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, June 8

8:45 a.m. – Adult class in Session Room and via Zoom 10:30 a.m. –Worship in sanctuary with John Guthrie and via Zoom followed by Fellowship.

Wednesday, June 11

4:00 p.m. – Jot at OTM

Thursday, June 12

2:00 p.m. – Pizza and Games in Perea Hall

Friday, June 13

8:00 a.m. - Samaritan House Cook Team 9:00 a.m. - Food Distribution in Rodriguez Park

Sunday, June 15

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



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FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

1000 Douglas Avenue, P.O. Box 37 Las Vegas, NM 87701 June 8, 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 - "If you argue right and wrong, you are a person of right and wrong." Wu Men, Commentary on Case 172 of the Shobogenzo

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

Gracious God, among the ways of the world our hearts have wandered. Bid them come home and be still, now. We rest in the blessing of your grace, upheld by the abundance of your gifts to us. May our hearts be calm, and desire nothing but you. May our appetites be stilled, so that we might see the riches you have given us. May our fears be healed, so that we might trust the grace you offer us. We throw open the windows of our hearts, that the warm light of your Word may flood in and change us. Bless us, God, that as the scriptures are read and your good news proclaimed we may hear with joy what you are saying to us today. Amen.

*OPENING HYMN

Breathe on Me Breath of God

GTG #286

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

Creator God, we confess we have not honored your Creation; we have not loved it as you have loved us.

We have thought ourselves separate, not part of your Creation.

Forgive our ignorance and arrogance,

our greed and destructiveness.

Bring us again into the oneness of your Creation;

forgive us, heal our fears and transform our desires, and shepherd us to be good stewards

of the gift of life.

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING	Genesis 11: 1-9	Brett M. Gilland
SECOND SCRIPTURE READING	Acts 2: 1-21	Brett M. Gilland

GOSPEL READING John 14: 8-14 Brett M. Gilland

SERMON "How, Then, Shall We Know?" Brett M. Gilland

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

RESPONSE Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore GTG #721

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 There's A Sweet Sweet Spirit GTG #408

*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! **June fellowship time reminder**: 6/8 Deb Allen-Reid and Kent Reid 6/15 Sean Croto

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 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).

The reading assignment for June 8 is Communion: Ch. 6, pp. 81-96 and Ch. 10, pp. 155-166. The reading assignment for June 15 is Communion: Ch. 15, pp. 231-242, and Ch. 17, pp. 265-266, plus The Apostles' Creed, Book of Confessions, pp. 5-7.

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 Elisa White, Irene Wolff, Charlotte Wootton and Susan Apodaca as well as the West Minster Presbyterian Church, Gallup, NM (1961).

Joining us today in the pulpit is Brett M. Gilland. Brett is a teacher at Rio Gallinas Community School. He has taught in Oklahoma, Alaska, and New Mexico in both public and private schools. He believes deeply in the inherent worth of all others and crafting a world driven by communal care and support.

June Elder of the Month: Carol Linder, <u>carollinder@msn.com</u>. 505-429-2139 June Deacon of the Month: Debra Allen-Reid, pethyena@gmail.com, 505-331-9125

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 – Brett M. Gilland Worship Leader – Maria Weinrich
Pianist – Ron Maltais Choir – Amy Hufnal Bulletin – EJ Nelson

Custodian – Henry Herrera Sanctuary Hosts – Kevin Johnson, Charlotte Wootton

Tech Crew - Kent Reid, Deb Allen-Reid, Carol Linder