



First United Presbyterian Church extends a warm welcome in the name of Christ to all who worship with us today. You are invited to participate in the service to the degree you are comfortable. Please write your name and address on the friendship pad when it is passed and gather for a time of friendship and refreshment in Perea Hall following worship. A church Elder will be at the communion table after worship to answer any questions you may have about membership or the church.

- **Bible-based Class** - Rod Billingsley's class series on “Christian Doctrine” by Shirley Guthrie started today and continues until Lent. If you need the book (3rd edition), order it online or ask Richard Lindeborg or the church office to order one for \$6.00. The first session covered Chapter 2 - Authority. Contact Rod or Richard to ask about future chapter assignments.
- **Pastor Katie will be on medical leave** January 6-12. If you have pastoral care needs, please call the church office or Mary Schipper (505-429-0285).
- **Samaritan House Food Donations** – January – Peanut Butter and Jelly
- **Fellowship Snack Schedule for January:**
1/19 – Lisa Weinstein
1/26 – Murl Baker

Prayers for the Church Family - Please pray for Patrick Rucker, Judi Ruprecht and Fred Salas as well as the Rio Rancho Presbyterian Church, Rio Rancho NM (1986). These names remind us to pray for each other and for those in our Presbytery.

THIS WEEK AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN

Monday, January 13

7:00 a.m. – TTT Committee – Charlie’s
5:30 p.m. – Understanding Immigration Task Force

Tuesday, January 14

7:30 a.m. – Community Life – Charlie’s
8:30 a.m. - Coffee with Katie – Charlie’s
9:00 a.m. – Mission & Peacemaking – Library
5:15 p.m.. – Deep & Wide Taize Service - OTMCC

Wednesday, January 15

2:00 p.m. – JOT - OTMCC
6:00 p.m. – Chancel Choir Rehearsal
7:00 p.m. – Rainbow Ringers Rehearsal

FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

1000 Douglas Avenue, Las Vegas NM 87701

January 12, 2020 10:30 a.m.

THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD

MEDITATION

*O let me still, Write Thee great God, and me a child: Let me be soft and supple to thy will,
Small to myself, to others mild, be hither ill.* George Herbert

WE GATHER AROUND THE WORD

GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

(Please use this time to share the peace of the Lord with your neighbor.)

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

(Please return to your seat when the introduction to the hymn starts.)

Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love;

The fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.

PRELUDE AND MEDITATION

***CALL TO WORSHIP** (Selections from Psalm 29)

Ascribe to the Lord, O heavenly beings

Ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

Ascribe to Lord the glory of his name; worship the Lord in holy splendor.

The voice of the Lord is over the waters; the God of glory thunders,

The voice of the Lord is powerful; the voice of Lord is full of majesty.

May the Lord give strength to his people! May the Lord bless his people with peace.

***OPENING HYMN** GTG #26 *Earth and All Stars*

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. Hear this Good News! We are not abandoned! The Holy Spirit stirs among us, bringing forgiveness and new life in Christ.

Leader: Let us join together saying the Unison Prayer of Confession.

UNISON PRAYER OF RECONCILIATION

Merciful God, in baptism you promise forgiveness and new life, making us part of the body of Christ. We confess that we remain preoccupied with ourselves, separated from sisters and brothers in Christ. We cling to destructive habits, hold grudges, and show reluctance to welcome one another; we allow the past to hold us hostage. In your loving kindness, have mercy on us, and free us from sin. Remind us of the promises you make in baptism so that we may rise to new life, and live together in grace. (Pause in silence for personal prayer.) Amen.

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE GTG #482 *Baptized in Water* (verses 1&3)

WE PROCLAIM GOD’S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 42:1-9	Pew Bible Page 584
Acts 10:34-43	Pew Bible Page 895
Matthew 3:13-17	Pew Bible Page 784
SERMON	Pastor Pat Halverson

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE GTG # 484 *Out of Deep Unordered Water*

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

CALL TO OFFERING

GIVING OF OUR GIFTS AND TITHES

***DOXOLOGY**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;	A Dios el Padre celestial;
Praise God all creatures here below;	Al Hijo nuestro redentor
Praise God above ye heavenly host;	Y al eternal Consolador,
Praise God and Son and Holy Ghost.	Unidos todos alabad. Amen.

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Leader: Lord in your Mercy (or Lord with Joy)
People: Hear our Prayer

THE LORD’S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be 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.

WE SEAL GOD’S WORD

(see insert)

UNISON PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

O God, as you once claimed us in the Spirit’s Waters and number us among your own beloved, give us power to do your work, to show your love, and to live holy and joyful lives. Keep us faithful in your service. Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

WE GO FORTH IN GOD’S NAME

***CLOSING HYMN** STF #2107 *Wade in the Water*

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

*Please stand if you are able

Assisting in Worship Today

Preacher – Rev. Pat Halverson
Worship Leader – Rosalie Lopez
Accompanist – Em Krall
Sound – Jeff Salman /Sean Croto
Visuals – Charlotte Wootton/Linda Solyntjes

January Elder of the Month – Van Swan – 505-426-4348
January Deacon of the Month – Bonnie Trujillo – 505-425-3972
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