

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, November 12

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  
6:00 p.m. – Interfaith Prayers for Peace via Zoom

#### Wednesday, November 15

**NO** Coffee with Katie  
7:00 p.m. – Choir Rehearsal in Sanctuary

#### Thursday, November 16

5:30 p.m. – Rainbow Ringers Rehearsal in The Gathering Place  
7:00 p.m. – TTT via Zoom

#### Friday, November 17

4:00 p.m. – Samaritan House Cooking Team in kitchen

#### Sunday, November 19

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  
6:00 p.m. – Interfaith Prayers for Peace via Zoom



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### INSIGHTS INTO GOD'S ECONOMY

#### FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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November 12, 2023 10:30 a.m.

**MEDITATION** – *What can we gain by sailing to the moon if we are not able to cross the abyss that separates us from ourselves? This is the most important of all voyages of discovery, and without it, all the rest are not only useless, but disastrous.*  
--Thomas Merton

#### WE GATHER TOGETHER

**WELCOME**

Pastor Katie Palmer

**PRELUDE**

Em Krall

**\*PASSING OF THE PEACE**

Jordan Jones

*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** (adapted from Psalm 89:1-2)

**One:** I will sing of your steadfast love, O Lord, forever; I will proclaim your faithfulness to all generations.

**All:** I declare that your steadfast love is established for ever; your faithfulness is as firm as the heavens.  
You have made a covenant with your people!

**\*OPENING HYMNS**

*Hallelujah! Sing Praise to Your Creator* (GTG #18)

*I Love You, Lord* (GTG #627)

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

**SILENT PRAYER OF RECONCILIATION**

#### WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

**ANTHEM**

*I Want To Be Ready* by G.T. Speer

Chancel Choir

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**SCRIPTURE**

2 Kings 22:1-20; 23:1-3

Josiah was eight years old when he began to reign; he reigned for thirty-one years in Jerusalem. His mother's name was Jedidah daughter of Adaiah of Bozkath. He did what was right in the sight of the Lord, and walked in all the way of his father David; he did not turn aside to the right or to the left.

In the eighteenth year of King Josiah, the king sent Shaphan son of Azaliah, son of Meshullam, the secretary, to the house of the Lord, saying, 'Go up to the high priest Hilkiyah, and have him count the entire sum of the money that has been brought into the house of the Lord, which the keepers of the threshold have collected from the people; let it be given into the hand of the workers who have the oversight of the house of the Lord; let them give it to the workers who are at the house of the Lord, repairing the house, that is, to the carpenters, to the builders, to the masons; and let them use it to buy timber and quarried

stone to repair the house. But no account shall be asked from them for the money that is delivered into their hand, for they deal honestly.’

The high priest Hilkiah said to Shaphan the secretary, ‘I have found the book of the law in the house of the Lord.’ When Hilkiah gave the book to Shaphan, he read it. Then Shaphan the secretary came to the king, and reported to the king, ‘Your servants have emptied out the money that was found in the house, and have delivered it into the hand of the workers who have oversight of the house of the Lord.’ Shaphan the secretary informed the king, ‘The priest Hilkiah has given me a book.’ Shaphan then read it aloud to the king.

When the king heard the words of the book of the law, he tore his clothes. Then the king commanded the priest Hilkiah, Ahikam son of Shaphan, Achbor son of Micaiah, Shaphan the secretary, and the king’s servant Asaiah, saying, ‘Go, inquire of the Lord for me, for the people, and for all Judah, concerning the words of this book that has been found; for great is the wrath of the Lord that is kindled against us, because our ancestors did not obey the words of this book, to do according to all that is written concerning us.’

So the priest Hilkiah, Ahikam, Achbor, Shaphan, and Asaiah went to the prophetess Huldah the wife of Shallum son of Tikvah, son of Harhas, keeper of the wardrobe; she resided in Jerusalem in the Second Quarter, where they consulted her. She declared to them, ‘Thus says the Lord, the God of Israel: Tell the man who sent you to me, Thus says the Lord, I will indeed bring disaster on this place and on its inhabitants—all the words of the book that the king of Judah has read. Because they have abandoned me and have made offerings to other gods, so that they have provoked me to anger with all the work of their hands, therefore my wrath will be kindled against this place, and it will not be quenched. But as to the king of Judah, who sent you to inquire of the Lord, thus shall you say to him, Thus says the Lord, the God of Israel: Regarding the words that you have heard, because your heart was penitent, and you humbled yourself before the Lord, when you heard how I spoke against this place, and against its inhabitants, that they should become a desolation and a curse, and because you have torn your clothes and wept before me, I also have heard you, says the Lord. Therefore, I will gather you to your ancestors, and you shall be gathered to your grave in peace; your eyes shall not see all the disaster that I will bring on this place.’ They took the message back to the king.

Then the king directed that all the elders of Judah and Jerusalem should be gathered to him. The king went up to the house of the Lord, and with him went all the people of Judah, all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, the priests, the prophets, and all the people, both small and great; he read in their hearing all the words of the book of the covenant that had been found in the house of the Lord. The king stood by the pillar and made a covenant before the Lord, to follow the Lord, keeping his commandments, his decrees, and his statutes, with all his heart and all his soul, to perform the words of this covenant that were written in this book. All the people joined in the covenant.

**SERMON** *Rediscovering Who We Are* Pastor Katie Palmer

**WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD**

**SUNG RESPONSE** *Lord, When I Came into This Life* (GTG #691)

**WITH THANKS FOR GENEROUS GIVING**

**\*DOXOLOGY**

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

**WE GO FORTH IN GOD’S NAME**

**\*CLOSING HYMN** *O God, You Are My God* (GTG #743)

**\*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 – Jordan Jones
Musician – Em Krall	Choir Director – Jordan Jones
Office Manager – Crystal Western Ford	Custodian - Marcus Garcia
	Sanctuary Hosts – Kevin Johnson, Charlotte Wootton
	Tech Crew – Judy Long, D.R. Palmer, Jeff Salman



**OPPORTUNITIES**

Join us for fellowship in Perea Hall after worship today.

**November fellowship time reminder:**

11/12 Juli Salman

11/19 Halversons

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

Please join us for **Interfaith Prayers for Peace on Sunday evenings at 6:00 p.m. via Zoom**. Begun by a group of interfaith leaders, this group currently represents members of FUPC. First United Methodist, St. Paul’s Peace, the Sufi community, the Quaker community, the Buddhist community, and the Jewish community. Leadership of the service rotates among participants. The Zoom link is <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81596197728?pwd=d1RDUUQxQllkRDlzMVZStaazgzZz09>



**CROP Walk donations** can be mailed to:

CROP Walk Treasurer

Pam Abreu

714 Myrtle Ave.

Las Vegas, NM 87701.

Donations will be accepted through the end of November. Checks can be made out to CWS/CROP.

**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 19 session are:

Chapter 3, Toward the Apocalypse, pp. 65-81

“Something in the Night” (*Darkness on the Edge of Town*) 1978

“Candy’s Room” (*Darkness on the Edge of Town*) 1978

“The Iceman” (*Tracks*) 1998 compilation (*Gen 3:23-24*)

“The Price You Pay” (*The River*) 1980

“Darkness on the Edge of Town” (*Darkness on the Edge of Town*) 1978

“Racing in the Street” (*Darkness on the Edge of Town*) 1978 (*Dan 12:1,2,8,0-13*)

“Badlands” (*Darkness on the Edge of Town*) 1978 (*1 Cor 13:13*)

“The Promised Land” (*Darkness on the Edge of Town*) 1978

(*Ex 12:21, Rev 11:19, Joel 2:31-32, Rev 21:1-2*)

**No Sunday Morning Class For Adults and Youth:** Sunday, Nov. 26, for Thanksgiving weekend.

**Advent/Christmas Season Study:** Discussion of the book *Holy Disruption: Discovering Advent in the Gospel of Mark* by Tracy S. Daub led by Katie and D.R. Palmer. The class will meet on Sundays December 3, 10, 17 and January 7 and 14 from 8:45–9:30 in the Session Room and on Zoom. Daub’s book is available for \$13.99 plus shipping on Amazon, from \$10.24 on Alibris, and also from other booksellers. For more information about the book, see the November newsletter.

There will be **NO Coffee with Katie** November 15 or 22 as Pastor Katie will be out of town.

**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 Gail Malley, Lorenzo Martinez and Maridell and Don Monnheimer as well as Ranchos Presbyterian Church, Ranchos de Taos, NM (1892).

*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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