

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, January 19

8:45 a.m. – Adult class in Session Room and via Zoom

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

Monday, January 20

7:00 a.m. – AA meeting in upstairs classroom

6:00 p.m. AA meeting in The Gathering Place

Tuesday, January 21

11:00 a.m. Mountain Women Meeting in The Gathering Palce

11:45 a.m. – Rotary Club in Perea Hall

12:30 to 6:30 p.m. Massage Therapist in Nursery Room

6:00 p.m. – Women's AA Meeting in The Gathering Place

Wednesday, January 22

7:00 a.m. – AA meeting in upstairs classroom

6:00 p.m. – Al Anon meeting in the Gathering Place

6:30 p.m. – Choir Rehearsal in Perea Hall

Thursday, January 23

5:30 p.m. – Bell Choir Rehearsal in Perea Hall

Friday, January 24

7:00 a.m. – AA meeting in upstairs classroom

10:00 a.m. – Realtors Board Training

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

7:00 p.m. – AA meeting in The Gathering Place

Saturday, January 25

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

Sunday, January 26

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

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



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January 19, 2025

10:30 a.m.

MISSION AND VISION - We seek to grow in our faith, share God's love, and serve others, following the Holy Spirit that has sustained us and our ministries for over 150 years. As an inclusive and welcoming segment of the Body of Christ, we actively seek justice for all and work together to build a compassionate world where all are valued. Led by Christ and dependent on God's grace, we embrace today's challenges and live into tomorrow's opportunities.

MEDITATION - Jesus tells the people at the wedding as reported in the gospel of John to fill the jars with water as he prepares to perform his first miracle, a miracle to keep the wedding celebration going. Jesus reminds us that he came to us so that we might have abundant life, that we might be a people who keep the party going. This is an invitation to joy.

WE GATHER TOGETHER

CHORAL INTROIT

People, Clap Your Hands

WELCOME

PRELUDE

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

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

Leader: With God, all things are made new.

All: Fill our jars with water!

Leader: In Christ, we live in joy.

All: Fill our jars with water!

Leader: With the Holy Spirit, we have peace that passes all understanding.

All: Fill our jars with water!

***OPENING HYMN**

Holy, Holy, Holy

GTG #1

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.*

UNISON PRAYER OF RECONCILIATION

Great Creator and giver of life, we acknowledge that we are not always a people of joy. We often give more authority to the things of this world than we do to you. Forgive us this day for our unwillingness to expect joy to come in the morning, for not bringing your realm to all the places where we work and live, for not honoring your call to us to rejoice in you. Forgive us when we are not living abundantly and when we refuse your invitation to live wholeheartedly. We seek to live in blessed community. We seek to live in peace. We seek to live in joyfulness. May your Spirit grant us courage and strength to keep the party going. Amen.

WE PROCLAIM GOD’S WORD

CHORAL ANTHEM *Soon and Very Soon* arr. By Andrea Crouch and Jack Schrader

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING Isaiah 62:1-5 Robin Carlson

GOSPEL READING John 2: 1-11 Rev. Lynne Hinton

SERMON “Fill the Jars with Water” Rev. Lynne Hinton

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

WITH THANKS FOR GENEROUS GIVING

God, thank you for our church, for the way we are called to be church to a world in need. Help us to continue to share with those in need and with each other through these gifts. In the name of Christ, we pray. Amen.

***DOXOLOGY**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

WE GO FORTH IN GOD’S NAME

***CLOSING HYMN** *There’s A Wideness in God’s Mercy* GTG #435

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

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

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

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

1/19 Van Swan 1/26 Carol Linder
Sign-up sheet is in Perea Hall; please sign up for a Sunday. Nothing elaborate is expected.

The Sunday morning Bible-based class for youth and adults is discussing the final chapter of *Falling Upward: A Spirituality for the Two Halves of Life* by Richard Rohr. The reading assignment for January 19 is Chapter 13 and Coda pp. 153-168

Beginning January 26, the class will discuss the book *The Bible As Story: An Introduction to Biblical Literature* by Marion G. Bontrager, Michele Hershberger, and John E. Sharp. This discussion will run through May 11th with a break for Lent and Easter. The reading assignment for January 26 is Chapter 1: Is the Bible Relevant Today? and chapter 2: The Bible as Story, pp 17-42.

Classes are at 8:45 a.m. Sundays in the Session Room, next to the kitchen in Perea Hall and on Zoom on the same link as the Sunday Worship Service.

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 Willie Ann Lansing, Richard Lindeborg, and Carol and Peter Linder as well as the Smith Memorial United Presbyterian Church, Truchas, NM (1903).

Joining us today in the pulpit is Rev. Lynne Hinton. Rev. Lynne Hinton is the Conference Director of the NM Conference of Churches. She is ordained in the United Church of Christ and has served as a pastor and hospice chaplain. She is the author of over twenty books, is a certified Intentional Interim Pastor, and lives in Albuquerque.

*January Elder of Month: Brett Gilland, 505-429-3467
January Deacon of the Month: Bonnie Trujillo, 505-617-0459*

The office is open on Tuesday from 10:00 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. For all other times, please email or call and we will get back to you

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Assisting in Worship This Week

Preacher – Rev. Lynne Hinton Worship Leader – Robin Carlson
Pianist – Em Krall Choir – Amy Hufnal Bulletin – EJ Nelson
Custodian – Henry Herrera Sanctuary Hosts – Kevin Johnson, Charlotte Wootton
Tech Crew – Kent Reid, Peter Linder, Jeff Salman