

HELLO FUPC FAMILY AND FRIENDS!

In this mailing you'll find the bulletin for Sunday's worship service. Join us Sunday at 10:30 via zoom by going to <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5739200081>, or by phone (312-626-6799). If you're joining by phone, enter meeting ID 573-920-0081. If you've not used zoom before, follow the instructions provided at the link.

THIS WEEK AT FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday, March 3

8:45 a.m. – Lenten Study in Session Room and via Zoom

10:30 a.m. –Worship with communion in sanctuary and via Zoom followed by fellowship

Wednesday, March 6

8:30 a.m. - Coffee with Katie at Charlie's

5:30 p.m. – Lenten Soup Supper in Perea Hall

6:00 p.m. – March Madness Discussion

6:00 p.m. – Al-Anon meeting in upstairs classroom

7:00 p.m. – Choir rehearsal in sanctuary

Thursday, March 7

9:00 a.m. – Worship and Music Committee in Session Room

5:30 p.m. – Rainbow Ringers Rehearsal in the Gathering Place

Friday, March 8

9:00 a.m. – Food Depot Food Distribution at Rodriguez Park

4:00 p.m. - Samaritan House Cook Team

Saturday, March 9

9:00 a.m. – AA meeting in upstairs classroom

Sunday, March 10

8:45 a.m. – Lenten Study in Session Room and via Zoom

10:30 a.m. –Worship in sanctuary and via Zoom followed by fellowship

Noon – Worship Leader Training in The Gathering Place



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March 3, 2024 10:30 a.m.

STOPS ALONG THE WAY

MEDITATION – *Isn't it amazing that we are all made in God's image, and yet there is so much diversity among his people?*
--Desmond Tutu

WE GATHER TOGETHER

WELCOME Pastor Katie Palmer

MINUTE FOR MISSION Mustard Seed Recipient Jamie Garcia

PRELUDE Em Krall

***PASSING OF THE PEACE** Carol Linder

Let us make a commitment during this time to visit with someone today and wish them the peace of Christ.

*Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love.
The fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.*

***CALL TO WORSHIP** (adapted from Psalm 86:8-13)

One: There is none like you, O God, nor are there any works like yours.

All: You are great and do wondrous things; you alone are God.

One: Teach me your way, O Lord, that I may walk in your truth.

All: Give me an undivided heart to revere your name. I give thanks to you, O God, with my whole heart!

One: We celebrate your steadfast love towards us and we sing praise to you!

***OPENING HYMNS** *This Is The Day* (GTG #391)
People of the Lord (GTG #632)

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVE AND MERCY

We remember that, before we confess and no matter what we confess to God, we can be assured of God's Love and Mercy

SUNG PRAYER OF RECONCILIATION *Lord Jesus, Think on Me, v. 1 & 3* (GTG #417)

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE

Mark 12:1-17

SERMON

Image Bearers

Pastor Katie Palmer

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

RESPONSE

WITH THANKS FOR GENEROUS GIVING

***DOXOLOGY**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

WE SEAL GOD'S WORD

THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

INSTITUTION OF THE ELEMENTS AND COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

COMMUNION MEDITATION: *All Belong Here* by The Many

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

WE GO FORTH IN GOD'S NAME

***CLOSING HYMN** *Will You Come and Follow Me* (GTG #726)

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

***POSTLUDE**

*Please stand in body or spirit, as you are able

Assisting in Worship This Week

Pastor – Rev. Katie Palmer	Worship Leader – Carol Linder	Accompanist – Em Krall
Choir Director – Jordan Jones	Office Manager – Crystal Western Ford	
Sanctuary Hosts – Kevin Johnson, Charlotte Wootton		
Tech Crew – Kent Reid, Jeff Salman, Juli Salman		

*******OPPORTUNITIES*******

Join us for fellowship in Perea Hall after worship today! **March fellowship time reminder:**

3/3 Nina Marquez Johns 3/10 Karyl Lyne

Signup sheet is in Perea Hall; if you can, please sign up for a Sunday. Nothing elaborate is expected.

Join us for a **Lenten Soup & Bread Supper on Wednesday, March 6**, in Perea Hall!

March Madness Deep Discussions! Poet and spiritual advisor Mark Nepo writes:

“Unconditional love is not so much about how we receive and endure each other, as it is about the deep vow to never . . . stop bringing the flawed truth of who we are to each other.” We tend to be hesitant about asking the deep questions we have about our spirituality for fear we’ll be judged. This Lent, I invite you to take a risk and bring those questions to two March Madness discussions—**one on March 6 and one on March 27 at 6 p.m.**

The Lenten discussion of the book *Freeing Jesus: Rediscovering Jesus as Friend, Teacher, Savior, Lord, Way and Presence* by Diana Butler Bass, led by Pastor Katie, continues through March 24. Class begins at 8:45 on Sunday mornings. The book is available for \$14.39 plus shipping from Amazon as well as from other online book sellers. Assigned reading for next week, March 10, is Chapter 4, “Lord.”

The Sunday Morning Class for Adults and Youth will resume the Sunday after Easter (April 7) with discussion of the book *The Wandering Mind: What Medieval Monks Tell Us About Distraction* by Jamie Kreiner. A short description of the book will appear in the March newsletter, and a longer description is available from Richard Lindeborg at RALindeborg@cs.com

Prayers for the Church Family – Each week we choose some specific names to remind us to pray for each other and for those in our Presbytery. Please pray for John Arnold and Bernadette Lujan, Jackson Awuzing and Niki Sebastian and Murl Baker as well as Rio Rancho Presbyterian Church, Rio Rancho, NM (1886).

March Elder of the Month – Carol Linder – 505-429-2139

March Deacon of the Month – Nina Marquez Johns – 505-426-5802

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