



Presbytery of Santa Fe

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (USA)

Morning Worship

May 9, 2021

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Mother's Day

A Joint Morning Worship Service

Presbytery of Santa Fe
White Rock Presbyterian Church
United Church of Los Alamos
First Presbyterian Church of Taos
Westminster Presbyterian Church, Santa Fe
First Presbyterian Church of Santa Fe

Gathering Around the Word

Greeting
and
Announcements

Rev. Deb Worley

Prelude *Prelude in G*, BWV 557

Bach Circle

Call to Worship

Rev. Deb Worley

One: We come with joy to this celebration of God's love!

All: **Open our hearts, Lord, to receive your love.**

One: We come with hope to this witness to God's power!

All: **Challenge and encourage our spirits to serve you, Lord.**

One: We come with a willingness to proclaim God's presence to all.

All: **We thank God for this invitation to worship, witness, and serve. Amen.**

Hymn 205

Live in Charity

1 Live in charity
and steadfast love.
Live in charity;
God will dwell with you.

2 Ubi caritas
et amor,
ubi caritas
Deus ibi est.

3 Live in charity
and steadfast love.
Live in charity;
God will dwell with you.

Prayer of Confession
in unison

Rev. David Elton

**Holy God,
we bow before you in prayer knowing that our lives have not been holy.**

**We are sorry for the words we have said and actions we have done that go
against your intent and vision for our lives.**

We regret the times we have overlooked the needs of those around us.

**We are sorry for those times when our lives revealed a lack of faith and trust in
you.**

**We long to embrace your command to love neighbor as self and for fuller
communion with sisters and brothers in Christ.**

**Merciful God, forgive us. Renew us in all ways during this Easter season. Help us
to live life by your promise, strength, and grace. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

Rev. David Elton

Proclaiming the Word

Scripture

John 15: 9-17

Tom Kingston

[Jesus said,] "As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

"This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father.

"You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another."

Lectura

San Juan 15: 9-17

Rev. Virginia Bairby

[Jesus dijo,] «Yo los he amado a ustedes tanto como el Padre me ha amado a mí. Permanezcan en mi amor. Cuando obedecen mis mandamientos, permanecen en

mi amor, así como yo obedezco los mandamientos de mi Padre y permanezco en su amor. Les he dicho estas cosas para que se llenen de mi gozo; así es, desbordarán de gozo.

«Este es mi mandamiento: ámense unos a otros de la misma manera en que yo los he amado. No hay un amor más grande que el dar la vida por los amigos. Ustedes son mis amigos si hacen lo que yo les mando. Ya no los llamo esclavos, porque el amo no confía sus asuntos a los esclavos. Ustedes ahora son mis amigos, porque les he contado todo lo que el Padre me dijo.

«Ustedes no me eligieron a mí, yo los elegí a ustedes. Les encargué que vayan y produzcan frutos duraderos, así el Padre les dará todo lo que pidan en mi nombre. Este es mi mandato: ámense unos a otros.»

Leader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to you and to the church.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Moments with the Children

Rev. Madeline Hart-Andersen

Sermon

Rev. Harry Eberts

Hymn 7

Mothering God, You Gave Me Birth

1 Mothering God, you gave me birth
in the bright morning of this world.
Creator, source of every breath,
you are my rain, my wind, my sun.

2 Mothering Christ, you took my form,
offering me your food of light,
grain of life, and grape of love,
your very body for my peace.

3 Mothering Spirit, nurturing one,
in arms of patience hold me close,
so that in faith I root and grow
until I flower, until I know.

Responding to the Word

Responding in Prayer

Rev. Virginia Bairby

The Lord's Prayer

in unison

Our Father who 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.

Offering

Rev. Madeline Hart-Andersen

You are encouraged to go to your church's website if they have online giving, if not, perhaps consider writing a check and mailing it. Our churches need your support right now to keep doing ministry. You might also want to give to the Presbytery's Family to Family Fund, to support those who are hardest hit by the new realities of social distancing at <https://santafepresbytery.org/>

Offertory Anthem

Christ is Risen

Percy Whitlock

First Presbyterian Church Chancel Choir

He is risen:
Tell it with a joyful voice;
He has burst his three days' prison;
Let the whole wide earth rejoice.
Death is conquered, Man is free,
Christ has won the victory.

Come, ye sad and fearfulhearted,
With glad smile and radiant brow;
Lent's long shadows have departed,
All his woes are over now,
And the passion that He bore:
Sin and pain can vex no more.

Come with high and holy hymning, Chant our Lord's triumphant lay;
Not one darksome cloud is dimming Yonder glorious morning ray,
Breaking o'er the purple East, Brighter far our Easterfeast.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Rev. Madeline Hart-Andersen

Hymn 317

In Christ There is No East or West

1 In Christ there is no east or west,
in him no south or north,
but one great fellowship of love
throughout the whole wide earth.

3 Join hands, disciples of the faith,
whate'er your race may be.
All children of the living God
are surely kin to me.

2 In Christ shall true hearts ev'rywhere
their high communion find.
His service is the golden cord
close-binding humankind.

4 In Christ now meet both east and west,
in him meet south and north.
All Christly souls are one in him
throughout the whole wide earth.

Go Forth in Peace

Benediction

Rev. Harry Eberts

Postlude

Fugue in G, BWV 557

Bach Circle

Passing of the Peace

Call someone from your church and check on them and pray together.

Serving Today

Officiants: The Rev. Deb Worley, Pastor of White Rock Presbyterian Church
The Rev. David Elton, Senior Pastor of the United Church of Los Alamos
The Rev. Virginia Bairby, Pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Taos
The Rev. Madeline Hart-Andersen, Pastor of Westminster Presbyterian Church, Santa Fe
The Rev. Dr. Harry Eberts, Pastor of First Presbyterian Church of Santa Fe

Liturgist: Tom Kingston, First Presbyterian Church of Santa Fe
Organist: Dr. Linda Raney, Director of Music, First Presbyterian Church of Santa Fe
Vocalist: Travis Bregier, Baritone, Assistant Choir Director, First Presbyterian Church of Santa Fe
Choir: First Presbyterian Church Chancel Choir, Santa Fe

Soprano	Alto	Tenor	Bass
Betsy Byers	Nina Brown	Keytha Jones	Travis Bregier
Jill McCormick	Margaret Dean	Michael Roybal	Jim Toebs
Elizabeth Roghair	Jenny Harland		Tim Willson
	Joy Ice		
	Sue Kingston		

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