



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.

- ✦ We are now on the Fall schedule, with Breakfast at 8:30 a.m. and Class at 9:30 a.m.
- ✦ Our study of *Who Wrote the Bible?* will continue through October 7.
- ✦ **Las Vegas Wildlife Refuge Hike** - Community Life has scheduled a hike for Saturday, October 6th @4:00 p.m. at the Las Vegas Wildlife Refuge. The hike will be 1-½ hr long and is an easy hike. The LVWR. will provide binoculars for everyone. Please bring: a hat, sunscreen, bug spray, a jacket & water.
- ✦ Pastor Katie will be on vacation from September 18 – 24. If you have pastoral care needs, please call the church office between 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. or your Deacon.
- ✦ **CROP WALK** will be held October 27th at UWC; 9:30 a.m. Kickoff! 25% of funds raised come back to the community of Las Vegas.
- ✦ Plan to attend **Masonic Breakfast**, October 6th at Masonic Lodge building, Douglas Ave., 8-11 am. Tickets are \$10 (\$5 of each ticket will go to CROP WALK).
- ✦ **International Pot Luck Luncheon** - Sunday October 7th is World Communion Sunday and Community Life would like everyone to bring an *international dish* to share after services. We always have some very tasty food, so please plan on joining us.
- ✦ **September Samaritan House Food Donations:**
Canned milk, Canned vegetables

Prayers for the Church Family - Please pray for John & Bobbye Detterick, Pauline Dimsey, and Alex Ditton and for the staff of the Presbytery of Santa Fe. These names remind us to pray for each other and for others in our Presbytery.

THIS WEEK AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN

Tuesday, September 18

NO Coffee with Katie

Wednesday, September 19

6:00 p.m. – Chancel Choir

7:00 p.m. – Rainbow Ringers

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

FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

1000 Douglas Avenue, Las Vegas NM 87701

September 16, 2018

10:30 a.m.



WE GATHER AROUND THE WORD

MEDITATION – *One's destination is never a place, but a new way of seeing things.*—Henry Miller

GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MINUTE FOR MISSION

***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 MEDITATION

***CALL TO WORSHIP** (adapted from Psalm 25:8-10)

Good and upright is the Lord, who instructs us in the way.

All the paths of the Lord are steadfast love and faithfulness for those who keep God's covenant.

Good and upright is the Lord, who leads us in what is right and teaches us humility.

All the paths of the Lord are steadfast love and faithfulness for those who keep God's covenant.

God will teach us the way we should choose.

Let us praise God and follow the way God shows us.

*** OPENING HYMN** PH # 488 *The God of Abraham Praise*

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: Our God has established an eternal covenant with us. God loves us and wants relationship with us; God forgives us and offers us guidance.

People: Thanks be to God!

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

(adapted from Narrative Lectionary Worship Resources)

God of covenant, you promised to Abraham land, descendants, and blessing so that he might be a blessing for all. Just as you sought relationship with Abraham, you also want relationship with us. You ache for us to know the blessing of blessing others. And yet, we often practice greed, self-centeredness, and neglect of others rather than work to deepen relationship and reach out to bless. We pray that you show us how to honor the covenant so that we might be a blessing. We pause now in silent prayer. *(Pause)* In Christ's name, we pray. Amen.

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

PH #339 *Be Thou My Vision*, v. 3

Be Thou my wisdom, and Thou my true word;
I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord.
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
Still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING Genesis 12:1-9 Pew Bible Pg 8

SERMON *Embodying Covenant* Rev Katie Palmer

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE - STF #2130 *The Summons*

WE SEAL GOD'S WORD

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S SUPPER

SONG OF PREPARATION STF #2260 *Let Us Be Bread* (x2)

Let us be bread, blessed by the Lord,
broken and shared, life for the world.

Let us be wine, love freely poured. Let us be one in the Lord.

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.

UNISON PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Loving God, thank you for offering this food to us—sign of your covenant with us and of your steadfast faithfulness to us. As we are nourished by this meal, may we nourish others. 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 #262 *God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand*

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

*Please stand if you are able.

Assisting in Worship Today

Preacher – Rev. Katie Palmer

Worship Leader – Jim Croto

Accompanist – Ron Maltais

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