



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
of Santa Fe

Behold. Be still. Become.

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Celebrating 150 *years*

in congregation since 1867,
oldest continuing Protestant church
in the New Mexico Territory

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Behold a transforming God who invites us to

- A joyous way of being
- A bolder way of believing
- A deeper way of seeing

Be still and take time to

- Focus on the Spiritual
- Restore your energy
- Experience God's word in scripture, music and art

Become followers of Jesus who are

- Open to God's Spirit
- Trusting, welcoming, caring for one another
- Passionate about including everyone, confronting injustice, and healing the world

NEW TO OUR CHURCH?

- **Parking** can usually be found in the Santa Fe County lot behind the church and at metered parking without charge.
- **Childcare** available Sunday mornings 8:15–12:15 on the second floor.
- **Ask the Ushers** if you have questions. We have hearing assistance devices and large print bulletins available.
- **New Member Gatherings** are the second Sunday of each month between services in the Rendon Room.
- **Counseling** by arrangement with the Pastoral Counseling Center (988.4131). Medicare and most insurance accepted or sliding scale fees negotiable.

MISSION AND SOCIAL JUSTICE

Bring your extra Bibles, Bible concordances, Bible dictionaries or references and put them in the box under the lobby table. The **Coalition for Prisoners' Rights** sends Bibles to prisoners who request them, and Judy Crawford is collecting for donation to this ministry.

Sunday Services

March 12, 2017

Second Sunday in Lent

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WORSHIP & STUDY

—LENTEN STUDIES

Resurrection Hope for a Time Such as This: *Sundays* in Lent (March 5–April 2) from 9:45–10:45AM in *McFarland Chapel* the Rev. Jim Brown leads this Lenten journey beginning with the death of Jesus, followed by a close look at all four accounts of his resurrection. Our Good Friday–Easter tradition grounds us in the radical hope that “In life and in death we belong to God.” A thesis we’ll explore in our class is articulated by Christian Wiman in *My Bright Abyss, Meditation of a Modern Believer*. He sees the life of Christ “as not merely a point in time but as a portal to eternity.” For him, “Christ is not alive now because he rose from the dead two thousand years ago. He rose from the dead two thousand years ago because he is alive right now.” We’ll ponder what this means for us and for the entire created order.

The **Belhar Confession** is being discussed on *Wednesdays* during Lent, 6:30–7:15PM in Pope Hall. The Belhar Confession was recently added to our *Book of Confessions* and is the only document to come from the Southern hemisphere. It was written in response to apartheid in South Africa and addresses themes of unity, reconciliation and justice—issues applicable no matter where one lives. No need to buy a book or read in advance. We will provide the devotional material from the Presbyterian Peacemaking Program.

—WEEKDAYS

- **Religion & Science Discussion** 1st and 3rd Mondays at 7:00PM, Rendon Room
- **Fireside Chat with the Mystics** Tuesdays at 5:00PM, Rendon Room
- **Christian Yoga for Spiritual Renewal** Tuesdays at 6:15PM, McFarland Chapel
- **Book Study** (Belhar Confession) Wednesdays at 6:30PM, Pope Hall
- **Morning Prayer** Wednesdays at 7:00AM, McFarland Chapel
- **Celtic EvenSong** Wednesdays at 5:30PM, Sanctuary, followed by a light meal in Pope Hall
- **Book Study** Wednesday at 6:30PM Pope Hall
- **Women's Bible Study** 3rd Friday at 1:30PM, Moore Conference Room (third floor)
- **Spanish Bible Study** Saturdays 9:00–10:00AM, Rendon Room
- **Circle of Friends** second Saturday at 10:00AM for women of all ages seeking small community fellowship.

March 12, 2017 11:00AM

▶*Those who are able may stand*

WORDS OF PREPARATION: We believe that this unity of the people of God must be manifested and be active in a variety of ways: in that we love one another; that we experience, practice and pursue community with one another; that we are obligated to give ourselves willingly and joyfully to be of benefit and blessing to one another; that we share one faith, have one calling, are of one soul and one mind. ~ *from The Belhar Confession*

GOD CALLS US

PRELUDE

Consider Our Sins, BWV 622

by J. S. Bach and Marcel Dupre

WELCOME AND CALL TO WORSHIP

bold in unison

Psalm 121

Iona Abbey Worship Book

I lift my eyes to the hills;
from where will my help come?

**My help comes from the Great God
who made heaven and earth.**

God will not let you fall:
the One who watches over you is wide awake.

The Protector of God's people never sleeps.

God has you in safe keeping
and stays by your side.

**The sun shall not strike you by day,
nor the moon harm you by night.**

God will protect you from all evil
and will cherish your life.

**God will keep watch over your going out,
and your coming in, now and forever. Amen.**

▶**HYMN 37**

Let All Things Now Living

▶**OPENING PRAYER**

bold in unison

written by the

Rev. Daniel B. Randall.

*Posted on the United Church of
Christ's Worship Ways website.*

Generous God,
you gave us our voices, no two the same.
As you did with Abraham and Sarah,
you take and touch our lives and they can become extraordinary.

**And in your Church you have gathered us,
in your community of common folk and complainers,
prophets and puzzled people,
you have called us and made a place for us.**

So let what we say and do here,
what we ponder and decide here,
be real for us and honest to you,
as you prepare us for the life of the world in which you are praised.

Amen.

▶**RESPONSE 165**

vs. 4, words printed at right

♪ Then grant that we like them be true,
consumed in fast and prayer with you;
our spirits strengthen with your grace,
and give us joy to see your face.

GOD RENEWS US

SCRIPTURE READING

Genesis 12:1-4a

New Revised Standard Version, pg 10

- MESSAGE** The Blessing Alternative
Rev. Dr. Harry Eberts III
- AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** *A Brief Statement of Faith* pg. 37 in the hymnal, section 3
- ▶ **HYMN 50** *Deep in the Shadows of the Past*
- PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER** You are invited to come forward to light a prayer candle during the silence.
- OFFERING**
- ANTHEM** *O Lord Show Thy Mercy* by Christobal Morales
Chancel Choir
- ▶ **RESPONSE 167** 🎵 Keep, O keep us, Savior dear,
vs. 5, words printed at right ever constant by your side,
that with you we may appear
at the eternal Eastertide.
- ▶ **PRAYER OF DEDICATION** **We dedicate this money, Lord,**
in unison, **for the work of the church,**
from worshipleaderguide. **and we ask you to use all that we have**
blogspot.com **and all that we are in your service. Amen.**

GOD SENDS US ON OUR JOURNEY

- ▶ **PASSING OF THE PEACE** 🎵 Dona nobis pacem, pacem. Dona nobis pacem.
752 in the hymnal,
words at right
- ▶ **HYMN 47** *Bless All Who Trust in God*
- ▶ **BLESSING**
- POSTLUDE** *Prelude and Fugue in f minor, BWV534* by J.S. Bach
- The service of worship concludes after the postlude. The music can be enjoyed and this time can be used for prayer. You may remain seated or depart quietly.*

SERVING TODAY

Officiant: Rev. Dr. Harry Eberts III
 Music Director: Linda Raney
 Choir Accompanist: David Solem
 Liturgist: Alice Tinkle

WORSHIP COORDINATORS

Worship Chair: Jeannie Bowman
 Ushers: James Smock
 Liturgists: Sarah Miller
 Liturgical Arts: Karin Lerew
 Communion: Jane Stringfellow
 Malissa Haslam
 Outreach: Bruce Black

MUSIC & ART

TGIF Concerts every Friday night at 5:30PM welcome the congregation and the community to hear music rung, played, or sung. Freewill offering. Pick up the 2017 brochure from the glass music display case in the lobby that gives information on all the concerts through June or sign up for the weekly TGIF e-mail by sending your e-mail address to Krista at office@fpcsantafe.org.

The **Back Pew Gallery** presents the Las Tejedoras Fiber Arts Guild exhibition *Sacred Symbols* in the month of March. In April the theme will be *Faces*. We are asking all church members to feel free to submit work for the April show. The theme covers human faces and faces of “. . . living creatures of every kind: cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind” (Genesis 1:24). Inanimate faces also welcome, such as masks, gems, clocks and the faces of nature. Bring your works in any media on Sunday, April 2, from 8:30AM–12:30PM in a form ready to be displayed.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The need for dialogue surrounding subjects of race, power and dominance has never been greater than it is today. On Friday, March 31 (7:00–9:00PM) and Saturday, April 1 (9:00AM to 3:00PM), the Presbytery of Santa Fe (PSF) is hosting an event called **Racism, Power, and Dominance in the US and in Faith Communities**. Participants will build their capacity to engage in constructive dialogue about racism. We will explore individual and organizational strategies aimed at interrupting the ways in which systemic racism operates in our society. Online registration is encouraged through PSF website, where a \$15 fee can be paid via Paypal. Registration and fee may also be sent to PSF office or paid at the door. See PSF website for more information or call Gloria Mirabal 505.920.3961.

The **Liturgical Arts Committee** needs yards and yards of GREEN yarn and fabric-type ribbon in any shade or texture and in any length or width. There will be bins in the lobby for collection through the month of March. This is a great way to rid your crafts cabinet of odds and ends; the committee thanks you in advance for your contributions!

The **Gathering of Presbyterian Women** in the Presbytery of Santa Fe will happen on March 25 at Covenant in Albuquerque. Please call Lola at 505.299.2427 by March 15 to register.

First Presbyterian Church of Albuquerque is having a **Men's Spring Retreat** May 5–7 at the Bosque Center. Rev. Wayne Mell is the keynote speaker. More information and registration forms on the lobby table.

Earth Care Tidbit of the Week:

“We are accelerating the degradation of the very source of our lives—air, water and soil—through massive use of pesticides, artificial fertilizers, and thousands of synthesized chemicals even while scientists suggest that 90 percent of cancers are caused by environmental factors.”

~ Dr. David Suzuki, *AlterNet* 2/5/17



PRAYERS AND PRAISE

Notify the church office 982.8544 or office@fpcsantafe.org to add a name to our prayer list.

We celebrate with Gerald Heggen on his birthday tomorrow and on the recent publication on Amazon of a book based on his and his wife Patricia's travels: *Has Anyone Seen My Elephant? and other tales from a traveler's diary* by Gerald and Patricia Heggen.

We continue to pray for Claudia Grayson, Barbara Strange's sister Virginia Clark, Alvin Baca, Julia Hudson's great-nephew Brandon Main, Janice Mayer's father Russell, Linda Trujillo's grandniece Brianna, Dick Fallis, Jeff Baker, Ayla Wolff, Dr. Ronald Shumaker, Leo Krulitz, Sheldon Thompson, and Tony Herrera.

We pray for our partners in ministry: the Church of the Holy Faith and the Cathedral Basilica of St. Francis; the Sagua la Grande Church—our brothers and sisters in Cuba; and Westminster Presbyterian Church.

Meet and Pray for Your Mission Co-Workers

Chenoa Stock

Bolivia

Ms. Stock works with the Bolivian Joining Hands Network and US presbytery partners as they addresses the root causes of water contamination in communities affected by the mining extractive industry. Her faith is continuously strengthened by being one of the many parts of Christ's body seeking environmental justice. She is accompanied in ministry by her husband Jose Luis Claire Villarroel.

CHILDREN & YOUTH

Sunday Mornings

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| 8:15–12:15 | Childcare available for those not yet school age
<i>second floor</i> |
| 8:30 | MorningSong family-friendly service in Pope Hall |
| 9:15 | Children's story time <i>second floor</i> |
| 9:30–10:30 | Youth fellowship and digging into the Bible
<i>third floor</i> |
| 9:30–10:30 | Parent's circle <i>Pope Hall A (by kitchen)</i> |
| 9:40–10:15 | Children's music—singing and dancing,
instruments and rhythm— <i>second floor</i> |

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