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

Monday, October 31

11:00 a.m. – Buildings and Grounds 12:00 p.m. – Renewal Grant Task Force via Zoom

Tuesday, November 1

7:30 a.m. – Personnel

3:00 p.m. – Mission and Peacemaking

Wednesday, November 2

8:30 a.m. - Coffee with Katie at Charlie's 5:30 p.m. - Rainbow Ringers Rehearsal

Thursday, November 3

9:30 a.m. – Worship and Music

12:15 p.m. – Prayer Circle in Sanctuary

Saturday, November 5

10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. – Session Retreat





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.

October 26, 2022

Dear FUPC Family and Friends,

Hey! It snowed a few days ago! Guess that's an official welcome to autumn. I remember that, when our girls were small, we would inevitably get the first big cold snap right at Halloween, often with snow or icy rain. We learned very early on that Halloween costumes should always be designed around sweat pants and sweat shirts or maybe even snowsuits!

This Sunday is Reformation Sunday and, although we don't usually call a lot of attention to that here (no bagpipe bands as in some big churches!), Sunday's Scripture—the story of the healing of Naaman's leprosy—is a fitting one for Reformation Sunday because it's all about re-formation, if you will. It's about Naaman's transformation, his new understanding of God.

We will also have a healing service, offering those who would like to be anointed that opportunity. If you will be online and would like to participate in the anointing, please have with you a bit of oil, lotion, or water with which to anoint your forehead.

With thanks for all of you,

Pastor Katie





FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

1000 Douglas Avenue, P.O. Box 37, Las Vegas, NM 87701 October 30, 2022 10:30 a.m.

OFFERING OURSELVES TO GOD

MEDITATION – *Pride makes us artificial and humility makes us real.* –Thomas Merton

WE GATHER TOGETHER

WELCOME Rev. Katie Palmer

PRELUDE Em Krall

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

Judy Long

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 40)

One: God puts a new song in my mouth.

All: A song of praise to our God!

One: We put our trust in God

All: And see God's wondrous deeds and thoughts toward us!

One: God does not desire our sacrifices and offerings of things

All: But wants us to delight in doing God's will and in the glad news of God's steadfast love!

Let us worship God!

*OPENING HYMN The Lord Is God (GTG #63)

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

Forgive us, O God, when we puff ourselves up with pride, when we think our way is the only right way, when we fail to listen to others. Forgive us when we judge before knowing and when we make assumptions based on feelings of superiority. Guide us instead to be humble, we pray. Give us the ability to learn from the ways of others, to seek knowledge before we make judgments, to recognize that we are all humans together. Help us erase feelings of pride and vanity that prevent us from building unity with others. We pray in the name of Christ. Amen.

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

2 Kings 5:1-15a

Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Aram, was a great man and in high favor with his master, because by him the Lord had given victory to Aram. The man, though a mighty warrior, suffered from leprosy. Now the Arameans on one of their raids had taken a young girl captive from the land of Israel, and she served Naaman's

wife. She said to her mistress, 'If only my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his leprosy.' So Naaman went in and told his lord just what the girl from the land of Israel had said. And the king of Aram said, 'Go then, and I will send along a letter to the king of Israel.'

He went, taking with him ten talents of silver, six thousand shekels of gold, and ten sets of garments. He brought the letter to the king of Israel, which read, 'When this letter reaches you, know that I have sent to you my servant Naaman, that you may cure him of his leprosy.' When the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, 'Am I God, to give death or life, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his leprosy? Just look and see how he is trying to pick a quarrel with me.'

But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent a message to the king, 'Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come to me, that he may learn that there is a prophet in Israel.' So Naaman came with his horses and chariots, and halted at the entrance of Elisha's house. Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, 'Go, wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored and you shall be clean.' But Naaman became angry and went away, saying, 'I thought that for me he would surely come out, and stand and call on the name of the Lord his God, and would wave his hand over the spot, and cure the leprosy! Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them, and be clean?' He turned and went away in a rage. But his servants approached and said to him, 'Father, if the prophet had commanded you to do something difficult, would you not have done it? How much more, when all he said to you was, "Wash, and be clean"?' So he went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; his flesh was restored like the flesh of a young boy, and he was clean.

Then he returned to the man of God, he and all his company; he came and stood before him and said, 'Now I know that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel.'

MESSAGE A Little Humility Makes a Big Difference

Rev. Katie Palmer

RESPONSE What Does the Lord Require of You? (GTG #70)

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

BLESSING FOR HEALING AND RENEWAL BLESSING OF PRAYER SHAWLS

THANKS FOR GENEROUS GIVING

*DOXOLOGY

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

OPPORTUNITIES

WE GO FORTH IN GOD'S NAME

*CLOSING HYMN Change My Heart, O God (GTG #695)

*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 to enjoy coffee and conversation!

Don't forget **Coffee with Katie** on Wednesday! Please join Katie and others for some conversation, coffee, and maybe breakfast or a pastry!

Please join us for a brief midday **Prayer Circle, each Thursday at 12:15-12:45**, in the Sanctuary. (Enter at the west Ramp entrance.) Starting November 3rd, Reverend Pat Halverson and Deacon Mary Schipper will facilitate an opportunity for all interested to stop by the church for a simple and supportive time to share our prayer concerns and offer a spontaneous prayer. Feeling a need for midweek support and fellowship, during these challenging times of life, Pat and I would like to extend an invitation to you to take a few minutes weekly, to pause and share what is in our hearts, and on our minds. ALL WELCOME!

There will be a **Mobile Food Pantry Distribution on Friday, November 11**, at Rodriguez Park. Please contact Judy Long (505-429-0379) for information. Volunteers should arrive by 9:00; distribution ends about 11:00. It's a great opportunity to help lots of people with just a couple of hours of your time.

In November, the **Sunday morning class for adults and youth** 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 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 reading assignment for November 6 is pp. 4-89.

Samaritan House Food Donations – November – Pasta and Sauce. 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 Mary and Tom Schipper, Renee Soderlund and Jerry Russell and Linda and Gene Solyntjes as well as Cuba Presbyterian Church, Cuba, NM (1889).

Assisting in Worship This Week

Preacher – Rev. Katie Palmer

Director of Music - Karyl Lyne

Office Market Contact Western Field

Accompanist – Em Krall

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Office Manager – Crystal Western Ford Tech Crew – Pablo Hernandez, Karyl Lyne, Tom Trigg

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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 el cielo,
santificado sea Su nombre.
Venga Su reino,
hágase Su voluntad en la tierra,
como en el cielo.
Danos hoy el pan de cada día
y perdona nuestras deudas,
como nosotros perdonamos nuestros deudores.
No nos dejes caer en tentación, y líbranos del mal.
Porque Suyo es el reino, el poder y la gloria para siempre.
Amen.