

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 24

8:45 a.m. – Adult class in Session Room and via Zoom

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

Monday, November 25

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

11:00 a.m. – Deacons in Session Room

Tuesday, November 26

11:45 a.m. – Rotary Meeting in Perea Hall

12:30 to 6:30 p.m. - Massage Therapist in Nursery Room

6:00 p.m. – Women's AA Meeting in The Gathering Place

7:00 p.m. – Session Meeting in Session Room

Wednesday, November 27

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

9:00 a.m. – Coffee & Fellowship at Charlies

6:00 p.m. – Al Anon meeting in The Gathering Place

6:30 p.m. – Choir Rehearsal in Perea Hall

Thursday, November 28

HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

Friday, November 29

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

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

Saturday, November 30

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

10:00 a.m. – Decorate the Sanctuary

Sunday, December 1

8:45 a.m. – Adult Study in Session Room and via Zoom

10:30 a.m. –Worship in sanctuary with Pastor Patricia Halverson and via Zoom followed by fellowship



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November 24, 2024

10:30 a.m.

MISSION AND VISION - We seek to grow in our faith, share God's love, and serve others, following the Holy Spirit that has sustained us and our ministries for over 150 years. As an inclusive and welcoming segment of the Body of Christ, we actively seek justice for all and work together to build a compassionate world where all are valued. Led by Christ and dependent on God's grace, we embrace today's challenges and tomorrow's opportunities.

MEDITATION – “O Lord Jesus Christ, the Way, the Truth and the Life: Do not let us stray from you, the Way, nor to distrust you, the Truth, nor to rest in anything other than you, the Life. Amen” – by Desiderius Erasmus, (1466 -1436).

WE GATHER TOGETHER

CHORAL INTROIT

Come, Ye Thankful People Come

WELCOME

PRELUDE

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

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 (Based on Psalm 16)

Leader: Protect us, O God of Love, for we take refuge in you. We say to the Lord,
“You are our Lord, our good above all others.”

All: In Christ, you show us the path of life; in his Spirit there is fullness of joy, and in him, grace and peace forevermore.

Leader: Help us believe that Christ is behind, before and beside us; is with us and within us; that his truth shall triumph through us.

All: In Christ, you show us the path of life; in his Spirit there is fullness of joy, and in him, grace and peace forevermore.

Leader: Our hearts, therefore, are glad; our souls rejoice; our bodies also rest secure.

All: Through Christ, you show us the path of life; in his Spirit there is fullness of joy, in him, grace and peace forevermore. Let us praise God!

***OPENING HYMN**

I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art

GTG #624

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

Merciful God, in your gracious presence we confess our sin and the sin of this world. Although Christ is among us as our peace, we are a people divided against ourselves as we cling to the values of a broken world. The profit and pleasures we pursue damage the earth, our home. The fears and jealousies that we harbor set neighbor against neighbor and nation against nation. We abuse your good gifts of imagination and freedom, of intellect and reason and have turned them into bonds of oppression.

Lord, have mercy upon us; heal and forgive us. Set us free to serve you in the world as agents of your reconciling love in Jesus Christ. We come to you now, in silent prayer and meditation.

Leader: Amen.

WE PROCLAIM GOD’S WORD

CHORAL ANTHEM Jubilate Deo words and music by Kirby Shaw

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING Revelation 1:4-8 Van Swan

GOSPEL READING John 18:32-37 Rev. J.R. (Randy) Campbell

SERMON “The Truth” Rev. J.R. (Randy) Campbell

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

RESPONSE O Jesus, I Have Promised GTG #724

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** When We Are Living GTG #822

***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! **November/December fellowship time reminder:**
11/24 Murl Baker 12/3 Amy Hufnal
Signup 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 having a discussion based on the book *Falling Upward: A Spirituality for the Two Halves of Life* by Richard Rohr. The reading assignment for November 24, Chapters 9 and 10, pp. 105-126.

During Advent 2024 the Sunday morning bible-based class for youth and adults will discuss the book *Do Not Be Afraid: The Joy of Waiting in a Time of Fear: The Archbishop of York's Advent Book* by Rachel Mann. The reading assignment for December 1st is:

WEEK 1: The joy of waiting.

Books may be purchased online at Barnes & Noble, Powells.com, Alibris.com, and AbeBooks.com

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.

Don’t Wait, Vaccinate! Get up to date and stay up to date with the CDC recommended vaccinations. It’s not just for kids anymore! Keep a written record of your own personal vaccination history. Keep a small card in your wallet; your doctor or your pharmacist can give you one. You never know when you might need to remember your last injection. Check your October newsletter for more information.

Help decorate the Church: The Worship & Music Committee will be decorating the sanctuary for Advent on Saturday, November 30, at 10 a.m. and invite anyone who would like to help to join us for a festive time!

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 Robin Carlson and Leslie Jones, and, Lin Chibante (Ayers) as well as the Las Placitas Presbyterian Church, Placitas, NM (1894).

Joining us today in the pulpit is Rev. J.R. (Randy) Campbell– Randy grew up in a rural area just north of Butler, PA. He attended Westminster College, New Wilmington, PA and spent his junior year at New College, Edinburgh, Scotland. He attended McCormick Seminary, Chicago and served congregations in Ohio, Minnesota and Arizona, taught English at a Mission School in Cameroon, Africa and was U.S. Coordinator of Companeros en Mision Presbyterian Border Ministry in Nogales, AZ and Mexico. He served as pastor of this church from 2007 to 2015, when he (almost) retired.

*November Elder of Month: Karyl Lyne, 505-718-6475
November Deacon of the Month: Murl Baker, 505-429-0670*

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 Week

Preacher – Rev. J.R. (Randy) Campbell Worship Leader – Van Swan
Pianist – Mark Winston Choir – Amy Hufnal Bulletin – EJ Nelson
Custodian – Henry Herrera Sanctuary Hosts – Kevin Johnson, Charlotte Wootton
Tech Crew – Jeff Salman, Juli Salman, Karyl Lyne