

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.

Congregational Meeting – TODAY after worship to approve the leadership slate for the next year.

The **Bible-Based Class for Adults and Youth** is discussing the book *The Next Christendom: The Coming of Global Christianity*. Books are available in the church office for \$15.00, payable to Richard Lindeborg.

Linder Potluck – Sunday, June 10. Please join us for a potluck after worship honoring Carol and Peter Linder as they start a new journey in their lives.

Father's Day Luncheon - June 17th. The women will serve BBQ with all the trimmings.

Prayers for the Church Family - Please pray for Denice Spicer, Norman & Wamoth Spicer, and Susan & Van Swan and for Community Presbyterian Church, Datil, NM (1958). These names remind us to pray for each other and for the churches in our Presbytery.

THIS WEEK AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN

Tuesday, June 5

7:00 a.m. – Personnel

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

Thursday, June 7

7:30 a.m. – Worship and Music

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

Assisting in Worship Today

Preacher – Rev. Katie Palmer

Worship Leader – Richard Lindeborg

Accompanist – Em Krall

Sound – Jeff Salman

Visuals – Christie Baskett/Linda Solyntjes

Church Office: 505-425-7763

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

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June Elder of the Month – Lisa Weinstein – 912-257-2737

June Deacon of the Month – Sharon Vander Meer – 505-425-6457

Church Website: <http://www.lvpresbyterian.org/>

FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

1000 Douglas Avenue, Las Vegas NM 87701

June 3, 2018

10:30 a.m.



Ruth and Naomi

WE GATHER AROUND THE WORD

MEDITATION – *Themes of emptiness and fullness abound in this little book [Ruth]: famine turning to abundant food, loss turning to love, bitterness turning to joy, barrenness giving way to birth.*—Prof. Kathryn Schifferdecker

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** (adapted from Psalm 101 in Nan C. Merrill's *Psalms for Praying*)

We will sing of loyalty and of justice.

To you, O Lord, we will sing.

We will give heed to the Way that leads to peace.

To you, O Lord, we will sing.

We will walk with integrity wherever we go.

To you, O Lord, we will sing.

We will mirror your Love to all whom we meet and reflect your Truth.

To you, O Lord, we will sing.

*** OPENING HYMN** GTG #612, *We Praise You, O God*

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.

Leader: In Christ we are loved, forgiven, and strengthened; in Christ we are created anew.

All: Thanks be to God!

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of grace and steadfast love, we have failed to live with integrity by neglecting to strive for love and justice in our world. When we fail to reach out to those who feel abandoned, alone, and frightened, forgive us. When we fail to provide for those in need, forgive us. When we fail to build community with all your people, forgive us. And then, Gracious God, lead us so that we become the people you made us to be. We offer now our silent prayer. (Pause in silence for personal prayer.) Amen.

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

STF #2013, *Bless The Lord* (x2)

Bless the Lord my soul and bless God's holy name.

Bless the Lord my soul, who leads me into life.

UNISON ACCEPTANCE OF FORGIVENESS - By the Creating Grace of God, in the Sacrificial Love of Jesus Christ, and through the Sustaining Work of the Holy Spirit, we know that we are forgiven and made new. Thanks and Glory be to God!

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING Ruth 1:1 – 2:23 Pew Bible Page 210

SERMON *The Book Of Ruth: Abundance* Rev. Katie Palmer

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

GTG #324, *For All The Faithful Women* (v. 1)

*For all the faithful women who served in days of old,
to you shall thanks be given; to all, their story told.*

They served with strength and gladness in tasks your wisdom gave.

To you their lives bore witness, proclaimed your power to save.

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 SEAL GOD'S WORD

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S SUPPER

SONG OF PREPARATION PH #521, *You Satisfy The Hungry Heart*
(Verses 2 & 5)

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

INSTITUTION OF THE ELEMENTS

COMMUNION OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Communion will be served by intinction.

Please come forward, take a piece of bread, and dip it in the cup.

Gluten-free elements are available near the west door.

UNISON PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Loving Creator God, we thank you for this table, which assures us that we are the heirs of your kingdom and which nourishes us with spiritual food. May the grace you shower upon us lead us to walk the way of Christ and may we continue in fellowship with Christ and with your people everywhere. Amen.

WE GO FORTH IN GOD'S NAME

***CLOSING HYMN** STF #2184, *Sent Out In Jesus' Name*
(English, Spanish, English)

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

*Please stand if you are able.