

Bryce Avenue

Presbyterian Church

A congregation of the Presbyterian Church in America

Welcome

*To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest;
to all who mourn and long for comfort;
to all who struggle and desire victory;
to all who sin and need a Savior;
to all who are strangers and want fellowship;
to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness;
and to whoever will come —
this church opens wide her doors
and offers her welcome in the name of
the Lord Jesus Christ.*

The Lord's Day, June 26, 2022

+ Confession of Faith

Westminster Confession of Faith 33.1-3

God hath appointed a day, wherein he will judge the world, in righteousness, by Jesus Christ, to whom all power and judgment is given of the Father. In which day, not only the apostate angels shall be judged, but likewise all persons that have lived upon earth shall appear before the tribunal of Christ, to give an account of their thoughts, words, and deeds; and to receive according to what they have done in the body, whether good or evil.

The end of God's appointing this day is for the manifestation of the glory of his mercy, in the eternal salvation of the elect; and of his justice, in the damnation of the reprobate, who are wicked and disobedient. For then shall the righteous go into everlasting life, and receive that fullness of joy and refreshing, which shall come from the presence of the Lord; but the wicked who know not God, and obey not the gospel of Jesus Christ, shall be cast into eternal torments, and be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord, and from the glory of his power.

As Christ would have us to be certainly persuaded that there shall be a day of judgment, both to deter all men from sin; and for the greater consolation of the godly in their adversity: so will he have that day unknown to men, that they may shake off all carnal security, and be always watchful, because they know not at what hour the Lord will come; and may be ever prepared to say, Come Lord Jesus, come quickly, Amen.

The Law of God

Psalms 119:121-128

I have done justice and righteousness;
Do not leave me to my oppressors.
Be surety for Your servant for good;
Do not let the arrogant oppress me.
My eyes fail *with longing* for Your salvation
And for Your righteous word.
Deal with Your servant according to Your lovingkindness
And teach me Your statutes.
I am Your servant; give me understanding,
That I may know Your testimonies.
It is time for the Lord to act,
For they have broken Your law.
Therefore I love Your commandments
Above gold, yes, above fine gold.
Therefore I esteem right all *Your* precepts concerning everything,
I hate every false way.

The Corporate Confession of Sin

O Holy God, we have not cherished Your commandments above all earthly possessions. We have not hated falsehood. But we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed. We are law-breakers, and Your justice would require our damnation were it not for the substitutionary atonement of Jesus Christ our Savior. Look not on our sin, but on the Lamb who was slain for us. In His name we pray, amen.

+ The Assurance of Pardon *Psalm 103:8-13*

The Lord is compassionate and gracious,
Slow to anger and abounding in lovingkindness.
He will not always strive *with us*,
Nor will He keep *His anger* forever.
He has not dealt with us according to our sins,
Nor rewarded us according to our iniquities.
For as high as the heavens are above the earth,
So great is His lovingkindness toward those who fear Him.
As far as the east is from the west,
So far has He removed our transgressions from us.
Just as a father has compassion on *his* children,
So the Lord has compassion on those who fear Him.

+ The Thanksgiving Hymn 470, *"How Vast the Benefits Divine"*
(*Psalm 89*)

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD PROCLAIMED

The Scripture Lesson Matthew 5:13-16 (Pew Bible pg. 3, New Testament)

The Prayer for Illumination

The Sermon *"The Flavor of Covenant Salt"* Pastor Merle Messer

Prayer of Dedication

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

+ The Response Hymn 99, *"My Song Forever Shall Record"*

The Prayers of Petition and Intercession

Our Father which art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

The Presentation of our Tithes and Offerings

+ The Doxology (OLD HUNDREDTH, L.M.)
Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heav'nly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

+ The Offertory Prayer

+ Benediction

+ The Response *"Now Blessed Be the Lord Our God"*
Psalm 72:18; *Scottish Psalter 1650*; Tune: DUNDEE, C.M.

Now blessed be the Lord our God, the God of Israel,
for He alone does wondrous works, in glory that excel.

And blessed be His glorious Name to all eternity;
The whole earth let His glory fill. Amen, so let it be.

(+ If you are able, please stand)

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Announcements for Sunday, June 26, 2022

Welcome! May God in His mercy turn our hearts to Himself that we may worship Him *"in spirit and in truth."*

Welcome Visitors! We are delighted to have you join us for worship today. We are a congregation of the PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN AMERICA, a Bible-believing, confessional, and evangelical Reformed denomination. As a church, we strive to be, *"faithful to the Scriptures, true to the Reformed faith, and obedient to the Great Commission of Jesus Christ."* We invite you to learn more about our faith and our mission.

Hearing Assistance — If you would like a device to help with hearing the worship service, please see Elder Dave Forslund.

Sunday school — Please note that all Sunday School classes will be discontinued during the months of July and August. Coffee and snacks will be

provided at 10:00 am. Plan to come early to enjoy a time of fellowship before worship, which will begin at the normal time of 10:20 am.

June Special Mission Emphasis, Ministry to the Military & Internationals

MM&I establishes Presbyterian and Reformed Churches overseas to meet the spiritual needs of U.S. Military personnel, their families, Department of Defense Civilians, Contractors, Expatriates, and local nationals that speak English as a second language. This ministry establishes churches that are fully committed to the Word of God, to the biblical administration of the sacraments, and prayer. It aspires to establish a family of reconciled brothers and sisters who love God and love each other.

Guest Preacher — Today and next Sunday, July 3, we will have Pastor Merle Messer in our pulpit to proclaim God’s Word. Pastor Messer is a retired PCA pastor now living in Edgewood, NM. Before retiring in 2015, he pastored PCA churches in Slidell, LA, Jackson, MS, and Pearl, MS. He has also been President of Reformed International Theological Education, an organization which operates a reformed seminary in Ukraine.

This Week’s Activities: June 27 – July 3

<i>Wednesday</i>	8:00 a.m.	Elders’ prayer
<i>Sunday</i>	9:00 a.m.	No Sunday School
<i>Sunday</i>	10:20 a.m.	Morning Worship

Ministry Responsibilities: June 27 – July 3

<i>Bulletin preparation</i>	7/1	Mary Ann Lewis
<i>Snacks and coffee</i>	7/3	Need Volunteer
<i>Greeting</i>	7/3	Kwon Family
<i>June Laundry</i>		Need Volunteer

Prayer Requests:

- Our Christian brothers and sisters in Ukraine still suffering from invasion
- The work of Christian organizations ministering to the people of Ukraine
- Our elected government leaders and the judiciary
- The victims of natural-disasters
- More moisture to end the drought
- The persecuted Church of Jesus around the world
- Revival and reformation of true faith and practice
- Peace and purity of our denomination
- PCA following General Assembly
- Preserve, protect, and prosper our families in Christ
- The addition of new families to our number that our witness might grow
- Those undergoing therapy for cancer

- Those with continuing physical needs
- Marilyn Finnegan and her family as they deal with her strokes
- Brian Emkeit suffering from the serious effects of cancer
- Pastor Shelby Moon, Westminster PCA, Alamogordo – cancer treatment
- Officer training program – discerning God’s call, gifts, and direction
- Family members who have wandered away from Christ
- Eyes focused more and more on our Savior and Lord
- Hearts overflowing with thanksgiving for all God’s blessings to us
- Lives exhibiting the great joy of our salvation
- Lewis Family



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"ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake..." - II Corinthians 4:5

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