

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, December 15

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

10:30 a.m. –Worship in sanctuary and via Zoom followed by the 2025 Church Budget Meeting in Perea Hall, all are invited

Monday, December 16

7:00 a.m. – AA in upstairs classroom

Tuesday, December 17

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

Wednesday, December 18

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

9:00 a.m. – Coffee & Fellowship at Charlie's

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

Friday, December 19

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

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

Saturday, December 20

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

Sunday, December 21

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

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



FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

1000 Douglas Avenue, P.O. Box 37

Las Vegas, NM 87701

December 15, 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 live into tomorrow's opportunities.

MEDITATION "...joy' in Philippians is a defiant 'Nevertheless!' that Paul sets like a full stop against the Philippians' anxiety..." — Karl Barth

WE GATHER TOGETHER

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.*

THE RITUAL OF THE ADVENT WREATH

A WORD ON JOY

LIGHTING THE CANDLE OF JOY

UNISON PRAYER:

"Come, festively sing while awaiting the birth, join angels in dancing from heaven to earth. Wave banners of good news, lift high thankful praise. One candle is lit for the joy of these days."

Rev. Patricia Halverson
Murl Baker

CHORAL INTROIT

Hurry Shepherds, Run

Douglas Wagner

CALL TO WORSHIP (from Philippians 4)

Leader: Rejoice in the Lord always; again, I will say, rejoice.

All: Let your gentleness be known to everyone.

Leader: The Lord is at hand.

All: Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God.

*OPENING HYMN

People Look East

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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.

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