



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 deeper way of seeing
- A bolder way of believing

Be still and take time to

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

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.

FOURTH SUNDAY

Our incomparable 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.

Sunday Services

February 26, 2017

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WORSHIP & STUDY

—SUNDAYS 9:45–10:45

Living the Questions in McFarland Chapel: This segment of the ongoing series comes to a close this Sunday. It is an open-minded and thoughtful discussion with some of today's leading religious voices addressing the topic for today via video.

Roundhouse Issues in Pope Hall: Many crucial issues are being discussed and debated that will affect our lives as New Mexicans. Sen. Bill O'Neill will be our final speaker for this series.

—ASH WEDNESDAY

Lent Begins this Wednesday, March 1, with the Ash Wednesday service at 5:30PM as part of the ongoing Celtic EvenSong service.

—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 study described in more detail in the insert.

Christian Yoga for Spiritual Renewal, A Lenten Devotion—Movement, Meditation, Prayer: *Tuesdays* in Lent (February 28–April 11) from 6:15–7:30PM in *McFarland Chapel* will be led by Dana Moore, licensed clinical counselor, and Lisa Moore, certified yoga instructor. Participants will engage in meditations, movement, and prayers that empty, simplify, and align, making room for God's presence in our bodies, minds, and spirits. Complete beginners are welcome. Suggested donation of \$40. Call 316.6986 to register.

The **Belhar Confession** will be 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. Join us beforehand for the Celtic Evensong service 5:30–6:00PM in the Sanctuary, followed by a light meal in Pope Hall.

February 26, 2017 11:00AM

▶ *Those who are able may stand*

GOD CALLS US

PRELUDE

*you are invited to come forward
to light a prayer candle*

WELCOME AND CALL TO WORSHIP

bold in unison
*written by William Loader and
posted on his home page*

▶ **HYMN 189**

▶ **OPENING PRAYER**

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WORDS OF PREPARATION:

We believe in the triune God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, who gathers, protects and cares for the church through Word and Spirit. This, God has done since the beginning of the world and will do to the end. ~ *From The Belhar Confession from South Africa, the latest addition to our Book of Confessions*

Toccatas for the Elevation

by Girolamo Frescobaldi

Let's go up the mountain.

**Let's go up to the place where the land meets the sky,
where the earth touches the heavens,
to the place of meeting,
to the place of mists,
to the place of voices and conversations,
to the place of listening.**

O Wondrous Sight, O Vision Fair

O God,

We open our eyes and we see Jesus,
the months of ministry transfigured to a beam of light,
the light of the world,
your light.
May your light shine upon us.

**We open our eyes and we see Moses and Elijah,
your word restoring us, showing us the way,
telling a story, your story, his story, our story.
May your word speak to us.**

We open our eyes and we see mist,
the cloud of your presence
which assures us of all we do not know
and that we do not need to fear that.
Teach us to trust.

**We open our eyes and we see Peter's constructions,
his best plans, our best plans,
our missing the point, our missing the way.
Forgive our foolishness and sin.**

We open our eyes and we see Jesus,
not casting us off,
but leading us down, leading us out -
to ministry, to people.
Your love endures forever.

**We open our ears and we hear your voice,
'This is my beloved Son, listen to him!'
And we give you thanks.
Amen.**

► **RESPONSE 150**
vs. 4, words printed at right

♪ Holy Jesus, every day keep us in the narrow way;
and when earthly things are past, bring our ransomed souls at last
where they need no star to guide, where no clouds thy glory hide.

GOD RENEWS US

SCRIPTURE READING Exodus 24:12–18 New Revised Standard Version, pg.70

MESSAGE Sometimes a Light Surprises
Rev. Dr. Harry Eberts III

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *A Brief Statement of Faith*, Presbyterian Hymnal pg. 37, section 2

► **HYMN 191** *We Have Come at Christ's Own Bidding*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING

ANTHEM *Now There Lightens Upon Us* by Leo Sowerby
Chancel Choir

► **RESPONSE 150**
vs. 3, words printed at right

♪ As they offered gifts most rare at thy manger, rude and bare,
so may we with holy joy, pure and free from sin's alloy,
all our costliest treasures bring, Christ, to thee, our heavenly king.

► **PRAYER OF DEDICATION**
by Thom Shuman

When we could choose to be selfish,
may we share from our abundance;
when we could choose to be hoarders,
let us give away all we have;
when we could choose to be broken,
let us be reconciled with those around us.
Bless our lives, as well as these gifts, we pray. Amen.

GOD SENDS US ON OUR JOURNEY

► **PASSING OF THE PEACE**
752 in the hymnal,
words at right

♪ Dona nobis pacem, pacem. Dona nobis pacem.

► **HYMN 190** *Swiftly Pass the Clouds of Glory*

► **BLESSING**

POSTLUDE *Grand Piece Symphonique* by Cesar Franck

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Bill's Pancakes: From 7:00–9:00AM on Shrove Tuesday, February 28, Bill Adrian, Facilities Manager, flips pancakes and fries sausages in support of our Child Development Center. Pancakes will be served on the second floor so you can see in action what our fantastic preschool program does every day!

The **Presbyterian Men's Breakfast** program for Saturday, March 11, will be led by Bill Adrian and will catch us up on recent developments on parking and other facilities issues for the church. We ask a \$2 contribution from members and encourage you to bring friends for free. Sign up on the sheet in the lobby, on the Presbyterian Men's Breakfast Facebook page, or by calling or e-mailing John Whitcomb.

The next **Circle of Friends** will be Saturday, March 11, at 10:00AM at the home of Jenny Harland. We are just beginning a discussion of the book *The Cup of Our Life*, a guide for spiritual growth by Joyce Rupp. We encourage anyone interested to get the book and read Week 1 and join us! For directions or more information, contact Jenny Harland at harlandjn@gmail.com.

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!

Pick up a **New Church Directory** from the front desk! If you are using the roster in the 2014 photo directory, that is now three years old and many things have changed since then. We will soon have an insert for your photo directory of all the new members since 2014. This will replace the periodic inserts we've been sending out.



Earth Care Tidbit of the Week:

California has passed historic legislation requiring the state to cut carbon pollution to at least 40 percent of 1990 levels by 2030, the most aggressive carbon-cutting target in North America.

~ NRDC Nature's Voice Winter 2017

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PRAYERS AND PRAISE

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

We pray for Claudia Grayson and for Barbara Strange's sister Virginia Clark.

We continue to pray for 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

Dr. Douglas Tilton

South Africa

As regional liaison for Southern Africa, Doug facilitates the PC(USA)'s relationships with its partners, supports other mission co-workers, and works with a growing number of presbytery and congregational partnerships. He helps partners gain access to scholarships for leadership training and helps them find ways to meet one another's needs.

CHILDREN & YOUTH

Sunday Mornings

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 begins <i>Pope Hall A (by kitchen)</i>
9:40–10:15	Children's music—singing and dancing, instruments and rhythm— <i>second floor</i>

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. The opening is this Friday, March 3, from 6:00–7:30PM. 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). Bring your works in any media on Sunday, April 2, from 8:30AM–12:30PM in a form ready to be displayed.