

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**

**Wednesday, October 19**

8:30 a.m. - Coffee with Katie at Charlie's

5:30 p.m. – Rainbow Ringers Bell Choir Rehearsal in Perea Hall

**Thursday, October 20**

6:30 p.m. – Time, Talent and Treasure



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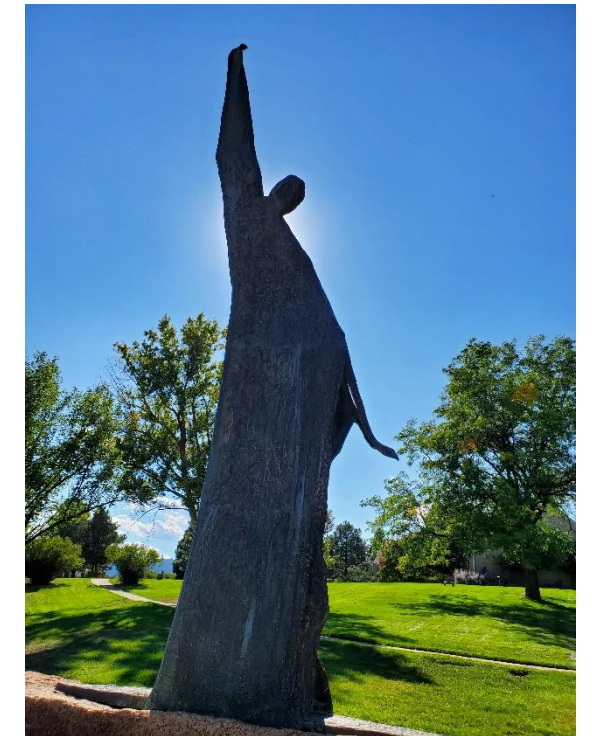


**WELCOME!!** - We extend a warm welcome in the name of Christ to all who worship with us this week.

October 12, 2022

Dear FUPC Family and Friends,

I returned to Las Vegas after a wonderful week away in silent retreat at Sacred Heart Jesuit Retreat House in Sedalia, Colorado. My companions as I walked the grounds were the deer who make their home there and the birds that sang joyfully every morning. There are a lot of statues on the grounds, but the most commanding is "The Ascension of Christ," which invites a lot of reflection as the Christ figure reaches up to the heavens and down at the same time. I'm grateful that I had this time to recharge.



This week we launch a series that will allow us to consider how we best offer ourselves to God. We begin with the rather disturbing story of David and Bathsheba—the great king who shows us both some deep flaws (we'll consider how many commandments he breaks in this part of his story) and a remarkable capacity for repentance.

We'll also share in the Lord's Supper, so if you will be joining us online, please have some bread or a bit of something else to eat and something to drink with you.

With thanks for all of you,

Pastor Katie



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October 16, 2022 10:30 a.m.

*OFFERING OURSELVES TO GOD*

**MEDITATION** – *Repentance means you change your mind so deeply that it changes you.*  
--Bruce Wilkinson

**WE GATHER TOGETHER**

**WELCOME** Rev. Katie Palmer

**PRELUDE** Em Krall

**\*PASSING OF THE PEACE** Rev. Pat Halverson

*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** (adapted from Psalm 40)

One: God puts a new song in my mouth.

**All: A song of praise to our God!**

One: We put our trust in God

**All: And see God's wondrous deeds and thoughts toward us!**

One: God does not desire our sacrifices and offerings of things

**All: But wants us to delight in doing God's will and in the glad news of God's steadfast love!**  
**Let us worship God!**

**\*OPENING HYMN** *A Grateful Heart* (GTG #652)

**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*

**PRAYER OF RECONCILIATION**

**Holy God, we confess that we have tried to hide our wrongdoing from you—as if we could! We have not practiced the awareness that would allow us to understand when we have done something that brought hurt to your creation. We have lived for ourselves, rather than for you, turning away from others and ignoring the pain of the world. Forgive us and guide us to deeper awareness and a closer walk with Christ, we pray. Amen.**

**WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD**

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**SCRIPTURE READING** 2 Samuel 11:1-5, 26-27; 12:1-9

In the spring of the year, the time when kings go out to battle, David sent Joab with his officers and all Israel with him; they ravaged the Ammonites, and besieged Rabbah. But David remained at Jerusalem. It happened, late one afternoon, when David rose from his couch and was walking about on the roof of the king's house, that he saw from the roof a woman bathing; the woman was very beautiful. David sent someone to inquire about the woman. It was reported, 'This is Bathsheba daughter of Eliam, the wife of Uriah the Hittite.' So David sent messengers to fetch her, and

she came to him, and he lay with her. (Now she was purifying herself after her period.) Then she returned to her house. The woman conceived; and she sent and told David, 'I am pregnant.' . . .

When the wife of Uriah heard that her husband was dead, she made lamentation for him. When the mourning was over, David sent and brought her to his house, and she became his wife, and bore him a son.

But the thing that David had done displeased the Lord . . . and the Lord sent Nathan to David. He came to him, and said to him, 'There were two men in a certain city, one rich and the other poor. The rich man had very many flocks and herds; but the poor man had nothing but one little ewe lamb, which he had bought. He brought it up, and it grew up with him and with his children; it used to eat of his meagre fare, and drink from his cup, and lie in his bosom, and it was like a daughter to him. Now there came a traveler to the rich man, and he was loath to take one of his own flock or herd to prepare for the wayfarer who had come to him, but he took the poor man's lamb, and prepared that for the guest who had come to him.' Then David's anger was greatly kindled against the man. He said to Nathan, 'As the Lord lives, the man who has done this deserves to die; he shall restore the lamb fourfold, because he did this thing, and because he had no pity.'

Nathan said to David, 'You are the man! Thus says the Lord, the God of Israel: I anointed you king over Israel, and I rescued you from the hand of Saul; I gave you your master's house, and your master's wives into your bosom, and gave you the house of Israel and of Judah; and if that had been too little, I would have added as much more. Why have you despised the word of the Lord, to do what is evil in his sight? You have struck down Uriah the Hittite with the sword, and have taken his wife to be your wife, and have killed him with the sword of the Ammonites.

**Psalm 51:1-9** A Psalm of David, when the prophet Nathan came to him, after he had gone in to Bathsheba.

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love;  
according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions.

Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin.

For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me.

Against you, you alone, have I sinned, and done what is evil in your sight,  
so that you are justified in your sentence and blameless when you pass judgement.

Indeed, I was born guilty, a sinner when my mother conceived me.

You desire truth in the inward being; therefore teach me wisdom in my secret heart.

Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

Let me hear joy and gladness; let the bones that you have crushed rejoice.

Hide your face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquities.

**MESSAGE**

*Truth in the Inward Being*

Rev. Katie Palmer

**WE SEAL GOD'S WORD**

**THE LORD'S SUPPER** (adapted from the Book of Common Worship)

**INVITATION AND PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

**INSTITUTION OF THE ELEMENTS AND COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE**

**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** *Open My Eyes, That I May See* (GTG #451)

**\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**\*POSTLUDE**

\*Please stand in body or spirit, as you are able



## OPPORTUNITIES

We hope you'll join us for **Fellowship Following Worship** in Perea Hall for coffee and conversation!

**The Sunday Morning Bible-based Class for Adults and Youth**, now hybrid from the church teleconferencing room upstairs, is discussing the book *Song of Songs: A Biblical–Theological, Allegorical, Christological Interpretation* by James M. Hamilton, Jr. The book is available in paperback for as little as \$7.39 from Amazon, \$7.43 from Alibris, and \$8.81 from AbeBooks. New copies are available from Amazon or the publisher (Christian Focus Publications) for \$14.99 (all prices plus shipping). Richard Lindeborg can order a copy for you from Amazon and have it delivered to your home with free shipping.

Zoom attendees should use the same link as for the Worship Service. In-person attendees should use the east entrance to the church; class is in the first classroom upstairs. The readings for October 23 are Ch 8, Reconciliation (pp. 125-134) and Song of Songs Ch. 7 in the Bible.

**In November**, the class will take on all four gospels at the same time. The discussion will be based on the book *Matthew Mark Luke & John: Side by Side Parallel Gospels in Harmony*, edited by David A. Reed. The book is available new in paperback from Amazon for \$7.95 and used for as little as \$4.71, both prices plus shipping. It is more expensive and scarce from AbeBooks and Alibris. Richard Lindeborg can order a copy for you from Amazon and have it delivered to your home with free shipping.

**Remember - Coffee with Katie** at 8:30 a.m. on Wednesdays. Join Katie at Charlie's for coffee, conversation, and maybe a bite to eat.

**Samaritan House Food Donations** – October – Peanut butter and jelly. Coffee and Tea are always appreciated. Please drop your donations off at Samaritan House, 501 7<sup>th</sup> 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 Judi Ruprecht, Willy Ryan and Jane Warsaw and Fred Salas as well as El Rito Presbyterian Church, Chacon, NM (1879).

### Assisting in Worship This Week

Preacher – Rev. Katie Palmer

Director of Music - Karyl Lyne

Office Manager – Crystal Western Ford

Worship Leader – Rev. Pat Halverson

Accompanist – Em Krall

Tech Crew – Star Ford, Karyl Lyne, D.R. Palmer

*October Elder of the Month – Tom Trigg – 505-426-5821*

*October Deacon of the Month – Renee Soderlund – 505-429-1885*

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## **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed by thy name,  
Thy kingdom come,  
Thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our debts,  
as we forgive our debtors;  
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,  
and the glory, forever. Amen.

Padre nuestro que estás en el cielo,  
santificado sea Su nombre.  
Venga Su reino,  
hágase Su voluntad en la tierra,  
como en el cielo.  
Danos hoy el pan de cada día  
y perdona nuestras deudas,  
como nosotros perdonamos nuestros deudores.  
No nos dejes caer en tentación, y líbranos del mal.  
Porque Suyo es el reino, el poder y la gloria para siempre.  
Amen.