

## HELLO FUPC FAMILY AND FRIENDS!

In this mailing you'll find a note from Pastor Katie and 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 join us 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. If you need help with zoom, call D.R. Palmer before Sunday. It is so good to see and hear each other! Please plan to join us!

### THIS WEEK AT FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN

#### Tuesday, October 13

NO Coffee with Katie

#### Wednesday, October 14

10:00 a.m. – Joint JOT/B&G meeting via Zoom

5:30 p.m. – City Council meeting at which FUPC's 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Resolution will be read  
(Watch on YouTube or Comcast, channel 23 or 24.)

#### Thursday, October 15

NO Afternoon Tea Time

#### Saturday, October 16

10:30 a.m. – Presbytery of Santa Fe meeting via Zoom

#### Assisting in Worship This Week

Preacher – Rev. Pat Halverson      Worship Leader – Murl Baker

Accompanist – Em Krall      Zoom Host – D.R. Palmer

Singers - Christie Baskett, Judy Long, Karyl Lyne, DR Palmer, Deb Allen-Reid and Kent Reid.

Visuals – Tegan Palmer



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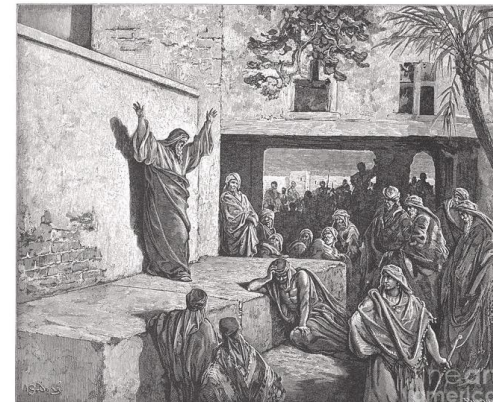


October 7, 2020

Dear FUPC Family and Friends,

It's a beautiful fall day as I write to you; from my front window I can see the turning leaves on our neighbor's tree blowing in the breeze. I am looking forward to a few days in the Colorado autumn sun during my Study Leave next week at Sacred Heart Jesuit Retreat House. The forecast calls for 60's and mostly sunny, so I'll be enjoying the sidewalks and trails that wind through the property of this beautiful place during my days of silent retreat. I'll share photos when I return! Thanks to Pat Halverson, who will be filling the pulpit this Sunday.

I want to share with you that the Re-Entry Task Force continues to move forward with plans for our worship service to become a hybrid service once it is safe to do so. Session has approved an expenditure of funds to equip the sanctuary and Perea Hall so that we can have worshippers in both spaces if the numbers require it, as well as have folks who are attending the service virtually with us. Please know that purchasing, installing, and training operators for this equipment will take some time. As the Task Force continues to research the safest possible way for us to gather, we believe that having folks attend a full Sunday morning worship service in the church building will not be wise for some time to come. It is simply not safe to be together in an enclosed space—especially once the weather necessitates that the heating be on—for that full time. We will continue to worship via Zoom for now.



Micah Exhorts the Israelites to Repent

However, we know that some of you are feeling a deep need to be in the sanctuary and we also know that the research indicates it is much safer to gather together—following COVID restrictions—for brief periods of time. To that end, Session has approved a brief, monthly Word and Prayer service tentatively scheduled for 4 p.m. on the afternoons of October 25, November 22, and December 20. We will strictly follow these guidelines: Worshippers must wear masks. They will enter through the main sanctuary doors, where they will sign in and use hand sanitizer. They will be directed to a seat. Following this 15-minute service, worshippers will leave through the west door. We can accommodate about 20 individuals or couples (who live together) and still maintain required distancing. Reservations will be required. If you would like to attend the October 25 service, please email or call the church office to reserve a space. Please be aware that the governor may tighten restrictions should the state's cases of COVID-19 require it; if updated restrictions so require, we'll cancel the service.

Please remember that, whether we worship from our kitchen tables, our patios, our living rooms, or our sanctuary, we are in the presence of God, who is at home with us wherever we may be.

With thanks for all of you,  
Pastor Katie

## FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

1000 Douglas Avenue, Las Vegas NM 87701  
October 11, 2020 10:30 a.m.

### VOICES OF THE PROPHETS



MEDITATION – *If you are neutral in situations of injustice, you have chosen the side of the oppressor.*  
Desmond Tutu

### WE GATHER TOGETHER

#### GATHERING MUSIC

Em Krall

#### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Murl Baker

#### 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

Psalms 37: 3-9

Trust in the Lord and do good; so you will live in the land, and enjoy security. Take delight in the Lord, and he will give you the desires of your heart.

Commit your way to the Lord; trust in him and he will act. He will make your vindication shine like the light, and the justice of your cause like the noonday.

Be still before the Lord, and wait patiently for him; do not fret over those who prosper in their way, over those who carry out evil devices.

Refrain from anger, and forsake wrath. Do not fret—it leads only to evil.

For the wicked shall be cut off, but those who wait for the Lord shall inherit the land.

#### OPENING HYMN

*My Faith Looks Up to Thee* (GTG #829)

#### OPENING PRAYER

### WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

#### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE: Zephaniah 1: 1, 7, select verses from 12-2:3, and 3:9

The word of the Lord that came to Zephaniah son of Cushi, son of Gedaliah son of Amariah son of Hezekiah, in days of King Josiah son of Amon of Judah.

Be silent before the Lord God! For the day of the Lord is at hand; The Lord has prepared a sacrifice, he has consecrated his guests. On that day says the Lord, ...At that time I will search Jerusalem with lamps, and I will punish the people who rest complacently on their dregs, those who say in their hearts, "The Lord will not do good, nor will he do harm," Their wealth shall be plundered, and their houses laid waste. The great day of the Lord is near, near and hastening fast; the sound of the day of the Lord is bitter, the warrior cries aloud there. That day will be a day of wrath, a day of distress and anguish, a day of ruin and devastation, a day of darkness and gloom, a day of clouds and thick darkness.

Neither their silver nor their gold will be able to save them on the day of the Lord's wrath; in the fire of his passion the whole earth shall be consumed; for a full, a terrible end he will make of all the inhabitants of the earth.

Gather together, gather, O shameless nation, before you are driven away like the driving chaff, before there comes upon you the day of the Lord's wrath. Seek the Lord, all you humble of the land, who do his commands; seek righteousness, seek humility. 3: 9 At that time I will change the speech of the peoples to a pure speech, that all of them may call on the name of the Lord and serve him with one accord.

#### SERMON

Rev Pat Halverson

### WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

RESPONSE *Oh God, Who Gives Us Life* (GTG #53)

#### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

### WE GO FORTH IN GOD'S NAME

\*CLOSING HYMN *Great is Thy Faithfulness* (GTG #39)

#### \*CHARGE AND BLESSING

#### POSTLUDE

*Welcome!*

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

**Pastor Katie will be on study leave** October 11-16. If you have pastoral care concerns, please contact the church office (505-425-7763) or Mary Schipper (505-429-0285).

**Sunday Class:** The Sunday morning bible-based class for adults and youth is now discussing the book "Man in White" by Johnny Cash. You can get a copy quickly by using express mailing from Amazon, Alibris, Abe, or other online sources. The Class is using the 1986 hardbound (HarperCollins) white cover edition, rather than the newer black cover editions. Richard Lindeborg can order a copy to be shipped to your home. The reading assignment for October 18 is the Prologue, pp. 21-56.

**Join the Parade!** At 2 p.m. on Saturday, October 24, we're having a parade sponsored by Community Life. Some of us will be the parade; others will be visited by our parade. Watch for more details coming soon!

**Mark Your Calendars!** On Tuesday, October 20 at 6:30 p.m. Frank Beurskens will lead a discussion of the film *The Social Dilemma* via Zoom. Watch the film, which is available via Netflix or YouTube, and then zoom in just as you would for worship to join the discussion. This thought-provoking film reveals what really goes on behind the screen when Facebook and other social media platforms create your news feed.

**Samaritan House Food Donations** – October - Peanut Butter and Jelly. Coffee and Tea are always appreciated. Please drop your donations off at Samaritan House.

**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 Randy Campbell, Robin Carlson & Les Jones, and Jim, Siobhan and Sean Croto as well as Las Placitas Presbyterian Church, Placitas NM (1894).

*October Elder of the Month – Deb Allen-Reid – 505-331-9125*

*October Deacon of the Month – Renee Soderlund – 505-429-1885*

*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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