

*Welcome*

We are glad you are here. You are invited to participate in the service to the degree you are comfortable. Please write your name and address on the attendance pad when it is passed and gather for a time of friendship and refreshment in the Fellowship Hall following worship.

- ✦ The Bible-Based Class for Adults and Youth is discussing the book *The Next Christendom: The Coming of Global Christianity*. Class is at 9:30 a.m. in the East Wing, Sundays thru August 5<sup>th</sup>.
- ✦ July Samaritan House Food Donations – Soup
- ✦ The Joint Operating Team of the Old Town Mission Community Center is one of many sponsors for a community gathering, “Addiction in Our Community,” to be held at the OTM Community Center (301 Socorro Ave.) on Monday, July 16, from 6 – 8 p.m. This important gathering will include presentations by community leaders and the Health Impact Assessment Team, the screening of a short documentary film featuring local advocates Frances Lucero and Victoria Baca, and discussion time.

**Prayers for the Church Family** - Please pray for Sharon & Bob Vander Meer, Gay Veit, and Jane Warsaw & Willy Ryan and for First Presbyterian Church, Santa Fe NM (1867). These names remind us to pray for each other and for the churches in our Presbytery.

**THIS WEEK AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN**

**Tuesday, July 17**

7:00 a.m. – Community Life @ Charlie’s

8:30 – 10:00 a.m. -- Coffee with Katie @ Charlie’s

**Sunday, July 22**

3:00 – 5:00 p.m. - Officers’ Training – Fellowship Hall

The flowers in the sanctuary are donated by Pam’s Flowers on the Plaza and arranged to the Glory of God.

*Church Office: 505-425-7763*

*Office Hours: Monday -Thursday 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.*

*Rev Katie Palmer – Office: 425-7763 Cell: 505-231-1923*

*July Elder of the Month – Richard Lindeborg – 505-425-9120*

*July Deacon of the Month – Murl Baker –505-429-0670*

*Church Website: [www.lkvpresbyterian.org](http://www.lkvpresbyterian.org)*

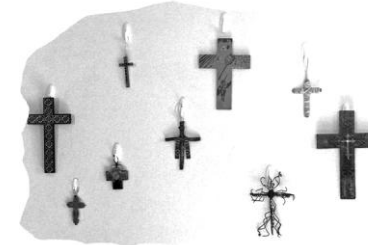
**FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

1000 Douglas Avenue, Las Vegas NM 87701

July 15, 2018

10:30 a.m.

**WE GATHER AROUND THE WORD**



**MEDITATION** – A Haiku by John Stevens:

*Grace is sufficient  
for you, for me, for the world.  
Help me believe this.*

**GATHERING MUSIC**

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**\*PASSING OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

*(Please use this time to share the peace of the Lord with your neighbor.)*

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you

**People: And also with you**

*(Please return to your seat when the introduction to the hymn starts)*

**Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love;  
The fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.**

**PRELUDE AND SILENT MEDITATION**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP** (based on Psalm 136)

O give thanks to God, for God is good.

**God’s steadfast love endures forever.**

God does great wonders; God created all things.

**God’s steadfast love endures forever.**

God knows us and remembers us.

**God’s steadfast love endures forever.**

God loves us unconditionally! O give thanks to God!

**God’s steadfast love endures forever.**

**\* OPENING HYMN** PH #356 *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

## ASSURANCE OF GOD'S SURE LOVE AND MERCY+

Leader: This is the good news of the gospel, and it is for you and for all. Whatever you have done, whatever you have failed to do, whoever you are, whoever you wish you were but are not: You are accepted, you are welcomed. You are washed clean, you are raised up. You are forgiven, you are set free. In the love of Jesus the Christ, you are loved forever.

**All: Thanks be to God! I am God's beloved child!**

## WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**SCRIPTURE READING** Ephesians 2:1-10; 3:14-19 Pew Bible 949

**SERMON** *Grace Abounds* Rev. Katie Palmer

**A PRAYER OF WHO WE ARE** (adapted from Rev. Jon Humphries)

Holy God, we are holy. Not in the sense of any rightness within us, but because we are connected to you. We are holy because you gift us with holiness.

**God's grace abounds!**

Holy God, we are blameless. Not excused from our wrongs or from our failings, but held without blame in your love and grace.

**God's grace abounds!**

Holy God, we are set in your meaning and purpose, that we might hold others in love and grace, that we might be a conduit for connection with you.

**God's grace abounds!**

Holy God, we live and breathe within your love and grace. We are yours.

**God's grace abounds!**

**A SONG OF WHO WE ARE** STF # 2218 *You Are Mine*

## WE SEAL GOD'S WORD

### INVITATION TO THE LORD'S SUPPER

### GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

### INSTITUTION OF THE ELEMENTS

### COMMUNION OF GOD'S PEOPLE

*Communion will be passed in the pews.*

*Please take bread and hold it; we will eat together.*

*Likewise, please take a cup and hold it; we will drink together.*

*If you need gluten-free bread, please alert a server.*

*During Communion, Please Join In Singing*

PH #507 *I Come with Joy*

### UNISON PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Loving God of Grace, with great joy we thank you! Whoever we are and whatever we've done, we are nonetheless welcome at your table—a table that nourishes us and assures us of your steadfast love. May your grace lead us to walk the way of Christ, loving your people wherever we encounter them. Amen.

## WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

### CALL TO OFFERING

### GIVING OF OUR GIFTS AND TITHES

#### \*DOXOLOGY

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;**

**Praise God all creatures here below;**

**Praise God above ye heavenly host;**

**Praise God and Son and Holy Ghost.**

**A Dios el Padre celestial;**

**Al Hijo nuestro redentor**

**Y al eternal Consolador,**

**Unidos todos alabad. Amen.**

#### \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Leader: Lord in your Mercy (or Lord, with joy)

(The people respond to each petition with "*Hear our prayer*")

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be 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.**

## WE GO FORTH IN GOD'S NAME

\***CLOSING HYMN** PH #420 *God of Grace and God of Glory*

#### \*CHARGE AND BLESSING

### POSTLUDE

\*Please stand if you are able.

+Rev. Marci Glass, [marciglass.com](http://marciglass.com)

### Assisting in Worship Today

Preacher – Rev. Katie Palmer

Worship Leader – Karyl Lyne

Accompanist – Ron Maltais

Sound – Patrick Rucker/Sean Croto

Visuals – D.R. Palmer/Linda Solyntjes

