First Presbyterian Church of Albuquerque's MESSENGER LIGHT February 5, 2025



<u>Church Office Hours</u> Monday—Thursday 8:00am to 2:00pm

Our staff members can be reached individually by phone or email between 8am and 2pm, Monday through Friday:

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If you have an after-hours emergency, you can reach pastoral staff through our helpline at 505-764-2910

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"As we enter the season of Lent, it's a time for reflection, repentance, and spiritual growth. One of the ways we lean into this season is using a daily Lenten devotional as our guide.

This year First Presbyterian Church is writing our OWN Lenten devotional, our reflections and prayers will come from the hearts and minds of our own staff and church family.



This is a way to grow and learn alongside each other in this Lenten season." -Pastor Essie

Writing a Reflection for Daily Lenten Devotionals: A Guide for Deepening Your Faith

There are a couple of ways you can be part of this Lenten experience. You can WRITE a reflection for our daily devotional and/or you can SIGN UP to receive a copy of our devotional.

Writing a Reflection for the Daily Devotional:

• Writing a daily Lenten devotional can be a meaningful way to deepen your relationship with God and focus your heart and mind on God's presence throughout the 40 days leading to Easter. We ask that reflections be between 200-250 words, and that you include a prayer and a short bio with them. *These reflections will be due on Friday, February 19th.*

Sign up to receive your OWN Copy of our Lenten Devotional:

• If you would like to support this project by reading the devotional during Lent; You can sign up in the church office or you can contact Essie. Everyone who submits a reflection will be given their own copy and do not need to sign up, unless they would like additional devotionals for their household or family members.

Copies will be ready for pick up in the church office beginning Sunday, March 2nd.

As we move into this Lenten season, we hope you will consider joining us in reading and writing together, as we make our way towards holy week and Easter morning.

*You can sign up in the church office or you can contact: Pastor Essie: (essie.kr@firstpresabq.org) to receive more information.

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

Wednesday, February 5th

- ACG, at 5:30 pm in FH
- Chancel Choir Rehearsal, 6:30pm.

Thursday, February 6th

- ABQ Girls' Chorus, 4:30 pm in Choir room.
- High Desert Pipes and Drums rehearsal, 6:30 pm in Fellowship Hall.

Sunday, February 9th

- In-person Fellowship Hall Worship Service at 8:30 am
- Through the Bible Class at 9:45 am in CE Room 219

- Adult Sunday School at 9:45 am via Zoom/In-person in Kerygma Room

- Godly Play Sunday School (ages 3 through 5th grade) at 9:45 am in CE Rooms 210 & 211
- In-person/Livestream Worship Service, 11am
- Sarah, Circle, 12:30 pm in Kerygma room.

Monday, February 10th

- PW Circle,12:30 pm in Kerygma room
- Young Voices, 2:30 pm.
- Enchanters, 5:45 pm in Choir room
- Women's Chorus rehearsal in F.H. at 6:30 pm

Tuesday, February 11th

- Men's Breakfast, 7:30 am in FH.
- Tuesday Study & Prayer Group, at noon Via Zoom.
- Young Voices, 12:30 pm.
- Boy's Choir, 5:00 pm in Choir room.
- Sandia Pipes and Drums rehearsal, 6:00 pm in Fellowship Hall.

Wednesday, February 12th

- Social Services Network, 11:30 am.
- Personnel, 5:30 pm.
- Chancel Choir Rehearsal, 6:30pm.

Thursday, February 13th

- ABQ Girls' Chorus, 4:30 pm in Choir room.

- High Desert Pipes and Drums rehearsal, 6:30 pm in Fellowship Hall.

Sunday, February 16th

- In-person Fellowship Hall Worship Service at 8:30 am
- Through the Bible Class at 9:45am in CE Room 219

- Adult Sunday School at 9:45am via Zoom/In-person in Kerygma Room

- NO Godly Play Sunday School.
- In-person/Livestream Worship Service, 11am.

Monday, February 17th

- Young Voices, 12:30 pm.
- Enchanters, 5:45 pm in Choir room.
- Women's Chorus rehearsal in F.H. at 6:30 pm
- Tuesday, February 18th
- Tuesday Study & Prayer Group, at noon Via Zoom.
- Young Voices, 12:30 pm.
- Boy Choir, 5:00 pm in Choir room.
- Sandia Pipes and Drums rehearsal, 6:30 pm in

Fellowship Hall.

<u>REMINDER</u>:

We are always accepting donations to our Rio Grande Food bin (canned/dry food) and to our Hope Found box (household supplies). These ongoing ministry partners are always in need of extra supplies!





There will be two presentations by the Mental Health Committee in the February *(healthcare month)* Sunday school sessions.

Where: Both meetings will take place in the *Kerygma room at 9:45 AM.*

On February 16th, Lane Leckman will talk on narcissism and psychopathic behaviors.

On February 23rd, Bruce Smith will discuss general mental health for everyone and strategies to maintain a healthy outlook in our everyday lives.

Please join us!

church's 2025 MISSION TRIP



You are invited to join First and Second Presbyterian Church's 2025 Mission trip to Guatemala!

June 3-10

Trip Information:

The expected cost of the trip, including air fare and all on the ground expenses, is \$1700. Fundraising efforts may help offset costs for some of the participants.

Interested in going?

If you are , please let know to *Pastor Matthew, Rob or Essie, ASAP*. At this time the trip is limited to 20 participants. We will open up a wait list if needed.



We look forward to working with two church communities in Huehuetenango with our hosts **Asociación Saq B'e**: https://www.saqbe.org/

This is a wonderful opportunity to serve, expand your faith and world-view, and learn more about realities south of the border.

If you have any questions about our twenty-year Guatemala mission partnership or about the upcoming trip. **Please contact:** Pastor Rob: 505-363-5368 or pastor@secondpresabq.org



- COMMUNITY LIFE ACTIVITIES -



Godly Play, There will be not Godly Play Sunday on **February 16th**.

