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, September 8

8:45 a.m. – Adult class in Session Room and via Zoom 10:30 a.m. – Worship in sanctuary with Brett Gilland and via Zoom followed by fellowship Monday, September 9 7:00 a.m. – AA meeting in upstairs classroom **Tuesday, September 10** 11:45 a.m. – Rotary Meeting in Perea Hall 12:30 p.m. Massage Therapist in Nursey Room 6:00 p.m. – Womens' AA Meeting in The Gathering Place Wednesday, September 11 7:00 a.m. – AA meeting in upstairs classroom 6:00 p.m. – Al-Anon meeting in upstairs classroom 6:30 p.m. – Choir Rehearsal in Perea Hall Friday, September 13 7:00 a.m. – AA meeting in upstairs classroom 9:00 a.m. - Food Depot Distribution at Rodriguez Part 4:00 p.m. - Samaritan House Cook Team Saturday, September 14 9:00 a.m. – AA meeting in upstairs classroom Sunday, September 15 8:45 a.m. - Adult Study in Session Room and via Zoom 10:30 a.m. -Worship in sanctuary with Jim Roghair and via Zoom followed by fellowship We're a MATTHEW 25 church



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September 8, 2024 10:30 a.m.

MEDITATION - "We do not need heroes. We need people who are committed to one another's survival, who are willing to act on the basis of that commitment. Unfortunately, we are living in an era where refusing to abandon people can be a revolutionary act. It could also be the key to our collective survival."

Kelly Hayes & Mariame Kaba, Let This Radicalize You (pp. 52)

WE GATHER TOGETHER

WELCOME	Sharon Vander Meer		
PRELUDE	Em Krall		
MINUTE FOR MISSION, PEACE AND GLOBAL WITNESS	Pat Halverson		
*PASSING OF THE PEACE Sharon Vander Meer 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			

Leader: Jesus brought healing love to all people. All: They talked and marveled about his miracles. Leader: But they really didn't understand him. All: They wanted the healing, but not necessarily a change in their lives. Leader: Jesus brings us transforming compassion. All: Lord Jesus, keep our minds and our spirits open to your life-changing words. AMEN.

From ministrymatters.com

***OPENING HYMN** God Welcomed All GTG #399



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

Patient Lord, you know us so well. We are fascinated by healing and can talk all day about the miracles, but we do not truly understand the compassion of Christ. Please forgive us, Lord, when our greed and fear get in the way of understanding. Help us to know the transformational power of your love. Get us ready to be faithful witnesses to you in all that we say and do. It is in Jesus' Name that we pray. AMEN.

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATI	ON	Sharon Vander Meer
FIRST SCRIPTURE	James 2: 1-17	Brett M. Gilland
SECOND SCRIPTURE	Mark 7: 24-30	Brett M. Gilland
SERMON	"Who is Worthy?"	Brett M. Gilland

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

RESPONSE	In Christ There Is No East or West	GTG #318

WITH THANKS FOR GENEROUS GIVING

God, thank you for our church, for the way we are called to be church to a world in need. Help us to continue to share with those in need and with each other through these gifts. In the name of Christ, we pray. Amen.

*DOXOLOGY

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

WE GO FORTH IN GOD'S NAME

*CLOSING HYMN Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love GTG #203

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

****OPPORTUNITIES****

Join us for fellowship in Perea Hall after worship today! September fellowship time reminder:9/8Juli Salman9/15 Bonnie TrujilloSignup sheet is in Perea Hall; please sign up for a Sunday. Nothing elaborate is expected.

The Sunday morning Bible-based class for adults and youth is discussing the book *Tell Her Story: How Women Led, Taught, and Ministered in the Early Church* by Nijay K. Gupta. The reading assignment for the September 8 session is chapter 5, pp. 73-93 (Early Churches). The assignment for September 15 is Chapter 6, pp. 94-112 (Women in Leadership). Classes are at 8:45 a.m. Sundays in the Session Room, next to the kitchen in Perea Hall and on Zoom on 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 Bonnie Trujillo, Diego and Connie, and Arthur, Carolina, and Celina Trujillo as well as the First Presbyterian Church of Farmington, Farmington, NM (1889).

Bio on Brett Gilland – Brett M. Gilland is a teacher at Rio Gallinas Community School. He has taught in Oklahoma, Alaska, and New Mexico in both public and private schools. He believes deeply in the inherent worth of all others and crafting a world driven by communal care and support.

September Elder of Month: Carol Litherland 505-429-0923

September Deacon of the Month: Nina Johns 505-426-5802 The office is open on Tuesday from 10:00 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. For all other times, please email or call and we will get back to you.

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Assisting in Worship This WeekPreacher – Brett GillandWorship Leader – Sharon Vander MeerAccompanist – Em KrallBulletin – EJ NelsonCustodian – Henry HerreraSanctuary Hosts – Kevin Johnson, Charlotte WoottonTech Crew – Kent Reid, Jeff Salman, Juli Salman

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

Em Krall