

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.

- ❖ Today we welcome back as our guest preacher, **Rev Bill Humphreys**. Who is Bill Humphreys? Bill now lives in Santa Fe with his spouse, Laura Loving. From growing up in Ohio, going off to school in WV, and seminary in NJ, he has served in churches in IA, MN, WI, and after 15 years as a college chaplain, moved to NM in January of 2016. He's the COM Consultant in the Presbytery of Santa Fe, proud Dad of three young adults in WI and OR, and a 2-yr old grandson in Portland. And he's an AVID tutor, not quite avid tuba player in the SF Concert Band, and in the SF Kiwanis Club.
- ❖ 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.
- ❖ **Congregational Meeting** – Sunday, June 3, after church to approve the leadership slate for the next year.
- ❖ **Loma Verde 2018 Camp Cleanup** (Preparation for June 3rd Opening) – Friday, June 1 starting at 9:00 a.m. and Saturday, June 2 starting at 9:00 a.m. Lunch will be provided. If interested, call Camp Manager at 505-228-8754
- ❖ The **Presbyterian Women Birthday Offering** is due by the end of May.
- ❖ Pastor Katie is taking a few days' vacation with the Memorial Day weekend to visit family. Please call the church office or church cell phone with any pastoral care needs. Katie will be gone May 24 – 29.

Prayers for the Church Family - Please pray for Shirley Sandoval, Mary Schipper & Tom Trigg, and Linda & Gene Solyntjes and for Cuba Presbyterian Church, Cuba, NM (1889). These names remind us to pray for each other and for the churches in our Presbytery.

THIS WEEK AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN

Monday, May 28 – Memorial Day – Office Closed

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

May Elder of the Month – Richard Lindeborg – 505-425-9120

May Deacon of the Month – Mary Schipper – 505-429-0285

Church Website: www.lvpresbyterian.org

FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

1000 Douglas Avenue, Las Vegas NM 87701

May 27, 2018

10:30 a.m.



Trinity Sunday

WE GATHER AROUND THE WORD

MEDITATION – *Today is labeled “Trinity Sunday.” With the arrival of Pentecost last Sunday, we become Trinitarian, worshipping God in three expressions as Creator God, Redeemer Christ, and Sustainer, the Holy Spirit!*

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 from Psalm 29**

Leader: Ascribe to the Lord, O heavenly beings; ascribe to the Lord glory and strength. Ascribe to the Lord God the glory of God's name; worship the Lord in holy array.

People: The Lord sits enthroned over the flood; the Lord sits enthroned as Royalty forever. May the Lord give strength to us people! May the Lord bless us people with peace!

*** OPENING HYMN** PH #562 - *Eternal Father, Strong To Save*

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: And so we pray:

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison) With the Psalmist and the hymn writer, with worshipers and patriots in many lands, we look for signs of your presence and we sing of your glory. We ask for your protection and your peace.

And yet we know that too often we do not follow your lead. In place of your grace, we are sometimes thoughtless; instead of living in Christ's sacrificial love, we are often selfish; in the midst of your continued blessings, we frequently choose to go our own different ways.

So we pray, O God: forgive us. Forgive us and restore us to right relationship with you and with others, in the name and in the ministry of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

(Pause in silence for personal prayer.) **Amen.**

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

STF #2163 *He Who Began A Good Work In You*

He who began a good work in you, he who began a good work in you, will be faithful to complete it, will be faithful to complete it.

He who started the work will be faithful to complete it in you.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS (Pastor) ...Thanks and Glory be to God!

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 Isaiah 6:1-8 Pew Bible Page 553

SCRIPTURE READING John 3:1-17 Pew Bible Page 863

SERMON *Law or Gospel?* The Rev. Bill Humphreys

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

PH # 439 *In Christ There Is No East Or West*

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** (Unison) We are grateful, O God, for the gifts of our lives, the inspirations of our faith, the work of our minds, hearts and hands, and the produce of the field and vine. We ask now your blessings on all our gifts and talents as we use them and share them with others near and far. Amen.

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 #132 *Come, Great God Of All The Ages*

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

*Please stand if you are able.

Assisting in Worship Today

Preacher – Rev. Bill Humphreys

Worship Leader – Christie Baskett

Accompanist – Em Krall

Sound – Tom Trigg

Visuals – Lisa Weinstein/Linda Solyntjes

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

