

FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

1000 Douglas Avenue, PO Box 37,
Las Vegas NM 87701

May 24, 2020 10:30 a.m.

FAITHFUL WITNESSES

MEDITATION – *Love recognizes no barriers. It jumps hurdles, leaps fences, penetrates walls to arrive at its destination full of hope.* — **Maya Angelou**

WE GATHER TOGETHER

WELCOME

Rev. Katie Palmer

PRELUDE

Em Krall

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Renee Soderlund

PASSING OF THE PEACE

*Let us make a commitment during this time to call someone today,
visit with them, and wish them the peace of Christ.*

CALL TO WORSHIP (adapted from Psalm 5:7, 11)

Through the abundance of your steadfast love, we enter your presence, O God.
Let all who take refuge in your love rejoice and sing for joy; let us love your name!
We come together now to worship the God of Great Love!

OPENING HYMN, *Here in This Place* (GTG #401)

OPENING PRAYER

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING: 1 Corinthians 13:1-13

If I speak in the tongues of mortals and of angels, but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. If I give away all my possessions, and if I hand over my body so that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing.

Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

Love never ends. But as for prophecies, they will come to an end; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will come to an end. For we know only in part, and we prophesy only in part; but when the complete comes, the partial will come to an end. When I was a child, I spoke like a

child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child; when I became an adult, I put an end to childish ways. For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then we will see face to face. Now I know only in part; then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known. And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love.

SERMON: *The Challenge of Love*

Rev. Katie Palmer

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

RESPONSE TO THE WORD:

“A handy reference list of the ‘Christian Response’ to social issues”
(from theimperfectpastor.com):

Male - Love them. Female - Love them. Unsure - Love them.
Gay – Love them. Straight. – Love them. Unsure – Love them.
Addict – Love them. Sober – Love them.
Believer – Love them. Unbeliever – Love them. Unsure – Love them.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

WE GO FORTH IN GOD'S NAME

***CLOSING HYMN**, *Though I May Speak* (GTG #693)

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

Assisting in Worship Today

Preacher – Rev. Katie Palmer
Accompanist – Em Krall

Worship Leader – Renee Soderlund
Zoom Host – D.R. Palmer

We extend a warm welcome in the name of Christ to all who worship with us today.

Let's share something about our space with each other! This week, please share a photo of something that hangs on a wall in your home. Feel free to just post the photo or to include a comment. We'll post this invitation; you can post your photo in the comments section of the Facebook post.

Sunday Class – We are now discussing the book *The Simple Faith of Mister Rogers: Spiritual Insights from the World's Most Beloved Neighbor* by Amy Hollingsworth. The reading assignment for May 31 is Ch. 1: “The Importance of Taking Time, The Importance of Silence” - pp. 1-13 AND Ch. 2: “A Presence Transformed by Prayer” - pp. 19-29. Class is on the same Zoom link as the worship service **at 9:15** instead of 9:30. Details in the May newsletter or contact Richard Lindeborg.

Newsletter Deadline – Tuesday, May 26th

Next Sunday is Pentecost! Please plan to wear colors of fire and to bring with you something fiery to wave—a ribbon, scarf, or even a towel. Let’s see lots of red, orange, and yellow when we “zoom in”!

Samaritan House Food Donations – May – Rice and Beans. Coffee and Tea are always appreciated. Please drop your donations off at Samaritan House.

Prayers for the Church Family - Please pray for Willie Lansing, Rudy Laumbach, and Richard & Susan Lindeborg as well as Aztec Presbyterian Church, Aztec NM (1889). These names remind us to pray for each other and for those in our Presbytery.

Church Office closed to the public, but calls and emails will be answered

Hours: Monday -Thursday 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

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THIS WEEK AT FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN

The church building is closed. If you have questions or need help, please call the church office or email us at fupc.nm@gmail.com.

Monday, May 25

Memorial Day Holiday

Tuesday, May 26

9:00 a.m. – Coffee with Katie via Zoom

6:30 p.m. – Session meeting via Zoom

Wednesday, May 27

10:45 a.m. – Deacons via Zoom

Thursday, May 28

3:30 p.m. – Thursday Tea Time via Zoom

Sunday, May 31 at 4:00 p.m. – Virtual Ice Cream Social!!



Log in to Zoom using the same link as you do for worship <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5739200081> or join us by phone (312-626-6799).
and have your ice cream or other dessert ready.

We’ll break into small groups (virtually) and have time to socialize!!