

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, October 4

3:00 p.m. – Mission and Peacemaking

Wednesday, October 5

NO Coffee with Katie

5:30 p.m. – Rainbow Ringers Bell Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, October 6

9:30 a.m. – Worship and Music

Saturday, October 8

11:30 a.m. - October Fiesta Lunch at Stella's Cafe



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.

September 28, 2022

Dear FUPC Family and Friends,

This Sunday is World Communion Sunday. It's one of my favorite Sundays of the Christian year because it is so powerful to think of Christians all over the world sharing at Christ's table together on this day. In the sanctuary, we will have trays with three kinds of bread to choose from to remind us that not everyone uses the same white bread and grape juice that we use. In some African cultures, plantain chips and guava juice are used. In some parts of the world, a rice cake or tortilla might best capture the spirit of the bread that sustains the people. And so, if you are zooming in and sharing communion from home, please use elements from your kitchen that symbolize the basic food and drink that feed you—not in a silly or trivial way, but that are meaningful to you. Many thanks to Phyllis Ludi, who is making challah for us to use as one of our communion breads.

World Communion Sunday is also the day on which we are invited to contribute to the Peace and Global Witness offering of our denomination. We'll have an opportunity to learn about the important work done through this offering during a Minute for Mission.

We will be talking about the story of the parting of the Red Sea as Moses leads the Hebrews out of Egypt. This story offers us so much to think about in terms of the liberation of God's oppressed people and the ways in which following God, on a smaller scale, might lead us from stagnation into a new place of change and growth.

With thanks for all of you,

Pastor Katie





FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
 1000 Douglas Avenue, P.O. Box 37, Las Vegas, NM 87701
 October 2, 2022 10:30 a.m.
 WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY



RESPONDING TO GOD'S CALL

MEDITATION – *There are risks and costs to action. But they are far less than the long-range risks of comfortable inaction.* –John F. Kennedy

WE GATHER TOGETHER

WELCOME

Rev. Katie Palmer

PRELUDE

Em Krall

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

Tom Trigg

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**

One: God called to Abram to go from his country to an unknown place.

All: And Abram went.

One: God called to Moses from a burning bush and asked him to deliver his people.

All: And Moses said, "Here I am."

One: God called to Samuel, who mistakenly thought it was someone else calling. Finally, Samuel understood.

All: And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening."

One: God came to Mary through the angel Gabriel, asking her to birth a savior.

All: And Mary said, "Here am I, the servant of the Lord."

One: God calls us, in many ways and in many places. God calls us to be a people gathered around one table. Let us respond to God's call, saying,

All: Praise God's holy name!

***OPENING HYMN** *Praise, Praise, Praise the Lord!* (GTG #390)

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

PRAYER OF RECONCILIATION

O God Who Guides Us, forgive us when we hesitate to follow, when we prefer comfortable habits to transformation, when we would rather not take risks to become the people you would have us be. On this World Communion Sunday as we hear the story of Moses leading his people out of slavery, may we look to the liberation of all those who are still oppressed and may we look to the ways in which our fears and our familiar comfort zones tie us to places in which we cannot grow. Give us eyes to see possibilities that will allow us to serve your people with love and compassion. Amen.

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

Exodus 14:5-7; 10-14; 21-29

When the king of Egypt was told that the people had fled, the minds of Pharaoh and his officials were changed towards the people, and they said, 'What have we done, letting Israel leave our service?' So he had his chariot made ready, and took his army with him; he took six hundred picked chariots and all the other chariots of Egypt with officers over all of them. . . . As Pharaoh drew near, the Israelites looked back, and there were the Egyptians advancing on them. In great fear the Israelites cried out to the Lord. They said to Moses, 'Was it because there were no graves in Egypt that you have taken us away to die in the wilderness? What have you done to us, bringing us out of Egypt? Is this not the very thing we told you in Egypt, "Let us alone and let us serve the Egyptians"? For it would have been better for us to serve the Egyptians than to die in the wilderness.' But Moses said to the people, 'Do not be afraid, stand firm, and see the deliverance that the Lord will accomplish for you today; for the Egyptians whom you see today you shall never see again. The Lord will fight for you, and you have only to keep still.' . . .

Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea. The Lord drove the sea back by a strong east wind all night, and turned the sea into dry land; and the waters were divided. The Israelites went into the sea on dry ground, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left. The Egyptians pursued, and went into the sea after them, all of Pharaoh's horses, chariots, and chariot drivers. At the morning watch the Lord in the pillar of fire and cloud looked down upon the Egyptian army, and threw the Egyptian army into panic. He clogged their chariot wheels so that they turned with difficulty. The Egyptians said, 'Let us flee from the Israelites, for the Lord is fighting for them against Egypt.'

Then the Lord said to Moses, 'Stretch out your hand over the sea, so that the water may come back upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots and chariot drivers.' So Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and at dawn the sea returned to its normal depth. As the Egyptians fled before it, the Lord tossed the Egyptians into the sea. The waters returned and covered the chariots and the chariot drivers, the entire army of Pharaoh that had followed them into the sea; not one of them remained. But the Israelites walked on dry ground through the sea, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left.

MESSAGE

Moses Leads

Rev. Katie Palmer

WE SEAL GOD'S WORD

THE LORD'S SUPPER *(adapted from the Peace and Global Witness Liturgy of the Presbyterian Mission Agency)*

INVITATION AND PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

INSTITUTION OF THE ELEMENTS AND COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

SONG DURING COMMUNION *I Come with Joy* (GTG #515)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

WITH THANKS FOR GENEROUS GIVING

***DOXOLOGY**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

MINUTE FOR MISSION Peace and Global Witness Offering

Carol Litherland

OPPORTUNITIES

WE GO FORTH IN GOD'S NAME

***CLOSING HYMN** *We All Are One in Mission* (GTG #733)

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

***POSTLUDE**

*Please stand in body or spirit, as you are able



OPPORTUNITIES

We hope you'll join us for **Fellowship Following Worship** in Perea Hall. Also, consider signing up to host fellowship one Sunday. It's simple—just put on a pot of coffee and a pot of hot water for tea, bring some goodies if you'd like, serve and clean up. Let Juli Salman know if you're willing to sign up for a Sunday.

The **Rainbow Ringers Bell Choir Rehearsal** has restarted and meets weekly on Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m. in Perea Hall. If you'd like to join, feel free to show up at rehearsal or contact Karyl Lyne at 505-718-6475.

Community Life and the Deacons invite you to attend a **fun-filled, Dutch treat luncheon & get together celebrating the spirit of community** on Saturday, October 8 at 11:30 a.m. at Stella's on Bridge Street. Reserve your spot today. Email Sharon VanderMeer at fsvandermeer@gmail.com or call 505 617-0839.

The Sunday Morning Bible-based Class for Adults and Youth, now hybrid from the church teleconferencing room upstairs, is discussing the book *Song of Songs: A Biblical–Theological, Allegorical, Christological Interpretation* by James M. Hamilton, Jr. The book is available in paperback for as little as \$7.39 from Amazon, \$7.43 from Alibris, and \$8.81 from AbeBooks. New copies are available from Amazon or the publisher (Christian Focus Publications) for \$14.99 (all prices plus shipping). Richard Lindeborg can order a copy for you from Amazon and have it delivered to your home with free shipping.

Zoom attendees should use the same link as for the Worship Service. In-person attendees should use the east entrance to the church; class is in the first classroom upstairs. The readings for October 9 are Ch. 6: Praising the Rejected One (pp. 97-110) and SoS in the Bible, Ch. 5.

In November, the class will take on all four gospels at the same time. The discussion will be based on the book *Matthew Mark Luke & John: Side by Side Parallel Gospels in Harmony*, edited by David A. Reed. The book is available new in paperback from Amazon for \$7.95 and used for as little as \$4.71, both prices plus shipping. It is more expensive and scarce from AbeBooks and Alibris. Richard Lindeborg can order a copy for you from Amazon and have it delivered to your home with free shipping.

There will be **NO Coffee with Katie** this week as Katie will be on a silent retreat. But plan to come next week on October 12!

Samaritan House Food Donations – October – Peanut butter and Jelly. 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 Duffy Peterson, Caroline Rackley, and Kent and Debra Reid as well as Aztec Presbyterian Church, Aztec, NM (1889).

Assisting in Worship This Week

Preacher – Rev. Katie Palmer

Director of Music - Karyl Lyne

Office Manager – Crystal Western Ford

Worship Leader – Tom Trigg

Accompanist – Em Krall

Tech Crew – Pablo Hernandez, Karyl Lyne, Jeff Salman

October Elder of the Month – Tom Trigg – 505-426-5821

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

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THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven,
Hallowed by thy name,
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done,
On earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
And forgive us our debts,
As we forgive our debtors;
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
And the glory, forever. Amen

Padre nuestro que estás en los cielos,
Santificado sea tu nombre.
Venga tu Reino.
Hágase tu voluntad,
Como en el cielo, así también en la tierra.
El pan nuestro de cada día, dánoslo hoy.
Perdónanos nuestras deudas,
Como también nosotros perdonamos a nuestros deudores.
No nos metas en tentación,
Sino libranos del mal,
Porque tuyo es el Reino, el poder
Y la gloria, por todos los siglos. Amen.