

HELLO FUPC FAMILY AND FRIENDS!

In this mailing you'll find the bulletin for Sunday's worship service. Join us Sunday at 10:30 in the sanctuary, 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

Tuesday, September 21

9:00 a.m. – Coffee with Katie via Zoom

1:00 p.m. – Re-Entry Task Force via Zoom



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WELCOME!! - We extend a warm welcome in the name of Christ to all who worship with us this week!

September 15, 2021

Dear FUPC Family and Friends,

This Sunday, we continue exploring our theme “God is [T]here” in the unsettling—even horrific—story we might know as the Sacrifice of Isaac or the Binding of Isaac (in Hebrew, the aqedah). One of the commentators I read this week says that this story carries an “M” rating—for mature audiences. That is certainly the case. We’ll be looking at the problems this story poses as well as at the ways it has been interpreted.

Also on Sunday, we will share the Lord’s Supper. Please have with you a bite of something to eat and a sip of something to drink. Remember that, whatever you use as the elements for our communion, Christ’s presence will be with you—whether coffee and a donut, milk and fruit, or bread and grape juice.

As always, we will plan to hang out on Zoom following the postlude!

With thanks for all of you,

Pastor Katie

OPPORTUNITIES

The Bible-based class for adults and youth is discussing *A People's History of Christianity: The Other Side of the Story* by Diana Butler Bass. The book is available used from Amazon for as little as \$.99 hardback and \$2.00 paperback (plus shipping) and from other online vendors, such as Alibris.com and AbeBooks.com for competitive prices. Paper Trail may be able to get copies fairly quickly as can Richard Lindeborg. The reading assignment for September 26 is Chapter 6, pp. 121-150. A description of the book and a list of the weekly reading assignments are in the September Newsletter. Class is from 9 to 9:50 a.m. on Zoom.

Samaritan House Food Donations – September– Canned milk, canned vegetables. Coffee and Tea are always appreciated. Please drop your donations off at Samaritan House.

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 Maria Weinrich, Claire Weinstein and Lisa, Mike and Aubrey Weinstein as well as the Presbytery of Santa Fe, Albuquerque, NM.

September Elder of the Month – Judy Long – 505-429-0379

September Deacon of the Month – Sharon Vander Meer – 505-425-6457

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Assisting in Worship This Week

Preacher – Rev. Katie Palmer Worship Leader – Renee Soderlund
Director of Music - Karyl Lyne Accompanist – Em Krall
Office Manager – Crystal Western Ford Zoom Host – Carol Linder



FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
1000 Douglas Avenue, Las Vegas NM 87701
September 19, 2021 10:30 a.m.

GOD IS [T]HERE



MEDITATION – *There is no such thing as the theological suspension of the ethical.*-- Franciso Garcia-Treto

WE GATHER TOGETHER

WELCOME Rev. Katie Palmer

PRELUDE Em Krall

PASSING OF THE PEACE

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

CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 139:7-12) Renee Soderlund

One: Where can I go from your spirit? Or where can I flee from your presence?

All: If I ascend to heaven, you are there; if I make my bed in Sheol, you are there.

One: If I take the wings of the morning and settle at the farthest limits of the sea,
even there your hand shall lead me, and your right hand shall hold me fast.

**All: If I say, 'Surely the darkness shall cover me, and the light around me become night', even the
darkness is not dark to you; the night is as bright as the day, for darkness is as light to you.**

OPENING PRAYER

OPENING HYMN *God Is Here Today* (GTG #411)

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

Genesis 21:1-3; 22:1-14

The Lord dealt with Sarah as he had said, and the Lord did for Sarah as he had promised. Sarah conceived and bore Abraham a son in his old age, at the time of which God had spoken to him. Abraham gave the name Isaac to his son whom Sarah bore him.

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After these things God tested Abraham. He said to him, 'Abraham!' And he said, 'Here I am.' He said, 'Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt-offering on one of the mountains that I shall show you.' So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him, and his son Isaac; he cut the wood for the burnt-offering, and set out and went to the place in the distance that God had shown him. On the third day Abraham looked up and saw the place far away. Then Abraham said to his young men, 'Stay here with the donkey; the boy and I will go over there; we will worship, and then we will come back to you.' Abraham took the wood of the burnt-offering and laid it on his son Isaac, and he himself carried the fire and the knife. So the two of them walked on together. Isaac said to his father Abraham, 'Father!' And he said, 'Here I am, my son.' He said, 'The fire and the wood are here, but where is the lamb for a burnt-offering?' Abraham said, 'God himself will provide the lamb for a burnt-offering, my son.' So the two of them walked on together.

When they came to the place that God had shown him, Abraham built an altar there and laid the wood in order. He bound his son Isaac, and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood. Then Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to kill his son. But the angel of the Lord called to him from heaven, and said, 'Abraham, Abraham!' And he said, 'Here I am.' He said, 'Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him; for now I know that you fear God, since you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me.' And Abraham looked up and saw a ram, caught in a thicket by its horns. Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up as a burnt-offering instead of his son. So Abraham called that place 'The Lord will provide'; as it is said to this day, 'On the mount of the Lord it shall be provided.'

SERMON

God is [T]here: With the Sacrificed

Rev. Katie Palmer

WE SEAL GOD'S WORD

THE LORD'S SUPPER

We give thanks for our invitation to feast at Christ's table!

INVITATION AND PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

INSTITUTION OF THE ELEMENTS AND COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

Please join the pastor in lifting your "bread" and "cup" at the appropriate time

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

WITH THANKS FOR GENEROUS GIVING

Doxology

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

OPPORTUNITIES

WE GO FORTH IN GOD'S NAME

CLOSING HYMN *I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me* (GTG #700)

CHARGE AND BLESSING

POSTLUDE