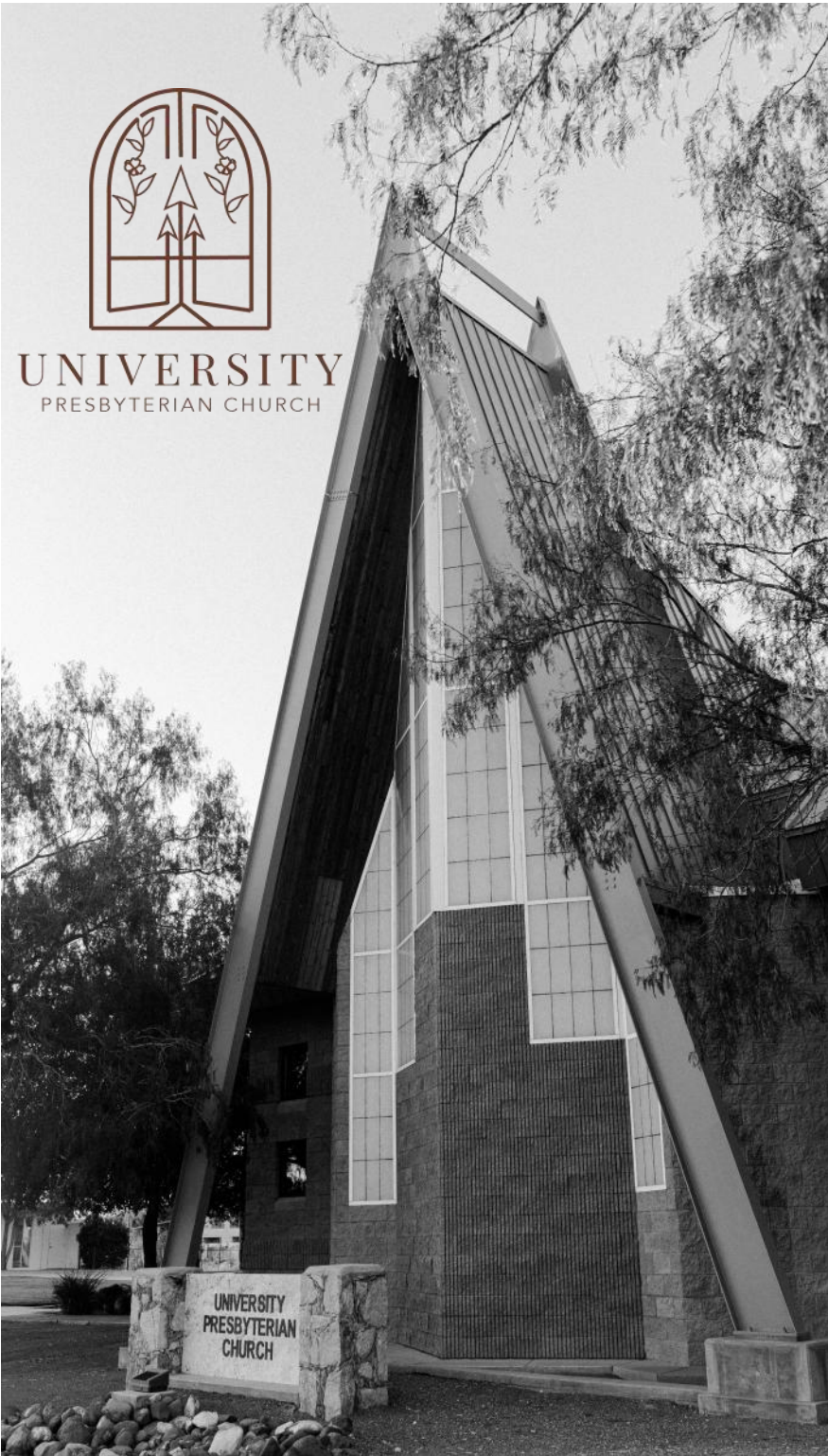




UNIVERSITY
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



SUNDAY

WORSHIP

May 31, 2026

Rooted in the Gospel
Shaped in Community
Cultivating Disciples

Deliver us, when we draw near to you, from coldness of heart and wanderings of mind, that with steadfast thoughts and kindled affections we may worship you in spirit and in truth, through Jesus Christ Our Lord.

Amen.

Welcome

We are so glad you're here today! Whether it's your first time at UPC or your first time at church altogether, we just want you to know that you're welcome here.

If you have any questions about what you are seeing today, becoming members, or life at UPC, we invite you to reach out. We invite you to connect with our Deacons at UPCdeacons@upclc.com.



Scan here to visit our website at www.upclc.com. Connect, watch live, and learn more about the life of UPC.

Preparing for worship

Jesus invites us to come as we are, knowing He will not leave us there. So, we invite you to take a few moments of quiet reflection before the service to prepare your heart for worship.

Parents with small children

We understand parenting is challenging! In an effort to support you, we offer a staffed nursery for our youngest ones (ages 0-3) during each worship service. Our hope, however, is for our children to participate in corporate worship as soon as they are able.

Sharing a prayer request

Prayer is the communication of our desires to God our Father. Prayer is not simply thinking about God or having concerns. Rather, prayer is expressing need from the heart to God.



Scan to share a prayer request.

Order of Worship

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Oh come, let us sing to the LORD;
let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!
Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;
let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!

Congregation: For the LORD is a great God,
and a great King above all gods.
In his hand are the depths of the earth;
the heights of the mountains are his also.
The sea is his, for he made it,
and his hands formed the dry land.

Leader: Oh come, let us worship and bow down;
let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!

All: For he is our God,
and we are the people of his pasture,
and the sheep of his hand.

Psalm 95:1–7

* PRAYER OF ADORATION

*“God of Wonders”

Byrd/Hindalong

Lord of all creation,
Of water, earth and sky,



Call to Worship

A formal invitation to the congregation to enter corporate worship. It is drawn from Scripture and unites the congregation in acknowledging God's presence and preparing their hearts for worship.

* Please stand if you're able.

The heavens are your tabernacle,
Glory to the Lord on high.

[Chorus]

God of wonders, beyond our galaxy,

You are holy, holy.

The universe declares your majesty.

You are holy, holy.

Lord of Heaven and earth,

Lord of Heaven and earth.

Early in the morning,

I will celebrate the light.

And when I stumble into darkness,

I will call your name by night.

Hallelujah! To the Lord of Heaven and earth.

Hallelujah! To the Lord of Heaven and earth.

Hallelujah! To the Lord of Heaven and earth.

[Chorus 2]

God of wonders, beyond our galaxy,

You are holy, holy.

Precious Lord, reveal Your heart to me;

Father hold me, hold me.

The universe declares your majesty.

You are holy, holy.

Lord of Heaven and earth,

Lord of Heaven and earth.

Marc Byrd, Steve Hindalong

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CALL TO CONFESSION

Let love be genuine. Abhor what is evil; hold fast to what is good. Love one another with brotherly affection. Outdo one another in showing honor. Do not be slothful in zeal, be fervent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints and seek to show hospitality.

Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another. Do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly. Never be wise in your own sight.

Repay no one evil for evil, but give thought to do what is honorable in the sight of all. If possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave it to the wrath of God, for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord." To the contrary, "if your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink; for by so doing you will heap burning coals on his head." Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

Romans 12:9–21

SILENT CONFESSION



Call to Confession

An invitation to bring our sins before The LORD. Because of Christ's work on the cross, we can confess freely, knowing that in Him, there is no condemnation, only grace and restoration.

CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we 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 you, O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders. Spare those, O God, who confess their faults. Restore those who are repentant, according to your promises declared to mankind, in Christ Jesus 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 your holy name. Amen.

Book of Common Prayer (1552)

* WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that repentance for the forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem.

Luke 24:46–47

Congregation: Amen.

Leader: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

Congregation: The Maker of heaven and earth.

Leader: O Lord, open our lips,



Words of Assurance

These words are an invitation to rest in God's grace. He declares that all who repent and believe in Jesus are completely forgiven from all of their sins, and their guilt wiped clean.

* Please stand if you're able.

Congregation: and our mouths will sing your praise.

***“The Precious Blood”**

Gagnon

Before the cross I kneel and see
The measure of my sin,
How You became a curse for me
Though You were innocent.
The magnitude of Your great love
Was shown in full degree,
When righteous blood, the crimson spill
Rained down from Calvary.

[Chorus]

Oh, the precious blood
That flowed from Mercy’s side
Washed away my sin
When Christ my Savior died.
Oh, the precious blood
Of Christ the crucified.
It speaks for me before Your throne
Where I stand justified.

And who am I that I should know
This treasure of such worth:
My Savior’s pure atoning blood,
Shed for the wrath I’d earned.
For sin has stained my every deed
My every word and thought.
What wondrous love that makes me one
Your priceless blood has bought.

* Please stand
if you’re able.

A crown of thorns, pierced hands and feet,
A body bruised, and Mercy's plea.
A crown of thorns, pierced hands and feet,
A body bruised, and Mercy's plea.

Peter Gagnon

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TITHES AND OFFERINGS

“Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus”

O soul, are you weary and troubled?
No light in the darkness you see?
There's light for a look at the Savior,
And life more abundant and free!

[Chorus]

Turn your eyes upon Jesus;
Look full in His wonderful face;
And the things of earth will grow strangely dim
In the light of His glory and grace.

Through death into life everlasting
He passed, and we follow him there;
Over us sin no more hath dominion
For more than conqu'rors we are!

His Word shall not fail you—he promised;
Believe him and all will be well:



Tithes and Offerings

We give back to God the portion of our wealth and talents that he calls his in recognition that they all come from him. These gifts help support the mission and ministries of the church. Some of us choose to put an offering in the plate, while others give online.

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Then go to a world that is dying,
His perfect salvation to tell!

Helen Lemmel
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***“Doxology”**

St. Francis/Gilley

All ye who are of tender heart,
forgiving others take your part.
Sing his praises, Alleluia!
Ye, who long pain and sorrow bear,
praise God and on him cast your care!
O praise him! O praise him!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Let all things their creator bless,
and worship him in humbleness,
O praise him, Alleluia!
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,
and praise the Spirit three in one,
O praise him! O praise him!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

St. Francis of Assisi, Jonathan Gilley
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PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD’S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name;
your kingdom come;
your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

* Please stand
if you’re able.

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 yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever.
Amen.

***SCRIPTURE READING**

Miriam Rawson
Psalm 103

Leader: If anyone has ears to hear, let him hear.

SERMON: “The Cure for Spiritual Amnesia” Daniel Dávalos

CONFESSION OF FAITH

Leader: What is your only comfort in life and in death?

Congregation:

That I am not my own, but belong—body and soul, in life and in death—to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ.

He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood, and has delivered me from the tyranny of the devil.

He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven; in fact, all things must work together for my salvation.

Because I belong to him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit, also assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

Heidelberg Catechism, Q&A 1

* Please stand
if you're able.

THE LORD'S SUPPER

All those who have publicly professed their faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, are repentant of their sins, and are baptized members of a church where the gospel is loved and proclaimed are warmly invited to participate in the Lord's Supper with us. For those of you who have not yet trusted in Jesus, please let these elements pass by you. We would love to talk to you about your relationship with the Lord after the service.

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

DISTRIBUTION OF THE BREAD AND WINE

"For Us"

Taylor/Blair

Blessed are we
Who eat and drink,
Invited here by the King.
Remembering and rejoicing
For what was done on Calvary.
Body broken for us,
Blood poured out for us.

Blessed are we
Who share in this
The profit of His death for sin.
Remembering His offering
Until He returns we'll proclaim.
Body broken for us,
Blood poured out for us.
*Body broken for us,
Blood poured out for us.*



The Lord's Supper

We invite those seated closest to the pulpit to come to the table first. Please file through outer aisles and back up middle aisle.

Wine is in the clear cups;
juice is in the purple cups.

Please take the bread as you receive it.
Hold onto the cup, as we will drink it together signifying our unity in the body of Christ.

Behold the Lamb of God,
Who takes away our sin.
Christ, the Son of God,
Has brought us back to Him.
*Behold the Lamb of God,
Who takes away our sin.
Christ, the Son of God,
Has brought us back to Him.*

Body broken for us
Blood poured out for us.

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*** MYSTERY OF OUR FAITH**

Congregation: Christ has died! Christ has risen! Christ will come again! Hallelujah!

*** PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

PRAYER SEND-OFF FOR SARAH DOUGLASS

***“Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven”**

Trinity 76

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven;
To His feet your tribute bring;
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,
Who, like me His praise should sing?
Praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him,
Praise the everlasting King!

* Please stand
if you're able.

Praise Him for His grace and favor
To our fathers in distress;
Praise Him, still the same forever,
Slow to chide and swift to bless;
Praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him,
Glorious in his faithfulness.

Fatherlike He tends and spares us;
Well our feeble frame He knows;
In His hands He gently bears us,
Rescues us from all our foes;
Praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him,
Widely as his mercy goes.

Frail as summer's flow'r we flourish,
Blows the wind and it is gone;
But while mortals rise and perish,
God endures unchanging on.
Praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him,
Praise the High Eternal One!

Angels help us to adore Him;
You behold Him face to face;
Sun and moon, bow down before Him,
Dwellers all in time and space,
Praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him,
Praise with us the God of grace!

Henry Francis Lyte, John Goss
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Benediction

A pronouncement of God's blessing and commission upon His people as they are sent into the world. It is more than a closing prayer—it is a declaration of God's grace, peace, and presence. We depart with this **“good Word”** as a reassurance of His faithfulness and a charge to walk in obedience and faith throughout the week.

*** BENEDICTION**

* Please stand if you're able.

Sermon Notes



Things to think about while listening to the sermon.

-What are the main points?

-What is the context of this passage?

-What are some repeated words and themes?

-How does this message point to Christ?

-How do we see God's grace, justice, mercy, or sovereignty in the text?

-How does this passage stir us to action?

Announcements

- Sarah Douglass Send-Off. Join us for an open house at 710 Scenic View Dr., Las Cruces, today from 4:00-8:00 pm to celebrate and send Sarah off to St. Louis! Please bring some refreshments or a small token to bless Sarah with as she moves on to a new home.
- Vacation Bible School (VBS) is coming June 8-12! Contact Tessa (575-915-9027) for more information.
 - VBS Registration is open at upcl.com. Children completing kindergarten through 5th grade are invited to participate in our space adventure through which they will learn about the glory of God.
 - We are looking for food donations for VBS! A sign-up sheet is in the foyer.
 - A make-up training session for VBS volunteers is Wednesday, June 3, at 6:30 pm in the sanctuary. Any VBS volunteer who missed last Wednesday's training session should plan to attend.
 - Please pray for VBS, for God to work through our efforts to grow community and teach children and their families of the love of our Savior Jesus Christ, through whom the galaxies came to be.
- Foyer Remodel. Please pardon our mess as we seek to improve our space for welcoming people into our church building—and so much more. A pamphlet describing the remodel is available in the foyer (no more than one per family unit please) or through the Crosstalk Notes.
- Alonso Galvan has been selected to serve as RUF intern to NMSU alongside Lilah Johnson this coming school year! He is seeking support. Text or call him at 575-339-4274 to assist or to ask him more.

This Week at UPC

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| Mon (6/1): | •Elder/Deacon Meeting, 7:00pm | Sat (6/6): | •Come & Go VBS Décor Setup, 9:00am |
| Tues (6/2): | •Women's Prayer Group, 10:00am | Sun (6/7): | •Prayers from the Boiler Room, 8:15am |
| Wed (6/3): | •Midweek Fellowship Dinner, 5:00pm
•Men's Bible Study, 6:30pm
•VBS Training, 6:30pm | | •Breakfast Potluck Fellowship, 9:00am
•Worship Service, 10:00am
•VBS Music Practice, 1:00pm |
| Thurs (6/4): | •Worship Team Practice, 6:00pm | | |



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