

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, October 5

7:30 a.m. – Personnel via Zoom
9:00 a.m. – Coffee with Katie via Zoom
3:00 p.m. – Mission and Peacemaking via Zoom

Thursday, October 7

9:30 a.m. – Worship and Music via Zoom
5:00 p.m. – Amnesty International via Zoom



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WELCOME!! - We extend a warm welcome in the name of Christ to all who worship with us this week!

September 29, 2021

Dear FUPC Family and Friends,

Sunday is World Communion Sunday. We will be celebrating The Lord's Supper on this day, along with Christians all over the world. What a powerful reminder that, no matter where we are in the world, we have family everywhere. Please have a bite of food and something to drink with you when you Zoom in for worship on Sunday, and keep in mind that, whether we are tasting bread, donut, tortilla or pita, we are tasting it around Christ's table, where we gather together as family.

This Sunday is also the last in our "God is [T]here" series. We will join Moses as he hears God's call to lead God's enslaved people to freedom, and we will hear the hesitancy in his response to God.

I will be away from October 8 – 22, on study leave and vacation. I leave you in good hands. Rev. Pat Halverson will lead worship while I'm gone. Should you have pastoral care needs, please call the church office or Mary Schipper (505-429-0285).

When I return, we will walk with several of God's people in the Hebrew Bible—our Old Testament—and learn about the gifts with which God blessed them—and us!

With thanks for all of you,
Pastor Katie

Assisting in Worship This Week

Preacher – Rev. Katie Palmer Worship Leader – D.R. Palmer
Director of Music - Karyl Lyne Accompanist – Em Krall
Office Manager – Crystal Western Ford Zoom Host – D.R. Palmer

October Elder of the Month – D.R. Palmer – 303-775-7259

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

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FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

1000 Douglas Avenue, Las Vegas NM 87701

October 3, 2021 10:30 a.m.

GOD IS [T]HERE



MEDITATION – *I'm not afraid of storms, for I'm learning how to sail my ship.* –Louisa May Alcott

WE GATHER TOGETHER

WELCOME Rev. Katie Palmer

PRELUDE Em Krall

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 (Psalm 139:7-12) D.R. Palmer

One: Where can I go from your spirit? Or where can I flee from your presence?

All: If I ascend to heaven, you are there; if I make my bed in Sheol, you are there.

One: If I take the wings of the morning and settle at the farthest limits of the sea,
even there your hand shall lead me, and your right hand shall hold me fast.

**All: If I say, 'Surely the darkness shall cover me, and the light around me become night', even the darkness is
not dark to you; the night is as bright as the day, for darkness is as light to you.**

OPENING PRAYER

OPENING HYMN *We Are Standing on Holy Ground* (GTG #406)

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING Exodus 2:23-25; 3:1-15; 4:10-17

After a long time the king of Egypt died. The Israelites groaned under their slavery, and cried out. Out of the slavery their cry for help rose up to God. God heard their groaning, and God remembered his covenant with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. God looked upon the Israelites, and God took notice of them.

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Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; he led his flock beyond the wilderness, and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. Then Moses said, 'I must turn aside and look at this great sight, and see why the bush is not burned up.' When the Lord saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, 'Moses, Moses!' And he said, 'Here I am.' Then he said, 'Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground.' He said further, 'I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob.' And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God. Then the Lord said, 'I have observed the misery of my people who are in Egypt; I have heard their cry on account of their taskmasters. Indeed, I know their sufferings, and I have come down to deliver them from the Egyptians, and to bring them

up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the country of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. The cry of the Israelites has now come to me; I have also seen how the Egyptians oppress them. So come, I will send you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt.' But Moses said to God, 'Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh, and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?' He said, 'I will be with you; and this shall be the sign for you that it is I who sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall worship God on this mountain.'

But Moses said to God, 'If I come to the Israelites and say to them, "The God of your ancestors has sent me to you", and they ask me, "What is his name?" what shall I say to them?' God said to Moses, 'I am who I am.' He said further, 'Thus you shall say to the Israelites, "I am has sent me to you."' God also said to Moses, 'Thus you shall say to the Israelites, "The Lord, the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you": This is my name for ever, and this my title for all generations.

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But Moses said to the Lord, 'O my Lord, I have never been eloquent, neither in the past nor even now that you have spoken to your servant; but I am slow of speech and slow of tongue.' Then the Lord said to him, 'Who gives speech to mortals? Who makes them mute or deaf, seeing or blind? Is it not I, the Lord? Now go, and I will be with your mouth and teach you what you are to speak.' But he said, 'O my Lord, please send someone else.' Then the anger of the Lord was kindled against Moses and he said, 'What of your brother Aaron the Levite? I know that he can speak fluently; even now he is coming out to meet you, and when he sees you his heart will be glad. You shall speak to him and put the words in his mouth; and I will be with your mouth and with his mouth, and will teach you what you shall do. He indeed shall speak for you to the people; he shall serve as a mouth for you, and you shall serve as God for him. Take in your hand this staff, with which you shall perform the signs.'

SERMON *God is [T]here: With the Oppressed and Fearful* Rev. Katie Palmer

WE SEAL GOD'S WORD

THE LORD'S SUPPER

We give thanks for our invitation to feast at Christ's table!

**INVITATION AND PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING
INSTITUTION OF THE ELEMENTS AND COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE**

Please join the pastor in lifting your "bread" and "cup" at the appropriate time

REFLECTION *One Bread, One Body* (GTG #530)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

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 *We Give Thanks unto You* (GTG #75)

CHARGE AND BLESSING

POSTLUDE

OPPORTUNITIES

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 from online vendors, and Paper Trail may be able to get copies fairly quickly, as can Richard Lindeborg. The reading assignment for the Oct. 10 session is Chapter 9, pp. 181-210. A description of the book and a list of the weekly reading assignments are in the church Newsletter. Class is from 9 to 9:50 a.m. on Zoom.

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 Elisa White, Laura Wilson and Charlotte Wootton and Susan Apodaca as well as Covenant Presbyterian Church, Albuquerque, NM (1955).