

**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, January 11**

9:00 a.m. – Coffee with Katie *at Traveler's*

**Wednesday, January 12**

2:00 p.m. – JOT

**Thursday, January 13**

9:00 a.m. – Community Life via Zoom



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1000 Douglas Avenue  
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**WELCOME!!** - We extend a warm welcome in the name of Christ to all who worship with us this week!



January 5, 2022

Dear FUPC Family and Friends,

As hard as it is to believe, we're now in 2022. When I was a kid, it was hard to imagine moving into the 2000s. And now here we are only a few years shy of being ¼ of the way into the "new" century. A new year has been given to us; let's make it a good one!

A good start will be to observe Baptism of the Lord Sunday. Remembering our baptism, renewing baptismal vows, and showing gratitude for God's abundant love will give us pause to think about how to live the abundant life Christ offers in 2022. There is no story of Jesus' baptism in the gospel of John, but we will hear a story of Jesus' abundant giving in the story of the wedding at Cana, where Jesus turns about 150 gallons of water into wine.

As I mentioned, you will be invited to renew your baptismal vows on Sunday. If you will be joining us on Zoom, please have a little bowl of water nearby so you can anoint yourself during that renewal. If you will be in the sanctuary, you will be sprinkled with water from an evergreen branch so we can maintain social distancing.

I'm looking forward to sharing the news of our abundant life in Christ with you.

With thanks for all of you,  
Pastor Katie

**Assisting in Worship This Week**

Preacher – Rev. Katie Palmer      Worship Leader – Karyl Lyne  
Director of Music - Karyl Lyne      Accompanist – Em Krall  
Office Manager – Crystal Western Ford      Tech Crew – Carol Linder, D.R. Palmer, Denice Spicer  
Head Usher – Kevin Johnson      Sanctuary Design – Charlotte Wootton

*January Elder of the Month –Karyl Lyne – 505-718-6475*

*January Deacon of the Month – Juli Salman –505-429-0290*

*Church Office Hours: Monday -Thursday 9:00 a.m. – Noon*

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**FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
1000 Douglas Avenue, Las Vegas NM 87701  
January 9, 2022 10:30 a.m.

### WHO WAS THIS MAN?

**MEDITATION** — *I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly.*  
--Jesus, in John 10:10b

### WE GATHER TOGETHER

**WELCOME** Rev. Katie Palmer

**PRELUDE** Em Krall

**PASSING OF THE PEACE** Karyl Lyne

*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** (adapted from Psalm 104:14-16)

One: We gather to worship the God whose love and grace are abundant!

**All: God gives generously to all creation!**

One: God provides.

**All: God causes the grass to grow for cattle and provides us with plants to use—plants that bring forth food from the earth. And for shade, God plants and waters the trees.**

One: God gives to us abundantly:

**All: Wine to gladden the human heart, oil to make the face shine, and bread to strengthen us.  
Let us give thanks to the God of Abundant Love!**

**\*OPENING HYMN** *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing* (GTG #475)

### WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

#### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**SCRIPTURE READING** John 2:1-11

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, 'They have no wine.' And Jesus said to her, 'Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come.' His mother said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you.' Now standing there were six stone water-jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to them, 'Fill the jars with water.' And they filled them up to the brim. He said to them, 'Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward.' So they took it. When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom and said to him, 'Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now.' Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

**SERMON** *A Man Who Gives Lavishly*

Rev. Katie Palmer

### WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

#### RENEWAL OF OUR BAPTISMAL VOWS

One: Friends, Baptism signs for us the promise of God's grace and the invitation to recognize our place in the family of God.

**All: In baptism, we recognize that God adopts us into the body of Christ.**

One: The Holy Spirit renews and cleanses us

**All: And we hear the promise of eternal life.**

One: This promise is made visible in the water of baptism, which cleanses, purifies, refreshes, and sustains. Christ is living water.

**All: Through baptism Christ calls us to love and trust God completely, to forsake the evil of the world, and to live a new and holy life.**

One: I invite you now to remember God's promise and to reaffirm the vows of baptism.

Do you renounce the things that separate you from God?

**All: Accepting God's love, I renounce anything that tells me I am not a child of God.**

One: Do you affirm God's abundant life for all and stand opposed to that which would defy God's life-giving love?

**All: I do.**

One: Trusting in God's gracious mercy and love, do you turn from evil and seek to do good?

**All: With God's grace and guidance, I do.**

One: Do you trust Jesus, the Christ, whose life, death, and resurrection save us and who modeled for us a way to live?

**All: I trust Christ and seek to live fully in the body of Christ.**

One: Will you follow the Spirit of God, open to God's love in your life and following God's way?

**All: With God's grace, I will walk in the Spirit Way.**

One: Let us pray:

**All: Spirit of Living Water, fill us and remind us of our baptism into the body of Christ. Let us be a conduit of your Spirit, flooding creation with your abundant love. We ask this in the name of Christ, the living water who renews us. Amen.**

*If you are in the sanctuary this morning, you will be sprinkled with water from the baptismal font.*

*If you are online, please mark your forehead with water in the sign of the cross.*

#### 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** *I Was There to Hear Your Borne Cry* (GTG #488)

#### CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

#### POSTLUDE

### OPPORTUNITIES

The Sunday morning class for adults and youth has started its discussion of the book *Strength for the Journey: A Pilgrimage of Faith in Community* (1<sup>st</sup> 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 January 16 session is Chapter 2: Competing Authorities (pp. 53-88).

**Samaritan House Food Donations** – January– Peanut Butter and Jelly. Coffee and Tea are always appreciated. Please drop your donations off at Samaritan House, 501 7<sup>th</sup> Street.

**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 Rudy Laumbach, Richard Lindeborg and Carol and Peter Linder as well as El Rito Presbyterian Church, Chacon, NM (1879).