HELLO FUPC FAMILY AND FRIENDS!

In this mailing you'll find the bulletin for Sunday's worship service. Join us Sunday at 10:30 in the sanctuary, 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

Tuesday, August 31 9:00 a.m. - Coffee with Katie via Zoom 11:00 a.m. – Buildings and Grounds in Perea Hall Thursday, September 2 9:30 a.m. - Worship and Music via Zoom





August 29, 2021

God's **BIG** Picture

MEDITATION – The thing to do, it seems to me, is to prepare yourself so you can be a rainbow in somebody else's cloud. Somebody who may not look like you. May not call God the same name you call God - if they call God at all. I may not dance your dances or speak your language. But be a blessing to somebody. That's what I *think.* –Maya Angelou

WELCOME

PRELUDE

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 (Based on Psalm 119:57-60)

- One: The Lord is our portion; let us promise to keep God's words.
- All: With our hearts, we implore God's favor and trust in God's gracious promise.
- One: When we think of God's ways, let us turn our feet to God's decrees.
- All: We hurry to keep God's commandments and gather to give thanks to our Creator God!

OPENING HYMN Let All Things Now Living (GTG #37)

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

God of All Blessings, thank you for your generosity and love. You shower your gifts upon us so freely, and yet we are often stingy in blessing others. Forgive us, we pray, when we begrudge others the blessings we might share; forgive us when we resent others' need for our blessings. Share with us your spirit of generosity; help us to understand that the blessings we so eagerly receive from you are meant to be shared. Give us minds and hearts to serve others and to do what we are able to create justice and wellbeing in the world. We pray in the name of Christ. Amen.



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FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 1000 Douglas Avenue, Las Vegas NM 87701 10:30 a.m.

WE GATHER TOGETHER

Rev. Katie Palmer

Em Krall

Ann Taylor-Trujillo

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Genesis 12:1-3

Now the Lord said to Abram, 'Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.'

Matthew 20:24-28

When the [other] ten [disciples] heard [that James' and John's mother had asked that they sit at Jesus' right and left hands in the kingdom], they were angry with the two brothers. But Jesus called them to him and said, 'You know that the rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. It will not be so among you; but whoever wishes to be great among you must be your servant, and whoever wishes to be first among you must be your slave; just as the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many.'

SERMON Blessed to Be a Blessing

Rev. Katie Palmer

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

WITH THANKS FOR GENEROUS GIVING Doxology PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER **OPPORTUNITIES**

WE GO FORTH IN GOD'S NAME

CLOSING HYMN The Lord Now Sends Us Forth (GTG #747) --First time in English; repeats in Spanish—

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

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

The Bible-based class for adults and youth is discussing A People's History of Christianity: The Other Side of the Story by Diana Butler Bass. The book is available used from Amazon for as little as \$.99 hardback and \$2.00 paperback (plus shipping) and from other online vendors, such as Alibris.com and AbeBooks.com for competitive prices. Paper Trail may be able to get copies fairly quickly as can Richard Lindeborg. There will be no class on September 5. The reading assignment for the September 12 session is Chapter 3, pp. 59-84. A description of the book and a list of the weekly reading assignments are in the August Newsletter. Class is from 9 to 9:50 a.m. on Zoom.

Samaritan House Food Donations – September – Canned milk, canned vegetables. 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 Maxine (Gordy) Thatcher, Karen Topping and Rod Billingsley and Tom Trigg and Mary Schipper as well as First Presbyterian Church, Taos, NM (1874).

September Elder of the Month – Judy Long – 505-429-0379 September Deacon of the Month – Sharon Vander Meer – 505-425-6457 Church Office Hours: Monday -Thursday 9:00 a.m. - Noon Note: Church office will close at 11:00 a.m. on Monday, 8/30/21 due to Crystal having an appointment. fupc.nm@gmail.com 505-425-7763 www.lvpresbyterian.org *Rev Katie Palmer – Office: 425-7763 Cell: 303-775-7356 pastorkatiepalmer@gmail.com*

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Assisting in Worship This Week