



## WE PREPARE

### \*In a Prayer of Invocation and Confession

In your name, O Lord, we gather this day.

**Lord, hear us. Señor, escuchasnos.**

Open us to your presence among us.

**Señor, escuchasnos.**

Give us voices to sing your praise and hearts to trust your presence.

**Señor, escuchasnos.**

Forgive us for the harm we have done and the good we have left undone.

Remind us always there is more grace in you than sin in us.

**Señor, escuchasnos.**

Fill us with your hope, feed us with your bread, and guide us by your Spirit.

**Señor, escuchasnos.**

Then from this gathering, send us into your world that we might minister in love to all persons, strive for justice and peace, and respond to your word in our lives.

**Señor, escuchasnos.**

### \*A Time of Silent Prayer and the Assurance of God's Presence

#### \*Our Song of Hope

*From All That Dwell below the Skies*

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*From all that dwell below the skies, let the Creator's praise arise! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

*Let the Redeemer's name be sung! Let God the Spirit free each tongue!*

*Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

## WE ENGAGE

### What Does the Bible Say About . . . Being the Church?

#### From the Gospels

Mark 3:31-35

Then *la madre y los hermanos de Jesús* (Jesus' mother and brothers) came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. *Una multitude* (a crowd) was sitting around him; and they said to him, "*Tu madre, tus hermanos y tus hermanas* (Your mother, your brothers and sisters) are outside, asking for you." And he replied, "*Who are mi madre, hermanos, y hermanas?* And looking at those who sat around him, he said, "*¡Aquí están mi madre, hermanos y hermanas!* Whoever does the will of God is *mi hermano, hermana, y madre.*"

#### From the Letters of Paul the Apostle

First Letter to the Church in Corinth (1:1-2)

Paul, called to be *un apóstol* of Christ Jesus *por la voluntad de Dios* (by the will of God), and our brother Sosthenes, to *la iglesia* of God that is in Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be *santos* (saints), together with all those who in every place call on *el nombre* (the name) of our Lord Jesus Christ, *su Señor y el nuestro* (both their Lord and ours).

#### From the Psalms of the Hebrews

Psalms 1:1-3

*Bienaventurados los* (Blessed are those) whose delight is in the law of the Lord, and on God's commands they meditate *día y noche* (day and night). They are *como árboles* (like trees) planted by streams *de agua*, which yield their fruit in its season, and *sus hojas* (their leaves) do not wither. In all that they do, *prosperan* (they prosper).

#### From the Book of Revelation (ch. 22)

*The Song of the Leaves of Life (Pilgrim's Progress)*

Ralph Vaughan Williams

*Unto him that overcometh shall be given the Tree of Life which is in the midst of the Paradise of God. On either side of the river groweth the Tree of Life, the Leaves of the Tree are for thy healing. In the midst of that fair City flows the river of the Water of Life clear as crystal. Who so will let him take of the Water of Life freely. Who so drinketh of this water shall never thirst. Take thou the Leaves of the Tree of Life. So shalt thou enter in through the Gates of the City.*

#### Final Reflection

A Time of Silent Reflection

Musical Response 425

*For the Fruit of All Creation*

Ar Hyd y Nos

## WE RESPOND

Offering Ourselves in Prayer and the Prayer of Our Savior

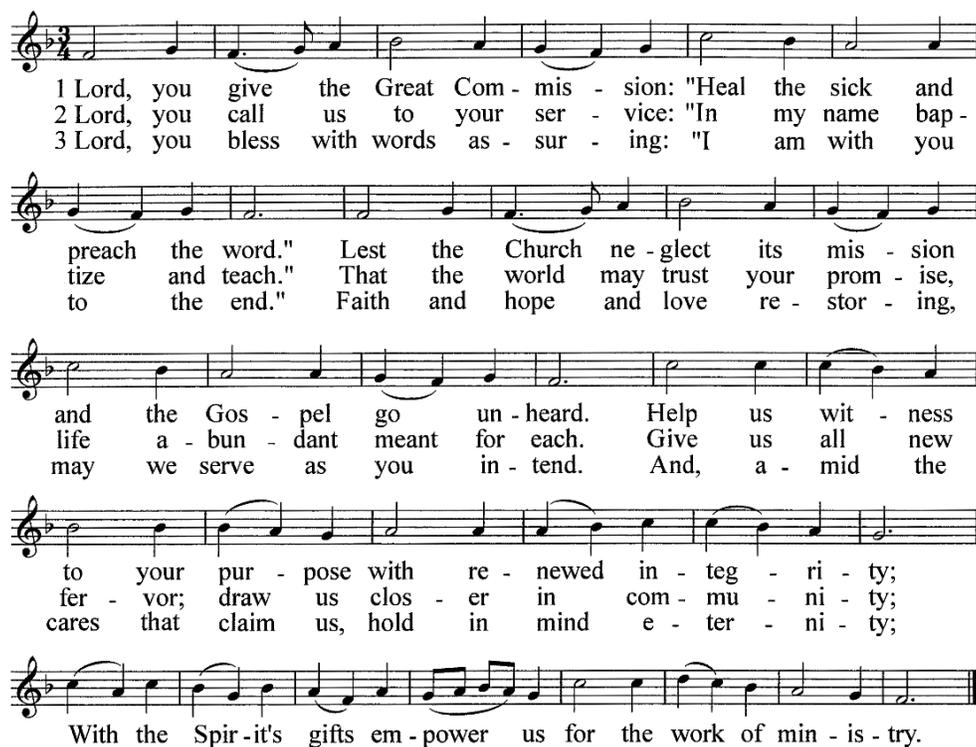
*(Please pray any version of the Lord's Prayer.)*

## WE GO OUT IN PEACE

\*Hymn

*Lord, You Give the Great Commission*

Jeffrey Rowthorn/Hyfydol



1 Lord, you give the Great Com - mis - sion: "Heal the sick and  
2 Lord, you call us to your ser - vice: "In my name bap -  
3 Lord, you bless with words as - sur - ing: "I am with you  
preach the word." Lest the Church ne - glect its mis - sion  
tize and teach." That the world may trust your prom - ise,  
to the end." Faith and hope and love re - stor - ing,  
and the Gos - pel go un - heard. Help us wit - ness  
life a - bun - dant meant for each. Give us all new  
may we serve as you in - tend. And, a - mid the  
to your pur - pose with re - newed in - teg - ri - ty;  
fer - vor; draw us clos - er in com - mu - ni - ty;  
cares that claim us, hold in mind e - ter - ni - ty;  
With the Spir - it's gifts em - power us for the work of min - is - try.

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\*Benediction

\*Musical Benediction

*Kyrie Eleison* (3x)

Ukrainian Orthodox Chant

*Soli Deo Gloria—To God Alone the Glory!*

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### ***WELCOME TO THE UNITED CHURCH OF SANTA FE!***

We are glad you have joined us for worship this morning. We hope you'll also join in the fellowship time after the service. If you're visiting today, we're glad you're here! Please take a moment to sign the guest register, too. Again, welcome!

Sharing leadership are the Rev. Talitha Arnold, Senior Minister; Jessie Lo, Pianist; Kathleen Wilson, soprano; Bradley Ellingboe, bass-baritone; Louise Cavatta, Liturgist; Kimberly Zeilik, Moderator; and Elijah Marquez, Media Coordinator.

### **We Invite Your Offerings**

As you leave the service, we invite you to offer your tithes and gifts in the offering plate by the entrance. Your financial support of United makes possible this church's work in the community and the world.

### **Children's Ministry Sunday Mornings**

United's children and youth tend the Children's Garden during Sunday worship and learn about God and God's earth, water, air, and creatures. All welcome! (Adult volunteers welcome, too! Please let Talitha Arnold or Kate Murphy know.)

### **42<sup>nd</sup> Annual Meeting of the United Church of Santa Fe**

**Today at 11:15 am (In-person and Live-streamed)**

Join in—either in person or live-stream—the Annual Meeting after worship today. We'll give thanks for our life and ministry and look to the future. Link: <https://youtu.be/WYelto6M49Y>. Copies of the Annual Report available today.

**All Church Picnic – Labor Day Sunday (Next Sunday – September 4)**

Stay after the 10:00 service for a new “old-fashioned All Church Picnic!” The church provides drinks, individual packages of chips, and dessert (ice cream sandwiches or drumsticks). You bring your own sandwiches, salads, ribs, etc. We’ll have tables and plenty of shade. All welcome! (And please let us know you’re coming—otherwise the staff will have to eat all the leftover ice cream :-).

**Bradley Ellingboe’s Requiem – Sunday, September 11 at 3:00 pm (at United)**

Bradley Ellingboe’s Albuquerque chorus, *Coro Lux*, presents his *Requiem* Sunday afternoon, Sept. 11 at 3:00 pm in our sanctuary, accompanied by a seven-member chamber orchestra. This performance is a remembrance of the 21<sup>st</sup> anniversary of that event, as well as a memorial to those we’ve lost to Covid, and other recent tragedies. Tickets: \$15 for adults, \$10 for students, [abqcorolux.org/tickets](http://abqcorolux.org/tickets). Please come!

**LOVE GOD, NEIGHBOR, CREATION**

*Outreach Opportunities – Thank you!*

Go online to [unitedchurchofsantafe.org](http://unitedchurchofsantafe.org) or send a check to 1804 Arroyo Chamiso, Santa Fe NM 87505.

**Summer Drive for the Food Depot**

The Food Depot supplies schools, shelters, and agencies throughout Northern New Mexico with healthy food year-round. To help, bring any (or all) of these items to the church: jumbo-size containers of canned vegetables or fruit, pasta, rice for group meals; family-size packages, especially high-protein foods (dried beans, canned meats, chili con carne, soups); baby foods (powdered formula, cereal, jars of baby food); diapers. Monetary donations also welcome (memo: Food Depot).

**At United, we seek to “LOVE GOD, NEIGHBOR, CREATION” in a whole lot of ways.**

From supporting our Diné/Navajo sisters and brothers to providing relief resettlement for Afghan, Central American, and Ukrainian refugees to feeding hungry people in Santa Fe and helping persons recovering from New Mexico’s devastating fires to composting waste into life-giving compost, United seeks to love our neighbors and God’s creation in all kinds of ways. Go to [unitedchurchofsantafe.org](http://unitedchurchofsantafe.org) to find out more!

***United’s Children Learn to  
“Love God, Neighbor, and Creation!”  
Sunday Mornings during 10:00 Worship  
(Starting September 11)***

Decorating cookies for our neighbors at the Arroyo Chamiso Fire Station. Hygiene Kits for our neighbors in Ukraine. Cards for our neighbors at the Mexico/U.S. border. Supper for our neighbors who are unhoused. Bringing our family’s food waste to compost.

Each Sunday this fall, United’s children (through 5<sup>th</sup> grade) learn new ways to “love God, Neighbor, and Creation.” They’ll start worship with the adults and older youth and then go to Children’s Ministry for a host of different hands-on projects to care for others. They’ll learn about God and Jesus by doing what Jesus did—care for the sick, reach out to the lonely, welcome the stranger, and love this earth. All welcome—and bring friends!

(If you’d like to help one Sunday—or two—please let Talitha Arnold or Karen Wilbanks know. Thanks!)

***Three New Youth Groups  
Start in September***

(Youth Minister Kate Murphy:  
[unitedchurch.kate@gmail.com](mailto:unitedchurch.kate@gmail.com))

**Young Adventurers (6<sup>th</sup>/7<sup>th</sup>)**

Gather Sunday mornings during 10:00 worship to explore faith and help others and once a month for just plain fun (movie night, bowling, hikes, etc. )

**Youth Initiates (8<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup>)**

Our 8<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> graders start their “Journey to Adulthood” with a Ghost Ranch Retreat (Sept. 17) and the Rite of Separation (Sept. 18), then meet on Sunday mornings at 11:15 (after worship).

**JAS – Juniors & Seniors (11<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>)**

A whole new year and a whole new group! Gathering on Sunday evenings at 6:30 and monthly service projects, fun nights, etc., etc., etc.

All welcome—and bring friends!