



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
*of Santa Fe*

*Behold. Be still. Become.*

*Celebrating* **150** *years*

in congregation since 1867,  
oldest continuing Protestant church  
in the New Mexico Territory

*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

## 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.

## NOTE SCHEDULE CHANGES

December 25 one service at 11:00AM  
January 1, 2017 one service at 11:00AM  
January 15, 2017 one service at 11:00AM

# Sunday Services

## December 11, 2016

### Third Sunday of Advent

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## ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS

Don't forget the wonderful opportunity to **Christmas Carol** after church today by meeting at:

- Casa Real at 1:00
- Santa Fe Cares at 1:45

December 18, we will celebrate **Las Posadas** with St. Francis Cathedral and Holy Faith Episcopal. The procession begins at the Cathedral at 1:30 and ends at our Sanctuary doors around 2:15 with a reception following in Pope Hall. All are invited to bring a plate of cookies. Many will be needed, so set aside some from your holiday baking, stop by the store for a package of your choice, or bring a crockpot of cider. They can be left in Pope Hall when you come to church.

**Christmas Eve Services** are at 5:00 and 10:00PM on Saturday, December 24.

Pick up an **Advent Calendar** for all the information about the holiday season in the lobby or at the front and back of the Sanctuary.

## 150<sup>TH</sup> CELEBRATION NEWS

**Our First School** started on December 10, 1866, with 10 children, and we have been involved in education and had a school associated with the church almost continuously since then. Today we have a reenactment of what that time might have been like for the schoolchildren. Children will be wearing period piece costumes hand sewn by Nelda Bell with singing and games led by Jill McCormick.

We still have tickets available for **150th Celebration Dinner** on Saturday, January 14, at 6:00PM at La Fonda on the Plaza. All are invited, so if you didn't receive an invitation, please pick one up in the lobby. The invitations and RSVP cards are on the table in front of the information wall. You can also call or e-mail Krista to sign up.

We have **Cleaning Days** on December 29 and 30 to make the church sparkle and shine for the anniversary celebrations. There will be jobs big and small and for all abilities, so sign up in the lobby for one of these days.

December 11, 2016 11:00AM  
▶Those who are able may stand

*The moments before worship are a transition from “getting here” to “being here.” Take the opportunity to listen to the prelude and quiet one’s mind and become open to the spirit.*

## GOD CALLS US

**PRELUDE** *English Suite No 5 in e minor* by J. S. Bach

▶**HYMN 97** *Watchman, Tell Us of the Night*

▶**WELCOME AND CALL TO WORSHIP**  
*bold in unison*  
*based on Isaiah 35:1–2*  
**The wilderness and the dry land shall be glad,  
The desert shall rejoice and blossom;  
And we shall see the glory of the Lord,  
The majesty of our God!**

**CANDLELIGHTING** In this time of prayer and quiet meditation  
you are invited to come forward to light a prayer candle

**OPENING PRAYER**  
*bold in unison*  
Lord Jesus,  
Master of both the light and the darkness,  
send your Holy Spirit upon our preparations for Christmas.

**We who have so much to do  
seek quiet spaces to hear your voice each day.**

We who are anxious over many things  
look forward to your coming among us.

**We who are blessed in so many ways  
long for the complete joy of your kingdom.**

We whose hearts are heavy  
seek the joy of your presence.

**We are your people,  
walking in darkness, yet seeking the light.  
To you we say, “Come Lord Jesus!”**

**RESPONSE 93** *vs. 3, words printed at right*  
♪ Redeemer, come! I open wide  
my heart to thee; here, Lord, abide.  
Let me thy inner presence feel;  
thy grace and love in me reveal.

## GOD RENEWS US

**SCRIPTURE READING** Isaiah 35:1–10 New Revised Standard Version, pg 663

**ANTHEM** *Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silent* arr. Stephen Cleobury  
*Chancel Choir*

**MESSAGE** Sorrow and Sighing Shall Flee  
*Rev. Dr. Harry Eberts III*

▶**HYMN 107** *Awake! Awake, and Greet the New Morn*

**MINUTE FOR MISSION**

Christmas Joy Offering

**OFFERING AND OFFERTORY***Awake, Awake, and Greet the Morn*

arr. Mark Sedio

**RESPONSE 83***vs. 4, words printed at right*

♪ By thine own eternal Spirit  
rule in all our hearts alone;  
by thine all-sufficient merit  
raise us to thy glorious throne.

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE  
AND THE LORD'S PRAYER****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 106***Prepare the Way, O Zion***▶ BLESSING****POSTLUDE***O Come Savior of the Nations*

by Paul Manz

*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.*

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**SERVING TODAY**

Officiants: Rev. Dr. Harry Eberts III  
Music Director: Linda Raney  
Choir Accompanist: David Solem  
Opening Prayer written by Fr. Henri J. M. Nouwen.  
Posted on Patheos.

**WORSHIP COORDINATORS**

Worship Chair: Jeannie Bowman  
Ushers: James Smock  
Liturgists: Sarah Miller  
Liturgical Arts: Leah Paalman  
Communion: Jane Stringfellow  
Malissa Haslam  
Outreach: Bruce Black

## 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.

The Back Pew Gallery exhibit **Ornaments! Ornaments! Ornaments!** features Christmas ornaments that have been donated by the congregation for sale with proceeds going to Adelante, a program that serves Santa Fe children and youth who are experiencing homelessness, and to the Presbyterian Cuba Connection.

## ANNOUNCEMENT

Bring your computers or devices or any questions you may have about either and gather in Pope Hall for **Computer Helper** hosted by Krista every second Tuesday of the month. Come this Tuesday, December 13, between 2:00–4:00. In 2017 we will continue on the second Tuesday from 3:00–5:00 with the first hour spent answering your questions and the second hour in learning more about a specific topic. January's topic is organizing your digital photos and February's is social media.

### Meet and Pray for Your Mission Co-Workers

Jay and Nancy Adams

Germany

Ever wonder where co-mission workers' children go to school if they are not able to stay with their parents? In Germany, Jay and Nancy Adams serve at the Black Forest Academy where children in grades 1–12 attend school. The school serves students from 50 countries and represents more than 25 mission agencies and denominations. Nancy is a high school English teacher and Jay works as a senior administrator.



### Earth Care Tidbit of the Week:

Each ton of magazine paper made from non-recycled fiber requires 18 trees to be cut down releasing sequestered carbon into the atmosphere.

~ *Green America: Economic Action for a Just Planet, 9/21/16*

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Archives	x27	archives@

## PRAYERS AND PRAISE

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

We pray for Linda Trujillo's grandniece Brianna.

We continue to pray for Michael Weller, 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.

## CHILDREN & YOUTH

### Sunday Mornings

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| 8:15–12:15 | Childcare available for those not yet school age<br><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<br><i>third floor</i>                    |
| 9:40–10:15 | Children's music—singing and dancing,<br>instruments and rhythm— <i>second floor</i> |

## WORSHIP & STUDY

—SUNDAYS 9:45–10:45

### Sunday, December 11 in Pope Hall: The Gift of Good Land

Andrew Black discusses the theology, spirituality, and policy of America's public lands with. We will explore the scripture and ethics of stewardship, key issues impacting America's and NM public lands, and how the church can help with the opportunities and challenges we are facing.

### Sunday, December 18 in McFarland Chapel: Christmas Carol Singalong

PLEASE join us to

- sing Christmas Carols
- learn a wee bit about their origins and
- refresh the meanings of their lyrics in our minds

—WEEKDAYS

- **Religion & Science Discussion** 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays at 7:00PM, Rendon Room
- **Fireside Chat with the Mystics** Tuesdays at 5:00PM, Rendon Room, exploring the wisdom of Therese of Liseux
- **Morning Prayer** Wednesdays at 7:00AM, McFarland Chapel
- **Book Study** Wednesdays at 12:00NOON, Rendon Room
- **Celtic EvenSong** Wednesdays at 5:30PM, Sanctuary
- **Taizé Service** Thursdays at 5:30PM, Westminster Presbyterian Church, 841 W Manhattan Avenue
- **Women's Bible Study** 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday at 1:30PM, Moore Conference Room (third floor)
- **Spanish Bible Study** Saturdays 9:00–10:00AM, Rendon Room
- **Circle of Friends** second Saturday at 10:00AM for women of all ages seeking small community fellowship.