Behold, Be still, Become.

**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 Opportunities**
We are a worshipping community
four times a week
in four different ways
in three different places

**Sundays 8:30–9:30AM**
Morning Song Service in Pope Hall (mid-September to May),
Rooftop Garden (Memorial Day through mid-September)
Relaxed, informal, interactive, prayers, singing, chairs in semicircle, communion every first Sunday

**Sundays 11:00AM–12:00NOON**
Traditional Service in the Sanctuary
Ritual, choral music, hymns, sermon, candles, pews, liturgy, communion every first Sunday

**Wednesdays 7:00–7:30AM**
Moming Prayer and Meditation in the McFarland Chapel
Contemplative, prayers, Book of Common Prayer liturgy

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

**Sunday Worship**
March 11, 2018
Fourth Sunday of Lent

208 Grant Avenue
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**Behold**

**Opportunities for Study**

**ACTS II NEW APOSTLES LAY SEMINARY SERIES**
—SUNDAYS IN LENT
9:45-10:45AM, McFarland Chapel

In Greek, the word apostles means “sent ones.” God loves and strengthens us and then sends us out into the world to help, each in our own way, to bring about the Kingdom of God. Our Acts II New Apostles series is now beginning an in-depth dive into social and personal issues that we confront in today’s world.

**Today’s Class—**
**Spiritual Formation:**
A CLASS ON LITURGICAL PRAYER

Liturgical prayer is ritual verbal praise, confession, thanksgiving, and/or petition that we offer to God, often in the company of other pray-ers. In other words, it is prayer we most often use in our church services. Please join us as we offer the various prayers named above and explore their place in our weekly worship service. The class will be facilitated by Jeannie Bowman and Christine Vogel, and continues the 5-week theme of spiritual practices they offered during January.

**Weekday Studies**
- **Religion & Science:** 1st & 3rd Monday, 7:00-9:00PM
  Rendon Room
- ** Fireside Chat with the Mystics:** Tuesdays, 5:00-6:00PM
  Rendon Room
- **Christian Yoga for Spiritual Renewal:** Tuesdays, 6:15-7:30PM
  McFarland Chapel
- **Women’s Bible Study:** 3rd Friday, 1:30PM
  Moore Conference Room (third floor)
- **Men’s Breakfast:** 2nd Saturday, 8:00-9:00AM
  Pope Hall
- **Spanish Bible Study:** Saturdays, 9:00-10:00AM
  Volunteer Room (third floor)
- **Circle of Friends:** 2nd Saturday, 10:00AM, in members’ homes
Please stand as you are able.

GOD CALLS US

“We need a coat with two pockets. In one pocket there is dust, and in the other pocket there is gold. We need a coat with two pockets to remind us who we are.”
— Parker J. Palmer

PRELUDE
Voluntary in d minor
by Samuel Wesley

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

♫ Left and Right sides of the Sanctuary sing alternate verses, All joining together for the final verse.

Left: Give thanks to the Lord, for he is GOOD, *
and his mercy endures for E-VER.

Right: Let all those whom the Lord has redeemed pro-CLAIM *
that he redeemed them from the hand OF THE FOES.

Left: He gathered them out of the LANDS; *
from the east and from the west,
from the north and FROM THE SOUTH.

Right: Some were fools and took to rebellious WAYS; *
they were afflicted because OF THEIR SINS.

Left: They abhorred all manner of FOOD *
and drew near to DEATH’S DOOR.

Right: Then they cried to the Lord in their TROUBLE, *
and he delivered them from THEIR DISTRESS.

Left: He sent forth his word and healed THEM *
and saved them FROM THE GRAVE.

Right: Let them give thanks to the Lord for his MERCY *
and the wonders he does for his CHILD-REN.

All: Let them offer a sacrifice of thanks-GIV-NG *
and tell of his acts with SHOUTS OF JOY.

HYMN 17

Sing Praise to God, You Heavens!

It is not true that this world and its inhabitants are doomed to die and be lost;
This is true: For God so loved the world that God gave his only son so
that everyone who believes in him shall not die, but have everlasting
life.

It is not true that we must accept inhumanity and discrimination, hunger and
poverty, death and destruction;
This is true: I have come that they may have life, and have it abundantly.
It is not true that violence and hatred shall have the last word, and that war and
destruction have come to stay forever;
This is true: For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, in whom
authority will rest, and whose name will be prince of peace.
It is not true that we are simply victims of the powers of evil that seek to rule the
world;
This is true: To me is given authority in heaven and on earth, and lo, I am
with you always, to the end of the world.
It is not true that we have to wait for those who are specially gifted, who are the
prophets of the church, before we can do anything;
This is true: I will pour out my spirit on all people, and your sons and
daughters shall prophecy, your young people shall see visions, and your
old folk shall dream dreams.
It is not true that our dreams of liberation of humankind, our dreams of justice, of human dignity, of peace, are not meant for this earth and its history;

This is true: The hour comes, and it is now, that true worshippers shall worship God in spirit and in truth.

♫

So shall we have peace divine: holier gladness ours shall be; round us, too, shall angels shine, such as served you faithfully.

**RESPONSE HYMN 167**

verse 4

♫

God So Loved the World

Chancel Choir

by John Stainer

**GOD RENEWS US**

**SCRIPTURE**

John 3:14-21
NRSV Pew Bible, New Testament, pg. 94

**YOUTH CONNECT**

Youth are invited to come forward, then go to the second floor for activities.

**MESSAGE**

Inconvenient Truth

Rev. Dr. Harry Eberts III

**SILENT MEDITATION AND PRAYER CANDLES**

You are invited to come forward to light a prayer candle during the silence.

**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.

**HYMN 377**

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

**OFFERING OFFERTORY**

God Loved the World

setting, Aaron David Miller

♫

Keep, O keep us, Savior dear, ever constant by your side, that with you we may appear at the eternal Eastertide.

**RESPONSE HYMN 167**

verse 5

♫

As we have been gathered in this place because of the faithfulness of those who have gone before us, so we pray that the gifts we offer in these moments might be used to reach out to those in all corners of the world who need hope, who hunger for food and justice, who yearn for peace, and who long for your graceful presence in their lives. In Jesus’ name, we pray. Amen.

**GOD SENDS US ON OUR JOURNEY**

♫

Dona nobis pacem, pacem.

Dona nobis pacem.

**PASSING OF THE PEACE**

HYMN 752

♫

To God Be the Glory

**HYMN 634**

**BLESSING**

Litanies

by Jehan Alain

♫

The service of worship concludes after the postlude. The music can be enjoyed and this time can be used for prayer.

**SERVING TODAY**

Rev. Dr. Harry Eberts III
Karin Lerew
Linda Raney
David Solem
Travis Bregier
David Beatty

**WORSHIP COORDINATORS**

Jeannie Bowman, Paul Vogel
James Smock
Sarah Miller, Rebecca Heindel
Karin Lerew
Malissa Haslam, Barbara Ivy
Betty Jones
**Interfaith Shelter.** Our last time to serve this winter at the Shelter is March 25-28. We only need workers on March 25-26. We only prepare and serve the meals on March 27-28. Please check the shelter book to see where you can help. If you want to make food but cannot take it to the shelter, let Nancy know at nancypete@gmail.com or 603-5645 so she can pick it up at the church. As in the past, pans will be available by the shelter book for you to use. Monetary donations can be made out to the church with shelter meals in the memo line. If you have questions, please ask Nancy Peterson, Tom Mott, Marjorie Lunderville or Liz Hinds.

We at First Pres enjoy a great relationship with Westminster Presbyterian Church. It is natural to want to share our news and activities with them. They have asked, however, that we send such notices to them through our own church office. So if you have an announcement you would like to appear in Westminster’s weekly newsletter, “El Semanario,” please send it to office@fpcsantafe.org. The Rev. Tony Aja and his office staff thank you.

**Back by popular demand!** Did you miss David Solem’s excellent class on: “Self-Care: An Essential Component”? You have a second chance on Wednesday evening, March 21, in McFarland Chapel, from 6:30-7:30. David will lead discussion about taking care of ourselves in order to be mission-ready, when sent out into an often harsh world. David is a clinical social work/therapist LISW with a master’s degrees in pastoral counseling and spirituality and a diplomate Jungian analyst.

The New Mexico Peace Choir is giving a concert Saturday, March 24, 3:00, in the James A. Little Theater. The New Mexico Peace Choir sing songs about the importance of nature, the dignity of each individual, the strength people have when we join together, and the courage to “stand in the light and be seen as we are”. Tickets are $20 for those under age 62 and a mere $15 for those age 62 and over. Tickets are available on their website: NMPeaceChoir.org or contact Carolyn Stupin.

**Join us at TGIF on Friday at 5:30 PM.** Jan Worden-Lackey, our former choir accompanist, plays Celtic favorites arranged for organ, including Loch Lomand, The Ash Grove, The Blue Bells of Scotland, and Londonderry Air.

**Concert today at 3:00 in the Sanctuary:** Russian pianist Alexander Paley, internationally acclaimed and dazzling concert soloist, makes a highly unusual visit to Santa Fe from his home in Paris. Tickets are $30 at the door.

**Back Pew Gallery is featuring “Please Touch Me”,** an exhibit of fiber arts by members of Las Tejedoras Fiber Arts Guild. The show runs from February 16 to March 31. The artists’ unique choices of fiber, shape, construction, and presentation invites

**Meet, Remember, and Pray for Your Mission Co-Workers**

Leith and Carol Fujii serve in Thailand where, if soil is poor, one plants a banana tree there to re-invigorate the soil and make it productive again. This practice gave Leith and Carol the idea to stop looking at certain members in their community as “poor soil” to move away from. Instead the Fujii’s plant metaphoric banana plants! They engage people in their own area projects: painting walls, baking brownies, meeting with Muslim neighbors, constructing a Peace Bridge Activity Center. “Soil is enriched” as the Fujii’s teach of “Isa al Masih,” Jesus the Messiah.