



Presbytidings May 2022

An outreach of St. Andrew Presbyterian Church

Words from Your Pastor

In an Adult Christian education class earlier this year, a church member lamented the fact that at St. Andrew and most other mainline churches little is said about the Book of Revelation, while more conservative evangelical churches seem to teach and preach about it quite often. As a result the more conservative evangelical interpretation of Revelation dominates the popular imagination. That church member was right. We Presbyterians do tend to avoid the Book of Revelation. Indeed, as I think back over more than twenty years of ministry, I can't remember preaching a single sermon on it.

The story of "Sam and the Bumper Sticker" provides an amusing illustration. It comes from the book, *Being Presbyterian in the Bible Belt: A Theological Survival Guide for Youth, Parents, and Other Confused Presbyterians*, by Ted V. Foote Jr. and P. Alex Thornburg.

Sam was driving down the road when he saw a bumper sticker on the car in front of him: "Warning: When the Rapture Occurs, This Car Will Be Driverless." He wasn't quite sure what it meant. When he asked his dad later on that day, his dad just shook his head and said something about the end of the world some kooky religious people believe will happen soon. This only confused Sam more. So when he visited with some friends he had heard say something about the end of the world, they were surprised he wasn't ready for the end times. "Don't you know the world is coming to a fiery end soon? Aren't you ready for Jesus to come back and punish the sinners of the world and those opposed to God who aligned with the Antichrist? Don't you know if you will be taken up in the rapture to be with God into God's glorious kingdom?"

Sam wasn't sure how to respond to their questions. His youth group had never talked about the subject, and when he had asked his youth leader if they could read Revelation, she got a panicked look in her eye and said defensively, "I think we will study that book when Jesus returns, so he can explain it to us." Sam was even more confused than ever.

Following that Adult Christian education class, I made a mental note that perhaps I should find an opportunity to address Revelation at St. Andrew. A few weeks later I began planning worship for the Sundays after Easter. Have you heard the old Yiddish saying: "Man plans, and God laughs"? Well, wouldn't you know it, this year (Year C in the 3-year cycle of the Revised Common Lectionary) just happens to be the time when a series of passages from the Book of Revelation are highlighted in the lectionary following Easter Sunday. Some might call this a coincidence. Others might call it serendipity. I would call it the Holy Spirit at work.

I felt compelled to preach a sermon series on Revelation, but realized that I would be away on study leave for one of the Sundays in the series. When I asked Catherine Robinson if she would preach that Sunday, at first she was a little reluctant to preach on Revelation. But when she realized that the lectionary passage from Revelation for that particular Sunday happened to be the same one read at her late husband Bill Hedrick's memorial service, she took it as a sign.

So, this month (May 8-29), Catherine and I will be preaching a sermon series on Revelation, not as an end-times prophecy of violence and destruction but as a message of love and hope.

Peace,
Roger

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May 2022

First, it was the fruit trees, then the redbuds and forsythia with crocus and hyacinth peeking up, I've seen some wisteria in a neighbor's yard so it must be spring. As I write this the March winds are still with us and there is no chance of April showers. The forest fires are raging and we may be in for a long hot summer; nothing new for New Mexico. Pentecost will be coming up at the end of the month, so pullout your red garments and be ready to joyfully receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. Easter has come and gone but we are a celebratory congregation and know that Christ has risen!; He is risen indeed.

How many remember the first people who spoke to you when you were new to St. Andrew Church? My first Sunday was 47 years ago and, with my partner and his two children in tow, we entered the walkway near the playground, and under the portico of the north wing met up with first Jim Prewitt and then Joe Woodworth. Both directed us to the Sanctuary (what is now the activity room) and informed us about child-care and Sunday School. After that it is a muddle for we were inundated with greetings and handshakes and invitations to many events. I could not tell you who numbers 3, 4 or 5 were but those two men I remember, fondly. It was also the first Sunday that Rob Craig preached in his new church. We thought new city, new church, new pastor; all is right with the world. A few years later, when Juan and I decided to get married, Rob did the honors in our living room with a few friends and neighbors in attendance; another special man in my history.

I will take this opportunity to invite any new women to come to Presbyterian Women meetings on the first Tuesday of each month from September to May. We follow a Bible Study published by Horizon Magazine each year, and Pastor Roger has been the leader. We are near the close of this year's regular meetings but do put this on your calendar for the coming Fall.

~ Edith Waugh-Feliciano



3 Good Reasons to Wear Your Name Tag in Worship

The Outreach Committee encourages church members and friends to wear their name tags in worship.

Here are three reasons why:

We want to be welcoming to visitors. With the pandemic now at a lull, we are beginning to see more visitors joining us for worship. It helps them to learn our names and us to learn theirs if we all wear our name tags.

We want to build relationships with new members. You may know long-time church members and they may know you, but that is not the case when it comes to new members. In the past four years we have welcomed eleven new members to St. Andrew. Can you name them? Since 2018 the following people have become new members of St. Andrew: George Hedrick, Kathy Renfro, Sonia and Ken Lersten, Mike Molony, Marie StClaire and Chris Fogel, Ruben Martinez, Ann and Tom Weeda, David Schneider, Elmer and Beverly Jackson, Hubert Hill, and Tirtha Pun.

Can you put these names with faces? Do you know them? Do they know you?

If not, please seek them out, introduce yourself, and get to know them.

We sometimes need help remembering names. As we age it can become more difficult to remember people's names, even the names of people we have known for years! So, we can all benefit from wearing our name tags!

St. Andrew Outreach Committee

The St. Andrew Outreach Committee has been meeting and brainstorming new ways that we can get the word out about just how great our Church Community really is! Our current committee members are Pastor Roger, Elmer Jackson, Hubert Hill and Marie StClaire. (We received a lot of ideas from Joe Woodworth.)

We discussed 25+ ideas but the ones that we've been initially focusing on are:

- (1) The Pride Parade that's scheduled for June 11. Hubert has volunteered to coordinate a booth following the parade, as well as offering the use of his Jeep pick up. This is still being worked on, but we'll need volunteers so please stay posted.
- (2) Updating our Web Page and making sure that our Facebook page has current posts. Jim Dillow has been working on a 'new look' for our Webpage that will be great, and Mark Brasington has kept our Facebook page current with relevant posts.
- (3) Encouraging members to wear their name tags so that we can all get to know each other by name. The Deacons have asked the greeters to move the name tags closer to the door on Sundays to act as a visual reminder. Please remember to wear your name tag! If you don't have one, there's a form on the table in the Narthex to request one.
- (4) Making sure that we're as welcoming as possible and have a formalized process in place for welcoming visiting guests as well as new members. Elmer Jackson has reached out to more than fifty of our visitors and members and has visited with more than twenty of them to get to know them and to listen to their ideas!

There are some areas that we could really use your help!

- Are you interested in joining our group?
- Would you be interested in having 2-6 visitors or new members to your house for a casual meal to get to know one another?
- Would you like to join a group of us who try to make sure that visitors and/or new members are involved in fellowship conversations and feel welcome?
- Do you have time to help us with the Pride Parade?
- And.....do you have ideas or feedback that you can share with us?

Thank you from Pastor Roger, Elmer, Hubert and Marie!!

Albuquerque Pride: Save the Date!

Albuquerque Pride will take place on Saturday, June 11, and St. Andrew's Outreach Committee is gearing up to organize our congregation's participation. Please save the date!

We are planning to walk in the Pride Parade on Saturday morning. It will be the longer 2+ mile route from Girard and Central to the Expo New Mexico Fairgrounds.



We will have a vehicle in which a small number of people can take turns riding if they get tired.

For the first time this year, we will have a St. Andrew booth at PrideFest 2022, which takes place at Expo New Mexico, on Saturday from 11am to 7 pm. If you can walk with us in the parade or help staff our PrideFest booth for part of the day on Saturday, please contact Marie StClaire or Hubert Hill on the Outreach Committee.



Health Ministry - Deep Vein Thrombosis (DVT)

Medically Reviewed by James Beckerman, MD, FACC on August 24, 2020

If blood moves too slowly through your veins, it can cause a clump of blood cells called a clot. When a blood clot forms in a vein deep inside your body, it causes what doctors call deep vein thrombosis (DVT). This is most likely to happen in your lower leg, thigh, or pelvis. But it can occur in other parts of your body, too. DVT can lead to major health problems. In some cases, it can be fatal. That's why if you think you have one, you must see a doctor right away.

What Are the Signs?

Not everyone with DVT shows symptoms. But you might notice any of the following:

- Leg or arm swelling that comes on without warning
- Pain or soreness when you stand or walk
- Warmth in the area that hurts
- Enlarged veins
- Skin that looks red or blue

If a blood clot breaks free and moves through your bloodstream, it can get stuck in a blood vessel of your lung. Doctors call this a pulmonary embolism, or PE. It can be fatal. Some people don't know they have DVT until this happens.

Signs of PE include:

- Shortness of breath
- Chest pain that's worse when you take a deep breath
- Coughing up blood
- Higher heart rate

DVT Causes and Risk Factors

Many things can raise your chances of getting DVT. Here are some of the most common:

- Age. DVT can happen at any age, but your risk is greater after age 40.
- Sitting for long periods. When you sit for long stretches of time, the muscles in your lower legs stay lax. This makes it hard for blood to circulate, or move around, the way it should. Long flights or car rides can put you at risk.
- Bed-rest, like when you're in the hospital for a long time, can also keep your muscles still and raise your odds of DVT.
- Pregnancy. Carrying a baby puts more pressure on the veins in your legs and pelvis. What's more, a clot can happen up to 6 weeks after you give birth.
- Obesity. People with a body mass index (BMI) over 30 have a higher chance of DVT. BMI is a measure of how much body fat you have, compared with your height and weight.
- Serious health issues. Conditions like irritable bowel disease, cancer, and heart disease can all raise your risk.
- Certain inherited blood disorders. Some diseases that run in families can make your blood thicker than normal or cause it to clot more than it should.
- Injury to a vein. This could result from a broken bone, surgery, or other trauma.
- Smoking makes blood cells stickier than they should be. It also harms the lining of your blood vessels. This makes it easier for clots to form.
- Birth control pills or hormone replacement therapy. The estrogen in these raises your blood's ability to clot. (Progesterone-only pills don't have the same risk.)
- Infection in your blood, veins, or elsewhere could lead to DVT.
- Inflammation. This could be due to infection, surgery, injury, or some other root cause.
- High cholesterol.

Health Ministry

In some cases, neither the cause nor the symptoms of DVT are very clear, so tell your doctor about any changes you notice if you are at higher risk for DVT.

How Is DVT Treated?

Your doctor will want to stop the blood clot from getting bigger or breaking off and heading toward your lungs. They'll also want to cut your chances of getting another DVT. This can be done in one of three ways:

- Medicine.** Blood thinners are the most common medications used to treat DVT. They cut your blood's ability to clot. You may need to take them for 6 months. If your symptoms are severe or your clot is very large, your doctor may give you a strong medicine to dissolve it. These medications, called thrombolytics, have serious side effects like sudden bleeding. That's why they're not prescribed very often.
- Inferior vena cava (IVC) filter.** If you can't take a blood thinner or if one doesn't help, your doctor may insert a small, cone-shaped filter inside your inferior vena cava. That's the largest vein in your body. The filter can catch a large clot before it reaches your lungs.
- Compression stockings.** These special socks are very tight at the ankle and get looser as they reach your knee. This pressure prevents blood from pooling in your veins. You can buy some types at the drugstore. But your doctor might prescribe a stronger version that can be fitted by an expert.

Can I Prevent DVT?

Simple lifestyle changes may help lower your odds of getting one. Try these simple tips to keep our blood circulating the way it should:

- Take care of yourself.** Stop smoking, lose weight, and get active.
- Get regular checkups.** And if your doctor has prescribed a medicine to control a health problem, take it as directed.
- Don't sit for too long.** If you're traveling for 4 hours or more, take breaks to flex and stretch your lower leg muscles. If you're on a flight, walk up and down the aisle every hour. On long car drives, pull over every 2 hours to stretch. Wear loose-fitting clothes, and drink plenty of water.
- Plan surgery after-care.** Talk to your doctor about what you can do to prevent DVT after surgery. They might suggest you wear compression stockings or take blood thinners. You'll also want to get out of bed and start moving around.

Complications and Prognosis

- Up to half of people with DVT will have long-term complications because of damage to the leg vein (post-thrombotic syndrome) where blood remains too long (chronic venous insufficiency). You may notice pain, swelling, and redness, which can lead to open sores if you don't get early treatment. In time, this can make it harder to do daily activities and even walk.
- The biggest worry for a blood clot is a DVT that breaks off and causes a pulmonary embolism (see above). If the clot isn't too big and you get the right treatment fast enough, you may recover from this, though there may be some long-term lung damage. About a third of people who have had a DVT or PE have a higher risk of another incident.

Source: WebMD

Linda Evans, BSN, RN (retired)



HEALTH
MINISTRY

What's Involved with the Livestream?

We have been livestreaming worship and memorial services for several years now, and like all things tech, it is evolving very quickly.

Then

We started with a webcam (like you would use with your computer for Zoom meetings). The webcam was plugged into a Windows PC, which we call the livestream computer. We ran the sound from the sound booth into the livestream computer. We used a simple piece of free software running on the livestream computer that sent the webcam video and the sound booth sound from the livestream computer to YouTube over the internet.

Early Problems

When you connect to the livestream from the St. Andrew website (standrewabq.org), you are connecting to the St. Andrew YouTube channel. If **everything is setup correctly**, you see the video and sound that is sent from the cameras and sound booth. In the early days, we found many different ways to NOT set everything up correctly and the livestream would fail in one way or another. The other problem was that the webcam was more suited for seeing faces a few feet away at your computer, and with the webcam in the back of the sanctuary, you could not recognize who was in the picture!

A Little While Later

A couple upgrades were made to the system. We purchased a camcorder - a hand-held video camera that has an adjustable zoom, allowing closer shots, even from the back of the sanctuary. It is mounted on a heavy-duty tripod and the zoom and pan are controlled by a camera person. We also purchased better software, which allowed for more features, including multiple video inputs. With the new software, we could also add slides and videos to the livestream. The added versatility also added some insidious ways to mess things up!

COVID and Suspension of In-Person Services – A Tech Team of One

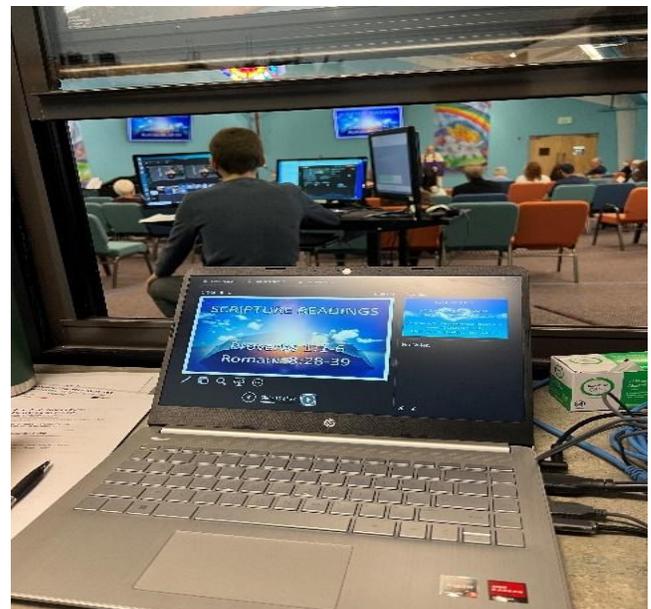
With the advent of COVID, the livestream capability became unbelievably valuable since in-person worship had to be suspended temporarily. Using Zoom was an option, but the livestream provides a video of the service that is closer to the live service – except without the congregation! For several months David Schneider ran the camera, mics, and livestream program – by himself, every week. David *was the Livestream Team*.

Now – A Team of Four

With the addition of the sanctuary TVs and the upgraded sound system, the capability of the livestream was also upgraded. This increased ability and flexibility led to increased complexity and the need for more people to manage the technology. Each Sunday we need a team of 4: sound operator, camera operator, PowerPoint operator, and livestream (3 monitors) operator.



New system
that controls
audio and video



PowerPoint
set-up in
the sound booth.

With the new sound system, the sound operator has to set separate sound settings for each of the microphones, sanctuary speakers and the livestream. This is particularly useful for any acoustic instrument used in the service (piano and organ), since you have to use a microphone to pick up the sound from those instruments for the livestream, but you don't usually want to add more sound from the speakers for those instruments to the sound in the sanctuary. It's incredibly complex.

Bob Busch
and
Kevin Hughes

Sound
Operators.



David Schneider
and
Josiah Fidel

Livestream
Computer
Operators



The images that are seen on the sanctuary TVs come from a laptop in the sound booth running a PowerPoint slide show. The laptop is connected to the church's network and the livestream computer can use the TV slides as a "shot" in the livestream, allowing the slides used in the sanctuary to be livestreamed, at the operator's discretion



So why do we have 3 monitors on the livestream cart just outside the sound booth?
The main monitor (1) is used to view the livestream controls on the livestream computer (cued up shot, live shot, available shots, sound levels for each shot, and livestream status – all used by the person running the livestream computer).

A second monitor (2) is used to view the livestream video as seen at the YouTube channel and to view and listen to the livestream as seen at the St. Andrew website. A third (3) monitor is used to display the livestream sound levels coming from the sound booth. The sound person uses these sound levels to visually see and adjust the sound levels in the livestream while listening to and adjusting the sound levels in the sanctuary – no simple task!

And we keep adapting to new problems. On February 27, none of the livestream computer operators were available (David was sick, Jim overslept, and Josiah couldn't be reached). So, Bob Busch (the main sound person and usually always there) has been trained to set up and launch a very limited, bare-bones version of the livestream in case that happens again.

Many thanks to Jim Dillow for making it happen, and to Bob Busch and Jim for continuing to make improvements. We appreciate the entire Livestream Team:

Bob Busch, Jim Dillow,
David Schneider, Josiah Fidel,
Chris Fogel, Phil Witherspoon,
Suzanne Busch, Sara Carley,
Valerie Dalton, Jan McEwen,
and Karen Ulack.

Let us know if you'd like to join us!



Phil
Witherspoon

Camera
Operator

Child Care During Worship

St. Andrew Presbyterian Church provides quality child care during our Sunday morning worship services for infants, toddlers, and children up to 7 years of age. Our dedicated child care space has been refurbished and our child care workers (Ashley Petras-Graham, Irene Pallardy, and Sam Emord) are back. Emphasis is placed on each child's need for love and acceptance. Children are encouraged to spend the first part of worship with their parents (or grandparents). Please let your family, friends, and neighbors know.

(Post it on *NextDoor* if you have an account and share it on Facebook.) Let them know that worship begins at 9:30 a.m. and that we are located at 5301 Ponderosa Avenue, NE, in Albuquerque (right across from Montgomery Park).

Presbyterian Women

The next PW (Presbyterian Women) Bible Study will meet on Tuesday, May 3 at 10:00 a.m. in the Adult Christian Education room at St. Andrew. . . A short business meeting will follow the Bible Study. Please join us !



George Hedrick Recognized for Fundraising

Congratulations to St. Andrew member George Hedrick and Team Raptors for their successful fundraising efforts in support of the Best Buddies New Mexico Friendship Walk!

George and his Raptors received the WEEKLY WALKER AWARD on April 13! They did some heavy lifting in April and moved into Best Buddies' #2 ranked team in fundraising!

A ROUND OF APPLAUSE for George and his Raptors!



Pastor Roger on Study Leave

Roger will be taking a week of study leave (May 16-22) to attend the Festival of Homiletics in Denver. Homiletics is the art of preparing sermons and preaching. The Festival of Homiletics is like summer camp for preachers. During the Festival, more than a thousand pastors spend the week hearing from outstanding preachers from diverse backgrounds, traditions, and ministry settings. They participate in passionate worship, dive deep into preaching master classes, and enjoy fellowship with preaching colleagues from around the world. While Roger is away, Rev. Catherine Robinson will be on call for pastoral care emergencies and will be preaching on May 22.



Memorial Day Potluck/Picnic/BBQ May 29

After two years of the pandemic preventing us from holding our Annual Memorial Day Potluck/Picnic/BBQ, we are planning to go ahead with it this year in the church courtyard, on Sunday, May 29.

Please bring a dish to share, bring your family, bring a friend!
Hamburgers and hotdogs will be supplied
by the Fellowship Committee.

If you can help with set up or clean up, please contact
our Fellowship Elder, Ruben Martinez.

The following article by Jennifer Olson was published on April 13, 2022, by Western New Mexico University, where St. Andrew member Attie Lopez is a senior majoring in elementary teacher education.

The Western New Mexico University Undergraduate Creative Writing Contest provides students across all academic majors the opportunity to practice the art of the written word and be recognized for their nonacademic writing. A committee selects the top work in two categories: poetry and prose/play. This year's winning poem by senior elementary teacher education major. For #NationalPoetryMonth and in honor of those taking refuge in lands foreign to them, we're sharing an excerpt. *(Reprinted with permission.)*

“Morning Serenity No Longer” by Atlantis Lopez

Yesterday the rain fell upon the desert land
Misty morning serenity as Kabul awoke
Sun bright in the sky, radiant home of my heart

I wonder when the rain turned into a river of tears and blood
The children who used to play with kites
Soaring above the souks, now lie
Asleep in the river, eyes closed forever

Today, the English sea, a dark opaque kind of blue is angry
waves lapping violently on the shore
It reminds me of the water I had to cross
Unkind and cruel, swallowing those who fell off the makeshift boat

I come to the sea to listen for an answer
To know if the world will stay broken, if it always was?
But it doesn't talk to me, at least not of what I want to hear or remember
It makes me think of things from a past life

Atlantis Lopez grew up writing. The Albuquerque native remembers writing songs and poems in journals when she was just seven years old. “Classes have taught me about the rules of poetry, but I didn't like following the rules, a script. I feel like that puts me in a box. Recently, I took a college poetry class and that helped me push my boundaries,” she said.

Lopez wrote “Morning Serenity No Longer” a few years ago. “I had this idea of a narrative poem from the perspective of a refugee,” she said. As an aspiring teacher with dreams to publish a book of poems eventually, Lopez thinks poetry an important thing to include in the classroom, even for the youngest students.”

Songs and lyrics — very basic forms of poetry — are underrated and underrepresented in education,” she said.

After completing her student teaching experience in the fall, Lopez plans to teach kindergarten somewhere in her home state.

“I love New Mexico. My heart and soul feel such a deep connection to this land,” she said. “I could never leave the sky and the mountains.”





Recognition of Graduates (Class of '22)

Do you have a child or grandchild graduating from high school or college this spring? If so, we would like to recognize them in worship on Sunday, May 15. Please forward names of graduates in your family along with their degree, their major, and their high school or college to Pastor Roger by Sunday, May 8 to be included in worship on May 15.

Pentecost Special Offering – Sunday June 5

Each year on Pentecost Sunday, we celebrate the gift of the Holy Spirit and the birthday of the church. This celebration is marked by receiving the Pentecost Offering which nurtures the faith of those who are the church to come — children, youth, and young adults.

The Pentecost Offering is divided between the congregation and PCUSA programs supporting children and youth.

- 60% is used to support children-at-risk, youth, and young adults through ministries of the Presbyterian Mission Agency.
- 25% goes to Young Adult Volunteer (YAV) experience.
- 25% supports ministries with youth, ages 12–18, and those called to accompany them.
- 10% supports the “Educate a Child, Transform the World” National Initiative, which was affirmed at the 221st General Assembly (2014). The goal of this initiative is to motivate and inspire Presbyterians to improve the quality of public education.
- 40% of the Pentecost offering is retained by individual congregations wanting to make an impact in the lives of young people within their own community.

Pentecost

This year the Mission and Social Justice Committee has earmarked this portion of the offering to go to the SHINE Project; a joint effort by St.

Andrew and Del Norte Baptist to support Governor Bent Elementary School. Governor Bent is a Title I school in the neighborhood of both churches. In-person volunteer activities were curtailed this year due to COVID restrictions. However, we still made a difference in providing snacks for Weekend Bags filled with food to help families get through the weekend when school lunches are not available. Volunteers have helped to record children’s books so that children can read along and improve reading skills.

As Governor Bent returns to in-person learning, SHINE hopes to have a more substantial presence at the school. Though SHINE volunteers do not proselytize, they are examples of caring and love that can make a difference in the lives of children in our community. Let us celebrate the birthday of the Church and the gift of the Holy Spirit by giving generously to the Pentecost Offering on June 5.

Adult Christian Education for April and May

On May 1 and 8, Rev. Bill Renfro will present a class on the doctrine of discovery and colonial movements.

- On May 15 and 22, we will discuss the crisis in Ukraine.

Adult Christian Education is looking for volunteers who can research the history of relationship between Russia and the Ukraine and ways we can contribute to Ukraine relief to help with this class.



NEW MEXICO PEACE CHOIR
Singing for Joy, Singing for Peace



Songs of Peace and Love

Stephen Lewis - Artistic Director
Martha Dalager - Piano

May 14, 2022 | 3:00 PM
May 15, 2022 | 3:00 PM

Central United Methodist Church
201 University Boulevard NE
Albuquerque NM

In-Person and Livestream Concert

In-Person
\$20 General Admission
\$15 Seniors (62+) & Students
Free Children (ages 0-12)

Livestream
\$20



Session Summary.

Membership as of March 31: 160; Average Attendance in March: 95

We released Rod Kirchmeyer and Julie Steck from membership by their request and a formal farewell to Hugo Hofstadler who died on February 8, 2022.

Approvals:

- We have building use requests on June 4 for a baby shower for one of our Share Your Care Staffers, and for Share Your Care to install a fish tank for their client's enjoyment.
- We had much discussion on procedure for providing expressions of support from St. Andrew and determined we would study the issue further with members of Session and the Social Justice and Mission Committee.
- In May we will receive donations for the Presbyterian Disaster Assistance for assistance to people in the Ukraine.
- We cleaned up the books and are moving the following: \$100 to Family Promise in memory of Janet Iske, \$4 to the Ronald McDonald House, \$60 from Worship Book to General Worship and \$5 from Cookbook to General Worship.

Your Clerk of Session, Suzanne Busch

March 2022	Current Month	Year-to-Date	Budget
Total Income	16,767	130,933	318,000
Total Expenses	20,813	77,036	329,427
Difference	(4,046)	53,897	-11,427



Lectionary Schedule

Sunday, May 1

The Third Sunday of Easter

First Reading Acts 9:1-6 (7-20)
Psalm 30
Second Reading Revelation 5:11-14
Gospel John 21:1-19

Sunday, May 8

The Fourth Sunday of Easter

First Reading Acts 9:36-43
Psalm 23:1-6
Second Reading Revelation 7:9-17
Gospel John 10:22-30

Sunday, May 15

The Fifth Sunday of Easter

First Reading Acts 11:1-18
Psalm 148:1-14
Second Reading Revelation 21:1-6
Gospel John 13:31-35

Sunday, May 22

The Sixth Sunday of Easter

First Reading Acts 16:9-15
Psalm 67:1-7
Second Reading Revelation 21:10, 21:22-22:5
Gospel John 14:23-29; John 5:1-9

Sunday, May 29

The Seventh Sunday of Easter

First Reading Acts 16:16-34
Psalm 97:1-12
Second Reading Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21
Gospel John 17:20-26



St. Andrew Presbyterian Church

Vision Statement:

Building a community of faith unleashed into the world by the love of God.

Mission Statement:

Proclaiming and living the Good News of Jesus Christ by:

- Listening to a loving God
- Celebrating our faith together
- Nurturing each other in Christian love and spiritual growth
- Working for social justice and peace
- Reaching out in compassionate service
- Being stewards of all God's gifts

Recycled Printer/Toner Cartridges

The church office is always in need of empty printer or toner cartridges to recycle and turn in for credit at



Staples. The credit is then used to purchase paper and office supplies. (we go through a lot of paper!)

Please check at your work place, your home office, and with your friends; and then bring the used cartridges into the church office. We recycle these cartridges year round, so please keep this in mind.



BIRTHDAYS THIS MONTH

May

- 1 Roger Powers
- 3 Kami Wishart
Chloe Encino
- 4 Kyle Vick
- 5 Anthony Montoya
- 6 James Ray
- 7 Frank Iske
- 8 Fletcher Hahn
Barbara Sanders
Hugh Wishart
Steve Gross
- 11 Justin Zahl
- 12 Gwen Anlian
- 13 Robin Wallace-Jones
- 14 Richard Stoops
Adrian Gonzales
Tom Weeda
- 15 Briana Cuevas
- 16 Jeff Encino
- 18 Kevin Hughes
Claire Hanna
Andrew Stickler
- 19 Sharon Frey-Prewitt
- 20 Dianne Parker
- 23 Samuel Vick
- 24 Jake Soliz
- 27 Ima Stapleman
- 30 Marilyn Daley
Max Bartlett
Anna Redsand

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 9:30 am Worship and Communion Service 10:30 am Fellowship Time 11:00 am Adult Christian Ed 3-5 pm Encantada Band of Enchantment	2 ABQ Philharmonic Rehearsal 6:00-10:00 pm	3 10:00 am PW Bible Study Weekly Announcements Due 4:00 pm Zoom Conv. on Racial Justice 6:00-8:30 pm NM Peace Choir Rehearsal	4 5:15-6:30 pm Social Justice Committee on Zoom 6:00-8:30 pm NM Peace Choir Rehearsal	5 10:00 am-Spiritual Formation-Zoom 5:00 pm Worship/Music Meeting on Zoom	6 5:30-7:30 pm Girl Scouts	7
8 9:30 am Worship Service 10:30 am Fellowship Time 11:00 am Adult Christian Ed. 3-5 pm Encantada Band of Enchantment	9	10 Announcements Due 4:00 pm Zoom Conversation on Racial Justice- 6: pm Session 6:00-8:30 pm NM Peace Choir Rehearsal	11 4:00 pm Deacons Mtg (In-person) 6:30-8:30 pm NM Peace Choir Rehearsal	12 8:30 am Finance Committee Meeting on Zoom 10:00 am Historical Jesus Group on Zoom	13 7:00-10:00 pm Science Fiction Society Adult CE Room	14 10:00 am-Noon Laguna Colony
15 9:30 am Worship Service 10:30 am Fellowship Time 11:00 am Adult Christian Ed. 3-5 pm Encantada Band of Enchantment	16 Pastor Roger begins his week of Study leave May 16-22	17 Weekly Announcements Due Articles are due for June/July issue of Presbytids 4:00 pm Zoom. Conversation on Racial Justice	18	19 10:00 am-Spiritual Formation-Zoom	20 5:30-7:30 pm. Girl Scouts	21
22 9:30 am Worship Service 10:30 am Fellowship Time 11:00 am Adult Christian Ed 3-5 pm Encantada Band of Enchantment	23	24 Weekly Announcements Due 4:00 pm Zoom Conversation On Racial Justice	25 1:00 pm Outreach Committee	26 10:00 am Historical Jesus Group on Zoom 6:30 pm NM Peace Choir Board Meeting (Library)	27	28
29 9:30 am Worship Service 10:30 am Memorial Day Potluck/Picnic/BBQ 3-5 pm Encantada Band of Enchantment	30	31 Weekly Announcements Due 4:00 pm Zoom Conversation on Racial Justice	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> Mark will be out of the office on vacation from April 30 through May 9 The church office will reopen on Tuesday May 10 @ 9:00 am. </div>		<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> Pastor Roger will be taking a week of study leave (May 16-22) to attend the Festival of Homiletics in Denver. </div>	