

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, May 19

8:45 a.m. – Bible-based Class in Session Room and via Zoom

10:30 a.m. – Pentecost Worship in sanctuary and via Zoom

Good-bye to Jordan Jones during Fellowship hour

Welcome to new members during Fellowship hour

4:00 – 6:00 p.m. - Katie's Retirement Celebration

Monday, May 20

7:00 a.m. – AA meeting in upstairs classroom

Wednesday, May 22

7:00 a.m. – AA meeting in upstairs classroom

6:00 p.m. – Al-Anon meeting in upstairs classroom

Friday, May 24

7:00 a.m. – AA meeting in upstairs classroom

4:00 p.m. - Samaritan House Cook Team

Saturday, May 25

9:00 a.m. – AA meeting in upstairs classroom

Sunday, May 26

No class; Memorial Day weekend

10:30 a.m. – Worship in sanctuary and via Zoom



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PENTECOST



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MEDITATION – *Without Pentecost the Christ-event - the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus - remains imprisoned in history as something to remember, think about and reflect on. The Spirit of Jesus comes to dwell within us, so that we can become living Christs here and now.* –Henri Nouwen

WE GATHER TOGETHER

WELCOME

Pastor Katie Palmer

PRELUDE

Em Krall

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

Linda Solyntjes

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 OF THE SPIRIT – ACTS 2:1-4**

***SPEAKING IN LANGUAGES – ACTS 2:17-18**

***OPENING HYMNS**

Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us (GTG #280)

Come, O Holy Spirit, Come (GTG #283)

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 (adapted from the Book of Common Worship)

Passionate God, you poured your Spirit upon gathered disciples creating bold tongues, open ears, and a new community of faith. We confess that we hold back the force of your Spirit among us. We do not listen for your word of grace, speak the good news of your love, or live as a people made one in Christ. Guide us, O God. Transform our timid lives by the power of your Spirit and fill us with a flaming desire to be your faithful people, doing your will for the sake of Christ. Amen.

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

ANTHEM

Spirit of the Living God

Choir

Audrey Assad and Henry Hallam Tweeny, arr. Dan Galbraith

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE

1 Corinthians 12:1, 4-7

SERMON

Aflame

Pastor Katie Palmer

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

RESPONSE

Breathe on Me, Breath of God (GTG #286)

INTRODUCTION OF NEW MEMBERS – Brett Gilland, Renate Rendon, Irene Wolff

WITH THANKS FOR GENEROUS GIVING

***DOXOLOGY**

BREAD FOR THE JOURNEY – Jordan Jones

Deb Allen-Reid

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

A CELEBRATION OF PASTORAL SERVICE

Jeff: Good Christian people, I bid you now pray for the saving presence of our Living Lord.
 In this world, **People: Be present, Lord.**

Jeff: In this congregation, **People: Be present, Lord.**

Jeff: In this community, **People: Be present, Lord.**

Jeff: In our Presbytery and the whole church, **People: Be present, Lord.**

Jeff: In the homes and hearts of all your people, **People: Be present, Lord.**

Carol: I bid you to pray with me now for the forgiveness of the Lord:
 For things not finished, **People: Forgive us, Lord.**

Carol: For expectations not met, for wounds not healed, for gifts not given, for promises not kept.
People: Forgive us, Lord.

Carol: I bid you to pray in thanks for our journey together in this place:
 For friendships made, for joys celebrated and for times of nurture and growth, **People: Thanks be to God.**

Carol: For wounds healed, expectations met, gifts given and promises kept, **People: Thanks be to God.**

Carol: For each other, and for God's love which has sustained us, **People: Thanks be to God.**

Jeff: Do you, the members and friends of First United Presbyterian Church of Las Vegas, now release the Rev. Katie Palmer from her service as your Pastor? **People: We do with thanks to God.**

Jeff: Do you, Pastor Katie, now recognize and accept the completion of your ministry with this people as their Pastor?

Katie: I do, with thanks to God.

Jeff: On behalf of the Presbytery of Santa Fe, I witness to the words spoken here: words of thanksgiving, of forgiveness and release. The Presbytery celebrates with you all that has been found here of life and hope in your journey together as Pastor and people and we pledge to you, our brothers and sisters, our continued support and prayers. I declare, with thanks to God for the life and ministry of this congregation and the ministry of its faithful servant, and with a sense of hope for God's abiding grace in the future, that the pastoral relationship is now dissolved as of May 31, 2024.

Katie: And now our journeys lead us on in separate ways, yet always bound together with all who call Christ Lord. Go in peace. **People: Go in peace.**

Katie: Let us pray together:

All: O God, our endings and beginnings are rooted in your love. You are alpha and omega, both beginning and end. So, whether near or far, we are always held by your love and so are safe from any lasting loss. End this time together with your blessing. Touch all memories with your grace and peace. Help us to live in the new futures you give us with courage and glad hearts. And grant that, in every new time you give us, we may offer you our highest and our best. Together, always, in Jesus Christ our Lord. Alleluia! Amen.

Jeff: On behalf of the Presbytery of Santa Fe, I promise this congregation that the Presbytery of Santa Fe through its officers and staff and through the Commission on Ministry will be present and supportive of this congregation in this challenging time of transition.

BREAD FOR THE JOURNEY – The Palmers

Carol Linder

WE GO FORTH IN GOD'S NAME

***CLOSING HYMN**

Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness (GTG #291)

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

***POSTLUDE**

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



*******OPPORTUNITIES*******

Join us for fellowship in Perea Hall after worship today! During this time, we will celebrate Jordan Jones' time with us and wish him well as he moves to Texas to continue his studies, and we will welcome our new members in to this faith community.

May fellowship time reminder:

5/19 Deacons/Deb Allen-Reid

5/26 *An opportunity for YOU*

Signup sheet is in Perea Hall; please sign up for a Sunday. Nothing elaborate is expected.

We are **grateful for the presence of Presbytery of Santa Fe representatives** with us this morning, particularly Jeff Parkes, who is one of our Commission on Ministry liaisons. Jeff is a Ruling Elder from First Presbyterian Church in Farmington.

Join us this afternoon at **4:00 p.m. in Perea Hall for the retirement party for Pastor Katie**. There will be a catered dinner from El Rialto Restaurant. All are welcome to join (even if you did not RSVP).

The Sunday morning Bible-based class for adults and youth is discussing the book of Genesis. They discussed chapters 1-5 this morning and will take next Sunday, May 26, off for Memorial Day Weekend. The reading assignment for June 2 is Chapters 6-11 in any translation. Class members are also discussing comments on Genesis by Marilynne Robinson as presented in her new book *Reading Genesis*. A summary of her comments for the chapters in each week's session will be available a week prior. Participants (or others) can request the summaries from Richard Lindeborg, ralindeborg@cs.com. Class sessions are at 8:45 in the Session Room next to Perea Hall and online through the same link as the Sunday worship service.

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 Richard Lindeborg, Carol and Peter Linder and Nicky Litherland as well as La Mesa Presbyterian Church, Albuquerque, NM (1944).

May Elder of the Month – Corky Halverson – 505-235-7914

May Deacon of the Month – Bonnie Trujillo – 505-617-0459

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Assisting in Worship This Week

Pastor – Rev. Katie Palmer	Worship Leader – Linda Solyntjes	Accompanist – Em Krall
Choir Director – Jordan Jones	Office Manager – Crystal Western Ford	
Language Readers – Jackson Awuzing, Ngie; Em Krall, Czech; Carol Litherland, ASL; Gail Malley, Arabic; Kent Reid, Haitian Creole; Niki Sebastian, French; Linda Solyntjes, English; Maria Weinrich, Spanish		
Sanctuary Hosts – Kevin Johnson, Charlotte Wootton		
Tech Crew – Deb Allen-Reid, Peter Linder, Jeff Salman		