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Praise and Thanksgiving:

 We are thankful for Pastor John and his family. We appreciate the time he devotes to preparation for sermons and classes. The time he takes to support the congregations in good times and had times.

New and Ongoing Prayers:

- Prayers for healing for Lee Weinland, who has cellulitis in his right leg.
- Prayers for Leigha's mother, Bonnie.
- Prayers for the granting of the special permit for Pathways Shelter.
- Prayers for our country.
- Prayers for healing for Terry Barnes, Bodil Brandow, Stacey Castille, Amy Cross, Jim Little, Lynn Kluegel, Rafael Maldonado, Erlene Seay, Paul Smith, Royce Taylor, and Harriett Zickert.

*If you have a prayer request or praise that you would like to share, please fill out a prayer card in the pew and drop it in the offering plate.



Pastor Appreciation Sunday: We invite you to join us for cake during fellowship time this morning and tonight we will have special Italian potluck dinner for Pastor John. We invite you to join us at 5:30 p.m.



75th **Anniversary Celebration:** Today at 11:15 a.m. We will gather in the church library to continue plans for our

celebration. We will have the Friendship Center open for those who did not have an opportunity to come last Sunday. We'll have sheets of paper representing each decade of the church for you to record your memories. There is an instruction sheet for you to use as a reference guide.



Martha Circle: Be prepared to experience joy at Martha Circle on Tuesday, October 28th. We will read Desmond Tutu's and

the Dali Lama's book, *The Little Book of Joy*, and do some joyful activities. If you have a Bible with a concordance, please bring it. We will meet at the home of Opal Lee Gill, 2403 Club Road in Los Alamos at 1:15 p.m.

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Pathways Hearing: The city of Española has planned a special hearing for The Pathways Shelter will be held on Tuesday, October 28th. Let's show our support. If you would like to carpool please contact Camille Wescott at Camilleswescott@gmail.com

Can you help? Fall is here and it's time to spruce up the church. If you have some and



can help, please call the church office, 505-662-6277.

Projects:

Clean windows in sanctuary
Clean windows in fellowship
Dust Sanctuary and Foyer
Rake leaves around playground
Clean out gutters
Fill in potholes



All Booked Up: Our next book will be *The Women* by Kristen Hannah. *The Women*, follows Frances "Frankie" McGrath, a privileged young woman from

California who becomes a U.S. Army nurse in the Vietnam War. It explores her experiences and friendships with fellow nurses and the physical and psychological scars of war.

Books are available in the UWF section of the church library. We will meet on Wednesday, November 12th, to discuss the book.



Special Collection: El Calvario's mission is to "serve the poor, the stranger, and the captive." They provide a short-term shelter, serve meals, organize a Resiliency

and Wellbeing Program, and run the Community and Immigrant Advocacy Center. They provide support for the community of Las Cruces and asylum seekers. Due to a sudden loss of funding, and waiting over a year for reimbursement for expenses, they need generous donations. In the past, we partnered with El Calvario Church through volunteers, donating supplies, and donating money. Now, the missions team pledged \$2,000 to El Calvario to support their important social and economic development programs. This is your opportunity to help match those funds. They are also asking for your prayers that they will continue to be a center of empowerment and resilience for their community.

You can donate by writing a check to First UMC Los Alamos and in the memo line put El Calvario or online at lafumc.org/giving and select El Calvario. Thank you for your gifts and helping us to be God's love in action.

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