



FROM THE PASTOR: "IN-PERSON SMALL GROUPS MAY MEET"



As Our Administrative Council and the Desert Southwest Annual Conference is giving approval for groups that are 10 or less to meet in person. As a result of this, our youth group (7th-12th grades) is planning on meeting weekly in person. They will also be holding weekly online gatherings.

In order for a small group of 10 or less people to meet, the group must abide by certain guidelines:

- Masks must be worn
- Social distancing of at least 6 feet
- Use only our largest rooms
- No food or beverages
- Sanitize room following use
- If a COVID-19 infection is discovered the group will stop meeting and the Sr. Pastor and the group will notified.
- Sign our "Covenant of Participation"
- Persons who have symptoms of illness will stay home until no longer contagious.
- No shared printed materials
- Offer hand sanitizer

Please note that all church committees will continue to meet online. Also we expect that most small groups will continue to meet online because high-risk people would no longer be able to participate if a group starts meeting in-person.

As Christians we need to be fully aware of people who need to be protected from COVID-19 because of their risk factors. As a church we strive to think of the needs of others in order to keep them safe. I hope you will join me in taking precautions that might prevent suffering or even death for some. I will see you online on Sunday.

Grace and peace,

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You are invited to join me online
Thursdays at 11:00am
to spend an informal time talking
and connecting.

To participate:
<https://zoom.us/j/713204749>



CHRISTIAN EDUCATION & EVANGELISM

Pastor Katharine Keller

"...Growing disciples of Jesus Christ and living the Word."

ADVENT STARTS THIS MONTH



In case you are not keeping track in this crazy year, the first Sunday of Advent is November 29th. We will not be worshipping in-house this Christmas, but we will be videotaping different church families lighting the Advent Wreath on stage. We encourage everyone at home to make their own Advent wreath, and as you watch the worship services, light your own wreath at the same time. If you have questions about how to make a simple Advent wreath, please contact Pastor Katharine at ladiebug1214@gmail.com.

WEEKLY COMMUNION



Beginning the second week of November, Pastor Fay and Pastor Katharine will alternate officiating an approximate 10-minute weekly communion celebration (online, of course). There will be a separate link under the other worship services, and should you desire to take communion often, here is your chance. We will not offer this on the first Sunday of the month, when the Lord's Supper is celebrated in the regular worship services.

SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE



Our Service of Remembrance will look a little different this year due to the pandemic, but the pastors feel it is very important to remember those whom we've lost within the past year since our last Remembrance Service on Dec. 4th, 2019. We will be taping the service, similar to how we currently do the worship services.

Please register the name(s) of your deceased by sending an email to churchoffice@goldcanyonumc.org no later than Mon., 11/16. You may also call the Church Office.

The Remembrance Service will air at 7:00pm on Wednesday, December 2nd, and all names that have been submitted by the deadline will be read.

SERENITY PRAYER... WITH A TWIST

SERENITY Most of us are familiar with the Serenity Prayer, written by Richard Neibuhr in the 1940s. Pastor Jerry Hershops from Aspen Methodist Community Church shared that the Prayer's intent is to offer peace, which is deeply needed in this divisive world today. There is a lot of anger out there in the world, but anger is not the core emotion... it is fear, fear of change, fear the world will get worse and not better. We are angry at people, who don't agree with us, but we are not on this earth to "fix" anyone. We are here to love and create the best person in ourselves; and to do that is a lifelong pursuit. Jerry shared this writing from Jesuit priest, James Martin, which is another way of looking at how we are to live in this world.

Below is A New Serenity Prayer, from his book "The Jesuit's Guide to Nearly Everything."

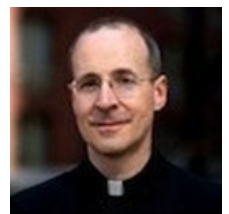
*God, grant me the serenity
to accept the people I cannot change,
which is pretty much everyone,
since I'm clearly not you, God.
At least not the last time I checked.*

*And while you're at it, God,
please give me the courage
to change what I need to change about myself,
which is frankly a lot, since, once again,
I'm not you, which means I'm not perfect.
It's better for me to focus on changing myself
than to worry about changing other people,
who, as you'll no doubt remember me saying,
I can't change anyway.*

*Finally, give me the wisdom to just shut up
whenever I think that I'm clearly smarter
than everyone else in the room,
that no one knows what they're talking about except me,
or that I alone have all the answers.*

*Basically, God, grant me the wisdom
to remember that I'm not you.*

Amen



James Martin, SJ

SERENITY PRAYER... CONFIRMATION

**Confirmation**

Calling all 7th—12th graders... If enough students are interested, we will begin Confirmation in January 2021. Pastor Katharine will be leading this 13-week class; and at this point we don't know if it will be in-person, online or a hybrid model. Please contact her at ladiebug1214@gmail.com if your student would like to participate.





CHILDREN'S EDUCATION

Sherry Hussein

"...Growing disciples of Jesus Christ and living the Word."

Hello everyone! Here we are...November 2020, soon we will be celebrating Thanksgiving. This time of year many of us have been reflecting on all that we are thankful for. Since March, with all the adjustments & changes in our lives, many of us have become stronger in our Christian Faith. Jesus has been with us, helping us to trust in Him even more.

We have so many things to be grateful for, from 1 Thessalonians 5:18, "Gods' miraculous hand over our lives, Gods' deliverance over our lives, Gods' gifts given through His people, and the ability to do good works". We are grateful for Gods' love. 1 Chronicles 16:34 "Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; His love endures forever".

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SIDEWALK CHILDREN'S MINISTRY



Sidewalk Children's Outreach Ministry serves Apache Junction area children, and typically meets Saturday mornings during October-April. There are many adult volunteer "Shepherds"

who help with Bible lessons, praise & worship time, songs, and other activities, as well as serve lunch.

We are hoping to start up again on November 7th with an outdoor ministry program. We are grateful for our partnership with Desert Chapel UMC, located in Apache Junction, for hosting our children's ministry at their Church campus. Many of the families live near the Apache Junction meeting site, therefore we have asked the parents to transport their children on Saturday mornings.

Many thanks to our GCUMC congregation for their continued support in blessing this children's outreach

ministry. If you would like to know more about Sidewalk Children's Ministry, please contact Sherry Hussein at (480) 529-9621 or Bev Stout at (480) 926-6479.

VIRTUAL VBS 2020



Rocky Railway, "Jesus Power Pulls Us Through," was presented as an online program with 31 families with a total of 58 children! VBS activity packets given out. The program was on our Church website, children could participate during their Fall school break. On October 10th families were able to attend a VBS celebration outside the Education Bldg., take photos, receive special treats, and there were prizes given away. There were so many wonderful volunteers involved in the production of the program, all to benefit the children, through teaching them about Jesus, His amazing powers, and that they can trust in Jesus...always. The families received a music CD, and a Bible adventure story booklet, with hopes that they will continue to be inspired at home through these resources. Many thanks to Ian Classe & Bob Carnahan for videotaping much of the program, and to Chris Benjamin with his technical knowledge in combining the videos & presenting the program online.

Paula Tucker, Julie Camp, and Rush Tucker did a great job with the stage decorations. These people all did an amazing, awesome job performing in the videos; June Welker, Donna Fuerherm, Anita Beckett, Carol Johnson, and Lauren Collins Mitchell. We will all be praying that we will be able to present a traditional VBS program for next summer, especially for the children. Some nice photos taken while children participated in the VBS program!





Our VBS service project this year was to benefit Jose's Closet, a non profit organization in Apache Junction that is a resource center for foster & adoptive families. Many of the families who participated in our VBS program donated packages of new boys' underclothing and socks. To learn more about this charitable organization, visit www.JosesCloset.org.

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YOUTH GROUP

Linda Clise, Youth Director

"...Growing disciples of Jesus Christ and living the Word."

YOUTH SPOTLIGHT: ASHTON FITZGERALD



Ashton is 16 years old and has one sister that is younger, Gracie. Family is very important to Ashton, his family is close knit and they enjoy traveling together.

He is very active outdoors and enjoys many activities such as: hunting, fishing, mudding, camping, and golfing. He plays club baseball and became an Eagle Scout Last Year. Aston's Eagle Scout project was to help organize the Gold Canyon United Methodist Food Bank. He and his crew of fellow scouts, youth group members and adult volunteers put up shelves in one of the closets and organized



probably literally tons of food! Ashton met with the food bank manager and discussed what would benefit the food bank best. He then came up with a plan, purchased materials and gathered a crew to complete his project. He supplied snacks, too!

Ashton is active in our youth group and went on the last mission/service project. He is always ready to lend a hand when you are in need. Ashton currently is a junior at Red Mountain High School in Mesa. He works in the family business, Critter Getters.



To participate online with Zoom, send an email to:
LindaKTClise@gmail.com



Youth Group

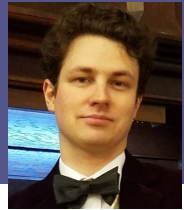
(Fun & faith-based programs & fellowship
for 7th—12th grades)

Thursdays at 6:30pm
Bible Study (Hybrid)

Fridays at 6:30pm
Netflix Movie Party

Sundays at 6:30pm
**Youth Group (In person; need
reservation)**





MUSIC NOTES

Dr. Ian Classe, Director of Music Ministries



It's looking like November will be a busy month for the Music Ministry, despite the COVID pandemic. We're moving forward with small, socially-distanced instrumental and choral groups to perform for worship, as well as for this year's Virtual Christmas Concert.

Advent and Christmas will be here before we know it. If you're interested in participating in the Christmas Concert, feel free to reach out to me by phone or email.

Even if you're not participating, make sure to mark your calendar as our GCUMC Virtual Christmas Concert will premiere on Saturday, December 12 at 3:00pm in lieu of our regular annual GCUMC Christmas Concerts. The virtual concert will feature a number of soloists, bands, small choral and instrumental ensembles from our music ministry, as well as a few other surprises. Be sure to tune in to join in spreading the Christmas cheer! We're hoping that we can make it as big of event as usual even though it's online. Even if you can't watch right at 3:00, the concerts will be available to stream on our website and Facebook after the premiere.

As always, GCUMC-hosted concerts are free admission, but we will be receiving a free-will offering if you're inclined to help out. You may donate either through the church website or by mail. Remember, your support is what makes our concerts possible! I hope you'll join us on December 12th to enjoy some holiday music – at home you can even have cookies, hot cocoa, and the best seats!

If you have any other questions, concerns, or comments, feel free to call or email any time. Stay safe, stay healthy, and I hope to see you all soon.

Peace and best regards,

Ian





GLOBAL MISSIONS

Fay Quanstrom, Associate Pastor

MISSION NEWS FROM CENTRAL AMERICA THE GLOBE

Hope in Honduras

Don Lucas Vasquez thought he would surely die as he lay in bed, struggling to breathe and too weak to take a drink of water. Along with these symptoms, visibly swollen lymph nodes suggested to Lucas and his family that he had cancer, as his body continued to waste away. Lucas' wife made her way to the FMI clinic and begged the staff to visit her husband and administer IV fluids, imagining that this would strengthen him.



In the midst of the Covid-19 pandemic the medical staff made the trek to Lucas' humble mountain home and diagnosed tuberculosis. When the sputum sample sent to the government lab confirmed the diagnosis the state health department was willing to provide the needed medications and test the family to ensure that no one else was infected. However, the pandemic had closed the mountain roads to all traffic. The health department would not provide the medications directly to the family for fear it might not be taken correctly, thus harming the patient's chances for recovery. The only way to help Lucas was for an FMI nurse or physician to travel daily to his home to give him the life-saving meds. The clinic's staff committed to take that risk during the pandemic in the name of love for their fellow man. Every day they drove and then walked the steep mountain path to the home, frequently being stopped by police. Today Lucas is making a strong recovery, gaining weight and physical strength. He looks forward to being able to work again to provide for his family, and praises God for having saved him from an agonizing death.

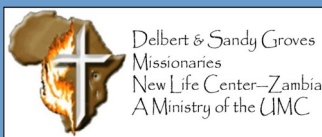
Hope in Costa Rica

Without its usual succession of mission teams, the ministry of Rice and Beans was stymied, but creative minds saw opportunity. Considering the acreage that the ministry owns and that a significant percentage of it was idle, the staff went to work planting vegetables. In this "land of eternal spring" the gardens flourished, first yielding seedlings to share with people who were interested in planting their own gardens. Soon a variety of lettuces, green beans, peppers and tomatoes were ready to harvest and share with families in need of food for their families. Fresh produce is particularly valued but often unavailable in neighborhood markets. Abundant yields prompted the staff to freeze vegetables for later distribution. Out of limitations God provided new ideas and opportunity for ministry in His name.



GCUMC is pleased to support both of these Central American Missions.

Gold Canyon United Methodist Church supports these Global Missions:





ON THE COUNTRY SIDE

Dr. David Worley

Incredibly we are in the month of Thanksgiving! Soon Advent will be upon us.

We were recently reminded by our HOA that outside Christmas decorations cannot be set up until after Thanksgiving. As I read the reminder, I remembered something I have considered before, namely that too often we rush past gratitude to brighter lights. I have a sense that this year particularly we need to get to the big celebration to assuage some of the pain of this past year.

While Advent is a wonderful time to celebrate the Incarnation and enjoy our time-honored festivities, I hope we come to it not in a rush to pass Thanksgiving both as a calendar date and an attitude of the heart, but rather blend both to make our holidays truly

special. I pray that our Country and Western Service will help you to celebrate our Lord's birth with deep gratitude as we prepare to share music and messages that we love to review.



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MIDWEEK MOUNTAINEERS



Midweek Mountaineers is for students in 1st-6th grade and meets from 6pm—7pm Wednesday evenings. The program is spiritually uplifting and fun, and includes a Bible lesson, music, trivia games, and more. Midweek is open to GCUMC children, their friends, and other children in our community.

Midweek Mountaineers started meeting in September using Zoom. The children receive weekly lesson packets in the mail, and parents receive an email containing the Zoom link. Our program will continue meeting online through November 18th. We are currently making plans for a special Thanksgiving activity and a service project on Wed., 11/25. Be sure to watch for updates that will be posted in the weekly bulletin. For more info, please contact Sherry Hussein at SheriffSherry2000@gmail.com or (480)529-9621.

BIBLE LESSONS & MORE CHILDREN!



Our Preschool & Elementary Sunday school class children receive packets in the mail with Bible lessons and fun activity pages. We continue to meet on Zoom chat sessions, talking

about our Bible lessons, sharing stories about at home activities, it's great to see the children and adults online. If you would like to join our Zoom chat with your child (or grandchild), please email Sherry at SheriffSherry2000@gmail.com.

THANKSGIVING BLANKET DRIVE



We are asking for donations of new or gently used blankets (twin to queen size). With Arizona nights cooling down, many homeless & low-income people would be very grateful for a warm blanket! These blankets will be distributed to Genesis, Desert Chapel UMC and the Salvation Army – all in Apache Junction – and given to those in need 11/25 – 11/28. Please drop off your donated blanket(s) at GCUMC in a bag labeled "Thanksgiving Blanket Drive" and leave on the bench outside the Church Office between 7:00am–4:00pm during the week. If you have a blanket donation that needs to be picked up, call Sherry at (480)529-9621. When we open our hearts to giving, we are overflowing with joy, and love for others. God bless you all for your generosity of spirit!



PASTORAL & CONGREGATIONAL CARE

Rev. Fay Quanstrom, Dr. David Worley, Pastor Katharine Keller

PASTORAL CARE

Our pastors are on-call to make visits to members and friends of Gold Canyon UMC. Please feel free to call the church office at (480)982-3776 and one of the pastors will respond to your request. After hours, you may call or email one of the pastors directly:



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Dr. David Worley, Director, Congregational Care

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If you know someone in the congregation who is hospitalized, ill at home and/or needs prayers of the community, please let one of the pastors or the church office know so they can be included on the prayer list. Also, if you or someone you know within or beyond our parish would like a friendly visit, a listening ear, or a home-cooked meal, please let us know. Caring for others in the GCUMC fellowship of believers is shared by clergy & lay caregivers. In addition to the pastoral staff, trained Lay **Congregational Care Ministers (CCMs)** share a ministry of loving spiritual care: visits, prayer, Holy Communion, music, meals, errands and more. You are invited to join the **Congregational Care Ministry** by contacting Rev. Fay Quanstrom.

A NOTE FROM ONE OF OUR PASTORS



"Deb and I recently listened to a YouTube performance we enjoyed immensely; it is entitled "Brotherly Love" and features country and Bluegrass music. Even if you think you won't like it because of your musical taste, give it a try. There are some great old country songs and also some Gospel tunes in the excellent performances. One of the songs is an old Hank Williams melody you likely know, *I'm So Lonesome I Could Cry*. A line in the song says, "I've never seen a night so long; when time goes crawling by." I think some of us feel that way about the past few months; time has slowed to a crawl as we wait for situations to change. However, it may well be that we have more waiting to do! What shall we do in what C. S. Lewis called "the waiting room of life"? I point you to another set of lyrics found in our hymnal, "Trust and Obey." I recommend you re-read those lyrics and even sing them if you have the inclination.

What does this mean? To trust is to put one's entire weight upon the support of another; it is to lean heavily on another's strength. So, lean on our Lord's everlasting arms. The other directive is to "obey." This means to do what we know to do as our consciences are informed by Scripture and prompted by the Holy Spirit lead us. The still small voice that the prophet Elijah heard still speaks if we will but listen.

Time may crawl by, but we have a mission to accomplish even in the days when the sand in the hourglass seems to fall ever so gradually. If we are about our mission, we will invest time rather than count or resent it. So pray with me these words, "Lord, I will trust you and I will obey you as enabled by your Holy Spirit. Amen."

*We honor the lives and memories
of these members and friends,
as well as their families and friends
who have recently passed...*

John Allensworth
Robin Carbone
Shirley Coad
Don Daniels
Barbara Barker Dillon
Arthur Fuerherm
Delores Gates

Shawn McClung
Rose Rosenberg
David Stout
Dean Taylor
Ruth Waterman

In Remembrance



CARING CORNER

Kim Shroyer

2020?

Wow! We are approaching Thanksgiving, and soon to follow, one of our holiest of holidays. Some say "thank goodness, it's time for this year to come to a close, it has been dragging," others say "I can't believe it's here already, this crazy year has flown." No matter what opinions you have about 2020, or what side of the fence on which you fall regarding the critical topics of the year, most with whom I have interacted have a common opinion – it's time to move on to a new year, a new set of facts and circumstances, new topics, renewed hope.

Although we are all different, unless we've been hiding under a rock, this year has likely posed challenges in aspects of our lives. And in many cases caused pain and fear, and shaken faith. Maybe we are even looking toward Thanksgiving with a less than appreciative attitude. Shaken faith is normal. But when it is shaken, is the time we need to put the most focus on our faith! I recently read the below devotional written a while ago by Kimberly Henderson of *Proverbs 31 Ministries*, from *A Day in the Word, Staying Connected to God*:

"I would have pulled Joseph out. Out of that pit. Out of that prison. Out of that pain. And I would have cheated nations out of the one God would use to deliver them from famine.

I would have pulled David out. Out of Saul's spear-throwing presence. Out of the caves he hid away in. Out of the pain of rejection. And I would have cheated Israel out of a God-hearted king.

I would have pulled Esther out. Out of being snatched from her only family. Out of being placed in a position she never asked for. Out of the path of a vicious, power hungry foe. And I would have cheated a people out of the woman God would use to save their very lives.

And I would have pulled Jesus off. Off of the cross. Off of the road that led to suffering and pain. Off of the path that would mean nakedness and beatings, nails and thorns. And I would have cheated the entire world out of a Savior. Out of salvation. Out of an eternity filled with no more suffering and no more pain.

And oh friend. I want to pull you out. I want to change your path. I want to stop your pain. But right now I know I would be wrong. I would be out of line. I would be cheating you and cheating the world out of so much good. Because God knows. He knows the good this pain will produce. He knows the beauty this hard will grow. He's watching over you and keeping you even in the midst of this. And He's promising you that you can trust Him. Even when it all feels like more than you can bear.

So instead of trying to pull you out, I'm lifting you up. I'm kneeling before the Father and I'm asking Him to give you strength. To give you hope. I'm asking Him to protect you and to move you when the time is right. I'm asking Him to help you stay prayerful and discerning. And I'm believing He's going to use your life in powerful and beautiful ways. Ways that will leave your heart grateful and humbly thankful for this road you've been on."

This was put so incredibly well. It drives home so clearly the point that God is always present, there is a purpose to all courses of events which we often cannot discern while in the midst of them. The messages in the Bible aren't idle stories. They assure us that God is in control, He has a purpose, and down the road our eyes will uncloud and we will be able to see and understand.

Maybe circumstances of this year, or any other for that matter, have made it a little more difficult to discern what *powerful and beautiful ways* God intends to use your life – and as a result being prayerful and thankful are also difficult. If so, **please remember that God has placed 4 pastors in your path to be there for you. Let them help.** They minister to members and friends of Gold Canyon UMC. Please simply call the church office at (80)982-3776 and one of them will respond to your request. After hours, you may call or email one of the pastors directly. You will find their contact information in the bulletin (currently emailed to congregants prior to Sunday on-line worship services), Church Office or the Pastoral and Congregational Care page of this newsletter.

*I will instruct you
and teach you
in the way you should go
I will counsel you
with my eye
upon you* *Psalms 32:8*



Prayer Chain Ministry

Please email prayer requests to

gcumcprayers@gmail.com.



MINISTRY & MISSIONS

SCRIP "BUS & VAN FUND"



YOUR reported participation in the scrip Bus Van Ministry has continued to support the bus and van program so that going forward

we will be ready to roll! **Your** most recent quarterly reported participation in the programs to support our Bus & Van Fund was:

• Bashas	\$358
• Fry's	\$193
• Amazon Smile	\$120
• Designated Gifts	\$ 0
• Grand Total	\$671

Note: Figures are as available at the time of inclusion deadline.

Thank you for your continued support!

amazonsmile if you haven't done it already, be sure to link your Amazon account to **Smile.Amazon.com** and choose Gold Canyon UMC as your charity organization. Amazon donates 0.5% of the cost of your eligible purchases to our SCRIP Bus & Van Fund whenever you shop—the same selection—same prices! Just go to:

<https://smile.amazon.com/ch/86-0621002>.

Great news... AmazonSmile customers can now support GCUMC in the Amazon shopping app on mobile phones (iOS & Android)! Follow the below instructions to turn on AmazonSmile and start generating donations to support our Bus/Van Fund.



- Open the Amazon Shopping app on your device.
- Go into the main menu of the Amazon Shopping app and tap into 'Settings'.
- Tap 'AmazonSmile' and follow the on-screen instructions to complete the process.

Bashas' When you shop at any Bashas' store for food, gift cards or prescriptions and use their rechargeable card purchased here at the Welcome Center or the Church Office, GCUMC receives a 6% charity gift from Bashas.'

Link your Fry's VIP Card online to Fry's Community

Rewards program and choose GCUMC (Account #TS438), Fry's then will contribute 3% of your purchases to our church!

Thanks again for supporting the Bus/Van Fund. Please contact Jan Daniels (480)540-7454 with any questions.

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN



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FAITH • HOPE • LOVE IN ACTION

MISSION TODAY—Social Racial Justice is a UMW program with the purpose of energizing members to be more involved in mission through prayer, study,

and action; to encourage the use of mission resources; and to expand concepts of mission, including social justice and membership in Living the Charter for Racial Justice. Twenty-eight items of possible involvements are provided in checklist format.

At Gold Canyon we checked off requirements involving the prayer calendar, use of the *response* magazine, PROGRAM BOOK programs, Reading Program, Mission study, Conference contributions, District participation, social justice and racial justice participation, a children's program, a new circle (Prison Ministry), UMW Sunday, and contributions to all 5 channels of Mission Giving. We qualified as a MISSION TODAY UMW unit!

To explore social and racial justice issues and to better understand how others worship, as a group, we attended an African-American Methodist Church and a Reform Jewish Temple. The UMC *Book of Discipline* Social Principles, ¶166 provides direction to our study: "God's world is one world... We commit ourselves as a Church to the achievement of a world community that is a fellowship of persons who honestly love one another. We pledge ourselves to seek the meaning of the gospel in all issues that divide people and threaten the growth of world community." Maxine Wheeler, Western Jurisdiction Leadership, adds, "God created us to be in community with our family and neighbors. How we accept others is our choice, but God desires for us to work together for good. We need to accept others just as they are. Love and encourage them along their journey, just as God loves and encourages us on our life journey."

In March 2019, eleven UMW members were warmly welcomed into Sunday services at Tanner Chapel AME in Phoenix. It just happened to be Men's Sunday. Rousing gospel music accompanied the sermon of the energizing guest preacher who had a special message for fathers. It was a joyous experience.



In February 2020, twenty-five of our UMW members attended Shabbat at Temple Emanuel of Tempe. Had we hand-picked a Saturday, we could not have chosen a more meaningful service for this was the Bat Mitzvah of 13-year-old Hannah. Arriving quite early, we were met at the front door by an amiable and willing congregant who explained the day's protocol and answered our myriad questions. We were honored to be allowed to join Hannah's large family for her rite of passage on coming of age. We were impressed by her knowledge and maturity, so evident in her performance through this lengthy and complex celebration.

Only Reformed congregations hold Mitzvahs for women. As she became a Bat Mitzvah, Hannah's grandparents presented her with a prayer shawl—a shawl worn by Jewish adults. The honor of Aliya—being called to the Torah—was bestowed upon her and she carried, then read, from the Synagogue's heavy Torah for the first time. Temple Emanuel's Torah came from Czechoslovakia 150 years ago. As part of the service, we were encouraged to come for a close look at its sheepskin pages; we all accepted that invitation.

To sum: "For high hopes and noble causes, for faith without fanaticism, for understanding of views not shared, Modim anachnu lach." Mishkan T'filah, A Reform Siddur

For information about U.M.W., contact Carol Johnson, President: caroljohnsonaz@yahoo.com or (602) 750-2008. We meet each Monday at 10 a.m. on Zoom, invitations available through the church office. - Joy Bliss

ANGEL TREE 2020



Because of the pandemic, we are running our Christmas Mission differently this year. Volunteer Team Captains are needed to lead a small group, while adhering to social distancing guidelines and utilizing the phone, mail and email. Small groups can be made up of friends, neighbors, family, sports buddies (hiking, golf, tennis, walking), Bible study members, officemates, book clubs, etc.

Under the direction of their Team Captain, each group will adopt a family from one of our partners, Sidewalk Sunday School, Project Help, or Hope Women's Center. Phone calls are being made to the families who have applied to our Angel Tree Mission Program this year. Once family gift lists are complete, gift tags will be made and given to the Team Captains. Gifts will then be purchased by the various groups for each family.

During this time, the Church Office cannot allow through traffic this year. Therefore, when gift purchases have been completed by a group, that Team Captain will coordinate with Jane Hayes (602)320-5952 to schedule a time on Monday 12/14 or Tuesday, 12/15 to meet her and bring their group's gifts into the Church Lobby. Please note that the west/north hallway door near the Choir Room should be used when bringing gifts. Because there is no wrapping party this year, wrapping paper is being provided to the families, who are scheduled to pick-up their gifts on December 19th in the parking lot. By following these protocols, we will be able to keep each other safe.

For more info, or if you are interested in volunteering for this important annual mission, please contact Jane Hayes directly at (602)320-5952. Monetary donations for the Angel Tree Mission can be made electronically, mailed, or placed in the Dropbox in the Bell Tower with "Angel Tree" written in the memo.

BUS & VAN MINISTRY



Many thanks to Lynn Cook, one of our dedicated drivers, who has volunteered many hours of drive time for this important ministry. Lynn will be moving away from Arizona at year-end, and will be no longer driving for the church starting in November. Although we have no immediate need because of the pandemic, when we are finally able to resume our normal worship, we will need a volunteer to join the team and help drive those who are unable to drive themselves to Sunday worship. If you feel called to help, please contact Tim



NOVEMBER CELEBRATIONS

*If your name is missing, or you find an error, please call the Church Office.
We truly don't mean to make mistakes or to leave anyone out!*

Happy Birthday!

Lukas, Teri 11/01
Major, Sidnee Paige 11/01
Bell, Merry 11/02
Moore, Dick 11/02
Peterson, Autumn 11/02
Pape, Luciah 11/03
Hammond, Betty 11/04
Slegl, Gil 11/04
Hoffert, Jane 11/05
Matzke, Shirley 11/05
Zabel, Jan 11/05
Picek, Tom 11/06
BauRolley, Betty 11/05
Svoboda, Camilla 11/05
Thomas, Marilyn 11/05
Baungsgard, Jenny 11/07
Daniels, Brad 11/08
Graham, Rich 11/08
Moyer, Carla 11/08
Hall, Cheryl 11/09
Haraldson, Rich 11/09
Nelson, Patty 11/09
Cunningham-Jones, Aedric 11/10
Nelson, Marcia 11/10
Pearson, Lori 11/10
Adkins, Ann 11/11
Penninger, Ken 11/11
Beebe, Kathy 11/12
Brooks, Mark 11/12
McCleary, Ward 11/12
Noe, Jim 11/13
Adams, Michael 11/14
Ansell, Alyce 11/14
Bowman, Hank 11/14
Crandall, Don 11/14
Eddy, Barry 11/14
Kaul, Bob 11/14
Hicks, Linda 11/15
Korell, Gloria Jean 11/15
Campbell, Kim 11/16
Johnson, Judy 11/16
Bjorklund, James 11/17
Hahn, Dave 11/17
Hoerter, Daniel 11/17

House, Dottie 11/17
Major, Shea Alaina 11/17
Vorseth, Sue 11/17
Culver, Ann 11/18
Edwards, Marlene 11/18
Fransen, Jim 11/18
Roller, Jan 11/18
Heggenbotham, Chloe 11/19
Heppner, Glorianna 11/19
Bailey, Carole 11/20
Bailey, Donna 11/20
Borders, Ron 11/20
Glass, Carol 11/20
Quanstrom, Wally 11/20
Rhoton, Matt 11/20
Witucky, TJ 11/20
Holmes, Dean 11/21
Kilbourn, Floy 11/21
Mueller, Sandy 11/21
Blankenship, Betty 11/22
Paul, Mike 11/21
Eshelman, Myrna 11/22
Viator, Parrish 11/22
Dulaney, Steve 11/23
Myers, Bob 11/23
Stowe, Martha 11/23
Weinhold, Marilyn 11/23
Carlozzi, Noreen 11/24
Urbach, Jayne 11/24
Hoefs, Wendy 11/25
Bruss, Gene 11/26
Crawford, Gene 11/26
Hick, Alice 11/26
Oxley, Vicki 11/26
Whalen, Madlyn 11/26
Walworth, Wayne 11/27
Confer, Lynne 11/29
Kostecka, Carma 11/29
Thomas, Carol 11/30
Webster, Sharon 11/29

Happy Anniversary!

Adams, Herbert & Jennifer 11/20
Bjorklund, Alice & James 11/29
Burris, Joanne & Rodger 11/24
Cartney, Bob & Kay 11/02
Hayes, Jane & Jeff 11/12
Hicks, Steve & Linda 11/17
Johnson, Carol & Peter 11/25
Johnson, Judy & Neil 11/29
Kidwell, Lucy & Robert 11/03
Kingsley, James & Ruth 11/07
Larson, George & Marilyn 11/29
Little, Don & Margie 11/17
Lunn, Ed & Mary 11/15
Martindale, Ginger & Warren 11/28
McLeod, Dennis & Suzanne 11/26
Mogharbel, Abed & Karen 11/29
Pape, Andrea & Roy 11/06
Shroyer, Pat & Kim 11/17
Slegl, Ann & Gil 11/15
Svoboda, Camilla & Ron 11/28
Trout, Nancy & Ron 11/25
Weiss, Donna & Steve 11/03
Zabel, Cam & Jan 11/09



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HABITAT FOR HUMANITY



For our Fall/Winter 2020 Project, we are looking forward to participating in the renovation of a home with a soon to be selected family in Mesa as part of our membership in the Superstition Coalition of Churches in the East Valley. It will be a single-level home located at 447 W. 1st Ave. in Mesa.

Habitat homes give families the opportunity to have a stable, safe place they can live for the long-term. These families have often been moving from place to place from one tiny, cramped apartment or trailer in a bad neighborhood to another, which is especially difficult on the children.

But this special opportunity does not come easy. Families are put through a rigorous education program; learning how to budget their money, make low cost repairs, and what to watch for regarding the maintenance of their new home. They also must complete 400 hours of work on the actual build of their home. When the home is complete, they purchase it from Habitat with a no interest loan. These hard working, deserving families are able to achieve their dream of an affordable home that they actually own.

We will be looking for a few volunteers to do interior painting on 12/5 and 12/12, as well as volunteers to bring lunch to the work crew on one of the build days. Donations of \$14,000 are needed to meet our goal. Please make checks payable to "Gold Canyon UMC" with "Habitat for Humanity" in the memo. Monetary donations can also be made online at www.GoldCanyonUMC.org.

Thanks so much for your ongoing support of this ministry. For more info, contact Joe and Maureen Morton (602)284-2826 or MoandJoeM@aol.com.

FOOD BANK



Your GCUMC Food Bank continues to serve individuals and families who are in need of food. Throughout the Corona virus pandemic, we elected to serve our clientele with a drive-thru program. This has been very beneficial in terms of a healthy operation for both our volunteers and clientele. We are extremely thankful for your wonderful support through your donations of food and money. Thank you and God bless.

**YOUR MINISTRY & MISSIONS STORIES
MATTER... SO PLEASE TELL THEM!**

Email your story to...ChurchOffice@GoldCanyonUMC.org



HOLY LAND TRIP (\$3,498) RESCHEDULED JANUARY 4-17, 2022



The Holy Land trip with Pastor Fred & Beth was rescheduled to January 4—17, 2022 due to the coronavirus.

If you've already paid your deposit, it can be left on file and you'll automatically be moved to this new trip date. If you'd like to withdraw from the trip, please contact Educational Opportunities and they will fully refund your deposit. Those who have paid their initial deposit will not need to pay the second deposit until July of 2021. All trip details remain the same and new brochures will be available in the future.

Pastor Fred would be glad to answer questions or email you a brochure if you contact him at revstein78@gmail.com or leave a message with the Church Office.



NOVEMBER CALENDAR

(Calendar is subject to change;

For more info, please visit www.GoldCanyonUMC.org or call the Church Office)

Sun Nov 1	All day	Daylight Saving Time ends	10:50am	***SUSPENDED*** Praise Worship (KR)	
	8am	Traditional Worship (ONLINE)	3:30pm	***SUSPENDED*** Country Music Rehearsal (KR)	
	9am	***SUSPENDED*** UG Rehearsal (KR)	5pm	Country Worship (ONLINE)	
	9:30am	***SUSPENDED*** "The Table" Adult Discussion (E-MC)	6:30pm	Youth Group (On campus)	
	9:30am	***SUSPENDED*** Children Sunday School (EB)	9am	Bible Banter (ONLINE)	
	9:30am	***SUSPENDED*** Traditional Worship (ONLINE/S)	10am	***SUSPENDED*** UMW Leadership Committee (SoGR)	
	9:30am	***SUSPENDED*** Youth Participate in Worship (S)	10am	UMW Mtg (ONLINE)	
	9:30am	***SUSPENDED*** Youth Sunday School (YR)	1pm	***SUSPENDED*** Grief Support Mtg (ONLINE)	
	10:50am	***SUSPENDED*** Children's Sunday School (NAR)	6:30pm	Lay Leadership Mtg (ONLINE)	
	10:50am	***SUSPENDED*** Praise Worship (KR)	6:30pm	SPRC Mtg (ONLINE)	
	3:30pm	***SUSPENDED*** Country Music Rehearsal (KR)	7pm	***SUSPENDED*** Al-Anon (SoGR)	
	5pm	Country Worship (ONLINE)	7pm	***SUSPENDED*** CoDA Mtg (ER)	
	6:30pm	Youth Group (On campus; Reservation needed)	9am	***SUSPENDED*** Stitches Unlimited (B-MC)	
	Mon Nov 2	9am	Bible Banter (ONLINE)	9am	DISCIPLE II—Feather (ZOOM)
10am		UMW Mtg (ONLINE)	9:30am	GC Garden Club (Esther-MC)	
1pm		***SUSPENDED*** Grief Support Mtg (ONLINE)	2pm	DISCIPLE 1 (ONLINE)	
6:30pm		SPRC Mtg (ONLINE)	2pm	DISCIPLE 2 (ONLINE)	
7pm		***SUSPENDED*** Al-Anon (SoGR)	6pm	***SUSPENDED*** One in the Spirit Reh (KR)	
7pm		***SUSPENDED*** CoDA Mtg (ER)	6:30pm	***SUSPENDED*** Canyon Carillon Rehearsal (S)	
Tue Nov 3	All day	Election Day (General Election)	6:30pm	Finance Committee Mtg (ONLINE)	
	6am	POLLING PLACE (Koinonia Rm)	7pm	***SUSPENDED*** UG Rehearsal (KR)	
	9am	DISCIPLE II (ER)	Wed Nov 11	All day	Veterans Day
	2pm	DISCIPLE 1 (ONLINE)		9:30am	***SUSPENDED*** Music Librarians (MR)
	2pm	DISCIPLE 2 (ONLINE)		11am	Cancer Support Group (ONLINE)
	6pm	***SUSPENDED*** One in the Spirit Reh (KR)		11:30am	Healing & Prayer Time (ONLINE)
	6:30pm	***SUSPENDED*** Canyon Carillon Rehearsal (S)		1pm	DISCIPLE 3 (ONLINE)
	7pm	***SUSPENDED*** UG Rehearsal (KR)		5pm	***SUSPENDED*** Wranglers for the Lord (KR)
Wed Nov 4	9:30am	***SUSPENDED*** Music Librarians (MR)		6pm	***SUSPENDED*** Mtg: Vista del Corozon DRC (S-MC)
	11am	Cancer Support Group (ONLINE)		6pm	Midweek Mountaineers (ONLINE)
	11:30am	Healing & Prayer Time (ONLINE)	Thu Nov 12	11am	Online Chat w/ Pastor Fred
	1pm	DISCIPLE 3 (ONLINE)		1pm	***SUSPENDED*** Gold Canyon Arts Council Mtg (S-MC)
	5pm	***SUSPENDED*** Wranglers for the Lord (KR)		1pm	DISCIPLE II (ER)
	6pm	Midweek Mountaineers (ONLINE)		6:30pm	***SUSPENDED*** Choir Rehearsal (Music)
Thu Nov 5	9am	***SUSPENDED*** Prayer Shawl Ministry (S-MC)	6:30pm	Youth Bible Study (Hybrid)	
	11am	Online Chat w/ Pastor Fred	Fri Nov 13	10am	***SUSPENDED*** Mind Menders (ER)
	6:30pm	***SUSPENDED*** Choir Rehearsal (Music)		10am	***SUSPENDED*** Mtg: Superstition Mtn Astronomical (E-MC)
	6:30pm	Youth Bible Study (Hybrid)		5:30pm	***SUSPENDED*** AA (ER)
Fri Nov 6	10am	***SUSPENDED*** Mtg: Superstition Mtn Astronomical (E-MC)		6:30pm	Youth Netflix Party (ONLINE)
	5:30pm	***SUSPENDED*** AA (ER)	Sat Nov 14	9am	PEO Mtg (E-MC)
	6:30pm	Youth Netflix Party (ONLINE)		Sun Nov 15	8am
Sat Nov 7	10am	***POSTPONED*** Mtg: GC Coordinating Council (S-MC)	9am		***SUSPENDED*** UG Rehearsal (KR)
Sun Nov 8	8am	Traditional Worship (ONLINE)	9:30am	***SUSPENDED*** "The Table" Adult Discussion (E-MC)	
	9am	***SUSPENDED*** UG Rehearsal (KR)	9:30am	***SUSPENDED*** Children Sunday School (EB)	
	9:30am	***SUSPENDED*** "The Table" Adult Grp (E-MC)	9:30am	***SUSPENDED*** Traditional Worship (ONLINE/S)	
	9:30am	***SUSPENDED*** Children Sunday School (EB)	9:30am	***SUSPENDED*** Youth Sunday School (YR)	
	9:30am	***SUSPENDED*** Traditional Worship (ONLINE/S)	10:50am	***SUSPENDED*** Children's Sunday School (NAR)	
	9:30am	***SUSPENDED*** Youth Sunday School (YR)	10:50am	***SUSPENDED*** Praise Worship (KR)	
	10:50am	***SUSPENDED*** Children's Sunday School (NAR)	3:30pm	***SUSPENDED*** Country Music Rehearsal (KR)	

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	5pm	Country Worship (ONLINE)
	6:30pm	Youth Group (ONLINE)
Mon Nov 16	9am	Bible Banter (ONLINE)
	10am	UMW Mtg (ONLINE)
	1pm	***SUSPENDED*** Grief Support Mtg (ONLINE)
	6:30pm	Admin Council Budget Mtg (ONLINE)
	7pm	***SUSPENDED*** Al-Anon (SoGR)
	7pm	***SUSPENDED*** CoDA Mtg (ER)
Tue Nov 17	9am	DISCIPLE II—Feather (ZOOM)
	2pm	DISCIPLE 1 (ONLINE)
	2pm	DISCIPLE 2 (ONLINE)
	6pm	***SUSPENDED*** One in the Spirit Reh (KR)
	6:30pm	***SUSPENDED*** Canyon Carillon Rehearsal (S)
	7pm	***SUSPENDED*** UG Rehearsal (KR)
Wed Nov 18	8am	***SUSPENDED*** Newsletter Team (MR)
	9:30am	***SUSPENDED*** Music Librarians (MR)
	11am	Cancer Support Group (ONLINE)
	11:30am	Healing & Prayer Time (ONLINE)
	1pm	DISCIPLE 3 (ONLINE)
	5pm	***SUSPENDED*** Wranglers for the Lord (KR)
	6pm	Midweek Mountaineers (ONLINE)
Thu Nov 19	9am	***SUSPENDED*** Prayer Shawl Ministry (S-MC)
	11am	Online Chat w/ Pastor Fred
	6:30pm	***SUSPENDED*** Choir Rehearsal (Music)
	6:30pm	Youth Bible Study (ONLINE)
Fri Nov 20	10am	***SUSPENDED*** Mtg: Superstition Mtn Astronomical (E-MC)
	5:30pm	***SUSPENDED*** AA (ER)
	6:30pm	Youth Netflix Party (ONLINE)
	7pm	GCAC Concert: Sean Chen, Concert Pianist (S) (ONLINE)
Sat Nov 21	10am	***SUSPENDED*** UMW Mtg (B-MC)
Sun Nov 22	8am	Traditional Worship (ONLINE)
	9am	***SUSPENDED*** UG Rehearsal (KR)
	9:30am	***SUSPENDED*** "The Table" Adult Discussion (E-MC)
	9:30am	***SUSPENDED*** Children Sunday School (EB)
	9:30am	***SUSPENDED*** Traditional Worship (ONLINE/S)
	9:30am	***SUSPENDED*** Youth Sunday School (YR)
	10:50am	***SUSPENDED*** Children's Sunday School (NAR)
	10:50am	***SUSPENDED*** Praise Worship (KR)
	3:30pm	***SUSPENDED*** Country Music Rehearsal (KR)
	5pm	Country Worship (ONLINE)
	6:30pm	Youth Group (ONLINE)
Mon Nov 23	9am	Bible Banter (ONLINE)
	10am	UMW Mtg (ONLINE)
	1pm	***SUSPENDED*** Grief Support Mtg (ONLINE)
	6:30pm	SPRC Mtg (ONLINE)
	7pm	***SUSPENDED*** Al-Anon (SoGR)
	7pm	***SUSPENDED*** CoDA Mtg (ER)
Tue Nov 24	9am	***SUSPENDED*** Stitches Unlimited (B-MC)
	2pm	DISCIPLE 1 (ONLINE)
	2pm	DISCIPLE 2 (ONLINE)
	6pm	***SUSPENDED*** One in the Spirit Reh (KR)
	6:30pm	***SUSPENDED*** Canyon Carillon Rehearsal (S)
	7pm	***SUSPENDED*** UG Rehearsal (KR)
Wed Nov 25	9:30am	***SUSPENDED*** Music Librarians (MR)

	11am	Cancer Support Group (ONLINE)
	11:30am	Healing & Prayer Time (ONLINE)
	1pm	DISCIPLE 3 (ONLINE)
	5pm	***SUSPENDED*** Wranglers for the Lord (KR)
	6pm	Midweek Mountaineers
Thu Nov 26	All day	Thanksgiving Day / OFFICE CLOSED
Fri Nov 27	All Day	OFFICE CLOSED
Sat Nov 28	8am	Gold Canyon Strong Event (East Parking Lot)
Sun Nov 29	8am	Traditional Worship (ONLINE)
	9am	***SUSPENDED*** UG Rehearsal (KR)
	9:30am	***SUSPENDED*** "The Table" Adult Discussion (E-MC)
	9:30am	***SUSPENDED*** Children Sunday School (EB)
	9:30am	***SUSPENDED*** Traditional Worship (ONLINE/S)
	9:30am	***SUSPENDED*** Youth Sunday School (YR)
	10:50am	***SUSPENDED*** Children's Sunday School (NAR)
	10:50am	***SUSPENDED*** Praise Worship (KR)
	3:30pm	***SUSPENDED*** Country Music Rehearsal (KR)
	5pm	Country Worship (ONLINE)
	6:30pm	Youth Group (ONLINE)
Mon Nov 30	9am	Banter (ONLINE)
	10am	UMW Mtg (ONLINE)
	1pm	***SUSPENDED*** Grief Support Mtg (ONLINE)
	7pm	***SUSPENDED*** Al-Anon (SoGR)
	7pm	***SUSPENDED*** CoDA Mtg (ER)

If you are a Facilitator/Teacher/Leader of a class or small group and would like to start meeting with your group online, please contact the Church Office to set-up your online meeting space!





BITS-N-BYTES

ROADRUNNER & BULLETIN DEADLINES

Please send your content for the
DECEMBER Roadrunner
 via email to ChurchOffice@GoldCanyonUMC.org
no later than 8:00am, Mon., 11/9/2020

Weekly Bulletin & Flower Orders
 12:00pm on the Wednesday of week to be listed

*GCUMC Publications are brought to you
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 the Roadrunner Assembly Team,
 the Friday Bulletin Assembly Team...
 and many other **treasured** volunteers!*



Garden Music, a CD recorded by Cindy & Wade Hoff with pianist, Mark Fearey, is available for a suggested donation of \$10 at the Welcome Center or Church Office with proceeds going towards GCUMC's Chancel Choir.

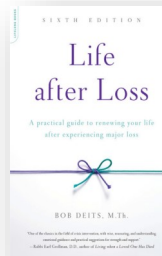
COMMUNITY SMALL BUSINESS & VENDOR FAIR



Canyon Strong's Shop Small Business & Vendor Fair is scheduled for Sat., 11/28 from 8am—4pm at the Gold Canyon Executive Suites located at 6589 S. Kings Ranch Road. We will be COVID

respectful at all events. Parking will be available at the Gold Canyon United Methodist Church across the street. For more info on Gold Canyon Strong, visit: <https://goldcanyonstrong.wixsite.com/community>

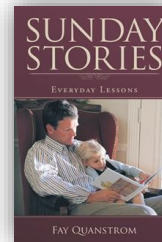
THE BOOK SHELF



Life After Loss: A Practical Guide to Renewing Your Life After Experiencing Major Loss is the go-to resource for anyone suffering a major loss by helping to find positive ways to put together a life that is necessarily different—but equally meaningful. Available on Amazon and Church Office. www.YourLifeAfterLoss.com



"Life Is Good—Once You Know How" by Terry Parsons & Jennifer Parsons is an uplifting gift for young adults, or grandchildren in your family who might be struggling to find their "niche." Available on Amazon, Kindle, and Nook. Check it out!



"Sunday Stories: Everyday Lessons" by Rev. Dr. Fay Quastrom is a collection of children's stories illustrating how Scripture truths "live" in the life of a child. Available on Amazon, Kindle, Nook, Church Office & Welcome Center. For more info, go to www.FayQuastrom.com.

CALLING ALL PURPLE HEART RECIPIENTS!



At GCUMC's next Celebration of Veterans, we would like to recognize Purple Heart Recipients who attend GCUMC. To be added to the recipient list, please email Nancy Fassbender (nfass@earthlink.net).



You can watch all of our worship services (live and archived) by visiting:

- <http://goldcanyonumc.org/watch-worship-services-live/>
- ([www.Facebook.com/GoldCanyonUMC/](https://www.facebook.com/GoldCanyonUMC/))





CONTRIBUTIONS & ATTENDANCE

"Let no debt remain outstanding except the continuing debt to love one another."

- Romans 13:8 (NIV)

Sept	2017			2018			2019			2020		
	General	Building	Worship All	General	Building	Worship All	General	Building	Worship All	General	Building	Worship All
	85580	29172	3450	100865	24109	3832	83145	33147	4928	60738	72734	7886

WISH LIST

Want to give back to GGUMC beyond your pledge to the General Budget or Building Fund?

Below are Wish List items that will better enable us to fulfill our mission as a church:

- Loop Hearing System: (\$48,000; \$1,425 given so far)
- Fellowship Hall (\$2.4M; \$1,340,637 given so far)
- Stained Glass for upper Sanctuary windows (\$143,944 given so far; \$6,176 per 2'5"x 2'8.5" remaining panels)
- Organ Pipes: (\$126,463 given so far)
- Building Fund Debt Payoff (\$806,721/\$222,000 prepaid in 2019)



Electronic giving is a great option to use in making contributions, including recurring contributions and additional/ special gifts.

- ✚ **AccessACS:** Very easy to set-up/modify 1-time/ recurring donations; Call Church Office for info.
- ✚ **eGiving:** www.GoldCanyonUMC.org and click "Make Donation" button. This link now takes you to AccessACS electronic giving.
- ✚ **TEXT** your gift by sending "goldcanyonumc" to 73256 and follow screen instructions.



HAVE YOU CONSIDERED GIFTING YOUR HOME TO GCUMC?

- ✚ ... it's a practical means of reducing the size of one's estate.
- ✚ ... it simplifies life for one's heirs and executor (personal representative).
- ✚ ... it eliminates the hassle of having one's home on the market.
- ✚ ... it reduces one's taxes.
- ✚ ... it helps reduce the church's debt.
- ✚ ... it can be done through a lifetime estate, allowing a person to continue living in the home.

ACCESS ACS



You can add/update your photo and contact info — and so much more using GCUMC's online directory, AccessACS! If you aren't already using it, but would like to, send an email to "ChurchOffice@GoldCanyonUMC.org" with "AccessACS" in the subject line and we'll email you login instructions.

You can also view the GCUMC Church Directory on your phone using the ChurchLife app!



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REGULAR WORSHIP SERVICES

- ✝ 8:00am & 9:30am TRADITIONAL (*Sanctuary*)
✝ 10:50am PRAISE (*Koinonia Room*)
✝ 5:00pm COUNTRY (*Koinonia Room*)
(*Last Sunday of the month only in June, July & August*)

(Childcare available at 8:00am, 9:30am and 10:50am services)

REGULAR SUNDAY SCHOOL

Children's Sunday School classes begin in the Worship Service with their families. Children are led to their classes after the Children's Message.

- ✝ 9:30am Children / Youth / Adults
✝ 10:50am Children

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