

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

Tuesday, June 21

No Coffee with Katie

Wednesday, June 22

5:30 p.m. – Time, Talent and Treasure via Zoom

Thursday, June 23

6:00 p.m. - "Come Play" Game Night

Saturday, June 25

9:00 a.m. - Church Clean Up Day

Please check with committee chairs to confirm whether committees will meet as scheduled.



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

June 7, 2022

Dear FUPC Family and Friends,

Today we welcome Pastor Patricia Halverson to the pulpit.

These are troubled times in our community, in our country, and world. It seems that each day a new or frightening thing crops up. Let us not forget our complicity in these things nor forget that God is always with us showing us a new way. Lifting our hearts in prayer:

Loving God, you've invited us into this journey alongside strangers of all different ages, background, nationalities, religions, races, cultures and beliefs. Despite these differences, you call us to engage one another with care and love. May we consider this calling as we hear stories floating around us. Help us to look for places in our own lives where we can be your hands and feet with our neighbors—even though the neighbors may live close or far away and may seem so different from us. Amen Adapted from: "Gather", May-June 2022



Assisting in Worship This Week

Preacher – Pastor Patricia Halverson
Director of Music - Karyl Lyne
Office Manager – Crystal Western Ford

Worship Leader – Mary Schipper
Accompanist – Jordan Jones
Tech Crew – Karyl Lyne, Van Swan and Tom Trigg



FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

1000 Douglas Avenue, Las Vegas, NM 87701

June 19, 2022 10:30 a.m.

MEDITATION – Karl Rahner feels that life can be a daily drudge, *“because everything can ruin for me the one reality that is necessary, and deprive me of it: the reality that is **you**, my God. But—if there is nowhere where you have given me a place to which we can just flee away in order to find you, then I must also be able to find you in everything”*. Spiritual Writings, Karl Rahner.

WE GATHER TOGETHER

WELCOME Mary Schipper

PRELUDE Jordan Jones

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 from Psalm 22

Leader: But you, O Lord do not be far away!

Response: O, my help, come quickly to my aid.

Leader: I will tell of your name to my brothers and sisters;

Response: In the midst of the congregation I will praise you:

Leader: You who fear the Lord, praise him!

Response: All you offspring of Jacob, glorify him; stand in awe of him, all you offspring of Israel.

Leader: From you comes my praise in the great congregation;

Response: All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord;

Leader: And all the families of the nations shall worship before him.

Response: For dominion belongs to the Lord, and he rules over the nations.

OPENING HYMN “God Welcomes All” (GTG #399)

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

Gracious God: with the Psalmist and the song writer we celebrate your presence among us. We would live into the challenge and inspiration of our faith. Help us, we pray, so to know your continuing unconditional love for us that we will more often live as your glad and grateful people. Then as you love us, give us the vision and courage to show your love to others, empowered by the Holy Spirit, in the Peace of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

WE PROCLAIM GOD’S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING Luke 8: 26-39

Then they arrived at the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. As he stepped out on land, a man of the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs. When he saw Jesus, he fell down before him and shouted at the top of his voice, “What have you to do with me, Jesus, son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me”—for Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.) Then Jesus asked him, “What is your name?” He said, “Legion”; for many demons had entered him. They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss.

Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding; and the demons begged Jesus to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and drowned.

When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country. Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid. Those who had seen it told them how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed. Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them; for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but Jesus sent him away, saying, “Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you.” So he went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him.

MESSAGE

Pastor Patricia Halverson

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 “O, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing” (GTG #610)

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE



OPPORTUNITIES

There will be a **Congregational Meeting** to elect officers following worship on Sunday, June 26. Please plan to stay after worship for this brief meeting.

Please join us at the “**Come Play**” **Game night** on Thursday evening, June 23, from 6 – 8 p.m. in Perea Hall! We invite you to be part of this time to gather together in community, play some games, and talk with one another! Please invite others who might need some play time with friends!

We will hold a **church work day on Saturday, June 25**, to spruce up the place a bit! Please plan to join us at 9 a.m. to do some cleaning (indoor and outdoor) as we prepare to host the presbytery meeting on July 16!

On June 26, the Sunday bible-based Class for adults and youth will hold a Pop-Up discussion of short religious poems. If you want to attend, please request the selected poems by emailing Richard Lindeborg at ralindeborg@cs.com. You can also send Richard a short poem you would like added to the discussion. The class will be at 9 a.m. on Zoom -- or hybrid if we can perfect the use of our Zoom enabled classroom.

See the June newsletter for announcement of the new class series starting July 10.

To donate to **New Mexico wildfire recovery efforts**, please see the following links:

<https://thefooddepot.org/disaster-relief/>

<https://www.nmdhsem.org/2022-wildfires/>

Las Vegas New Mexico Community Foundation: <https://www.lvnmcf.org/donate-now/>

Samaritan House Food Donations – June – Flour and Sugar. Coffee and Tea are always appreciated. Please drop your donations off at Samaritan House, 501 7th Street.

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 Rod Billingsley and Karen Topping, Chad Boliek and Renee and Peter Alastair as well as Smith Memorial United Presbyterian Church, Truchas, NM (1903).

June Elder of the Month – Tom Trigg – 505-426-5821

June Deacon of the Month – Bonnie Trujillo – 505-425-3972

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