

# First Christian Church Of Albuquerque

## Congregational Meeting

### November 8th, 2020



#### **Elder Bios**

##### **Todd Zeter**

Todd and his wife Anne have been active in various ministries at First since before they were married here in 1987. Both sons, Benjamin, a lawyer in Midland, TX, and Daniel, a medical student in Fort Worth, TX, were raised and baptized at First. Todd works for Gilbane Building Company as manager of proposal development for federal programs. He has been an elder at First since 2007, teaches Sunday School, and serves in the Missions Ministry. He and Anne have worked with First children and youth of all ages, including Son Beams, Super Church, and the Mid and High School Youth Groups. He is excited about the future of First as we continue to discern God's plan for making and developing followers of Jesus during these challenging times.

##### **PD Stoddard**

PD has been in Albuquerque for almost 20 years and has been coming to First for 18 years. From the time he started attending, he has served in some form or another. Starting as the softball team shortstop, to leading the Finance Committee. He has also served with the Youth Group, downstairs with the children, and on stage in various capacities (you might recall his stellar performance as "Shopper #2" in The Christmas Shoes musical some 15 years ago). PD has served as an elder since 2014, and the last 3 years as Elder Chair. When not on the First Campus, PD works for a branch of UnitedHealth Group where he oversees financial operations for an international fraud team and leads both strategic and operational efforts. He has been married to Amanda (Pendergrass) for 10 years, and has 2 girls, Lilly and Finley, that has probably run into or almost run into you at some point. PD is most excited about the shifting culture at First. Seeing the people of First step up in new ways, having a hunger for Christ looking to change the community around them.

##### **Chris Sturgess**

Chris has been an Elder at First for four years. He has been a small group leader and was on the teaching team when First was seeking a new Senior Minister. Christ, his wife of 30 year, Stacy, and their daughter Caty have been at First for eight years. He has been an attorney at the Law Office of the Public Defender for twenty years. The Sturgess home menagerie includes six chickens, five dogs, four adult children, three grandkids (with a fourth due in December). Chris is very excited about the future at First! He believes that God has great things planned for us! As we Follow Jesus, we are called to spread his message of Love and Grace. Watching our staff lead us, I believe that we will see great things and great growth with our Youth and our Children's Ministry.

## Budget 2021

**Our Finance Team, Staff and Elders at First recommend an annual budget of \$584,830. On a weekly basis, we need \$11,247 to fund our ministry and operations fully.**

In 2021, First will Follow Jesus, with renewed energy and purpose. We will focus on Worship, Family Ministries, Small Groups, Children, Youth and Outreach (which includes both local and international efforts). Through these areas, First will concentrate our efforts to have the biggest impact for His Kingdom. We are fully staffed for the first time in 2 years, and we continue to explore new and creative ways to share the Gospel. The above Budget provides our ministry teams the ability to reach, teach, and impact our community like only First can. We celebrate what God is doing at First and invite your active prayer and participation!

In preparing our annual budget, we take into account our current giving – the monies we receive from your tithes and offerings. For fiscal year 2020 (January 2020 – December 2020) we project our giving to be \$524,000 (we estimate giving from the time we create the budget to end of the current fiscal year). This number is only general fund offerings and does not include the additional funds assigned to designated areas. We believe this provides a good indicator of our giving capacity and potential.

Your generosity in giving to the general fund and all the other outreach in 2020 honors God! We invite you to grow in your giving to increase the impact on Albuquerque for years to come. Let's Follow Jesus into the new year!

	2020	2021
Compensation & Benefits	328,000	347,400
Operations	60,200	68,510
Utilities	28,600	28,620
Debt service	34,200	34,200
<b>Total Operations Budget</b>	<b>451,000</b>	<b>478,730</b>
<b>Ministries</b>		
Administrative/Finance	800	*
Camp	6,000	6,000
Family Ministry	3,000	3,000
Adult Education	1,500	1,500
Fellowship	5,800	4,700
Children	12,900	11,700
Teen	6,500	6,500
Missions	41,600	43,300
Neighborhood Connections	10,300	11,300
Worship	9,300	9,900
Facilities	19,000	11,400
Benevolence	3,000	3,000
<b>Total Ministries Budgets</b>	<b>112,400</b>	<b>106,100</b>
<b>Total Proposed Budget for 2020</b>	<b>563,400</b>	<b>584,830</b>
<b>Estimated Weekly Giving</b>	<b>10,835</b>	<b>11,247</b>

\*Now Included In Operations