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Dear Theophilus,

One night in Acts 16 Paul had a vision: a man from Macedonia (present-day Greece) pleads with him to “come to Macedonia to help us.” Thus unfolds yet another story in the Book of Acts of God casting a vision. Visions were regular and expected occurrences of God’s Spirit acting in human life, directing, nudging, compelling people to do things they would not have done otherwise, setting people on journeys of adventure and discovery. Visions were the norm not the exception; surprising, course-altering, the preludes to transformation.

I recently came across an old Gallup poll from the early 1990s when Presbyterians were asked whether they had ever experienced a vision from God. Half said they had had a vision from God, with an even higher percentage of clergy saying the same thing. Is this as surprising to you as it is to me? I don’t hear Presbyterians use that kind of talk, outside of a strategic planning exercise where a vision often ends up being too tame or small.

So I come clean. I would have been one of the half that answered yes.

Now I’m not sure when I had the vision (or was it only a dream?) but it was years ago. A small church in a clearing with sun on it, shining through the windows and out of them as well. I had an immense feeling of peace as I gazed upon it. Healing was within it and it burst outward. And that was it. This vision has stayed close to me ever since, and has informed my thinking and my hopes for what the church might be, a place of light and healing and peace. It is behind my insistence, right or not, naïve maybe but not quite, that the church can heal the world.

So why do I share this vision with you? Because I believe that our church can be that church, a place of light and healing and peace. I do not doubt that it has been just that at times in the past 149 years and I want to insist that it endures even now and in bigger ways to come.

This is what our 150th Campaign can be about. If you haven’t yet heard, you hear it now, that we are embarking on a campaign to do great things, to be a light in our community, to be a place of healing, and a promoter of peace in the world. We don’t have a name for it yet as we are in the

process of compiling and sharing visions about it. But we know it will include outreach and service to our community and the world. No little plans here but big plans to reach people in great need. We know it will include raising money for maintaining our beautiful building for years to come, because our building is mission to the thousands of people who come through our doors each year. We know it must include funds for parking, a need and a worry for decades, so that we can extend the welcome arms of hospitality to all who wish to enter here. We know it will include building an endowment so we can continue and sustain our legacy for generations and turn our yearly worry about finances into more visions about how we might serve God and others.

Paul had a vision and it led him to reach people only God had dreamed of. It took him not to Macedonia but to Europe and places yet unknown to him. It was surprising and transforming and changed the world for many people. May it be this for us as well.

Many blessings!
Harry



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
of Santa Fe

Behold. Be still. Become.

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Steve Kinnett	Gale Wright

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First Presbyterian Church is an inclusive, reconciling congregation which welcomes into its worship and full membership all persons who profess faith in Jesus Christ regardless of race, age, gender, disability, sexual orientation, or economic status.

Living the Questions

A creative new adult study utilizing videos featuring pastors, Christian scholars, and thoughtful Christians is now underway each Sunday during the 9:45 church school hour.

The current series is developed along the thesis, "Faith is not a destination, but a Journey." With a separate topic each week and animated discussion following the video presentation, the goal is to provide people with the tools for developing and maintaining a faith structure on which to center and build a life that is fulfilling and meaningful.

All adults and teenagers are invited and encouraged to participate.

Developers of the series believe, "On any authentic spiritual journey, asking the hard questions is not only permitted, but necessary! What we learn along the way through difficulties and disequilibrium, mistakes

and challenges, discoveries and unlearning, is that the process is what's important. The unanswerable questions asked in the company of fellow seekers along the way become a central part of the process of the deepening question, the broadening understand, and the journey beyond our otherwise limited horizons."

Recent studies and surveys have found that for many adults, their Christian spiritual development stopped at the 6th grade. Therefore their Christian faith seems irrelevant to the pressures and changes in their modern day world. This series is meant to crack open the door to new realizations of the significance of their Christian faith to life. While each Sunday will feature a professionally done video, the discussion will be led by various adults in the class.

Summer Schedule

Worship Services

8:30AM MorningSong
11:00AM Second Service
MorningSong returns to the rooftop garden on Sunday, May 29, Memorial Day weekend.

Adult Education

9:45-10:45AM
Ongoing are the Bible Study of Luke and the Living the Questions series. Five weeks of the Opera Class will take place the end of May and early June. Look for announcements of other classes in the bulletin and eNews!

Music Enrichment

Tenors and Basses
Wednesdays at 5:30PM
Sopranos and Altos
Thursdays at 5:30PM

The music enrichment will take place on:

June 1, 2
June 8, 9
July 6, 7
July 13, 14
July 20, 21
July 27, 28
August 3, 4

Community Program for Women Cancer Survivors Continues

A core group of 9 women—over half of them from the broader community and new to First Presbyterian have helped launch a Pilot Project *Breast Cancer As Journey of Spirit*. The women are gathering for 7 consecutive weeks at the church, guided by a workbook recently written by Parish Associate Linda Loving. This opportunity differs from other cancer support groups because of its focus on spiritual reflection, naming the Holy, discerning ultimate meaning and deepening faith through shared wisdom and spiritual disciplines.

The group gatherings invite each one to fully share their stories without interruption or judgment. In this confidential context women are able to speak freely about their faith, their fears, their hopes for wholeness and new life. The theme of the workbook—A New Song to Sing—is based on verses from Psalm 40: “I waited patiently for the Lord; he inclined to me and heard my cry. He drew me up from the desolate pit, out of the bog, and set my feet upon a rock, making my steps secure. He put a new song in my mouth...”

There is already interest in the possibility of offering another group beyond this Pilot Project. Those hoping to participate in a fall gathering should be in touch with Linda at lclev@aol.com. And by then the workbook will be officially published and faith based groups around the country will be forming to offer women “A New Song to Sing.”

Music & Art

Every Friday night First Presbyterian Church offers hospitality by opening its doors to the community of Santa Fe for a time of music and reflection at the **TGIF Concert** at 5:30PM. More information can be found online at fpsantafe.org/music-art/concerts.

As our Santa Fe neighbors and visitors from all over the world enter our sanctuary they are greeted by a friendly group of ushers and then treated to either the vast repertory of organ music that spans the 14th century to the present, or other musical treasures for various instruments and voices. Music unites and inspires. Free will offering.

The **Back Pew Gallery** will feature it's board member exhibit opening on May 6, 6:00–7:30PM after the Friday TGIF. There will be refreshments. The exhibit will extend to the end of May. In the summer community members will be showcasing their talent.

Don't miss the **Santa Fe Women's Ensemble Celebration of Women**, an inspiring and soulful journey of women's music, featuring the world premiere of the commissioned work *Reina de la Noche* (“Queen of the Night”) by renowned composer Z. Randall Stroope. The concert will be held Sunday, May 22, 2016—3:00PM at First Presbyterian Church, 208 Grant Avenue, Santa Fe NM. General seating \$25; Students/Military \$10. For tickets, please visit the Lensic Box Office, order online at ticketsantafe.org or call 988.1234.



Zozobra dropped by with a couple of his friends from the Kiwanis Club of Santa Fe—Zozobra event organizer Ray Sandoval and Jacob Romero president of the club—to present a check to Child Development Center Director Anne Liley in support of our preschool.

In Memoriam

Frank Shuck passed away on Sunday, April 24. A memorial service will be held at the church in a few weeks. Look for the announcement in the bulletin and eNews and for a remembrance in the next issue of the newsletter.

Fred Mansfield's memorial was held on Saturday, April 23. The family shared the poem below as part of the remembrance.

Poem written on June 29, 1924 by Fred's father, which he prefaced with:
"I'll bet you never suspected that along with my many (?) talents I was a poet. Well, after reading the following I don't suppose you will know it any better than you do now."

When Baby came we all were glad.
Tickled pink to think we had
Such a darling baby boy,
His father's pride; his mother's joy
T'was plain to see that he was meant
To be at least a president.
His father's name he proudly bore
His mother's nose and hair he wore.
Oh I will say we were not mad
When we got our little lad.

His grandma dear, tis sad to say
Could not be there that happy day.
But when she wrote 'twas awfully nice
She wished us luck and gave
advice galore.

Among the many things she said
(Oh that they all were in my head!)
If we should treat the baby square
He soon would cease to be a care
But fit himself into our life,
Nor interfere much with the strife
With which our bread and
butter's bought
And bits of education caught.

Now darling grandma knows her stuff
But Baby Mansfield called her bluff.
He's not the kind to hide away
The while his parents work or play.
Utmost attention must be had
From his mother and his dad.
The time for eating is always ripe
Poor dad can't even light his pipe.
And mama seldom takes her hands
From washing out his dirty pants.
In all the baby books we read
Feed regular and put to bed.
Twenty hours sleep a day
Keeps baby fat and Doc away.
Once a night he should be fed,
Then back to sleep in his little bed.
But that is not the way he does it.

From early dawn till dewy eve
He cries and cries; he never sleeps.
And then again from dewy
eve till dawn
The child does fuss;
his parents nerves are drawn.
The house work goes a lack,
The education effort 'gins to slack
And round about the corners
of our mind,
We sort of wonder just what kind
Of baby grandma meant.
Somehow that kind was sent
To someone else.

But just the same we love
Our baby boy, and Heaven above
We would not take for him,
Our baby Rollin Fredrick Mansfield.

Elder **Joyce Stark** of Westminster Presbyterian Church (WPC), former chair of the Global Mission Unit of the Presbyterian Church, and a former member of FPC's Child Development Center Advisory Board died last summer after a 15-year battle with Fronto Temporal Dementia. Her family, Bill (H.R.), daughters Marg of San Diego, and Cate of Kansas City, would like to invite FPC friends to the celebration of her life at Westminster Presbyterian Church, 841 West Manhattan Avenue, on Sunday, June 26—her birthday.

12:30 Catered luncheon, a time for visiting with the family; if you know you can come to lunch, the family would appreciate an RSVP (stark@cybermesa.com or 995.8419), but they want you to come with or without an RSVP.

1:30 Celebration of Joyce's life, in the Sanctuary of WPC.

We also remember **Charles Isaac Ortiz** and all the other relatives and friends who have recently left us.

We miss you!



Fred Mansfield arrived in style to the ice cream social last fall.

Mission & Social Justice

Presbytery of Santa Fe Cuba

Partnership trip to Cuba is September 22–30, 2016. Cost of the trip is approximately \$2400. If you wish to go you will need a passport valid through March 2017; \$100 deposit (nonrefundable) with application; endorsement from Session to accompany the application; and \$1000 payment by August 1 with the balance due by September 1. The People in Mission Fund of our church is available to assist in the cost of mission trips. Contact Betty Kersting at 982.4548 if you are interested.

On Earth Sunday, April 24, we celebrated our certification for the second year as an **Earth Care Congregation** of the Presbyterian Church (USA) for “outstanding environmental stewardship achievements in worship, education, facilities and outreach in the life of the church.” We join 300+ congregations who meet the criteria of the Environmental Ministries program. See the MSJ bulletin board that has the certificate and lots of information on Creation Care.

*You are invited to see what your support has helped to build! The dedication of the **Café Justo y Más Coffee Shop** takes place on Saturday, June 4, 10:00AM–1:00PM in Agua Prieta, Sonora, Mexico. We gave a portion of the 2015 Peace & Global Witness Offering taken in October to these border ministries, and we provide ongoing support by purchasing the fair trade coffee available most Sundays. A group is considering going. Contact Betty Kersting at 982.4548.*

Peanut Butter Donations:

Feeding Santa Fe had its beginning in the late 1970s at the First Presbyterian Church. Over time lack of parking and traffic congestion made it not viable to continue at the church. It has survived in various venues and since March 2001 has been renting space on Siler Road at the Coll-Green Angel Depot.

Feeding Santa Fe (previously Food for Santa Fe) is an all-volunteer organization with no salaries. Since its beginning it has steadily increased its number of bags of food given to the hungry of Santa Fe, including fresh vegetables and fruits, contributed by local gardeners. Last year First Presbyterian donated just under 100 pounds of peanut butter. This year we will again be requesting your generous donations and will have boxes to the right of the Rendon Room door throughout the month of May. We thank you in advance for your always appreciated generosity.

Habitat Women Build: We are getting a group of women together to volunteer at the Habitat for Humanity site at Oshara Village as part of their Women Build week. The date we've signed up for is Thursday, May 5 working from 8:30AM–3:00PM. It is not too late to call the church office and sign up for the build. Speak to Krista at 982.8544 x10.

Spread the word about the **English Language Learners** program.

Free English classes

For the whole family

Includes a light meal, childcare for children over 3 years old, and tutoring for school-age children
Westminster Presbyterian Church
841 W Manhattan Ave

Corner of St. Francis y Agua Fría
Telephone: 983.8939

For information ask for Pastor Tony

Registration:

Monday, May 23

5:30–7:00PM

(Classes begin June 6)



YOU ARE INVITED

TO JOIN US IN CELEBRATING THE DEDICATION OF THE

Café Justo y Más Coffee Shop

SATURDAY, JUNE 4TH

10 AM–1 PM

CALLE 10 Y II AVENIDA 19

AGUA PRIETA, SONORA



Communications

A new website for First Presbyterian Church is coming—designed with you in mind.

The communications committee, over the past months, has been involved in planning a site that will feature

- Improved navigation
- New content
- Responsive design
- A modern, vibrant look

The committee wants you to be able to access and to respond to First Presbyterian Church news wherever you are whenever you wish. This includes having information available on your desktop, your tablet, or your smartphone.

In December, the committee contracted with BadDog Design in Santa Fe to work with the committee to design a site based on the church's requirements concerning navigation and content. With the design and

navigational phases complete, the committee is determining the content that will appear on the website. In addition, the committee is selecting photographs that will enhance the visual aspect of the site.

Both the new and current websites use WordPress as their content management system (CMS); a CMS is a computer application written to manage the content of a website. WordPress also features a plug-in architecture and a template system, making the site expandable. It is fortunate that WordPress was chosen, several years ago, as the CMS for the current website; there are members of the staff and congregation who now have experience in this technology, thus making the maintenance and modification of the new site feasible and efficient.

A redesigned website is the second and final phase of the branding project the church embarked on last year, with the first phase being the adoption of the church logo and tag line, Behold. Be Still. Become. The goal of the project is to communicate effectively with the congregation and the public about who we are and what we do.

Many have been involved in this branding effort, including members of the communications committee, who have given immensely of their time and expertise, and members of the session, who have supported the project. All are thanked for their generosity.

You will be hearing more about First Presbyterian Church's new website.

Newsletter Help Needed!

Please send info in from your groups and ministries. We are moving to a model used by most churches where groups submit stories and articles by a certain deadline. The group and ministry leaders will receive a reminder e-mail about two weeks before information is due.

We are always looking for photos for our publications and for the church records. You can send those or bring in a flash drive or SD card. Krista will download photos to her files and return the flash drive to you. You can also bring printed photos but do label them with the date, event and people pictured.

Below is the publication schedule:

Edition	Deadline	Issue covers	Arriving in mailboxes
Spring/Lent	January 15	Feb, Mar, April	February 1
Summer	April 15	May, June, July	May 1
Fall	July 15	Aug, Sept, Oct	August 1
Winter/Advent	October 15	Nov, Dec, Jan	November 1

Remember to have items for the bulletin and/or eNews in by 5:00PM on Wednesdays.

News You Can Use

Plaza del Monte Program: You are invited to join the “PdM” community the third Wednesday of the month for social time at 10:00AM followed by an opportunity to learn. On May 18, Cindy Piatt shares her trip to trip to Thailand, Laos, Cambodia and Vietnam in words and pictures in a program entitled A Journey to Southeast Asia.

As We Age: What Next? will meet Friday, May 6, at 4:00 in the McFarland Chapel. Dr. Lynn Bickley presents How Not to Have the Next Fall. Everyone is welcome if the topic interests you. At our April meeting Roger Prucino, attorney and member of this congregation, gave a well-received presentation on Legal Concerns.

222nd General Assembly Convenes in Portland June 18–25. Commissioners elected by our denomination’s 172 Presbyteries gather to “do the work of the church” including electing a moderator and acting on overtures from around the country. This “family reunion” happens now biennially in even numbered years. The theme this year is “The Hope of our Calling” based on Ephesians and much of the Assembly will be live-streamed. Please hold the work of the Presbyterian Church (USA) in your prayers during this important time.

Rooftop Gardeners Wanted: The boxes have been prepared and planting will begin after May 15. If you have an interest in helping, contact Julia Hudson at 992.1163.

New Prayer Group: We are hoping to form an “at home” prayer group, sometimes called a prayer chain in other churches. It would be for people who would like the discipline of intercessory prayer in connection with other folks but who don’t have the ability or time to meet outside their home in a group setting. We are thinking this could be set up to occur on a given day with notice of any prayer requests sent by e-mail. The usual precautions around privacy will be observed. If you feel like you would like to join a trial for this idea please contact Anne Maglisceau at anedmag@prodigy.net or 466.1120.

Estate Sale: The sale of the McCarty estate items will be held June 4–5 with set up the days prior. It is hoped to include a limited amount of estate type items from the congregation to benefit the church or to “rent” space to members of the congregation who would like to handle their own items and keep the profits. If you are interested in any part of this event please join the committee in planning on Wed. May 11 at 5:30 prior to the Circle Dinner that evening or contact anyone on the committee list posted in the lobby. We will be welcoming any set up help June 2–3 and sales help June 4–5.

On May 15 we wish our friends **Sheila Gumerman and Janet Ollmann** well as they move this summer to even sunnier climes in Arizona. They have served the church in many capacities including deacons and outreach. We’ll have a celebration and appreciation during the coffee hour that Sunday.

On Saturday May 14, at 8:00AM in Pope Hall, **Presbyterian Men’s Breakfast** welcomes guest speaker Larry Haslam who will give a presentation entitled I’ve Changed! Do you think you will be the same all your life? Change can be difficult. Experiencing the results of change can be the greatest miracle. Come and bring your friends to hear this dynamic speaker and reflect on how change has benefited his life and likely will benefit yours, too. We ask a \$2 contribution for the breakfast. Reservations that will help our planning can be made in the lobby of the church on a signup sheet or by e-mailing John Whitcomb at travel@theway2go.com or calling him at 982.3921.

Elizabeth VanDenzen



Elizabeth VanDenzen grew up in Minneapolis, Minnesota. She has a degree in Government and Environmental Studies. At college she met her husband Brian and they have been married for 18 years. Brian is an attorney with the State of New Mexico.

She has lived in Santa Fe for 12 years and works as an Environmental Organizer with the Alaskan Wilderness League for Land Protection.

Liz grew up in Westminister Presbyterian Church in Minneapolis and began looking for another church home this year. This was prompted by the couple expecting of their first child in March. Lucia was born on March 2.

Liz says, "I wanted to put down roots." She had a happy time growing up in a Presbyterian church so looked for one here. She likes the fact that our church is concerned with social justice and creation care.

Her passion is conserving nature.

Amparo, Andy and Margo Wulf



Amparo, Andy and Margo Wulf are enjoying the change from fast-paced Southern California to Santa Fe as an amazingly rich experience, which gives much to their

family's quality of life. Amparo says, "It has been a blessing; at times it feels incredibly surreal." The family moved here when Andy took the position of Director of the New Mexico History Museum. Andy arrived in the spring and visited churches in Santa Fe.

He settled on our church as it seemed a perfect fit. "I felt First Presbyterian was great for our family because of the sermons, the choir, and Harry's wonderful energy."

Amparo was raised Catholic, but feels especially at home here. She said she likes the liturgy, songs and the sermons, Growing up Andy attended Presbyterian churches with his family and says, "I have fond memories of participating in mission work through the church. I had the opportunity of building homes for families in Tijuana, Mexico and in Alaska. I would like my daughter Margo to also have a similar experience."

Amparo was born in California and after one year moved to Mexico. She returned to the U.S. and graduated

from High School in Calabasa, California. She attended Cal State North Ridge for her BA/MA with a double major in Psychology and Spanish Literature. She spent a year in Spain during college and was interested to find that her name there is a very familiar old family name meaning "protecting the poor."

After graduation she worked in outpatient mental health clinics. She then entered the world of translation. Presently she is hoping to work with the courts interpreting.

Andy graduated from Pacific Palisades High School in California, then went on to the University of Southern California where he majored in French Literature and International Relations. He lived in Paris, France, for a year as part of the studies abroad program and then obtained an MA in Art History at USC, and later a PhD through the University of Leicester in England.

Andrew and Amparo met at a psychology conference in 2001 and married in 2005. Margo is making a happy adjustment to Santa Fe. She loves horseback riding, enjoys being part of the Wise Fools Theatre group and plays the piano. She brought a special dimension to the family when Amparo and she were dropping food off at the Interfaith Community Shelter. She suggested to her Mom that they stay and help. It was a great experience for them both.



New Member Bios

Bo Brumble



William “Bo” Brumble says “since I am Bo I think I should wear bow ties.” As a child he was baptized in the Presbyterian Church of Sequim, Washington. Throughout his growing up years he attended mainline Protestant churches. Later in his life he had a turning point and became a Roman Catholic. In Santa Fe he attended the Roman Catholic church but did not feel at home. He reminded himself that he had begun as a Presbyterian, so “about to turn seventy, I thought I should try the Presbyterian church.” Immediately “I loved Harry and felt such a warm welcome. I was home and want to spend this last chapter of my life as I began, a Presbyterian.”

Bo graduated from high school in Seattle and from the University of Seattle as a fine arts major. He played in the school band and later played saxophone, including here in Santa Fe in “bar bands.”

However, sports has been the center of his life. He began boxing in high school and became a professional fighter. In the army he was on a boxing team. His career was training boxers, including Governor Bill Richardson! Most recently his sports interest has turned to supporting our Fuego baseball team—he was the announcer in 2014. He loves our baseball team and is proud that one player he knows expects to be signed by the Mets.

Thinking of his life Bo says “I have had a guardian angel.” He enlisted in the Army out of college. After his training his whole group was sent to Vietnam, but he was sent to Germany. He didn’t know why until he arrived and was listed as a musician; so he played in the band for his service years. Sadly he knew several former buddies who did not return from Vietnam,

He also feels blessed by meeting his wife Maggie here seven years ago. They met in Whole Foods and discovered their common lives as musicians. Maggie was on Broadway in *The Fantasticks* and here in Santa Fe sang Broadway tunes at the clubs until recently. He beams when he talks about their life together.

He is interested in being part of a movie or book discussion group, our Interfaith Shelter, Men’s Breakfast and our peace and justice programs.

Linda Trujillo



“If my neighbors are not healthy and happy, I’m not either,” says Linda Trujillo. This simple sentence sets the theme for her philosophy and interests. Linda grew up in Seattle, Washington, and graduated from Seattle University School of Law in 2003. Before this,

her passion for social justice led her to serve as a VISTA volunteer in Albuquerque in 2001. She fell in love with the area and returned in 2005.

Linda is currently head of archives for the New Mexico State Records Administration. She and her husband Fabian enjoy living in Santa Fe and especially love to camp in Hyde Park. Olivia, Linda’s nine-year-old granddaughter refers to this as “fake camping” because they stay in a trailer instead of roughing it in a tent.

Olivia and her little sister Sophia come with their grandparents to the 8:30 service on Sunday morning. Their mom, Denise Lee, is Linda’s youngest daughter and also a member of First Presbyterian. Denise is a baker and chocolatier whose special touch is evident in her work at Who’s Doughnuts and Chocolate Smith.

Linda has four other children. Kyle Lee, who works at Amazon, has just returned from the Philippines. Danielle works in communications at a law firm and is currently vacationing in Finland. Jeremy is a professional photographer for the Hallmark channel.

Linda’s vision for First Presbyterian is a welcoming church that offers opportunities for spiritual growth. She is especially drawn to the social justice ministries and has enjoyed volunteering at the Interfaith Community Shelter.

A favorite quote comes from Eleanor Roosevelt: “The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams.”

Welcome!



*Missing?
Prefer not to be listed?
Contact the church office.*

May

- 1 Ruby Bixby
Jim Hallquist
- 2 Nancy Peterson
- 3 Donna Krulitz
Nicol Mendiola (CDC)
Richard Rowe
Janet Spring
- 4 Kay Miller
- 7 Marty Wilder
John Ed Withers
- 8 Nina Brown
Alice Tinkle
- 9 Mary Finney
Hans Harland-Hue
- 10 Jack Dudzik
Leah Mitchell
- 11 Teresa Bremer
Lindy Manley
- 14 Mary Jo Lundy
- 16 Robert Zone
- 18 Betty Kersting
- 19 Michael Hodges
Lois Neukomm
Jeannene Wiseman
- 20 Ron Ball
Linda Trujillo
- 22 Iris Jaquith
Sarah Noss
- 24 Marilie Blanchard
- 25 Madeleine Wright
- 28 Gordon Wilson
- 30 Trish Flores (CDC)
Placido Gonzales

June

- 1 Reba Allen
- 2 Claire Eberts
- 3 David Ingalls
Tracy Tague
- 5 Jane Hanna
Jill May
Nancy Ruoff
Gail Willson
David Wiseman
- 6 Jean Ball
Ralph Fuller
Debra Sieck
- 7 Alvin Larson
Debbie Vanderhagen
- 10 Steve Kinnett
Bobby Rugg
- 12 Dale Smith
CC Wright
- 14 Jim Brown
Liesl Gonzales
- 15 Leo Krulitz
- 16 Stewart Anderson
Freda Elliot
Hilde Howden
Lowelle Simms
- 18 Tom Minton
Rick Ortiz
- 19 Caroline Haagentstad
Ruth Primus
- 20 Margaret Dietrich
Janet Ollmann
- 21 Linda Raney
- 22 Tom Moore
- 24 David Solem
- 26 Kathleen Banks
David Carr

- Dick Meyer
- Charlie Spring
- 28 Bill Range
- 29 Frances Serrano
- 30 DeAnn Meadows (CDC)

July

- 1 Lisa Barrera
- 2 Gay Hill
Charlotte Whitcomb
Roy Woods
- 4 Nicodemus Smith
Grant Wright
- 7 Rebecca Heindel
- 8 Thomas Shumaker
- 11 Helen Doyle
Sara Hodges
Eleanor Mueller
- 13 Sadie Hill
Kent Strange
- 14 John Miller
Sabrina Moquino (CDC)
Maurice Trimmer
Don Wilson
- 16 Andy Ritch
- 22 Bill Adrian
John Vanderhagen
Paul Vernon
Howard Webster
John Whitcomb
Jennifer Wolff
- 25 Charlie Stringfellow
- 26 Glen Davidson
- 27 Bruce Black
- 29 Helen Ortega
Carolyn Stupin

Lois Neukomm's 100th Birthday Approaches

A tribute by Jim Brown

One of the pleasures of returning to Santa Fe in 2012 was reconnecting with Lois Neukomm. In the early 1970s we were both active in the Presbytery of the Palisades in New Jersey. We served together on the Ministerial Relations Committee (the forerunner to the current Commission on Ministry in Santa Fe Presbytery), working closely with churches seeking pastors. One of my favorite memories as chair was a call from a member of a prominent congregation who challenged me to do something about their new pastor who was smoking his pipe in his study at the church. Lois and I and other members of the committee had a good laugh as we decided that this

was not in our purview and therefore was a matter for the Session to resolve!

During her years in the Presbyterian Church in Franklin Lakes she was an active elder, the church bookkeeper, the President of Presbyterial, and twice was a commissioner to the General Assembly.

In 1974 I was the outgoing moderator of the presbytery, and it fell to me to lead the service of installation of Lois as the new moderator. Her leadership gifts were called upon when she came to Santa Fe in the 1980's as a volunteer in mission at Plaza del Monte, with service to First Church on the Session, the

building committee and two pastor nominating committees.

A few years back Lois reflected on the presence of the Holy Spirit in her life, opening unexpected doors, pushing her into roles for which she thought she lacked the necessary gifts, sustaining her through difficult times, and guiding her toward being a positive role model for succeeding generations. The centennial of her birth on May 19 is an opportunity for all of us to pay tribute to her life well lived by sending cards to her at 7 Kendall Pond Rd, Room 417, Derry NH 03038.

Contact Church Staff and Officers

Name	Extension	E-mail	Schedule
Rev. Dr. Harry Eberts III, <i>Pastor</i>	x11	harry@	Mondays off
Rev. Linda C. Loving, <i>Parish Associate</i>	651.335.5683	lclev@aol.com	
Mary Jo Lundy, <i>Parish Visitor</i>	x10 (leave msg)	mjlundy@earthlink.net	
Linda Raney, <i>Director of Music</i>	x16	lraney@	Mondays off
Anne Liley, <i>CDC Director</i>	x20	preschool@	Monday-Friday
Krista Peterson, <i>Office Manager</i>	x10	office@	Monday-Friday
Bill Adrian, <i>Facilities Manager</i>	505.501.3453	facilities@	Tuesday-Saturday
Cindy Piatt, <i>Kids' Community Coord.</i>	x13	kidscommunity@	Wednesdays/Thursdays
Judi Haines, <i>Clerk of Session</i>	x15	clerk@	Wednesday afternoons
Gale Wright, <i>Treasurer</i>	703.795.1520	treasurer@	Thursdays
Betty Kersting, <i>Membership</i>	x15	membership@	Fridays
Business Office		businessoffice@	
Archives	x26	archives@	Thursdays
Pastoral Emergencies (<i>after hours</i>)	x14		

You can leave a message for Maria Romero, contract bookkeeper, and Mary Jo Lundy and Linda Loving with Krista at extension 10. Except for the Parish Associate and Visitor, e-mail addresses are all @fpcsantafe.org.



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La Epístola *Summer 2016*

We are fast approaching the first event in our journey to celebrating the 150th anniversary of the congregation.

Sunday, July 17, 2016, will feature a dramatic reading of the letter that started it all. Mrs. Jennie St. John Mitchell, wife of the territorial governor General Robert B. Mitchell, wrote the Presbyterian Church headquarters in Philadelphia requesting they come to build “in the wilderness” both churches and schools. In response pastor and

missionary David F. McFarland arrived from Illinois by stagecoach and held the first Sunday morning services in the Council Chamber of the Palace of the Governors “at 10 ½ o’clock” on November 22, 1866.

We will celebrate this occasion Sunday, November 20, 2016, with a special service and a reception at the New Mexico History Museum.

Celebration Week events are listed below. The date the congregation

became a fully fledged church was January 6, 1867.

The 150th Task Force is firming up the schedule of events for 2016–2017 celebrations. The congregation suggested several wonderful ideas, but not all ideas have someone who will work on them. You are invited to the next meeting of the task force on Tuesday, May 17, at noon in Pope Hall. More hands are needed to fully realize this celebration!

Celebration Week January 6 to 15, 2017

Special TGIF Concerts on January 6 and 13, 2017

Special Sunday Services on January 8 and 15, 2017

Celebration Dinner on January 14, 2017

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