



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
of Santa Fe

Behold. Be still. Become.

Celebrating **150** *years*

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

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.

NOTE SCHEDULE CHANGES

December 25 one service at 11:00AM
January 1, 2017 one service at 11:00AM

Sunday Services

November 27, 2016

First Sunday of Advent

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150TH CELEBRATION NEWS

Due this week are the **RSVPs for the 150th Celebration Dinner** on Saturday, January 14, at 6:00PM at La Fonda on the Plaza. All are invited, so if you didn't receive an invitation, please pick one up in the lobby. The invitations and RSVP cards are on the table in front of the information wall. Put the card in the offering or in Krista's mailbox.

Our church family enjoyed a spectacular Sunday on November 20 celebrating our first service 150 years ago. **Special Thanks to the Rev. Ray Kersting** for preparing a turn-of-the-century service and to **Andy Wulf** for arranging the reception at the Palace of the Governors.

We Thank All Who Participated in the Painting Days on Saturday, November 12, and Wednesday, November 16: Lori Doron, Lelah Larson, Dick Lindahl, John Vanderhagen, Tim Vellinga and Jenny Vellinga. Also thanks to Michael Roybal and Southwest Plastering. His crew Luis Lopez Galindo, Juan Carlos Gandara, and Jose Osvaldo Rivera did the big jobs of the high wall with the cross, the stairwells, and the area by the garage.

We have one more **Paint Day** on Wednesday, November 30, from 9:00 to 12:00 to finish off a couple small areas and look for touch ups that still need to be done. We also have **Cleaning Days** on December 29 and 30 to make the church sparkle and shine for the anniversary celebrations. There will be jobs big and small and for all abilities, so sign up in the lobby for one of these days.

FOURTH SUNDAY

Our wonderful Deacons and Prayer Shawl Knitters share the following with us every fourth Sunday:

- **Bienvenidos Bags** are collected full of food for the Bienvenidos Outreach program.
- The **Prayer Shawls** are blessed. The congregation is invited to see the colors and feel the warmth and comfort the shawls provide.
- **Blood Pressure Checks** normally take place on the fourth Sunday and will return in January.

November 27, 2016 11:00AM
▶Those who are able may stand

The moments before worship are a transition from “getting here” to “being here.” Take the opportunity to listen to the prelude and quiet one’s mind and become open to the spirit.

GOD CALLS US

PRELUDE

Lo, He Comes with Clouds Descending

by Lloyd Webber

▶**HYMN 348**

Lo, He Comes with Clouds Descending

▶**WELCOME AND CALL TO WORSHIP**

bold *in unison*
*based on Jeremiah 33,
Psalm 25, and Luke 21*

The days are surely coming, says the Lord,
when I will cause a righteous Branch to spring forth
and bring my promised salvation to Israel.

The Lord is our righteousness.

The days are surely coming, says our God,
when justice and mercy will be executed
throughout the land.

The Lord is our righteousness.

The days are surely coming, says the Lord,
when my promised one will teach transgressors my ways,
and heal the world with love and mercy.

The Lord is our righteousness.

CANDLELIGHTING

In this time of prayer and quiet meditation
you are invited to come forward to light a prayer candle

OPENING PRAYER

bold *in unison*

Righteous one,
to you alone we lift our souls;
in you alone we place our trust;
for you alone we wait all day long.

For you are the God of our salvation,
abounding in mercy and steadfast love.

**Help us remain alert and watchful
for the coming of your promised one—
the one who comes with power and glory,
the one drawing near
to bring our salvation. Amen.**

RESPONSE 93

vs. 3, words printed at right

♪ Redeemer, come! I open wide
my heart to thee; here, Lord, abide.
Let me thy inner presence feel;
thy grace and love in me reveal.

GOD RENEWS US

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 122

New Revised Standard Version, pg 571

ANTHEM

Chancel Choir

E'en So Lord Jesus Quickly Come

by Paul Manz

SCRIPTURE READING

Isaiah 2:1–5

New Revised Standard Version, pg 631

MESSAGE The Word Isaiah Saw
Rev. Dr. Harry Eberts III

► **HYMN 378** *We Wait the Peaceful Kingdom*

OFFERING AND OFFERTORY *Ave Maria*
Jim Toevs, trumpet

by Caccini

RESPONSE 83 🎵 By thine own eternal Spirit
vs. 4, words printed at right rule in all our hearts alone;
by thine all-sufficient merit
raise us to thy glorious throne.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 373** *O Day of Peace*

► **BLESSING**

POSTLUDE *Les Cloches de Hinckley* by Louis Vierne

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: Ed Maglisceau
Call to Worship and Opening Prayer adapted from *The Abingdon Worship Annual 2009*, ©2008 Abingdon Press. Posted on the Ministry Matters website.

WORSHIP COORDINATORS

Worship Chair: Jeannie Bowman
Ushers: James Smock
Liturgists: Sarah Miller
Liturgical Arts: Leah Paalman
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.

The **Back Pew Gallery** opens a new exhibit on Friday, December 2, of Christmas ornaments that have been donated by the congregation. Proceeds go to Adelante, a program that serves Santa Fe children and youth who are experiencing homelessness. Included in the exhibit will be 100 handmade, decorative earthenware crosses made by Presbyterian artisans in Cuba. They can be used both as ornaments and pendants. The cost is \$5 each. Funds from the sale of the crosses will be sent to the Presbyterian Cuba Connection, a church-related nonprofit organization in New Mexico that is led by the Rev. Dean Lewis. Many members of both Westminster and First Presbyterian have taken part in mission trips that form part of this connectional ministry.

MISSION AND SOCIAL JUSTICE

First's Friday at the Shelter: First Presbyterian has committed to help with lunch prep and serving on the fourth Friday of each month at the Interfaith Community Shelter, 2801 Cerrillos Road. The hours are 8:30 to 12:30. Come and help for any or all of that time period! Call Nancy Peterson at 424.0414 with any questions.

Interfaith Tutoring is currently looking for people interested in volunteering to tutor beginning algebra or geometry at Santa Fe High School. We are also looking for tutors for English as a Second Language. This is a way to use your talents to make a difference in the success of individual students. Once you've registered with the public schools, you'll be teamed with a teacher and tutor one period a week (or more, if you'd like.) If you are interested and want more information, your contact person is Lynn Heffron Igheffron@gmail.com. If you'd like more information on what it's like to tutor, call Carolyn Stupin 983.1481 or e-mail cstupin@yahoo.com.

Meet and Pray for Your Mission Co-Workers

Rev. Stephen Stelle and Brenda Stelle Ethiopia

Brenda teaches English at the Bethel Evangelical Secondary School. She feels it's a skill that will help them find viable careers and follow the paths God has chosen for them. Stephen teaches pastors helping the fast-growing Ethiopian Evangelical Church Mekane Yesus. He brings 30 years of ministry experience to this task.

PUBLIC MEETING

Santa Fe County has announced the next **Public Meeting for the Grant Avenue Complex** they are building just north of the church. Since they are our only neighbors in this block, we hope to have a good turnout from the congregation to provide input into this schematic design phase of the project. The meeting is this Wednesday, November 30, from 5:30–7:00PM in the Santa Fe County Commission Chambers at 102 Grant Avenue.

PRAYERS AND PRAISE

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

We continue to pray for 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.

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> |
| 9:40–10:15 | Children's music—singing and dancing,
instruments and rhythm— <i>second floor</i> |

This is a call for all singers who can offer talents during our **Sing Around The Tree** caroling time. This is a family sing together time. Your voice can help others sing with more confidence. Join us Wednesday, December 7, from 4:30–5:00PM. Please come to sing familiar carols in the lobby around the Christmas tree.

WORSHIP & STUDY

— NO SUNDAY CLASSES UNTIL DECEMBER 11
— WEEKDAYS

- **Religion & Science Discussion** 1st and 3rd Mondays at 7:00PM, Rendon Room
- **Fireside Chat with the Mystics** Tuesdays at 5:00PM, Rendon Room, exploring the wisdom of Therese of Liseux
- **Morning Prayer** Wednesdays at 7:00AM, McFarland Chapel
- **Book Study** Wednesdays at 12:00NOON, Rendon Room
- **Celtic EvenSong** Wednesdays at 5:30PM, Sanctuary
- **Taizé Service** Thursdays at 5:30PM, Westminster Presbyterian Church, 841 W Manhattan Avenue
- **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.



Earth Care Tidbit of the Week:

NASA has released findings outlining 250+ sources of the giant methane cloud above the Four Corners region: the biggest 24 polluters come from the natural gas industry despite insistence that its infrastructure is not the culprit.
~ *Conservation Voters New Mexico Newsletter, Autumn 2016*