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:
4 times a week
in 4 different ways
in 3 different places

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

Sundays 11:00AM
Worship Service in the Sanctuary
Ritual, choral music, hymns, sermon, candles, pews, liturgy, communion every first Sunday

Wednesdays 7:00–7:30AM
Morning 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

Opportunities for Study
ACTS II New Apostles Lay Seminary Series
Today—9:45AM—Pope Hall
Reimagining Ecological Theology

—Weekday Studies

• Religion & Science: 1st & 3rd Monday, 7:00-9:00PM
  Pope Hall C
• Fireside Chat with the Mystics: Tuesdays, 5:00-6:00PM
  Rendon Room
• Women’s Bible Study: 2nd Wednesday, 10:00PM
  Rendon Room
• Bible Study: Fridays, 11:30AM-12:30 Bible Study
  Rendon Room
• Journaling as a Spiritual Practice: Last Friday, 11:30AM
  Pope Hall
• Starting Sabbath: Fridays, 5:05-5:20pm
  Pope Hall C
• 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

Film night at Andrew and Jen Black’s home, Monday, October 29, 6 pm. Bring food to share, main meal provided, and watch Mister Rogers’ film “Won’t You Be My Neighbor?”. Call the church office if you plan to attend.

Better Together.
When we are one in the Spirit, we can heal, strengthen and flavor our city with God’s love.

National Fund for Sacred Places Challenge Grant and
2019 Stewardship Campaign
Give boldly and thankfully. We are one body. We are better together.

Nov 4 Kick-off Luncheon  I  Nov 18 Pledge Dedication Sunday
Please stand as you are able.

GOD CALLS US

Nothing that is worth doing can be achieved in a lifetime; therefore we must be saved by hope.  Reinhold Niebuhr

PRELUDE

Three Preludes on Welsh Hymn Tunes  by Ralph Vaughan Williams

WELCOME AND CALL TO WORSHIP

You are God our deliverer in whom all put their trust;

all who live on earth,
all beyond the horizon.

By great skill and untold strength you fixed the mountains in place;

you calm the raging seas
and quiet the warring nations.

People throughout the world stand in awe of your skill.

Lands to east and west gratefully sing your praise.

HYMN 32

I Sing the Mighty Power of God

OPENING PRAYER

Trusting God’s forgiveness let us in silence confess our failings and acknowledge our part in the pain of the world.

— Silence is kept —

God our maker, Jesus our healer, Holy Spirit of love and life, hear our prayers.

To those who seek you, to all who need you, to the world you cherish bring healing, bring wholeness, bring peace. Amen.

RESPONSE HYMN 286

Breathe on me, Breath of God; fill me with life anew, that I may love what thou dost love, and do what thou wouldst do.

EXPRESSION OF DEVOTION

Recognition of New Members

ANTHEM

Lord, Make Me an Instrument of Your Peace  by René Clausen

MOMENTS IN GRATITUDE

Sharon Kirby
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.

Shout for Joy

The Rev. Dr. Harry Eberts III

The Earth Belongs to God Alone

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

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

May they know the deep peace of Christ.

No. 27, from 60 Pièces dévotionelles by Dom Paul Benoit, O.S.B.

Come, Holy Spirit, heavenly Dove, with all thy quickening powers;
come, shed abroad a Savior’s love, and that shall kindle ours.

We hope you will notice how generous we are, Gracious God, and
pat us on the back. But instead, you challenge us to offer more,
not just from our abundance, but our lives, our hearts, our hands in
serving those around us. Bless these gifts, and all whose lives will
be touched by them. In Jesus’ name, we pray. Amen.

Election of Nominating Committee

Dona nobis pacem, pacem
Dona nobis pacem.

Give to the Winds Thy Fears

Festival Toccata by Percy Fletcher

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.
Back Pew Gallery—Please stop in to see the October show “Into the Blue” and pick up a new piece of jewelry or other art at very reasonable prices. This show runs through October 28.

Call for Artists for the November show “Wings”. Art will be received on Sunday, October 28, 8AM-11AM. The show will open Friday, November 2. The theme covers anything with wings: birds, butterflies, bees, bats, dragons, even building wings. Just be ready to explain your interpretation of wings. We’re eager to see your work.

Rev. Linda C. Loving will speak and sign books at OpCit Bookstore in DeVargas Mall on Sunday Oct. 28 at 2 PM. Find wholeness in the midst of any life changing diagnosis! Based on her book “A New Song to Sing” - Spirited-Voices.com.

Next CIRCLE SUNDAY is Oct 28 Pope Hall after 11:00 Worship. Lunch & learn about Wisdom Circle.

Earth Care Tidbit of the Week: The American Academy of Pediatrics recommends limiting exposure to certain chemicals for infants and children, bisphenols and phthalates, both of which are found in food containers, canned food, plastic bottles, etc. Earth Island Institute 8/9/18