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, May 25

10:30 a.m. –Worship in sanctuary with Rev. Snas Williams and via Zoom followed by Fellowship

Monday, May 26

11 a.m. – Deacons in the Session Room

Tuesday, May 27

6:45 PNC and Session in the Session Room

Wednesday, May 28

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

Friday, May 30

8:00 a.m. - Samaritan House Cook Team

Sunday, June 1

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

10:30 a.m. –Worship in sanctuary with Rev. John Guthrie and via Zoom followed by an extended Fellowship Time to discuss next steps in the search for our next pastor.



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FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

1000 Douglas Avenue, P.O. Box 37 Las Vegas, NM 87701 May 25, 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 - Is not this the fast that I choose; to loose the bonds of injustice...to share your bread with the hungry. Isaiah 58:6-7

WE GATHER TOGETHER

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 from Psalm 146

Leader: Praise the Lord!

All: Praise the Lord, O my soul!

Leader: I will praise the Lord as long as I live;

All: I will sing praises to my God all my life long.

Leader: Happy are those whose hope is in the Lord their God,

All: Who executes justice for the oppressed; who gives food to the hungry.

*OPENING HYMN Joyful, Joyful GTG #611

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

God of forgiveness and steadfast love, we confess that we have been slow to follow the teachings of Jesus. Too often, we have ignored the pain of the world, and passed by the hungry, the poor. and the oppressed.

In your great mercy forgive our sins and free us from selfishness. Empower us to choose your will and serve the needs of our neighbors both near and far, through Christ our compassionate Lord. Amen.

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

GOSPEL READING Matthew 14:13-21 Robin Carlson

"Give us This Day our Daily Bread" **SERMON** Rev. San Williams

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Live Into Hope GTG #772 RESPONSE

WITH THANKS FOR GENEROUS GIVING

God, thank you for Christ's 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 O God of Every Nation GTG #756

*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! May/June fellowship time reminder: 5/25 Nina Johns 6/1 Murl Baker

Sign-up sheet is in Perea Hall; please sign up for a Sunday. Nothing elaborate is expected.

Important Message from Session - Please plan on staying for and extended Fellowship Time on June 1st to discuss the next steps in searching for our next Pastor. We need your input and involvement.

The Sunday morning Bible-based class for youth and adults is discussing the book Worship in the Early Church by Justo L. González and Catherine Gunsalus González, published by Westminster John Knox Press (WJK), the academic and trade imprint of the Presbyterian Publishing Corporation (PPC).

There is no class on Sunday, May 25th.

The reading assignment for June 1-Baptism: Ch. 14. pp. 217-230 and Ch. 17, pp. 263-264, plus The Nicene Creed, Book of Confessions, pp. 1-3.

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 Marie Weinrich, Lisa and Mike, Aubrey Weinstein as well as the Embudo Presbyterian Church, Dixon, NM (1889).

Joining us today in the pulpit is Rev. San Williams. Rev. San Williams is a retired Presbyterian pastor. San serves on Santa Fe Presbytery's Earth Care Team. San and his wife Janis live in Santa Fe where they are happily helping raise their two grandchildren: Oliver age 6, and Charlotte, age 2.

> May Elder of the Month: Corky Halverson, ckh5@me.com, 505-235-7914 May Deacon of the Month: Bonnie Trujillo, bonnie@rezio.net, 505-617-0459

Our office hours on Tuesday have been temporarily suspended; however, it is easy to reach us. You may call and leave a message at 505-425-7763 or email us at fupcnm@gmail.com. Phone and email messages are being picked up throughout each day, 7 days a week.

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Assisting in Worship This Week

Preacher – Rev. San Williams

Worship Leader – Robin Carlson

Pianist – Em Krall Custodian – Henry Herrera Choir – Amy Hufnal

Bulletin – EJ Nelson Sanctuary Hosts – Kevin Johnson, Charlotte Wootton

Tech Crew - Karyl Lyne, Kent Reid, Deb-Allen Reid