

Thank You for joining us for this special Christmas celebration! Many thanks to all who participated, as well as to our tech crew and ushers.

We look forward to seeing you next week as we observe Epiphany. We will also share communion next week.

OPPORTUNITIES

-- **There will be no Sunday Morning Class for Adults and Youth on January 2.** On Sunday, January 9, the class will begin its discussion of the book *Strength for the Journey: A Pilgrimage of Faith in Community* (1st edition 2002) by Diana Butler Bass. This series will run through Feb. 27, from 9 to 10 a.m. on Zoom at the same link as the weekly worship service. The book is available used online for \$5-\$10 including shipping, or Richard Lindeborg can order you a copy delivered to you. The reading assignment for the first session is Introduction: Resurrection and Chapter One: Coming Home (pp. 1-52).

The PCUSA Christmas Joy Offering provides support for retired church workers, who may be facing health issues or other expenses. It also provides support for racial-ethnic education at Menaul School and Pan Am University in Kingsville, TX. Gifts can be given online, or checks to FUPC with Christmas Joy Offering in the memo line can be mailed to P.O. Box 37, LVNM. Thank you for your gracious generosity. --Mission and Peacemaking Committee

THIS WEEK AT FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN

Monday, December 27

Church Office closed for Christmas Holiday

Tuesday, December 28

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No Coffee with Katie

Saturday, January 1

Happy New Year!

Sunday, January 2

10:30 a.m. – Epiphany Worship with Communion

Welcome to A Christmas Celebration

First United Presbyterian Church
Las Vegas, New Mexico
December 26, 2021





GATHERING MUSIC Steve Hufnal, Jordan Jones, Em Krall

WELCOME Rev. Katie Palmer

PRELUDE Jordan Jones
Love Came Down at Christmas
Words by Christina Georgina Rossetti
arr. Jordan Jones

OPENING PRAYER

INTROIT Tegan Palmer
Music of the Morning, Words and Music by Pepper Choplin

SCRIPTURE READING Luke 2:15-18

PIANO Em Krall
O Holy Night by Adolphe Charles Adam, arr. Mark Hayes

MEMOIR Mary Rose Henssler
Candy in a Sock

***CAROL** Congregation
We Wish You a Merry Christmas, arr. Brent Edstrom

POEMS Sharon Vander Meer
Alleluia Christmas! Accompanied by Mark Gillingham

CLARINET Mark Gillingham
In the Bleak Midwinter, arr. Mark Gillingham

POEM Mary Rose Henssler
Santa's Christmas Pony

EXCERPT Beth Urech
The Gift of the Magi by O. Henry

STORY Beth Urech
Gift-Giving in the Real World

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

PIANO Kevin Zoernig
Bring a Torch, Jeanette Isabella, arr. Kevin Zoernig

ORGAN/PIANO DUET Em Krall and Kevin Zoernig
Mary, Did You Know? by Mark Lowry, arr. Dan Coates

STORY Rev. Katie Palmer
The Power of Song by Jill Duffield

***CAROL** Congregation
Go, Tell It on the Mountain (GTG #136)

***PASSING OF CHRIST'S PEACE**

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

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE Em Krall
The Birthday of a King by William Harold Neidlinger,
arr. Dan Coates

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December Deacon of the Month – Rosalie Lopez – 505-429-6420
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* Please stand as you are able.