

FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
1000 Douglas Avenue, Las Vegas NM 87701
March 29, 2020

A SERVICE OF HEALING

MEDITATION – *Let your hope keep you joyful, be patient in your troubles, and pray at all times.*
--Romans 12:12 (GNT)

WE GATHER TOGETHER

GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please have a candle and lighter with you during this service

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Let us make a commitment during this time to call a church family member today,
visit with them, and wish them the peace of Christ.

CALL TO WORSHIP (adapted from a “Blue Christmas” service at First Presbyterian Church, Kalamazoo, MI)

The God of strength moves within us; **the God of courage hears our distress.**

The God of hope reveals wholeness to us; **the God of healing touches us when we are broken.**

When the uncertainty overwhelms us, when the burden is too heavy, **we turn to our God, who sustains us.**

When there is loneliness, when there is isolation, **we turn to our God, who is loving and present.**

For God created us, redeemed us and sustains us. **We are not alone.**

Lead us in your ways, O God, and bring us your healing touch.

OPENING HYMN, *When We Face an Unknown Future* [Tune is GTG #716]

(text by Carolyn Winfrey Gillette, 2020, in response to the Coronavirus pandemic, to the tune of *God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending*)

OPENING PRAYER

WE PROCLAIM GOD’S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE: Mark 13:1-8, 32-37

SERMON: *What’s Being Born?* Rev. Katie Palmer

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

OUR OFFERING

Please remember to continue your giving electronically (go to the “Give” button at lvpresbyterian.org)
or by mail. The church needs your support to continue our ministry during this time.

INVOCATION OF GOD'S HEALING PRESENCE AND PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE
(Parts of the Prayer of the People adapted from
The Methodist Church in Ireland, "An Order of Service for Healing and Wholeness")

THE LORD'S PRAYER

WE GO FORTH IN GOD'S NAME

***CLOSING HYMN.** GTG #250 *In the Bulb There Is a Flower*

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE