

**A SERVICE OF WORD AND SACRAMENT
for
THE SECOND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME**

**The United Church of Santa Fe
A United Church of Christ**

**June 2, 2024
10:00 A.M.**

For Reflection:

If we read Scripture seriously, we begin to see that the Bible is, among other things, an immigration handbook. It is a guide to hospitality to and with those on the margins. If we want to call ourselves Christian, followers of Jesus' ways, we must become skilled and seasoned hosts. That's how the church I serve near the U.S./Mexico border in Arizona got into the business of hospitality, of loving the stranger in the desert. All we did was take the Bible seriously, and do our best to follow its instructions. We noticed that Jesus didn't always wait for the people to come to him. He would wander to the margins looking for the people in most need. The ones that society had disposed of, that had been pushed to the edge. He would find them and nourish them, treat them with dignity, and in the process, they would be healed.

Rev. Randy Mayer, El Buen Pastor United Church of Christ
From *Strangers, Angels, and the Immigration Handbook*

WE GATHER

Gathering Music

*Introit

Circle of Life (2x)
(*Please rise in body or spirit.)

Marty Haugen

*One great circle of life, living circle of love, plants and trees, seas and rivers, and the blessed sky above,
Creatures great, creatures small, one the web that weaves us all, in the circle of life.*

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Words of Welcome and Breathing in God's Gifts

*Sharing God's Gifts and Regathering

Circle of Life (1x)

Marty Haugen

Breathing in God's Gifts Again

Musical Call to Worship

Let Us Break Bread Together

African American

The Call to Worship (congregation bold)

The Spirit of God calls to us,

sometimes with the roll of thunder, sometimes in a still, small voice.

The Spirit of God calls to us,

with shouts of joy and with sighs too deep for words.

The Spirit of God calls to us,

claiming us and naming us.

The Spirit of God calls to us,

summoning us to become more than we now are.

Come, People of God, open your ears, your minds, your hearts to hear God's call!

Let us rejoice and sing praise to God.

*Hymn

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Holy, Holy, Holy (1-3)

Reginald Heber/Nicaea

WE PREPARE

Prayer of Invocation (unison)

Gracious God, we, your hopeful people, wait now before you. We would be still. We would listen for your word speaking in our hearts. Instruct, inspire, and re-form us. We pray, by the moving of your Spirit, that we might worship you with gladness and follow your way with zest. Reclaim that which we have caused to go awry, rescue that which we have put out of place, forgive that which is amiss, and set us again to our ministries with passionate faith, through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

Time of Silent Prayer

Assurance of God's Grace and Power

*Our Song of Praise

Holy, Holy, Holy

Nicaea

*Holy, holy, holy, God the Almighty! All your works shall praise your name in earth and sky and sea.
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty! God in three persons, blessed Trinity!*

(During the song, children and youth are invited to "Pray in the Dirt." They return for Communion.)

WE ENGAGE GOD'S WORD

Soul Psalms

From the Psalms of the Hebrews

Psalm 139 (cond.)

O Lord, you have searched me and known me.
You know when I sit down and when I rise up;
you discern my thoughts from far away.
You search out my path and my lying down,
and are acquainted with all my ways.
You hem me in, behind and before,
and lay your hand upon me.
Where can I go from your spirit?
Or where can I flee from your presence?
If I ascend to heaven, you are there;
if I make my bed in Sheol, you are there.
If I take the wings of the morning
and settle at the farthest limits of the sea,

even there your hand shall lead me,
and your right hand shall hold me fast.

If I say, "Surely the shadows shall cover me,
and the light around me become night,"
even the shadows are not dark to you;
the night is as bright as the day,
for shadows are as light to you.
Search me, O God, and know my heart;
test me and know my thoughts.
See if there is any harmful way in me,
and lead me in the way everlasting.

Hymn 289

Come Forth, O Love Divine (1-2)

Bianco da Siena/Ralph Vaughn Williams

Sermon

Known, by God

Silent Reflection

Musical Reflection

O Lord, Hear My Prayer

Moses Hogan

WE RESPOND

Sharing the Gift of Communion

Remembering the Story

Welcoming One Another and Giving Thanks to God

Sisters and brothers, this is the joyful feast of the people of God. At this table, God invites us to receive new life and abundant love.

We come to be renewed by God's spirit and transformed by God's love.

Out of love, God called the world into being. Out of love, God formed us from the dust of the earth.

And with love, God transforms ordinary bread, a common cup, and our lives into gifts of new life.

Therefore let us keep this feast. Let us welcome and love one another, as God welcomes and loves us.

The Prayer of Blessing and the Lord's Prayer *(please pray any version)*

The Sharing of the Bread and Cup

(Communion is open to all. As called, please come forward to receive the bread or non-gluten wafer. Then either take an individual cup or dip the bread into the chalice and return to your seat by the next aisle. Thank you!)

Communion Hymns *(congregation and choir)*

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As We Gather at Your Table

Carl P. Daw/Beach Spring

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Adoro te devote (Truth Whom We Adore)

Plainsong

(Choir sings opening Latin stanza, congregation joins in on English stanzas.)

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I Come with Joy

Brian Wren/Dove of Peace

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My Faith, It Is an Oaken Staff

Thomas Lynch/Swiss Folk Melody

The Prayer of Thanksgiving

Eternal God, you call us from our lives to feast at your table. We give you thanks for your abiding presence and for this time of communion with you and with one another. As we take our leave from one another, go with us into your world. Whomever we meet, open our eyes to see you in them. Open our hearts and our hands to share your life-giving love. We pray in your name. Amen.

WE GO IN PEACE

Blessing of the Graduates

*Hymn *Lord of All Hopefulness* (back cover) Jan Struther/Slane

*Benediction

*Musical Benediction *Kyrie Eleison* Ukrainian Orthodox Chant

Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison.

WELCOME TO THE UNITED CHURCH OF SANTA FE!

We're glad you've joined in worship this morning, and we hope you found both the service and community engaging and enriching. We invite you also to join in the weeks ahead as together we "love God, Neighbor, and Creation." For more information about United, please visit our website unitedchurchofsantafe.org. Again, welcome!

We Invite Your Morning Offering

Your morning offering, along with regular pledges, makes possible the abundant life and ministry of the United Church. As you leave, please take a moment to leave your offering in the Community Room plates. Thank you!

Also sharing leadership are the Rev. Talitha Arnold, Pastor; Bradley Ellingboe, Director of Music; Dr. Jessie Lo, Pianist; The Drop-in Choir; Ophelia Grafe, Bruce Turnquist Liturgists and Readers; Media Coordinator Elijah Marquez and volunteer Frank Wilbanks. You were greeted by Kim Zeilik, Louise Cavatta, Diane Darby, Pam Hyde, and Sunday Aide Luis Zapata.

We honor two of our graduates this morning. Please hold them and their parents and families in prayer. United's Graduates: Destiny Muñoz (Capitol High) and Middle School graduate Ophelia Grafe.

PRAYING IN THE DIRT – CHILDREN'S GARDEN PROVIDES PRODUCE FOR FOOD DEPOT

Today children through 8th grade plant the Children's Garden – and then return for Communion. After worship, we're all invited to join in the Garden Blessing. Produce from the Garden goes to the Santa Fe Food Depot. To help in coming weeks with watering, weeding, or harvesting, please sign up in the Community Room. Thank you!

Nuclear Disarmament Group – Monday, June 3 (6:00 pm)

Santa Maria de la Paz Catholic Community

Members of Santa Maria and United Church are invited to discuss, pray, and explore action options for encouraging nuclear disarmament. Dr. David Kennedy-Frank (dennedyfrank@gmail.com), Fr. Earl Rohleder (earlrohleder@yahoo.com).

Talitha Arnold on KSFR's "The Forum"

Tomorrow (Monday, June 3) at 6:00 pm – 101.1 FM

Talitha is a regular panelist on KSFR's "The Forum," airing Monday evenings. To quote KSFR, the Forum is "where prominent locals discuss important issues of the day in a hard-hitting but civilized manner." Tune in!

Parking Lot Maintenance This Week – June 3-7

The lower parking lot will be blocked off this week for maintenance. To access the compost bin, please walk through the Peace Garden down past the Children's Garden. The car charger will not be accessible.

IN THE WINGS THIS SUMMER . . .

Sunday Forums This Summer:

What's Ahead? – Santa Fe Today and Santa Fe Tomorrow
Next Sunday, June 9 (11:15 am)

Hank Hughes, Santa Fe County Commissioner

As we look to the future of our church, it's important to look to the future of the wider Santa Fe community. In our summer Forums, we welcome a variety of community leaders. Santa Fe County Commissioner Hank Hughes starts the series next Sunday. Hank is also former Executive Director of New Mexico Coalition for the Homeless. Join in and invite friends!

"Lightning Boy Hoop Dancers" at United Friday, June 21 (7:00 pm) – For All Ages!

We welcome back tribal youth from northern New Mexico, whose ages range from 5 years old to 19. The Hoop Dance continues to be known as a healing art form and is said to have its origins in the Pueblos of Northern New Mexico. Bring a friend and enjoy this unique New Mexico offering! You can also pack a picnic supper and come early. It will help if you sign up, too 😊. (unitedchurchsf@gmail.com)

Drop-in for Choir Once a Month This Summer – July 14 and August 11

All singers (youth and adults) are invited to come at 9:00 to rehearse a simple anthem and then sing in the 10:00 service. (Bradley Ellingboe, unitedchurch.brad@gmail.com)

Summer Food (and Finance) Drive for the Food Depot

If you have a garden at home, add an extra row and bring extra produce to United to go to the Depot. Or bring cans, boxes or packages of non-perishable food and also baby foods (powdered formula, cereal, jars) and diapers. Monetary donations welcome: online at unitedchurchofsantafe.org or check (memo “Food Depot”). Thank you!

It’s Time to Share—One Great Hour of Sharing

Throughout the U.S. and around the world, our gifts to One Great Hour of Sharing make a difference. United invites your support for the ecumenical effort that impacts lives and addresses issues of poverty and access to education. You can also designate it for particular emergencies (e.g., earthquake relief, long-term development, or emergency needs for refugees on the U.S./Mexico border). Donate online (unitedchurchofsantafe.org) or by check (memo: OGHS). Thank you!

SANTA FE PRIDE PARADE—SATURDAY, JUNE 29

United Church is marching in the **31st Annual Pride Parade!** Meet in the PERA parking lot (corner of Old Santa Fe Trail and Paseo de Peralta) by 10:00. Wear your green United “Heart-Hands” T-shirt (you can buy one at the church) and a hat, sunscreen, and walking shoes. Bring a full water bottle. Sign up by Thursday, June 27 in the Community Room or at unitedchurchsf@gmail.com. More info: Pam Hyde (pshyde50@comcast.net). Let’s show our United Pride! Thank you!

Lord of All Hopefulness

1 Lord of all hope - ful - ness, Lord of all joy, Whose trust, ev - er
2 Lord of all ea - ger - ness, Lord of all faith, Whose strong hands were
3 Lord of all kind - li - ness, Lord of all grace, Your hands swift to
4 Lord of all gen - tle - ness, Lord of all calm, Whose voice is con -

child-like, no cares could de-stroy: Be there at our wak-ing, and
skilled at the plane and the lathe: Be there at our la - bors, and
wel-come, your arms to em-brace: Be there at our hom-ing, and
tent-ment, whose pres-ence is balm: Be there at our sleep-ing, and

give us, we pray, Your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.
give us, we pray, Your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.
give us, we pray, Your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.
give us, we pray, Your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

For your protection, please do not leave valuables visible in your car. Please remember to always lock your car when attending services or events at United. Thank you!