Sunday Worship
February 23, 2020

8:30AM  MorningSong in Pope Hall
11:00AM  Worship Service in the Sanctuary

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Rev. Dr. Harry W. Eberts III, Pastor

From now until Palm Sunday, Pastor Eberts is preaching a series entitled “Christ in Crisis,” based on the book by the same name by Jim Wallis, founder of Sojourners. Each week he will look at a question posed by Jesus, and crucial to our society today, so that we might understand the importance of reclaiming Jesus in our discourse.

Pastor Harry is away this Sunday and will return for worship on next Sunday. Many thanks to Madeleine Wright (8:30) and Andrew Black (11:00) for leading worship today. Our guest, Leisa Wagstaff, will be preaching at both services.

ACTS II ADULT EDUCATION

9:45-10:45AM IN POPE HALL

Today: Leisa Wagstaff, our guest for today’s class, serves in South Sudan with the Presbyterian Church of South Sudan (PCOSS) in education and trauma-healing. This includes working with PCOSS and South Sudanese refugee populations in Kenya, Ethiopia, and Uganda who have been displaced by South Sudan’s continuing conflict. In her role as educational facilitator, Leisa serves South Sudan’s most vulnerable communities. She has helped the PCOSS’s school system establish a teacher-training program, develop logistical and curriculum plans, implement trauma-healing workshops for children and prepare teachers to lead workshops.

Every Sunday in March: Spiritual Practices to Nurture Your Soul, Part 2—a five-week course based on the book Fully Awake and Truly Alive by Rev. Jane E. Vennard. The final chapters will be discussed as a follow-up to the offering of the first part of the same book last spring. The practices of Hospitality, Service, Spiritual Direction, and Fruits of the Practices will be covered. All are welcome!
Facilitator: Jeannie Bowman, Spiritual Director.
The hope of a secure and livable world lies with disciplined nonconformists who are dedicated to justice, peace and brotherhood. ~ Martin Luther King, Jr.

**God Calls Us**

**Prelude**  
*Sur le Rhin* (1927) Op. 54 no. 5  
by Louis Vierne

**Welcome**

**Introit Hymn 193**  
*Jesus, Take Us to the Mountain* (verse 1)

**Call to Worship**  
*Come, let us sing to the Lord; let us shout for joy to the rock of our salvation.*

Let us come before God’s presence with thanksgiving and raise a loud shout to the Lord with psalms.

*For you, Lord, are a great God, and a great ruler above all gods.*

In your hand are the caverns of the earth; the heights of the hills are also yours.

The sea is yours, for you made it, and your hands have molded the dry land.

**HYMN 26**  
*Earth and All Stars!*

**Opening Prayer**  
*O Trinity of love, God in community, holy and one, look now on us who look to you and hear our prayers for our community:*

Where there is falseness . . . smother it by your truth;

Where there is any coldness . . . kindle the flame of your love;

Where there is joy and hope . . . free us to share it together.

(Silence is kept)

The blessing of the God of life be ours, the blessing of the loving Christ be ours, the blessing of the Holy Spirit be ours, to cherish us, to help us, to make us holy. Amen.

**Response Hymn 193**  
*Jesus Take Us to the Mountain* (verse 3)

**Anthem**  
*Now There Lightens Upon Us*  
by Leo Sowerby

**Expression of Devotion**

**HYMN 750**  
*Goodness is Stronger than Evil* (verse 1)
**God Renews Us**

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Mr. Bill's Pancake Breakfast
Join the First Presbyterian Child Development Center on Tuesday, February 25, 2020, 7:00-9:30am for their annual pancake breakfast fundraiser! CDC kids eat free. Suggested $5 donation for adults. All proceeds will benefit the preschool! On the 2nd floor, Child Development Center. Come and eat, and thank Bill Adrian for his years of service as he leaves First Presbyterian Church.

Journaling as a Spiritual Practice: Friday, February 28, 11:30, Pope Hall. February’s class will focus on journaling as we follow our spiritual path. Newcomers to the class are welcome, whether just interested in the subject or with seasoned journal-keeping experience. The class is based on Christina Baldwin’s book *Life’s Companion*. Having the book is not a requirement. Please bring a journal and writing instrument with you to class. For questions, contact Jeannie Bowman, Spiritual Director, Jeannie.bowman17@gmail.com

Parking: We have 30 parking spaces in the upper level of the County Parking lot, Sundays only, 8:00am to 1:00pm on Sundays only. Enter by the ramp on Grant Avenue. If attending the first service, please vacate your parking space by 10:45, to make room for those coming to the second service.

Register for the Lenten Retreat to be held on Saturday, March 14 8:15am-2:15pm — a contemplative day for you to receive, refresh, and renew with medieval mystic Julian of Norwich in the pastoral setting of the Immaculate Heart of Mary Retreat Center on Carmelite Road in Santa Fe.

The Acts II Committee and Mystics Group will be sponsoring this churchwide (and friends) retreat for all. Pick up a flyer to share and a registration card on the lobby counter to reserve your spot today!

Music and Art
TGIF Concert Series 11th Season: Friday at 5:30pm An Unconventional Cabaret with Kehar Koslowsky, mezzo soprano, and Robert Tweten, piano

Back Pew Gallery: The gallery’s new show featuring Charlie Stringfellow’s photography is up and looking forward to your visit. Come in and enjoy his photos.

Prayers and Praise
Please notify the church office (office@fpcsantafe.org or 982.8544) to add or remove a name on our prayer list.

Charlie Stringfellow was interred in Arlington National Cemetery with full military honors on Tuesday, February 18, 2020, followed by a Celebration of Life Service at the Stringfellow’s former church in Arlington.

We pray for: Juanita Thorne-Connerty, Marney Wasserman, Pete Lyons (friend of Jim & Pauline Toevs), Nat Dean, Linda Webb (friend of Gale Wright), Dorothy Karayanis, Terry Campbell (friend of the Trimmers), Rosie Mott, The Rev. Bobby Magee and family, Audrey Maehl, Tom & Leah Paalman, Kay Roberts, Lori Tormey (Thomas and Alexander Shumaker’s cousin), Dr. Ronald C. Shumaker (Thomas’s father and Alexander’s grandfather), Jeannie H. Barrera (Lisa Barrera’s mother), Anton Brkic, Laurie Wisdom, Elisa Bowles (CDC teacher), Susan & Al Clark’s family, Mary Melodie Schneider, David Ingalls, Susan Slotter, Marcella Ortiz, Sheldon Thompson, Brianna (Linda Trujillo’s granddaughter), Jennifer Elliott.

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

Meet and Pray for Your Mission Co-Workers
Leisa Wagstaff, mission co-worker in South Sudan — TODAY Leisa, educational facilitator and mission co-worker, will be speaking about her work and the challenges South Sudan faces during both services and during Adult Education.

Earth Care Tidbit: The challenge [combating climate change] is big, but it's nothing we have not done before. Now we face a climate emergency. Hopefully, this new emerging climate culture we see will now allow us to act. Time is short. Bruce Melton, Truthout 12/7/19