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

Worship This Week

Sundays 8:30AM — MorningSong Service in Pope Hall — Informal, interactive, prayers, singing, chairs in semicircle, communion every first Sunday

Sundays 11:00AM — Worship Service in the Sanctuary Liturgy, hymns, sermon, choir, candles, pews, communion every first Sunday

Wednesdays 7:00–7:30AM — Morning Prayer in McFarland Chapel — Contemplative, prayers, Book of Common Prayer liturgy

Wednesdays 5:30–6:00PM — Celtic EvenSong in the Sanctuary — Celtic songs and liturgy, communion, weekly themes throughout the month: 1st week—justice and peace, 2nd week—healing, 3rd week—creation care, 4th week—welcome; 5th week—commitment

Opportunities for Study

Acts II Class—9:45-10:45, McFarland Chapel

Connecting the Dots: The Church’s Liturgy & the Christian Life

This week:
The Word Over Time: Hearing God Speak to Us.
The way God spoke to Moses just doesn’t happen anymore, right? And yet Sunday by Sunday, as the Scriptures are read and preached, God speaks to us. Worship is not just instruction ABOUT God; it is encounter WITH God, in community. We’ll explore the patterns of reading God’s Word over time, in the liturgical year and the lectionary, and consider how we learn to listen for God’s voice in our own lives and world. Led by Rev. Marney Wasserman.

Weekday Studies

Religion & Science: 1st & 3rd Monday, 7-9:00PM
Pope Hall C

Fireside Chat with the Mystics: Tuesdays, 5-6:00PM
Rendon Room

Women’s Bible Study: 2nd Wednesday, 10:00AM
Rendon Room

Bible Study: Fridays, 11:30AM-12:30
Rendon Room (resumes January 11)

Journaling as a Spiritual Practice: Last Friday, 11:30AM
Pope Hall

Men’s Breakfast: 2nd Saturday, 8-9:00AM
Pope Hall

Spanish Bible Study: Saturdays, 9-10:00AM
Volunteer Room (third floor)

Circle of Friends: 2nd Saturday, 10:00AM
in members’ homes

The Annual Meeting of the Congregation and Corporation will be held Sunday January 27, 2019, directly following the 11 a.m. service. Please plan to attend as we will be presenting the 2019 Budget and electing Elders and Deacons to serve beginning February 2019.
Please stand as you are able.

If you accept the belief that baptism incorporates us in the mystical body of Christ, into the divine DNA, then you might say that the Holy Spirit is present in each of us, and thus we have the capacity for the fullness of redemption, of transformation.  

_Thomas Keating_

**GOD CALLS US**

**PRELUDE**  
*How Brightly Shines the Morning Star, var. 1-4*  
by Dietrich Buxtehude

**WELCOME**

▷**CALL to WORSHIP**  
*bold in unison*  
written by Caela Wood,  
Pastor at the First Congregational United Church of Christ,  
Manhattan, Kansas

The heavens open. The Spirit descends.  
Jesus emerges from the water.  
And a voice echoes through the blue expanse.  
“This is my child, the Beloved, with whom I am well-pleased.”  
Jesus is named. Claimed.  
We come to the water. We remember we are named. Claimed.  
Can it be so? What a thing to be named. Claimed.  
Let us worship the one who names and claims us still.

▷**HYMN 485**  
*We Know that Christ is Raised*

▷**OPENING PRAYER**  
*bold in unison*  
written by Bruce Prewer,  
posted on bruceprewer.com

God of new beginnings,  
We confess our failings and frailties,  
all that has prevented us from living the life you offer us,  
while acknowledging our part in the pain of the world.  
—Silence is kept—  
Most wonderful God,  
foolish and flawed though we are,  
we too delight in your beloved Son.  
As in his name we gather in the house of many praises,  
may the heavens be opened for us,  
that we may catch a glimpse of that Light and Love  
that transforms our common days  
with a beauty not of our making.  
Through Christ Jesus our Lord.  
Amen!

▷**RESPONSE HYMN 477**  
*Thy Mercy and Thy Truth, O Lord* (verse 4)

▷**ANTHEM**  
*Lux Aeterna from Requiem*  
by Maurice Duruflé

Lux aeterna luceat eis, Domine,  
cum sanctis tuis in aeternum, quia pius es.  
Requiem aeternam dona eis, Domine,  
et lux perpetua luceat eis.  
May light eternal shine upon them, O Lord,  
with Thy saints forever, for Thou art kind.  
Eternal rest give to them, O Lord,  
and let perpetual light shine upon them.

**GOD RENEWS US**

**SCRIPTURE**  
Matthew 22:36-40
The Youth and the Congregation exchange the following blessing:

*In body, mind, and spirit, may you be well this day.*
*And may you be strong for the work of healing in the world.*

**MESSAGE**

The Double Commandment of Love

Ruth Hoffmann
Director of the Lutheran Advocacy Ministry

**HYMN 476**

*Crashing Waters at Creation*

**REAFFIRMATION of BAPTISMAL COVENANT**

*Pouring of the Baptismal Waters*

*Congregation, please respond with: I will, with God’s help.*

**SILENT MEDITATION and PRAYER CANDLES**

As we come forward to light prayer candles, you are invited dip your hand in the baptismal font and make the sign of the cross on your forehead.

*Amazing Grace* (verse 1)

**HYMN 649**

**PRAYERS of the PEOPLE and the LORD’S PRAYER**

We pray for people and places, silently or aloud, and respond together:

*May they know the deep peace of Christ.*

**OFFERING**

**OFFERTORY**

No. 29, from *60 Pièces dévotionelles* by Dom Paul Benoit, O.S.B.

**RESPONSE HYMN 477**

*Thy Mercy and Thy Truth, O Lord* (verse 3)

**PRAYER of DEDICATION in unison**

by Thom Shuman

We leave the waters of baptism to offer grace to others;
we give from our abundance to bless others with hope and healing;
we offer our lives to you and others in serving with love and mercy.
In Jesus’ name, we pray you will bless these gifts and us. Amen.

**GOD SENDS US ON OUR JOURNEY**

**PASSING of the PEACE in unison**

*Dona nobis pacem, pacem. Dona nobis pacem.*

**HYMN 484**

*Out of Deep, Unordered Water*

**BLESSING**

**POSTLUDE**

*How Brightly Shines the Morning Star, var. 5* by Dietrich Buxtehude

The service of worship concludes after the postlude.
The music may be enjoyed, and this time may be used for prayer.
You may remain seated or depart quietly.

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**SERVING TODAY**

**Officiant:** Rev. Andrew Black

**Preacher:** Ruth Hoffman

**Liturgist:** Mary Ann Lundy

**Organist/Music Director:** Linda Raney

**Associate Musician:** David Beatty

**Assistant Choir Director:** Travis Bregier

**Children’s Ministry:** Jill McCormick

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**WORSHIP COORDINATORS**

**Worship & Music:** Paul Vogel

**Ushers:**

**Liturgists:** Rebecca Heindel

**Liturgical Arts:** Karin Lerew

**Communion:** Malissa Haslam, Barbara Ivy

**Outreach:** Betty Jones
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TGIF 10th Anniversary Season, Friday at 5:30PM: Julanna Gilbert (violin), Robert Coombe (cello) and Alan Eckert (piano) play Haydn and Beethoven.

Back Pew Gallery—The new show opened on Friday, “Almost BLACK and WHITE”. Come see the wonderful pieces of art being shown.

Matter of Balance Class, sponsored by Second Family, will start Monday, February 4, meeting each Monday and Wednesday in February, 2-4PM, in Pope Hall. Enrollment is limited, with only 3 openings left—preregistration is required: $40 voluntary donation is appreciated. Contact Betty Kersting to register. This evidence based program was developed by New Mexico Department of Health in partnership with Maine Health. The master trainers are trained and certified to deliver this program.

Third Sunday Lunch resumes January 20 after the 11am service at Café Sonder on Guadalupe St. We meet at the restaurant, order from the menu and receive separate checks. Please join in this warm fellowship. Reservations aren’t necessary but if you plan to come please sign the sheet in the lobby or email anedmag@prodigy.net so we can have an idea for count.

There are many ways for you to serve your church. Please contact Rebecca at frontdesk@fpcsantafe.org to learn how you can be more engaged in the life of your church. Read the FPC weekly eNews to see specific jobs or projects for which you can volunteer.

We pray for: Charlie Stringfellow, Cheri Schumann, Mary Schneider, Glennis & Seth Hinshaw, David Ingalls, Kati Schwartz, Susan Slotter, Dan Crane, Marcella Ortiz, Sheldon Thompson, Jeff Baker, Brianna (Linda Trujillo’s grandniece), Jennifer Elliott, Jane & Jene Alexander, Paul Cast (Ethel Trimmer’s cousin), Bess Brooks.

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

Interfaith Community Shelter. FPC will serve suppers at the Interfaith Community Shelter January 20, 22, & 23. Please check the Shelter Book in the lobby to see where you can help. We will have large and small aluminum pans available after January 1. We also need financial help to buy some of the main dish ingredients. To help, make a check out to First Presbyterian Church and put MSJ Shelter Food in the memo line.

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