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| **﻿The First Word** |

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| **The Weekly E-Newsletter** **First Presbyterian Church, Carlsbad, New Mexico****Corner of W. Shaw St. and N. Halagueno** |

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| **Upcoming Events** |
| **THURSDAY**NOON:      Prayer Walk around the church**SUNDAY**   8:45 a.m.  Bible Study (Library) 9:30 a.m. Liturgist meets with Pulpit Supply (Library)10:00 a.m. Worship (Sanctuary)11:00 a.m. Fellowship (Parlor)                       **NO BIRTHDAYS OR ANNIVERSARIES****Please feel free to contribute to our weekly e-newsletter.****﻿Deadline for submission is each Monday @ 2 pm.****Pastor Jan will be on vacation Aug. 25-31st. She will be back in the Pulpit on Sept. 1st and back in the office on Sept. 3rd.** **The church office will be closed Sept. 2nd for Labor Day. The *First Word* will not be published on September 3rd.** **Shelly Ryan will be on vacation Sept. 3rd-5th** **Summer office hours will be extended through the rest of the year.** |

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| **Smile You are on Video!**A new measure of security has been added to the church office.  With Session approval a "Ring" Video doorbell has been added to the front door. The office will be locked during office hours but staff will be notified as you approach the front door. *Don't be surprised if we speak to you through the doorbell*. If you ring the bell please allow us a couple of minutes to either speak to you or open the door. If this is confusing to you please just ring the doorbell and wait for our response. We appreciate your patience as we learn the system. **School Days, FPC Prays!**Beginning with this week’s newsletter, each week we will be praying for a local school in Carlsbad, including the upcoming Sunday morning worship service. This week's school is Edison Elementary School. Pray for teachers and students as they reopen this school. |

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| **Amusing Church Signs**Pastor Jan has a book by Steve and Pam Paulson with some interesting and amusing church signs. We will share them for a few weeks. This week’s sign: **"Sometimes You Have to Rock the Boat to Still the Storm**".  |

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| **Liturgist Schedule**Aug     25th Teresa OgdenSeptember to be posted soonIf you would like to volunteer to be Liturgist please see Liz Eastup or call the church office. |

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| **Thank You**Thank you for all the goodies you dropped off on the first day of school! What a nice surprise :) Thank you for thinking of us!*Ocotillo Elementary Staff*Thank you so much for the treats left for teachers at Sunset Elementary during our hectic first week back. It's so nice to know that the community supports teachers who work so hard.*Christ's blessings,**Suzanne K Garza* |

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| **Weekly Scripture****In a changing world, you can trust God's unchanging Word.****"All scripture is given by inspiration of God." II Timothy 3:16** |

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| **Do You Need a Ride to Church?**Did you know that the Deacons offer rides to church? If you need a ride, please contact: Marcia Westfall 887-1522, Lisa Capell 706-2249 or Becky Raines 236-6072 to make arrangements. |

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| **Communal Prayer**We will publish a new prayer each month.To God the Father,Who first loved us, and made us accepted in the Beloved; to God the Son, who loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood; to God the Holy Ghost, who sheddeth the love of God abroad in our hearts: to the one true God be all love and glory for time and for eternity.                                                                                                                       --- *Thomas Ken*  |

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|  **Prayer Concerns***Health issues*: Rich Adamson, Susie Coy, Muriel Gossage, Dodie Hendley, Charlene House,  Bob Kearns, Tiger Lily, Scott and Shirley Maxwell, Diane Patterson, Helen Patterson *Travel Mercies : Pastor Jan as she visits her mother in Chicago* ﻿**Homebound and Care facilities:** Janie Patrick, Marianne Patrick, Elizabeth Zink**Military:**Mollie Navarrette Acuna, Rey Acuna, Cody Ogden-Stell**Members/Friends Serving Overseas:**  ﻿Carol & Leith Fujii The Prayer Chain Coordinator is Phyllis Readel. If you have a prayer request, you may call either Phyllis at (575-441-6036)﻿ ﻿ |

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| .**Pastor** **Rev. Janice Desterhaft****Pastor Jan will be on vacation Aug. 25-31st. She will be back in the Pulpit on Sept. 1st and back in the office on Sept. 3rd.** The pastor is available for conversation and prayer throughout the week, particularly at the church Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday mornings 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Other times and places gladly arranged by appointment. Generally, Fridays are reserved for study and sermon preparation and Mondays for Sabbath rest. Email:joyfulrevjan@yahoo.comCell: 575-706-5914 |

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