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 10

9:00 a.m. – Coffee with Katie via Zoom 2:00 p.m. – Community Life via Zoom

Wednesday, August 11

2:00 p.m. – JOT **Saturday, August 14**

8:30 a.m. – TT&T mini-retreat





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FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

1000 Douglas Avenue, Las Vegas NM 87701 August 8, 2021 10:30 a.m.

God's **BIG** Picture

MEDITATION – *Like good stewards of the manifold grace of God, serve one another with whatever gift each of you has received.* - 1 Peter 4:10

WE GATHER TOGETHER

WELCOME Rev. Katie Palmer

PRELUDE Em Krall

PASSING OF THE PEACE Rev. Pat Halverson

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 (Psalm 25:4-8a)

One: Make me to know your ways, O Lord; teach me your paths.

All: Lead me in your truth, and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation;

for you I wait all day long.

One: Be mindful of your mercy, O Lord, and of your steadfast love, for they have been from of old.

All: Do not remember the sins of my youth or my transgressions; according to your steadfast love remember me, for your goodness' sake, O Lord!

One: Good and upright is the Lord; let us gather to worship God!

OPENING HYMN Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty (GTG #403)

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 Love and Grace, thank you for creating us as uniquely gifted people—gifted with individual abilities to do your work in the world.

Forgive us when we fail to use our gifts to build your kingdom; forgive us when we don't appreciate that you have equipped us to live in a way that can include and nurture all your children.

Guide us to recognize your grace in our gifts and to use those gifts to love others. We pray in the name of Christ. Amen.

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION **SCRIPTURE READING**

Ephesians 2:1-22

You were dead through the trespasses and sins in which you once lived, following the course of this world, following the ruler of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work among those who are disobedient. All of us once lived among them in the passions of our flesh, following the desires of flesh and senses, and we were by nature children of wrath, like everyone else. But God, who is rich in mercy, out of the great love with which he loved us even when we were dead through our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved— and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, so that in the ages to come he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness towards us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God—not the result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are what he has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand to be our way of life.

So then, remember that at one time you Gentiles by birth, called 'the uncircumcision' by those who are called 'the circumcision'—a physical circumcision made in the flesh by human hands— remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, so that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling-place for God.

SERMON Rev. Katie Palmer **Brokenness Overcome**

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

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 *Let Us Build a House* (GTG #301) **CHARGE AND BENEDICTION POSTLUDE**



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

Today we install officers to the class of 2023: Deacon Sharon Vander Meer and Elders Corky Halverson, Carol Linder, Judy Long, Karyl Lyne, and D. R. Palmer.

The Sunday morning class for adults is now discussing *The Hope of Glory: Reflections on the Last Words of* Jesus from the Cross by Jon Meacham. Ordering information is in the June newsletter. Richard Lindeborg can order you a book, too. The reading assignment for the August 15 session is "Epilogue: Even unto the end of the world." pp. 99-107. Class on Zoom is now at 9 a.m. instead of 9:15.

The next class series (starting August 22) is discussion of 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. Order by the end of July to be safe. Weekly reading assignments are in the August Newsletter.

Samaritan House Food Donations – August– Dry milk, Oatmeal (or other dry cereals). 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 Mary Schipper and Tom Trigg, Renee Soderlund and Jerry Russell and Linda and Gene Solyntjes as well as First Presbyterian Church, Santa Fe, NM (1867).

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Assisting in Worship This Week

Preacher – Rev. Katie Palmer Worship Leader – Rev. Pat Halverson Director of Music - Karyl Lyne Accompanist – Em Krall Office Manager – Crystal Western Ford Usher Coordinator – Kevin Johnson Tech Crew: Carol Linder, D.R. Palmer, Jeff Salman, Denice Spicer