I am writing to you, first to thank you and Ruth Silva, as well as the whole community of the Second Presbyterian Church of Albuquerque for the support you had provided to the diverse efforts I have been coordinating together with local community leadership after hurricane María severely damaged several of the most vulnerable and most rural communities in Puerto Rico.

I have received the check you sent of \$1,073.00 which I deposited last week in the Oriental Bank account of Instituto de Ciencias para la Conservación de Puerto Rico. For your information, I am including the deposit record here as an attachment.

We are still actively supporting the four community kitchens that provided food for residents in their immediate community who are living under insecure food conditions due to their weakness and vulnerable health, phyco-social instability, lack of family support, or very poor economic status. We also continue our efforts to find additional resources needed for the local fishing village in Playa Guayanés, Yabucoa, that still need to replace two freezers to keep their catch, two boat trailers to move their small boats in and out of the water, two outboard motors and help for one of the fisherman family to replace their FEMA blue tarp with a secured roof.

In the mountains of Cayey we also are supporting a community aqueduct that serves about 20 families of the rural community of Tinito Marín, in the town of Cayey. Here we have installed a chlorinating system to clean the water as it enters the reservoir tank of the aqueduct, a very important measure since the fresh water comes directly from a wild creek higher in mountains. The system was successfully installed and has been use for more than a year. However, the system works with cloro tablets that needs to be bought every year, and they are approaching the time where they may need to buy more to maintain the water quality they need. The families of this community are very active in managing and maintaining their aqueduct. However, the cost of tools, materials, and cloro supplies is a burden for them, so we help them as we can with these while they supply all the necessary labor work which does not represent a monetary expense.

For your information and reference, I am including some pictures of the fishing village in Yabucoa and of the aqueduct of Tinito Marin community because these are the two project areas where we expect to spend the funds you have sent this time. There is still a lot more to do, and all the support we can get is welcome. If you would like to know more about it, and more detailed information about our efforts to promote and build community capacity and resilience I will be happy to provide it.

Thanks again. I hope one day I have the chance to meet you and thank you personally for all your help as well as of the brothers and sisters of Second Presbyterian Church of Albuquerque.

**MR. MELECIO TRUJILLO, OUR EIGHTH PASTOR, SERVING 1916-17**

*From "A History of Second Presbyterian Church, 1889-2015", Gil Solis, ed.; pages 24-26*



***"A man of sterling, noble character and deep spiritual faith, no better person could have been selected to meet the challenges that this community and environs offered. A community which he served with dignity and pride, in all levels of existence during a great portion of his life."***

These words, taken from an award presented to him by the YMCA, embody the essential characteristics of the life of our next Pastor, Mr. Melecio Trujillo. He was a man of exceptional Christian integrity and deeply dedicated to serve his Lord in whatever capacity and in whatever situation.

Mr. Melecio Trujillo was born in Rio Chiquito, near Taos, New Mexico on December 5, 1886. At the age of 6, he was enrolled in the Presbyterian Mission School in Ranchos de Taos. He attended school for three months each year. In 1898, he entered the Presbyterian Mission School in Chimayo, New Mexico. He attended this school until 1907. He then enrolled as a student at Menaul School in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

While at Menaul School, he became a Presbyterian and from that day forward, Mr. Trujillo radiated the Christian life to the fullest. In 1911, he was one of six students in that year's graduating class. He was subsequently hired by Menaul School to take charge of the School's farm. He remained in that position for the next five years. It was at the end of this period that Mr. Trujillo consented to serve as a lay evangelist for the Presbyterian Church. He was assigned to take charge of the Spanish Church in Los Martinez and the Spanish Presbyterian Church in Placitas, New Mexico.

In 1917, he enrolled in the agricultural college at Las Cruces, New Mexico. During the summers he served as the assistant to the Bernalillo County Agricultural Agent. In 1920-21, he organized 4-H Clubs for boys and girls. He spent the year 1922 at home in Chimayo, New Mexico taking care of the family farm. In the spring of 1923, Mr. Trujillo was recommended by the State College in Las Cruces for a job with the YMCA in Miami, Arizona. Miami was the site of a copper mine. This mine employed many Mexican laborers. As with today's immigrant laborers, these Mexican nationals, having left their families behind in search of better wages, sent most of their earnings back home to their families.

Consequently, there was very little to do during their hours away from work. The YMCA recognized this opportunity to help these men, so Mr. Trujillo was hired to spearhead the YMCA's efforts.

He saw this as an opportunity to counsel and guide these men in living a wholesome, Christian life. While in Miami, Mr. Trujillo became an Elder in the Miami Presbyterian Church under the pastorate of Rev. Moreno. He remained in Miami until 1926, when he was offered a more lucrative and responsible position with the YMCA. He was to be the Regional Executive Secretary in El Paso, Texas. While in this capacity he continued working with the Mexican people. He surrendered the work in Miami to another Menaul graduate, Mr. Alfonso Esquibel, who later became a Presbyterian minister.

Rev. Alfonso Esquibel and his wife Ada were instrumental in spreading the gospel in Las Vegas, NM. Their son, Alfonso Esquibel, Jr. and grand daughter, Lisa Esquibel attended Second Presbyterian Church in Albuquerque.

While in El Paso, Mr. Trujillo joined the Spanish Presbyterian Church there and served as an Elder. During his lifetime, he served as an elder for a total of seventy years. He also served as a commissioner to the General



Assembly on three separate occasions. The first time in Miami, Arizona, and twice in El Paso, Texas. He also attained the rank of 32nd degree mason in the Masonic Order.

The award quoted at the beginning, continues with these words ....

**"The value of the little things and personal favors amounted  
To 'great, noble' little things to all the people he served,  
Always finding something he could do and so endearing  
Himself to all the children, youth and adults.  
He gave to the word 'Compatriota' a greater, deeper  
Meaning of friendship and love which will be in our  
Minds and hearts forever,"**

Although he was showered with praise and awards for his work everywhere, it never changed his down-to-earth, friendly and humble character. A devout Christian and staunch Presbyterian, the ranks of the ordained clergy missed out on one who could have become an outstanding ordained clergyman.

Mr. Melecio Trujillo passed on to his eternal reward the 7th of February, 1983, in a hospital in Española, New Mexico.

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## **SECOND PRESBYTERIAN VETERANS' MEMORIAL**

*by Eli Lopez, Men's Group Moderator*

Have you come into the fellowship Hall from the North parking lot? If you have, you have probably seen the Veterans' Memorial which was placed there in honor of all veterans from Second Presbyterian Church who have served our country. This memorial was placed there on November 10, 2019, the day before Veterans' Day. Our Presbyterian Men's group is responsible for taking on this project and seeing it through to fruition. A core group of men have been actively working on getting this memorial done for several years. After much planning, design, and getting it approved by Session, it is finally done and standing tall. We encourage everyone to stop by and see it for yourselves. Due to time constraints we have not officially dedicated this memorial. The Presbyterian Men's group will plan for a dedication date later in the spring.



***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.*

<b><i>Date</i></b>	<b><i>BIRTHDAYS</i></b>	<b><i>ANNIVERSARIES</i></b>
Jan 1	Mario Romero Isaac Torres	
Jan 2	Trancito Romero	
Jan 3	Sabrina Bowers Reina Martinez	Reina and Marty Martinez
Jan 4	Jessie McCoy	
Jan 8	Tyrell Molo	
Jan 9	Serina Griego Katherine Lee	
Jan 11	Bob Romero	Desirae and Jude Austin
Jan 12	David Lopez Caroline Zeek	
Jan 15	Joyce Carlson-Leavitt	
Jan 17	Christopher Yela	Gloria and Gil Solis
Jan 19	Pam Quiñones	
Jan 20	Emily Lopez	
Jan 21	Mabel Reincke	
Jan 23	Dinorah Rodriguez	
Jan 26	Cynthia Chalberg-Hale Christina Villareal	
Jan 28	Rylan Gilliam	
Jan 29	Kay Huggins Victor Suazo	
Jan 31	Carla Drake	

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***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](mailto:livewire@secondpresabq.org) or by notifying the Pastor or Office.***

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# January 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
29 9:00 AM Adult Sunday school 10:30 AM Bilingual Worship Service 11:30 AM Children's Choir 11:30 AM Fellowship Time	30	31	1 New Year's Day	2 6:00 PM Choir Practice	3 10:00 AM Church Women United	4 9:00 AM Congregational Work Day
5 9:00 AM Adult Sunday school 10:00 AM Storehouse food collection 10:30 AM Bilingual Worship Service 11:30 AM Children's Choir 11:30 AM Fellowship Time	6 10:00 AM Presbyterian Women - Bible Study & Potluck 5:30 PM WINGS Ministry	7	8 12:00 PM LiveWire Committee 6:00 PM Choir Practice	9 6:00 PM Choir Practice	10 12:00 PM Annual Reports for 2019 are Due	11
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26 9:00 AM Adult Sunday school 10:30 AM Bilingual Worship Service 11:30 AM Congregation Annual Meeting 11:30 AM Children's Choir 12:00 PM Fellowship Time	27 Second Foundry... anniversary 1889 5:30 PM WINGS Ministry	28	29 6:00 PM Choir Practice	30 6:00 PM Choir Practice	31 9:00 AM Congregational Work Day	1

Mountain Time Time Zone

If your Calendar application supports the iCal format, subscribe to our calendar using the following address.  
<https://calendar.google.com/calendar/ical/secondpresabq%4ogmail.com/public/basic.ics>

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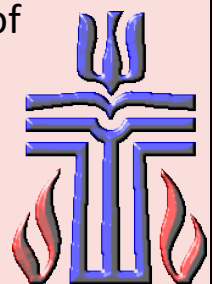
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**Bilingual Worship Services Sundays at 10:30 am**

**South parking lot: 35.090136, -106.640028**

**North parking lot: 35.090788, -106.639597**

**If you are more fortunate than others, build a longer table, not a taller fence.**