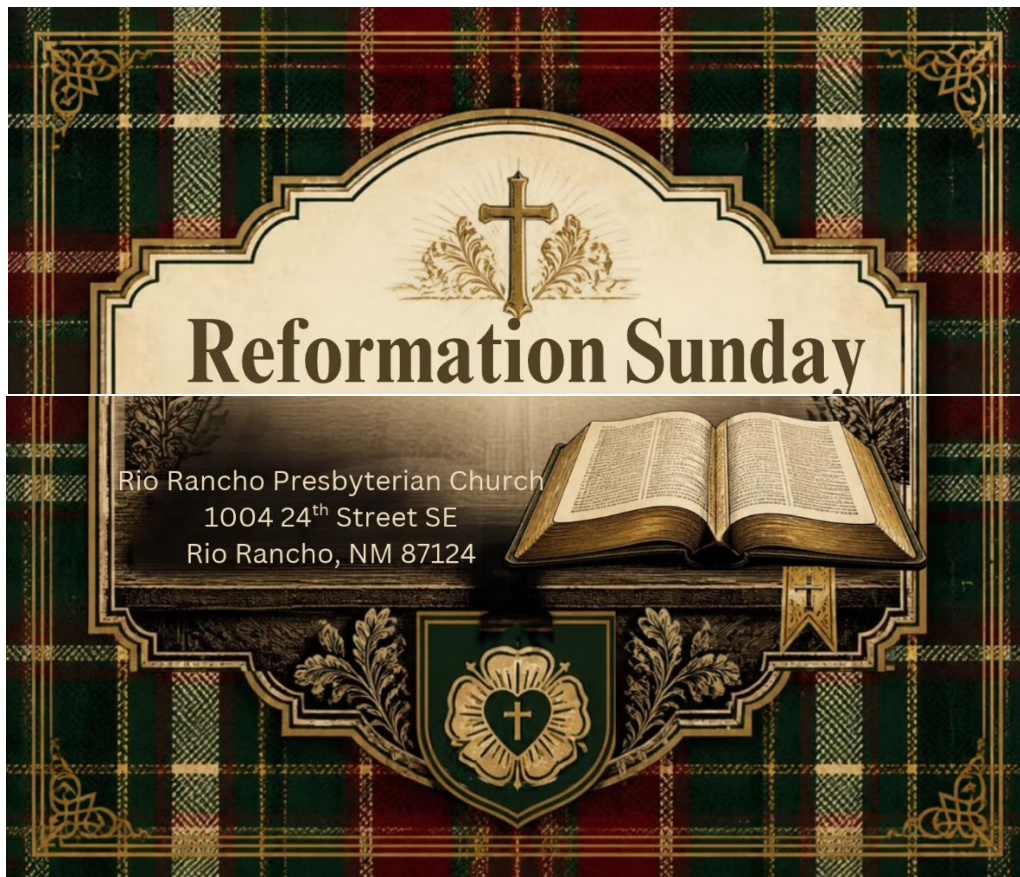




October 25, 2026

22nd Sunday after Pentecost

Kirking of the Tartan

Pastor: Rev. Dr. Deborah Huggins

Liturgist: Karen Beaton

Psalmist: Thom Hinks

Greeter: Denise Baker & Karen Williams

Ushers: Pat Gerlach, Betty Jarous, Joan Roschevitz, Joy Sternberg

Flowers: Given by Pat & Leah Gerlach in honor of our 55th
Wedding Anniversary!

Early Morning Security: Dave Sternberg

October Sanctuary Stewards: Denise Baker & Beth Miller

November Sanctuary Stewards: Liz Bushma & Sharon Glass

Director of Music: Nancy Leffler

Accompanist: Nathan Secrest

Rio Rancho Presbyterian Church

Gathering Music *The Lord is My Shepherd*

Welcome & Announcements, including prayer concerns

Minute for Stewardship Bill Shanklin

Passing of the Peace

Pastor: The Lord be with you

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Let us share Christ's peace with each other.

Introit *As We Gather in This Place* Chancel Choir

Prelude *There is a Happy Land* - arr. by Mary McDonald

Call to Worship (from the Iona Abbey Worship Book) Karen Beaton

Leader: With nature in its power and beauty, with rain and wind
and sunshine, with the ancient rocks and the budding
flower,

People: We gather in praise of God.

Leader: With believers and seekers the whole world wide, with
people in every land, and speakers of every language,

People: We gather in praise of God.

Leader: With the angels and the saints in heaven, with those
who built this community here, and with all who have
worshiped in this place,

People: We gather in praise of God.

Leader: With Jesus who promised his presence and the spirit
who showers her blessings,

People: We gather in praise of God.

Leader: Here let heaven and earth embrace;

People: Here may God's people find home.

***Hymn #649**

Amazing Grace

Call to Confession (from the 1637 Book of Common Worship)

Bobby Simpson

DEARLY beloved brethren, the Scripture moveth us in sundry places, to acknowledge and confesse our manifold sins and wickednesse, and that we should not dissemble nor cloak them before the face of Almighty God our heavenly Father, but confesse them with an humble, lowly, penitent, and obedient heart: to the end that wee may obtain forgivenessse of the same by his infinite goodnesse and mercy. And although we ought at all times, humbly to knowledge our sins before God: yet ought we most chiefly so to do, when we assemble and meet together to render thanks for the great benefits that we have received at his hands, to set forth his most worthy praise, to heare his most holy Word, and to aske those things which bee requisite and necessary, as well for the body as the soul. Wherefore I pray and beseech you, as many as be here present, to accompany me with a pure heart and humble voyce, unto the throne of the heavenly grace, saying after me:

Prayer of Confession (unison):

Bobby Simpson

**All: ALMIGHTY and most mercifull Father, we have erred
and strayed from thy wayes, like lost sheep, we have
followed too much the devices and desires of our own**

hearts: we have offended against thy holy Laws, wee have left undone those things which wee ought to have done, and we have done those things which we ought not to have done: and there is no health in us: but thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us miserable offenders: Spare thou them, O God, which confesse their faults: Restore thou them that be penitent, according to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesu our Lord: and grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of thy holy Name, and the salvation of our own souls. Amen.

Choral Response *Lord, Have Mercy Upon Us*

*Lord, have mercy upon us; Christ, have mercy upon us;
Lord, have mercy upon us.*

Assurance of Pardon

Bobby Simpson

ALMIGHTY GOD, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who desireth not the death of a sinner, but rather that he may turn from his wickednesse and live: and who hath given power and commandement to the Presbyters of his Church the Ministers of his gospel, to declare and pronounce to his people being penitent, the absolution and remission of their sins : The same Almighty GOD pardoneth and absolveth all them which truly repent, and unfeignedly beleeve his holy gospel. Wherefore wee beseech him to grant us true repentance and his holy Spirit, that wee may receive from him absolution from all our sins, that those things may please him, which we do at this present, and that the rest of our life hereafter, may be pure and holy: so that at the last we may come to his eternal joy: through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Glory be to the Father/Gloria Patri (Hymn #581)

Prayer for Illumination

Karen Beaton

Leader: Listen for God's word coming to us in scripture.

People: Our hearts and minds are open.

Leader: God be in our listening, God be in our understanding.

All: Amen.

Reading from the Psalter: Psalm 1

Thom Hinks

(This can be found on p. 479 of your pew Bible.)

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

Word Through Music *With Gladsome Heart* Chancel Choir

Reading from the Gospel: Matthew 22: 34-40 Deborah Huggins

(This can be found on p. 900 of your pew Bible.)

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

With All of Your Heart, Soul, and Mind

Rev. Dr. Deborah Huggins

***Hymn #825** *Swing Low, Sweet Chariot*

Choral Call to Prayer *Hear Our Prayer, O Lord*

Hear our prayer, O Lord. Hear our prayer, O Lord.

Incline thine ear to us; and grant us thy peace.

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer Deborah Huggins

Leader: Maker and lover of all, in the mystery of your kindness you have bound us to each other, and called us to serve the earth and its people.

So hear us, as in this ancient place of worship we pray for the church to which we belong that they may ever be centres of faith, hospitality and imagination, modeling the future rather than lamenting the past.

Leader: God in your mercy

ALL: Hear our prayer.

Grateful for the life in our bodies, we pray for those whose lives are diminished by ill health, depression, grief, or rejection, asking for the healing, the affirming, the listening, which will encourage and restore them.

Leader: God in your mercy

ALL: Hear our prayer.

Conscious of the peace of this place, we pray for those who have no peace because of war, or the threat of violence, or the grip of hunger, or the loss of hope. May the voice of the victims be heard. And the work of the peacemakers be blessed.

Leader: God in your mercy

ALL: Hear our prayer.

Surrounded by rugged and tender beauty, we pray for the earth, especially where it is damaged by human carelessness and threatened by human greed; and ask that we may learn to care for the earth as you do.

Leader: God in your mercy

ALL: Hear our prayer.

The Lord's Prayer

Call for the Offering

Karen Beaton

Leader: All that we have and all that we are are God's gifts to us. So here we return a token of our wealth asking that it and all we possess be used to God's glory.

People: Blessed be God for ever.

Offertory *I'll Fly Away* - by Old Time Religion Ensemble

***Doxology**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Christ, all people here below; praise Holy Spirit evermore; praise Triune God whom we adore. Amen.

Prayer of Dedication

Karen Beaton

Leader: In gratitude for this moment, this place, those around us, Christ among us, we give ourselves and these our gifts to you our God. Take us out to live as changed people because we have met the risen Christ and cannot be the same.

All: Ask much of us, expect much of us, encourage many through us.

Leader: So we may live to your glory, both as inhabitants of earth and citizens of the commonwealth of heaven. **Amen.**

***Sending Song #12** *Immortal, Invisible God Only Wise*

Charge and Benediction

Benediction Response *Go With God*

Postlude *Down By the Riverside* - by Mark McDonald

Thank you for worshipping with us!

*Please rise in body or spirit as you are comfortable.

Music: One License #A-736655

649 Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound

1 A - maz - ing grace, how sweet the sound, that
 2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and
 3 Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares, I
 4 The Lord has prom - ised good to me; his
 5 When we've been there ten thou - sand years, bright

saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but
 grace my fears re - lieved. How pre - cious did that
 have al - read - y come. 'Tis grace has brought me
 word my hope se - cures. He will my shield and
 shin - ing as the sun, we've no less days to

now am found, was blind, but now I see.
 grace ap - pear the hour I first be - lieved!
 safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.
 por - tion be as long as life en - dures.
 sing God's praise than when we'd first be - gun.

CHOCTAW

Shilombish holitopa ma!
 Ishmminti pulla cha
 hatak ilbusha pia ha
 is pi yukpalashke.

CREEK

Po ya fek cha he thlat ah tet
 ah non ah cha pa kas
 cha fee kee o funnan la kus
 um e ha ta la yus.

NAVAHO

Nizhónígo joobá diits' a'
 yisdáshítinígí,
 lah yóóiyá, k'ad
 shénáhoosdzin,
 doo eesh'íí da nt'ée.

As was his custom, the author wrote this hymn to accompany his sermon on 1 Chronicles 17:16-17, preached on January 1, 1773; he called it "Faith's Review and Expectation." Much of its current popularity comes from this now-familiar tune, an association that began in 1835.

825 Swing Low, Sweet Chariot

Refrain

Swing low, sweet char - i - ot, com-ing for to car-ry me home.

Swing low, sweet char - i - ot, com-ing for to car-ry me home. *Fine*

1 I looked o-ver Jor-dan, and what did I see com-ing for to car-ry me home?
 2 If you get there be - fore I do, com-ing for to car-ry me home,
 3 The bright - est day that ev - er I saw, com-ing for to car-ry me home,
 4 I'm some-times up and some-times down, com-ing for to car-ry me home,

to Refrain
 A band of an-gels com-ing af-ter me, com-ing for to car-ry me home. O,
 tell all my friends I'm com - ing too, com-ing for to car-ry me home. O,
 when Je - sus washed my sins a - way, com-ing for to car-ry me home. O,
 but still my soul feels heaven-ly bound, com-ing for to car-ry me home. O,

While ostensibly based on Elijah's ascent into heaven (2 Kings 2:11), this African American spiritual also communicates the enslaved people's hope that they might find deliverance across a river (i.e. in the free states beyond the Ohio). Call-and-response singing enhances this piece.

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise 12

1 Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,
 2 Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light,
 3 To all, life thou giv - est, to both great and small.
 4 Thou reign - est in glo - ry; thou dwell - est in light.

in light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,
 nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, thou rul - est in might:
 In all life thou liv - est, the true life of all.
 Thine an - gels a - dore thee, all veil - ing their sight.

most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,
 thy jus - tice, like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove;
 We blos - som and flour - ish like leaves on the tree,
 All praise we would ren - der; O help us to see

al - might - y, vic - to - rious, thy great name we praise.
 thy clouds, which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.
 then with - er and per - ish; but naught chang - eth thee.
 'tis on - ly the splen - dor of light hid - eth thee!

The opening line of this hymn was inspired by the three divine attributes listed in 1 Timothy 1:17 (King James Version), and it continues by considering how God's life exceeds our own finite existence. The text is well set to a Welsh melody shaped by many three-note units.

Welcome to Rio Rancho Presbyterian Church!

Pastor: Rev. Dr. Deborah Huggins

Today's Sermon: With All of Your Heart, Soul, and Mind

Next Week's Volunteers:

Liturgist: John Hood

Psalmist: Dave Shambach

Greeters: See Victoria to volunteer!

Ushers: See Maria to volunteer!

Security: Steve Sproul



Monday, Oct 26

10am Bible Study with Pastor Deborah, her office

7pm AA

Tuesday, Oct 27

9-12pm New Horizon Band Rehearsal

2pm Book Club at Henriksen's home

7-8pm Al Anon

Wednesday, Oct 28

7-8pm Al Anon

Thursday, Oct 29

10am Gentle Exercise

11:30 am Yoga

6:30pm Bell Choir Rehearsal

7:30 - 9pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Friday, Oct 30

7pm AA

Saturday, Oct 31

HAPPY HALLOWEEN!



Thanksgiving Pies



See the table in the narthex to order your Thanksgiving Pies! Don will gladly take your order before AND after church. They tend to sell out fast so order TODAY. Sales to benefit the Scholarship Fund. Thank you!

November 1st is ALL SAINTS DAY

If you have lost a loved one this year, please submit the name of your loved one to Ginny by Tuesday. We will read their name and toll the bell during worship service NEXT WEEK.

Calendar of Weekly Events

Sunday, October 25, 2026

Reformation Sunday

9:00am Choir Rehearsal

10:00am Worship

11:15am Fellowship & Refreshments

12-1pm Blessing of the Animals



Blessing of the Animals TODAY, October 25th 12pm-1pm

Bring your animals for a special blessing, free pup cups and ice cream for all! Stuffed animals will get a ride in Brighty Boo! Invite your friends from school. All are welcome!

Clean-Up Day Saturday, November 21st 8:30am-1pm

Please volunteer to help us get the church ready for our Advent/Christmas season. We need your help!! Refreshments and drinks provided. Many hands will make this so much fun! Please see the poster and sign up sheet in the narthex. See Pat, Leah or Dave.



Storehouse West: Help us collect items for Holiday Dinners!

Stuffing

Canned Vegetables

Canned Gravy

Canned Fruit

Soups

And don't forget the
Cranberry Sauce!

**Deadline: NEXT WEEK,
November 1st!**

