

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, October 29

8:45 a.m. – Bible-based Class in Session Room and via Zoom  
10:30 a.m. –Worship in sanctuary and via Zoom followed by fellowship

#### Monday, October 30

11:00 a.m. – Buildings and Grounds meeting

#### Wednesday, November 1

8:30 a.m. - Coffee with Katie at Charlie's  
7:00 p.m. – Choir Rehearsal in Sanctuary

#### Thursday, November 2

9:00 a.m. – Worship and Music meeting in Session Room  
5:30 p.m. – Rainbow Ringers Rehearsal in The Gathering Place

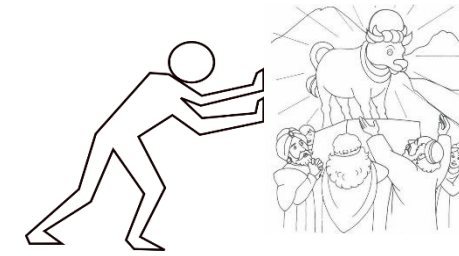
#### Sunday, November 5

8:45 a.m. – Bible-based Class in Session Room and via Zoom  
10:30 a.m. –Worship with communion in sanctuary and via Zoom followed by fellowship



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## INSIGHTS INTO GOD'S ECONOMY



### FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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October 29, 2023 10:30 a.m.

**MEDITATION** – *Our human compassion binds us the one to the other - not in pity or patronizingly, but as human beings who have learnt how to turn our common suffering into hope for the future.*

--Nelson Mandela

### WE GATHER TOGETHER

**WELCOME**

Pastor Katie Palmer

**PRELUDE**

Em Krall

**\*PASSING OF THE PEACE**

Robin Carlson

*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** *Come! Come! Everybody Worship (STF #2271)*

**\*OPENING HYMN** *The Lord Is God (GTG #63)*

**ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVE AND MERCY**

**UNISON PRAYER OF RECONCILIATION**

**Compassionate and Loving God, in your presence we confess the ways in which we have wandered from your path, wasted your gifts, and forgotten your love for us. Mother/Father God, parent us. Guide us in your ways and lead us to fullness of life together with all of your beloved children. Amen.**

### WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**SCRIPTURE**

Hosea 11:1-9

When Israel was a child, I loved him, and out of Egypt I called my son.  
The more I called them, the more they went from me;  
they kept sacrificing to the Baals, and offering incense to idols.

Yet it was I who taught Ephraim to walk, I took them up in my arms; but they did not know that I healed them.  
I led them with cords of human kindness, with bands of love.  
I was to them like those who lift infants to their cheeks. I bent down to them and fed them.  
They shall return to the land of Egypt, and Assyria shall be their king, because they have refused to return to me.  
The sword rages in their cities, it consumes their oracle-priests, and devours because of their schemes.  
My people are bent on turning away from me. To the Most High they call, but he does not raise them up at all.

How can I give you up, Ephraim? How can I hand you over, O Israel?  
How can I make you like Admah? How can I treat you like Zeboiim?  
My heart recoils within me; my compassion grows warm and tender.  
I will not execute my fierce anger; I will not again destroy Ephraim;  
for I am God and no mortal, the Holy One in your midst, and I will not come in wrath.

**SERMON** *Parental Angst* Pastor Katie Palmer

**WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD**

**SUNG RESPONSE** *God Is So Good* (GTG #658)

**BLESSING FOR HEALING AND RENEWAL**

**BLESSING OF PRAYER SHAWLS**

(adapted from <https://michelletorigian.com/2021/11/20/blessing-of-the-prayer-shawls-blankets/>)

**As these shawls wrap around your children, O God, may they feel the comfort that comes only from you and may your Spirit enliven them. May they find resurrection in their lives and may they know that you are journeying with them. As these shawls warm the hearts of your children, continue to remind all of us of our deep connection through the loving thread of Christ. Amen.**

**WITH THANKS FOR GENEROUS GIVING**

**\*DOXOLOGY**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**WE GO FORTH IN GOD'S NAME**

**\*CLOSING HYMN** *Rain Down* (GTG #48)

**\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**\*POSTLUDE**

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

**Assisting in Worship This Week**

Pastor – Rev. Katie Palmer	Worship Leader – Robin Carlson
Musician – Em Krall	Choir Director – Jordan Jones
Office Manager – Crystal Western Ford	Custodian - Marcus Garcia
	Sanctuary Hosts – Kevin Johnson, Charlotte Wootton
	Tech Crew –Peter Linder, D.R. Palmer, Kent Reid



**OPPORTUNITIES**

Join us for fellowship in Perea Hall after worship today.

**November fellowship time reminder:**

10/29 Carol Linder

11/5 Deacons

Signup sheet is in Perea Hall so, if you can, please sign up for a Sunday. Nothing elaborate is expected.

**Fall back!** Remember to set your clocks back 1 hour on Saturday night, November 4 before you go to bed.

**Please note:** the address given in the October newsletter for CROP Walk donations was incorrect. The correct address is:

CROP Walk Treasurer

P.O. Box 37

Las Vegas, NM

**The Sunday morning class for adults and youth** is discussing the book *The Grace of God and the Grace of Man: The Theologies of Bruce Springsteen* by Azzan Yadin-Israel. The class sessions are hybrid at 8:45, with the live class in the Session room (next to the kitchen) and the Zoom classes on the same ID as the Sunday worship service. Enter the church through the west door. The book is only available in paperback. The cost plus shipping can be as low as \$12.01 (from Alibris). It is \$12.12 from AbeBooks and \$16 from Amazon. Some used copies are available for slightly less. Richard Lindeborg can order a copy sent from Amazon to your address with no shipping charge. A list of the reading assignments and the songs/albums discussed in each chapter is available from Richard at [ralindeborg@cs.com](mailto:ralindeborg@cs.com). The audio for most songs is available on YouTube and elsewhere on the Internet. The reading and listening assignments for the November 5 session are:

Chapter 1, The Sacred Profaned, pp. 33-49

“It’s Hard to be a Saint in the City” (*Greetings from Asbury Park, N.J.*) 1973

“Lost in the Flood” (*Greetings from Asbury Park, N.J.*) 1973

“Mary Queen of Arkansas” (*Greetings from Asbury Park, N.J.*) 1973

“If I was the Priest” (not the real title)

**Join Pastor Katie for Coffee with Katie** every Wednesday morning at 8:30 a.m. at Charlie’s.

**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 Carol and Peter Linder, Nicky and Thomas Litherland and Christina Litherland, and Carol and Ken Litherland as well as Rio Rancho Presbyterian Church, Rio Rancho, NM (1986).

*November Elder of the Month – Judy Long – 505-429-0379*

*November Deacon of the Month – Murl Baker – 505-429-0670*

*Church Office Hours: Monday - Thursday 9:00 a.m. – Noon*

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