HELLO FUPC FAMILY AND FRIENDS!

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

Tuesday, May 17 No Coffee with Katie Wednesday, May 18

5:30 p.m. – Time, Talent and Treasure via Zoom

Please check with committee chairs to confirm whether committees will meet as scheduled.





First United Presbyterian Church 1000 Douglas Avenue PO Box 37 Las Vegas NM 87701



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

May 11, 2022

Dear FUPC Family and Friends,

Know that you are all constantly in my prayers. It is such a hard time for all of us as we see or hear about the devastation being wrought by the fire. It is difficult not to feel helpless at this time, but remember that your prayers and the kindnesses you offer to others are powerful. As we learned during the early weeks of the pandemic, connecting to one another virtually is still connecting, so please plan to join us on Zoom this Sunday as we gather to worship and to share with one another.

Our Scripture this week comes from Psalm 55, in which the psalmist expresses his anguish at a time of fear when his instinct is to flee. It seems to him that God is hiding. But he comes to understand that God, in fact, sustains him. We will talk about those feelings of anguish and we will again remind each other that God gives us sustenance. Always. We'll also take time, as we did last Sunday, to check in with one another.

Emily Dickinson wrote, "Ashes denote that fire was;/Respect the grayest pile/For the departed creature's sake/That hovered there awhile." May we all take time in the coming days to think of the ashes left by the fire and to remember that these piles of ashes had been home to wildlife, to trees and wildflowers, and to people. May we hold God's creation in our hearts and grieve for what has been lost, even as we anticipate restoration in God's time.

With thanks for all of you, Pastor Katie

Assisting in Worship This Week

Preacher – Rev. Katie Palmer

Director of Music - Karyl Lyne

Office Manager – Crystal Western Ford

Worship Leader – Carol Linder

Accompanist – Em Krall

Zoom Host – D.R. Palmer

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FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

1000 Douglas Avenue, Las Vegas, NM 87701 May 15, 2022 10:30 a.m.

MEDITATION – God's restoration will go beyond what was, to set a new standard for what's good.

— Andrena Sawyer

WE GATHER TOGETHER

WELCOME Rev. Katie Palmer

PRELUDE Em Krall

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Carol Linder

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 Romans 12:9-15)

One: Come together, holding fast to what is good.

All: Let us be ardent in spirit and in our desire to serve God. One: Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer.

All: Let us contribute to others' needs and extend our hospitality to strangers.

One: Rejoice with those who rejoice and weep with those who weep.

All: Let us seek to live in harmony with one another, reaching out in God's love.

OPENING HYMN Your Faithfulness, O Lord, Is Sure (GTG #42)

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

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING Psalm 55:1, 4-8, 22

Give ear to my prayer, O God; do not hide yourself from my supplication.

. .

My heart is in anguish within me, the terrors of death have fallen upon me.

Fear and trembling come upon me, and horror overwhelms me.

And I say, 'O that I had wings like a dove! I would fly away and be at rest;

truly, I would flee far away; I would lodge in the wilderness;

I would hurry to find a shelter for myself from the raging wind and tempest.'

. .

Cast your burden on the Lord, and he will sustain you; he will never permit the righteous to be moved.

MESSAGE

God's Sustenance in Times of Anguish

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Rev. Katie Palmer

CHECKING IN WITH ONE ANOTHER
PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER
WITH THANKS FOR GENEROUS GIVING
DOXOLOGY
OPPORTUNITIES

WE GO FORTH IN GOD'S NAME

CLOSING HYMN *God, Be the Love to Search and Keep Me* (GTG #543)

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

OPPORTUNITIES

The Sunday morning bible-based class for adults and youth is discussing the book *What's So Amazing About Grace* by Philip Yancy. The sessions, led by Karyl Lyne and Richard Lindeborg, will run through June 19 on Zoom for now from 9 to 10 a.m. The books are available second hand in hardback or paperback from Amazon (for \$5-10 including shipping) or on Kindle (for \$7.99) or other online dealers such as Alibris and Abebooks. Paper Trail may be able to order a copy. Richard Lindeborg can have a copy delivered directly to you for no shipping charge. The reading assignment for the May 22 class is Ch. 11-13, pp. 141-175.

Don't toss out that glass! The Community Life Committee, in cooperation with a local glass crushing venture and our landscaping committee, will collect your glass bottles and jars, colored or clear, for the months of April and May for a landscaping project. If you can wash them and get the labels off, it is appreciated. Please save your glass until we are able to be physically back in the church building.

The **Food Pantry is scheduled for this Friday, May 13 from 9:30 to 11:00 a.m.** at Rodriguez Park. Volunteers need to be there at 8:30 a.m. for training and work assignments. Volunteers are needed to register people and load food into cars. If you have any questions, please contact Karyl Lyne at karyloz505@gmail.com or at 505-718-6475.

Donations can be made to **Goodies for Firefighters**, online or via check, which will be used to reimburse Carol Linder, Juli Salman, Judy Long and Nina Johns for the baking supplies they bought to make over 1,400 bags of cookies for the firefighters. They stood out in the smoky wind for a few hours to hand deliver each bag to the firefighters. Thanks ladies!

Samaritan House Food Donations – May - Rice and beans. Coffee and Tea are always appreciated. Please drop your donations off at Samaritan House, 501 7th 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 Claire Weinstein, Lisa, Mike and Aubrey Weinstein and Kathy Wentz as well as Rio Rancho Presbyterian Church, Rio Rancho, NM (1986).

INFORMATION REGARDING HERMIT'S PEAK/CALF CANYON FIRE, EVACUATIONS, MAPS, DONATIONS AND MORE:

Call the state fire resource hotline: 1-800-432-2080 (now a direct line; option #4 no longer needed)

List of immediate donation requests:

Socks and underwear (all sizes)

Diapers and Depends (all sizes)

Shampoo, conditioner, sunscreen, tooth paste, deodorant, and other toiletries.

Toilet paper

Tissues

Baby formula, baby food, baby wipes, baby soap and lotion

Juice boxes

Water

Snack – Individually wrapped

Disposable bowls, plastic cutlery, foil, paper towel rolls

Reusable tote bags

Flashlights

Batteries

Phone Chargers

Outdoor games for kids – basketballs, kickball, footballs, baseballs