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

What do these 8 groups have in common?


They are all a part of Jubilee Ministry Circle! “Jubilee Circle is our life together in the congregation, serving and caring for each other, and providing fellowship opportunities.” (quoted from Dear Theophilus by Pastor Harry, in La Epístola)

Sunday, January 27, 9:45-10:45AM. Please come and enjoy an hour of fellowship and learn more about the good works happening in the Jubilee Circle!

The Annual Meeting of the Congregation and Corporation will be held Sunday January 27, 2019, directly following the 11AM service.

Please plan to attend as we will be presenting the 2019 Budget and electing Elders and Deacons to serve beginning February 2019.

Opportunities for Study
ACTS II Class—9:45-10:45, McFarland Chapel Connecting the Dots: The Church’s Liturgy & the Christian Life
This week:
Prayers that Take us from the Word to the World
In worship, who do you pray for when you light candles?
What happens in you as the congregation gives voice to their concerns in the Prayers of the People? Just as "Word and Sacrament" is the distinctive calling of ministers, so do the intercessions belong uniquely to the people of God. We’ll explore the connections between prayer and action, and between the church’s prayers and a life of prayer. 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
〈Please stand as you are able.〉

Where in America do we hear a voice like the voice of the prophets of Israel? Martin Luther King is a sign that God has not forsaken the United States of America…. The whole future of America will depend upon the impact and influence of Dr. King.

Rabbi Abraham Joshua Heschel
—ten days before Dr. King was killed on April 4, 1968

God Calls Us

PRELUDE  I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light  by Wayne L. Wold

WELCOME

CALL to WORSHIP  bold in unison
Isaiah 40:3-5

A voice cries out:  “In the wilderness prepare the way of the Lord, make straight in the desert a highway for our God. Every valley shall be lifted up, and every mountain and hill be made low; the uneven ground shall become level, and the rough places a plain. Then the glory of the Lord shall be revealed and all people shall see it together, for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.”

HYMN 49  The God of Abraham Praise

HAFTARAH
Chanted by Claire Lichtenstein, Temple Beth Shalom & HaMakom
Highlights from Dr. Martin Luther King Jr’s speech, Beyond Vietnam — A Time to Break Silence, April 4, 1967
excerpted by Rabbi Arthur Waskow
set to music by Cantor Abbe Lyons

ANTHEM  Precious Lord  by Thomas A. Dorsey
arr. Arnold Servier

God Renews Us

OLD TESTAMENT READING  Exodus 15:22-25a

BLESSING  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.

GOSPEL READING  John 5:1-9

MESSAGE  God and Jesus are Still Working  The Rev. Jim Brown
Do unto those downstream
as you would have those upstream do unto you.
Wendell Berry

HYMN 799  I Love the Lord, Who Heard My Cry

SILENT MEDITATION and PRAYER CANDLES
HYMN 729  Lord I want to be a Christian (verse 1)

PRAYERS of the PEOPLE  We pray for people and places, silently or aloud, and respond together:
May they know the deep peace of Christ.
Holy God, today we remember Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.’s struggle for equality, justice, and dignity for African Americans that inspired so many other reform movements that seek to highlight the plight of the oppressed in society.

We pray that all of those in civil and religious authority be reminded that we all have been created in your image, and that there is an intrinsic dignity in each of us that calls for uplifting every man and woman, young and old.

We pray that your Holy Spirit remind us all that you show no partiality with regard to nationality, race, ethnicity, or gender, and to do so is to go against your great commandment of love toward one another.

We pray that the church will not be complicit in injustice by being silent, but that it can rise up with a prophetic voice that speaks truth to power and advances the values of your Kingdom.

We pray these things in the name of our blessed redeemer, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Our Father, . . .

No. 17, from 60 Pièces dévotionelles by Dom Paul Benoit, O.S.B.

A Grateful Heart (verse 1)

Creator God, we offer you our gifts and rededicate ourselves to the long and bitter – but beautiful – struggle for a new world.

It is our prayer that we may be children of light, the kind of people for whose coming and ministry the world is waiting.

In our Redeemer’s name we pray. Amen.

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Dona nobis pacem, pacem. Dona nobis pacem.

Lift Every Voice and Sing

Toccata in C by Jan Sweelinck

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.
We welcome Claire Lichtenstein to our service as we remember the life and witness of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. She has lived in Santa Fe for 40 years, where she developed a passion for Biblical Hebrew and for chanting the Torah and Prophets. She is presenting highlights from a speech of Dr. King’s selected by Rabbi Arthur Waskow and set by Cantor Abbe Lyons to the melody used in chanting the Haftarah (the Prophets) after the reading of the Torah. Dr. King’s speech was made at Riverside Church in New York City exactly one year before he was assassinated.

Pastor Harry is recovering after vocal polyp surgery on Jan. 3 at the Cleveland Clinic. Our guest preacher next Sunday, Jan. 27, is Rev. Christine Vogel. Many thanks to these who will be preaching while Harry is on voice rest.

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 2 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 meets today after the 11AM service at Café Sonder on Guadalupe St. We 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. The weekly eNews lists some jobs or projects awaiting volunteers; contact Rebecca at frontdesk@fpcsantafe.org.

ACTS II, Spring Semester 2019, February 3-May 19
How is God calling you to live your life in response to the love that has been given you through God’s grace? During the first semester, we looked at how we can be faithful to the teachings of Jesus, how to respond with resistance to the empire, and how we seek to live the kind of life Jesus asked of his followers.

This semester, we continue to discern how the church can be the hands and feet of Jesus, and how we, as individuals within the church, are called to listen to the guidance of the Holy Spirit through spiritual practices. As we discover our individual gifts, we are able to truly love God and love our neighbors (all humankind) as ourselves.

MUSIC AND ART
TGIF 10th Anniversary Season, Friday at 5:30PM: Joshua Wentz, baritone, and Grisha Krivchenia, piano, present Robert Schumann’s song cycle "Dichterliebe”.

Back Pew Gallery—Our current show is “Almost BLACK and WHITE”. Come see the wonderful pieces of art being shown.

The Back Pew Gallery is proud to announce that the show “Ornaments, Ornaments, Ornaments” has produced a total of $1,200. We wish to thank all of you who donated ornaments for the show. We also thank those of you who purchased ornaments or gave a monetary donation. The proceeds from this show will be divided between the Presbyterian Disaster Relief Fund for Puerto Rico and the local New Mexicans to Prevent Gun Violence.

Attention Artists! It’s time to be thinking about what you are going to put in the next show in The Back Pew Gallery. The show is titled ’REALLY RED’. Red must be the dominant color: all mediums accepted: all art work must be ready for display. All art will be received on Sunday February 10, from 8:30 to 11:00AM.

PRAYERS AND PRAISE
Please notify the church office (office@fpcsantafe.org or 982.8544) to add or remove a name on our prayer list.

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 niece), Jennifer Elliott, Jane & Jene Alexander, 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 Interfaith Community Shelter Jan. 20, 22, & 23. Please check the Shelter Book in the lobby to see how to help. We also need financial help to buy some of the ingredients. To help, make a check to First Presbyterian Church and put MSJ Shelter Food in the memo line.

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