October 15th, 2025



Church Office Hours 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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CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

Wednesday, October 15th

- Archives. 10:00 am.
- Chancel choir rehearsal, 6:30 pm.

Thursday, October 16th

- Young Voices, 1:30 pm.
- ABQ Girl's choir, 5:00 pm.
- High Desert Pipes and Drums, 6:30 pm in Fellowship Hall.

Saturday, October 18th

- Trunk or Treat! in the south parking lot, 3-5pm.

Sunday, October 19th

- In-person Sanctuary 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, 11:00 am.
- Deacons meeting.
- Fiber Arts, between services in the Library.

-Monday, October 20th

- Young Voices, 4:30 pm.
- Enchanter's rehearsal, 5:30 pm.
- Women's chorus rehearsal, 6:30 pm in choir room.

-Tuesday, October 21st

- Tuesday Study group, at noon via Zoom.
- Endowment, 12:15 pm, in the kerygma room.
- Worship & music, 3:00 pm.
- Sandia Pipes and Drums rehearsal, 6:00 pm in Fellowship Hall.

Wednesday, October 22nd

- Archives, 10:00 am.
- DAR. 10:00 am in FH.
- Chancel choir rehearsal, 6:30 pm.

Thursday, October 23rd

- Book Club, 10:00 am in the conference room.
- Young Voices, 1:30 pm.
- ABQ Girls' chorus rehearsal, 5:00 pm in choir room.
- High Desert Pipes and Drums, 6:30 pm in Fellowship Hall.

Sunday, October 26th

- 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, 11:00 am.

Monday, October 27th

- Young Voices, 4:30 pm.
- Enchanter's rehearsal, 5:30 pm.
- Women's chorus rehearsal, 6:30 pm in choir room.

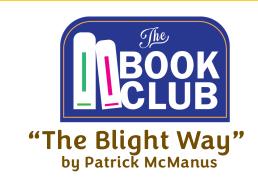
Tuesday, October 28th

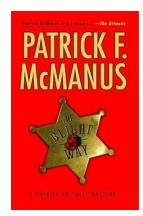
- NMCC, 9-3:00 pm in FH.
- Sandia Pipes and Drums rehearsal, 6:00 pm in Fellowship Hall.
- Session, 6:30 pm.

FIBER ARTS



Their first meeting will be this coming Sunday, October 19th in the library between services!





Please join us on Thursday, October 23rd at 10:00 am in the Conference room, for our monthly book club!

- COMMUNITY LIFE ACTIVITIES -



GOBLINS IN THE GARDEN

OCTOBER 25, 2025 10:00AM-12:00PM

Costume Parade/Contest (with Prizes) begins at 11:00AM.

Pumpkin Silent Auction Bidding Closes @ 11:45AM

TICKETS AVAILABLE ONLINE & AT THE EVENT TO REDEEM FOR







TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THIS EVENT &
SAVE ON PRESALE TICKETS, SCAN THE
QR CODE OR CLICK ON THE LINK BELOW

ACG WEBSITE







WHERE MAGIC & MISCHIEF BLOOM



ACG 2025 Fall Fundraising Activities

Need a Halloween costume?

Stop by the Atrium and pick

up a costume!

Donations of clean, gently used costumes accepted.

\$5.00 PER COSTUME

Costume Shop will be available throughout the month and at Goblins in the Garden.

SCAN THE QR CODE TO LEARN MORE ABOUT GOBLINS IN THE GARDEN!

ACG Website



TIME SHOP



Check out and bid on our decorated pumpkins in the Atrium from October 20th - October 25th.

Proceeds fund playground updates & support our Educators.

Feeling creative? Families can contribute a decorated pumpkin too!

Women's Refreat

at The Norbetine Center November 14-16, 2025 SAVE THE DATE

Tabernacles: Finding God in our Daily Lives.

This year our women's retreat will look at the story in Exodus 25 and the first tabernacle. In this ancient story it is said that the Israelites gathered the shards of the first Tablets and added them to the Tabernacle along with the new Tablet from Moses. Anne Lamott comments, that our "brokenness belongs with our holy."

YOU CAN FIND THE REGISTRATION FORM AT THE CHURCH OFFICE. PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN
NO LATER THAN NOVEMBER 5TH



Border Encounters

Inviting Proximity,
Deepening Understanding,
and Inspiring Action

DATES: MONDAY, DECEMBER 1ST- FRIDAY, DECEMBER 5TH COST: \$695/ PERSON

A Transformative Experience at the U.S.-Mexico Border

Border Encounters provide an immersive experience of connection, learning, and reflection.

You'll meet asylum seekers, hear from immigration experts, and listen to stories of forced displacement—challenging your perspective and inspiring you to take meaningful action.

SAMPLE SCHEDULE

Border Encounters are immersive three-day experiences that deepen understanding of migration through expert insights, site visits, and meaningful dialogue at the U.S.-Mexico border.

Opportunities Include:

Located adjacent to the U.S.-Mexico border, Abara House will serve as a hub for Border Encounters—offering on-site lodging, gathering spaces, and contemplative environments for reflection. Future Home

- Day 1: Understanding the Border → Orientation & Welcome
- → Root Causes of Migration → Border Realities → Immigration Law 101
- → Reflection & Discussion → Dinner & Community
- Day 2: Crossing into Juárez → Dignified Storytelling → Juárez Migration Realities → Lunch with Shelter Residents → Exploring Juárez → Dinner in Juárez
- Day 3: Reflection & Action → Theology of Migration → Healing & Resilience → Border Perspectives → The Future of Abara House → Final Debrief & Closing Dinner

Opportunities Include:

Visits to migrant shelters in El Paso and/or Ciudad Juárez

Authentic meals prepared by local neighbors

Visit the historic Hacienda Restaurant

Q&A with border patrol officers

Circle processing and reflection spaces

GET INVOLVED TODAY

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What is a Border Encounter? Book a Border



