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FROM THE PASTOR: "UPDATE ON THE FELLOWSHIP HALL"



During the last couple of years, the Trustees have continued to work on the design of our new Fellowship Hall. In the picture below this article, you can see the east side of the building. Our Building Committee has worked with the architect to sketch out the commercial kitchen. In addition, we adapted the building's floor plan and dimensions to fit our property. Unfortunately, during the Coronavirus shutdown, we delayed the design work, but now the Trustees will be moving forward with the project.

Over the last two years, the generous estate gift we earmarked for this project has grown to \$882,000. We are not far from having half of the cash we need for the project on hand. We estimate that the building will cost \$2.4 million to complete. We want to move forward with this project after we pay off our current indebtedness of \$621,923.

Many functions will take place in this Fellowship Hall. It will be a place for lunches and dinners. Yes, we will be able to have larger Methodist potlucks! It will be the new larger worship space for our Praise worship and Country worship services. It will also be a gym for our children and youth. We are looking forward to this new addition so that we might expand our ministries.

I will see you in person or online on Sunday.

Grace and peace.



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CHRISTIAN EDUCATION & EVANGELISM

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

WHY CAMP?



atop (7600 feet) Mingus Mountain

above Prescott Valley. I have been leading camps since 2006 when I first started here. We have had many students of various ages participate in different camps at this site over the years. I want to thank many of you who have donated to our camping ministry. Here is why I believe camping is an essential part of our children, youth, and adult life experience:

The real obvious reason is it puts us back into God's are titled: 9/8—"Relationship with God"; 9/15—"God's creation, where the distractions are: different species Will"; 9/22—"God's Grace"; and on 2/29—"God's Holy of birds, deer and elk roaming the forest and meadow, Spirit." Please bring your Bible and a notebook. To signsounds of coyotes, star-filled skies without the glare of up to attend in-person and/or have your Zoom link street lights...not electronic gizmos or cell phones.

Camp allows for a new community to be built, even if just for a week. Old friends may return, but more often than not, new friendships are formed...with people unlike oneself. Living together in camp encourages each participant to follow a covenant, so that communal living works at its optimum.

New experiences abound for so many of the campers – many have not ever fished, or taken night hikes in the woods, tented and other adventures off campus, played disc golf or got dusty in the gaga pit, had the courage to attempt zip lining, archery or climbing a rock wall. We may try new foods that aren't like home, we • Single Occupancy lodging room is - \$140.00/per are under the loving care of adults who aren't our parents, and we get to participate in awesome huge • A Double Occupancy lodging room s - \$99.00/per group activities, that we can't do in our backyards.

Finally, and for me the most vital element, is hearing the • Commuter (non-lodger) Dining Room meal prices Word of God spoken and sung in new ways and having interactive worship time...all outside. There is an opportunity to know Christ for the first time, pray with a counselor or in a small group and walk the labyrinth.



are now past, I want to offer you - available. adult and kid alike - the chance to Church Office with any questions. participate in our Conference's FALL FAMILY CAMP, October 15-17. I have

planned this camp for a number of years and enjoy the

different season – it's cooler and the for the most part the leaves on the trees have changed color. It's also a Once again I had both the pleasure terrific opportunity for family bonding, although, we and privilege of leading campers encourage couples without children to attend as well. during the week long camp at our In the September newsletter and bulletins I will have Mingus Mountain Camp, nestled high more details for signing up for the fun.

UPCOMING FALL CLASS (HYBRID)



Mike Paul is facilitating a short series of 2-hour classes (inonline) person on Wednesdays at 9:00am (Arizona time) starting September 8th. The sessions

emailed to you so you can attend, email ChurchOffice@GoldCanyonUMC.org. You may also sign-up at the Welcome Center or Church Office.

GCUMC WOMEN... SAVE THE DATE!



Come together for a "Mountaintop" Experience!" Our Fall Women's Retreat is scheduled for October 22-24 at the beautiful Franciscan Retreat Center in Scottsdale. Registration will begin in mid-August

and rates will be:

- room/per night.
- person/per room/per night.
- are: Breakfast: \$13.00/pp; Lunch: \$16.00/pp; Dinner: \$20/pp.

A Registration Form is on page 4of this newsletter, and also available in the Church Office. If you will be Although the summer opportunities attending the entire weekend, scholarships are Please contact Pastor Katharine in the

SILENT AUCTION



Friends, if you recall, our 2020 Silent Auction that would have been held last spring, was waylaid due to COVID. Therefore, for the entire month of this September we will have the auction items — which were donated last year — displayed in the Sanctuary Lobby for bidding. We are still determining to which mission the monies will be allocated. For those of you "out-of -towners" who may be interested in bidding, we will be including photos, descriptions, etc., in next month's newsletter so you can participate, as well!. Additional details will be available in our September newsletter. Please direct questions to Pastor Katharine.

CONGRATULATIONS!

...to Jessica and Chris Kuzmin on the birth of their daughter, Olympia on July 17th!

...AND A FEW NATURE PICS FROM MINGUS MOUNTAIN





CHILDREN & YOUTH WEEKLY SCHEDULE

(Fun fellowship & faith-based programs for Children (PreK-6th) & Youth (7th—12th)

Children Sunday School

9:30am & 11:00am (Education Building)

Youth Bible Study

Tuesdays at 6:30pm (Education Building)

Youth Online Games

Fridays at 6:30pm (online)

Youth Group

Sundays at 6:30pm (Education Building)

For more information, contact Linda at LClise@GoldCanyonUMC.org



Women's Fall Weekend Retreat "Mountaintop Experience"



FRI., 10/22 (4:00PM) - SUN., 10/24 (1:00PM)



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CHILDREN & YOUTH MINISTRIES

Linda Clise, Children & Youth Ministries Director

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CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES



themselves this summer various locations. I always enjoy hearing about their trips when they

return. Their eyes light up and they are so excited to share their adventures with me!

We are nearly finished with the first part of the Simply Loved curriculum and I am pleased with the response from the children, Sunday school teachers, and their helpers. One part of the curriculum is a memory verse for each month and the children have excelled at memorizing them!

We are still in need of Sunday school teachers during the 9:30am and 11:00am worship services. Ideally, a teacher would volunteer once or twice a month, but right now they are working every week since we need School will be starting soon for more! If you are interested in volunteering, please them contact me at the church office or through email at extracurricular activities. It LClise@goldcanyonumc.org. All of the curriculum and truly has been a blessing for supplies are provided.





What a busy summer our Youth have had! They attended a week of Outdoor Adventure Camp at Mingus Mountain with Pastor Katherine and enjoyed it very much. We recently attended a fiveday retreat to the Prescott National

Forest with 11 Youth, myself, and another adult staying in a cabin. It was such a relaxing time and a perfect

opportunity to learn about God's plan for (vs. our us plans) own and time to bond with other each through fellowship.



The Youth ended the volleyball season with a win! I am so very proud of them. After not playing together for The children of Gold Canyon United two years and having new inexperienced players joining Methodist Church have been enjoying the team, they really worked well as a team and helped by and encouraged each other throughout the season. I vacationing with their families to am sure the after game treat at Dairy Queen may have helped just a bit.



and so will me to get to know our Youth and watch them grow and mature into lovely young adults!







MUSIC NOTES

Dr. Ian Classe, Director of Music Ministries



As I mentioned in last month's newsletter, the Music Department is working on some surveys to In some performing arts, such as hip hop music, many of them have already completed it.

This August, we hope to send a congregational music survey out, near the end of the month so stay on the lookout for that invitation. Last but not least, the choir will resume regular rehearsals Rhythm may be defined as the way in which one or and expect to hear them starting that month.

Continuing where I left off in the last newsletter, this month I'll be discussing the musical terms "rhythm" and "texture."

Rhythm is (from the Greek ῥυθμός, rhythmos) generally a movement marked by the regulated succession of strong and weak elements, or of

As we enter the month of August, I'm happy to say opposite or different conditions. In more musical we've actually had some monsoon weather this terms, rhythm is the timing of events on a human summer. Though the occasional power outage or scale; of musical sounds and silences that occur storm damage is trying, the water is much needed. over time, of the steps of a dance, or the meter of spoken language and poetry.

help us to improve worship and plan as we move the rhythmic delivery of the lyrics is one of the forward. The Choir has received their survey and most important elements of the style. Rhythm is strongly related to and distinguished from pulse, meter, and beats which are different aspects of music affected by the previously discussed tempo.

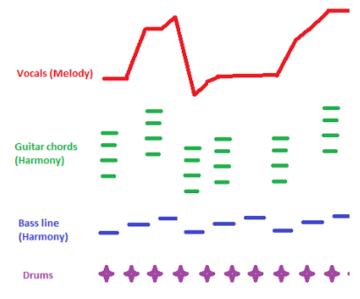
in September, so stay tuned for news about that more unaccented beats are grouped in relation to an accented one. For example, you may have a 4/4 meter (4 beats per measure, and the quarter note is the note that is the primary beat) however there are notes smaller in duration than the quarter note (such as eighth or sixteenth notes) that fit together in different ways, while also fitting within the same amount of time as the quarter note.



Most music, dance and oral poetry establishes and maintains an underlying "metric level", a basic unit of time that may be audible or implied sometimes simply called the beat. The "beat" pulse is not necessarily the fastest or the slowest component of the rhythm, but the one that is perceived as fundamental: it has a tempo to which listeners entrain as they tap their foot or dance to a piece of music.

Rhythm relies on the relationship between discrete segments of notes and the overall beat. Rhythm can come across as being very straight, and simple depending on the piece of music, or it can be much more complicated with many different divisions of the beat and many different durations of notes. It can also be syncopated which is where stress is given to the weak beats instead of the strong beats, surprising a listener with a pattern that they don't expect.

Musical texture is how the tempo, melodic, and harmonic materials are combined in a musical composition, determining the overall quality of the sound in a piece. The texture is often described in thickness also is changed by the amount and the regard to the density, or thickness, and range, or voices (or instruments).



For example, a thick texture contains many 'layers' Best regards, of instruments or voices. One of these layers could be a string section or another brass. The



richness of the instruments playing the piece. The width, between lowest and highest pitches, in thickness varies from light to thick. A piece's relative terms, as well as more specifically texture may be changed by the number and distinguished according to the number of voices, character of parts playing at once, the timbre of or parts, and the relationship between these the instruments or voices playing these parts and the harmony, tempo, and rhythms used.

> Different styles and genres of music have different characteristics when it comes to harmony, rhythms used, as well as tempo, and texture. In the upcoming survey, there may be a question or two that will be related to video links. It is my hope these videos will give you the opportunity to experience a few different styles and genres of music, as well as gain a better understanding of the characteristics that come together to define a certain genre or style. This will help us to converse in the future about music in church and I hope encourage you to participate as you're able.

> If you have any questions, feel free to email or call and I do hope you'll take a look at our survey when it's available.



GLOBAL MISSIONS

Fay Quanstrom, Associate Pastor



What began in 1994?... What has produced over 90,000 units? What has recipients in 106 countries? What has 70 distribution partners? What is better than a wheelchair? What serves the "leg disabled"? What has 30 affiliated workshops? What is experimenting with resin components?

...And the answer is... Mobility Worldwide, a ministry that reflects the love of God by bringing the gift of mobility and dignity to those in developing countries who are unable to walk. Formerly known as PET, Mobility Worldwide grew out of a 1994 trip by Methodist missionary Reverend Larry Hills to Zaire, where he first recognized the need for the device when he encountered survivors of polio and landmines who could not walk, but could not use wheelchairs in their rural environments. Hills and

his wife Laura spoke with Reverend Mel West about a modified wheelchair that might serve, hand-cranked with three wheels. During 1995, West involved product designer Earl Miner in producing a prototype built with an eye to sturdiness, simplicity and cost effectiveness. In 1996, four prototypes were put to the test in Zaire. Based on their performance, PETs went into production and were shipped for distribution in Zaire.

The following year, cart production began to expand into other countries, starting with Mozambique. In 2000, to meet growing demand, a facility was built in Columbia, Missouri which serves to receive donated parts, assemble carts and ship them internationally. A second US facility was opened in Penney Farms, Florida USA (near Jacksonville) that same year. In 2003, a third facility was established in Luling, Texas. In 2004, to help manage the growth and production of carts, PET International was incorporated, with a Board of Trustees and staff to help manage all issues related to assembling and distribution. The cost of the components for a mobility cart is roughly \$300.

Carts have been shipped to Afghanistan, Afghanistan, Argentina, Armenia, Angola, Bahamas, Bangladesh, Belize, Benin, Bolivia, Bosnia, Botswana, Brasil, Bulgaria, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cambodia, Cameroon, Chad, China, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Democratic Republic of Congo, Democratic Republic of São Tomé and Príncipe, Djibouti, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Fiji, Gabon, Gambia, Gaza, Georgia, Ghana, Guatemala, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Haiti, Honduras, India, Indonesia, Iraq, Ivory Coast, Jamaica, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Kosovo, Kyrgyzstan, Laos, Latvia, Liberia, Madagascar, Malawi, Mali,

Mauritius, Mexico, Micronesia, Moldova, Mongolia, Morocco, Mozambique, Myanmar, Namibia, Nepal, Nicaragua, Niger, Nigeria, North Korea, Pakistan, Panama, Papua New Guinea, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Republic of Congo, Romania, Russia, Rwanda, Samoa, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Somalia, Sri Lanka, Republic of South Sudan, Swaziland, Syria, Tajikistan, Tanzania, Thailand, Togo, Tonga, Trinidad, Turkey, Uzbekistan, Uganda, Ukraine, Uruguay, Vanuatu, Vietnam, West Bank, Western Sahara, Zambia, and Zimbabwe.

GCUMC supports Mobility Worldwide through General Budget, as well as direct individuals giving in honor or memory of special people. To date GCUMC has sponsored close to 100 mobility carts. If you would like to check out what a mobility cart looks like you can see one in the Lobby of our Education Building.

Our regular prayers include the recipients and distribution partners of the carts, missionaries Sandy and Delbert Groves in Zambia.

















ON THE COUNTRY SIDE

Dr. David Worley

As we move into August, we will be sharing videos of past services each Sunday of the month **except for August 22.** On that Sunday at 4pm we will gather for a Sing-a-long, which many enjoy; although we have not been able to hold this event for well over a year. As we have in the past, we will gather in the Koinonia Room of the Education Building to sing old hymns and Gospel songs that many tell me they sang during their childhoods. There is no sermon, no solos, just congregational singing for about an hour. We have a prepared list of songs from which we choose, and with the help of the Wranglers along with my piano accompaniment, we will sing together. We hope many will plan on joining us as we lift our voices to offer our God praise in song!

... AND ON A PASTORAL NOTE

I read some interesting statistics recently: 82% of people who are invited to church are somewhat likely to attend but 98% of people who regularly attend church have never invited an unchurched person to attend with them; this means that 7 out of 10 people who do not regularly attend church have never been invited to do so in their whole lives. What a shame! But also what an opportunity! I have heard several people in our congregation

mention an observable decline in attendance at all of our worship services that is unusually low even for summer. What's the answer? Perhaps it's as simple as inviting others to attend with you. Maybe they will decline but how will we know if we don't at least try? Even more importantly, our invitation may be the very thing that eventually leads those who we invite to church, to respond to the invitation of our Lord Jesus to follow Him.



Sundays at 11:00am!

Together we'll lift our hearts, souls and spirts... and you're sure to feel uplifted and energized when you leave!

It's a great way to start off the week!

Interested in joining the Praise Team? Contact David at... (DCBallardsAZ@gmail.com)

HOLY LAND TRIP (\$3,498) RESCHEDULED OCT. 18-27, 2022



Our trip to the Holy Land trip is set for 10/18-10/27, 2022, with the Jordan Petra extension scheduled from 10/28–10/31. This change means the weather will be more moderate for our trip since October is typically pleasant and mild in Israel.

All travelers leaving their current registrations intact will be automatically moved to the new trip dates, and you won't have to resubmit deposits or complete a new form. An updated brochure should be available soon.

I think we are making a smart decision by making sure that world travel is safe for all of us during these last days of COVID-19. I am really looking forward to this trip.

If you have any questions feel free to me at revstein78@gmail.com or leave a message with the Church Office.



CARING CORNER

Kim Shroyer

SPEAK UP



things differently. You different people, some who think

like you, some who don't, some who understand you, some who don't, some who talk like you, some who don't. What does that mean?

On its face, it means I often find myself wondering how to bridge some of the gaps I run across...how to find common ground when I think there is none...how to make a difference when it really wasn't what I was setting out (consciously) to do that day...and ultimately how to make the decision to not judge, vs. to judge. Because whether I'd like to admit it or not, I fall into that human fallibility of looking around me and sometimes "judging" others. The judgment I am speaking of doesn't necessarily have to be extremely negative - but I think our human tendency is to walk into a room, assess those around us, and categorize them somehow - what some might call a first impression. But it is a judgment, nevertheless.

about 4:00 in the afternoon. The weather was great, and we had finished eating when my phone rang. There were a few people seated around us and I quickly decided I should move to another table, so I could talk more freely and not disturb others. Who knew that this $\,$ If would be a defining moment of sorts?!

As I was seated, after completing my call, a woman who had been at a table near me earlier walked up to my table and said, "Excuse me." I must admit that my default thought process was instantly something like "Oh my gosh, what did I say, was I too loud, was there something I said that offended her?", and so on. probably thought this way because quite often my experience has been that people only take that step out of their comfort zone in such settings IF they have something negative to say.

Then she really shocked me. She looked at my husband and I and said something along the lines of "I just wanted to tell you that I think you have a profound presence. The way you carry yourself and the sound of

your voice is very calming...". Wow! This story isn't about what she said, it is about why she decided to say I haven't been in Arizona for the it! She is my new hero. What she said to me, after past 3 months. Being in a different literally only 2 minutes of observation (and NO locale makes you view some substantive conversation) was so incredibly uplifting. I meet think of Proverbs 12:25 here:

> "Anxiety weighs down the human heart, but a good word cheers it up." (NRSV)

We never know what anyone around us is experiencing today, yesterday, this month, this year, or this minute. Thus, we never know how we positively impact them with the simplest of interactions. How many times have I had the opportunity to reach out to someone around me and say something uplifting, but have not? What made this young woman say something incredibly positive to a total stranger? Why did she decide to speak to me? What made her step up? Why didn't she hold back, succumb to the temptation of staying in her comfort zone?

I don't know the answers to all those questions, but I know that she blessed me. I had anxiety weighing on my heart that day, and she cheered me up. And she inspired me.

A couple of weeks ago I was on a restaurant patio at Being more of an introvert in strange settings, doing what she did isn't always easy for me, but I am vowing to find one positive thing every day that I can say or express to someone. It can be a stranger, family member, friend...anyone. Will you join me?

> stepping outside your comfort zone feels overwhelming, or you can't muster the energy as you need comforting words for your own anxious heart, let one of GCUMC's 4 Pastors help. They minister to members and friends of Gold Canyon UMC. Please simply call the church office at 480-982-3776 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 on Sunday morning, (or emailed to you prior to Sunday worship), in the church office or the Pastoral and Congregational Care page of this newsletter.

"Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing."

~ 1 Thessalonians 5:11 (NRSV)



PASTORAL & CONGREGATIONAL CARE

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

PASTORAL CARE

Our Pastors are on-call to reach out to members and friends of Gold Canyon UMC. If you know someone in our congregation who is hospitalized, ill at home, needs a listening ear and/or prayers of the community, please send an email to GCUMCPrayers@gmail.com, call the Church Office at (480) 982-3776, or contact one of the pastors directly so they can be included on the prayer list.



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Dr. David Worley, Director, Congregational Care DWorley3@gmail.com / (970) 821-5404

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.





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

Sammy Buchner (TN/KS)
Debi Correll (8/6/20)
Sara Jones (TN/KS)
Darrell Keast (6/30)
Joe Lundberg (6/19)
Michael Morris (7/21)
Steve Pieper (MN)
James Toppin

In Remembrance

Not plugged in yet?...

If you haven't already, complete and submit a Time & Talents Sheet — available in the Lobbies of either building or in the Church Office. We have many areas from which you can select and connect! It's a great way to make new friends, too!

To see areas where you can serve/get involved, visit:

https://secure.accessacs.com/access/mydashboard/ sqavailablegroups.aspx



MINISTRY & MISSIONS

SCRIP BUS & VAN FUND



We are always grateful for the Frys', and Bashas' card users and church! SmileAmazon shoppers

support our church Bus/Van Fund! Thanks to the Bashas' card users who take that extra effort to recharge their cards—as well as those individuals who have linked up their Fry's card to support GCUMC.

Remember you can always recharge your Bashas Community Support Card(s) to add more money that can be used as a payment card. All purchases using the Community Card at Bashas benefit the Church at 6% and don't cost you anything except your time to recharge the card before the cashier rings up your groceries. If you need a (new or replacement) card, contact Jan at (480)540-7454) or the Church Office (480)982-3776.



if you haven't done so, 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 In the July/August 2021 edition of the UMW response shop—the same selection—same prices! Just go to:

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the Amazon shopping app on mobile phones (iOS & 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.

When you shop at any Bashas' store for food or prescriptions 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),

continued support of our faithful Fry's then will contribute 3% of your purchases to our

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

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN



- by Carol Johnson, UMW President

My husband and I were recently driving in our community when we spotted a homeless man with whom we are acquainted through

church. The police were parked near where he was sitting on the sidewalk, trying to fix one of his bicycle tires. It was well over 100 degrees by that time of day. We happened to have two bottles of cold water in the car. I suggested that we pull over and give him one of our bottles of water, but we didn't. Why? Were we afraid that our offer would be rejected? Did we feel the need to move along with the traffic? Were we afraid that we wouldn't have enough for ourselves?

magazine, the Bible study article focuses on the Book of Revelation, specifically John's letter to the Laodicean church. John reprimanded the church AmazonSmile customers can also support GCUMC in members as being "neither cold nor hot", but instead lukewarm. John viewed the members as being neither Android)! Follow the below instructions to turn on strongly for nor strongly against anything. They were AmazonSmile and start generating donations to passive, inactive, and therefore, ineffective. As long as they were comfortable, they could sit back and ignore oppression. In the article, a comparison is made between John's letter and Martin Luther King Jr.'s "Letter From a Birmingham Jail." Both men called for believers to be moved from moderation into liberation, from apathy into work. Both men called for a movement from lukewarmness to the "heat and spice of transformation." Both men felt that answering the call of the Gospel requires Christians to act, as there is and use their rechargeable card that was obtained here no moderation in the Gospel. Both men called us to act at the Welcome Center or the Church Office, GCUMC now; to "do justice now, love mercy now, journey with the Divine now."

> As to our manner with the homeless man, my husband and I were lukewarm at best; we had good intentions,

answer God's call in our hearts.

The author of the response article posed some questions:

- If the author of Revelation wrote a letter to you, what would it say?
- Where do you note apathy or lukewarmness in your own life?
- What steps can you take to move to a position of spiciness, of passion, of liberation?

One thing I love about the United Methodist Women is that it calls us to act and it offers opportunities for us to act. Won't you join us? Won't you answer John's call?

Over the next few months, the Gold Canyon United We continue to have Zoom meetings on the first Methodist Women has many opportunities to "get Monday of every month (Zoom link is in the bulletin). We spicy" and act out your faith:



Saturday, 8/21: UMW Meeting with guest speaker Jeanie Owens, founder of Project Sleep Tight, a local project which assembles and distributes bags of needed items (blankets, books, stuffed animal, toothbrush) to children in crisis. They work with a number of shelters in the area: Child Crisis Center, UMOM, Welcome to America, Changing Lives Center for Women and Children, House of Refuge, Southwest Human Development, A New Leaf, Save the Family and Family Promise. Our members are contributing books and stuffed animals for children ages 1—8, and we will assemble the bags at the meeting. Fellowship 10:00am, Meeting 10:30am. Barnabas Room, Missions Center.

Saturday, 9/18: We will have guest speakers from the Matthew 25 Prison Ministry, including a former Perryville inmate who benefitted from having a pen pal through the ministry.

we empathized with him, we wished him well, but we Sunday, 10/10: We will attend a church service at the didn't act. We did not follow the Gospel, nor did we Tongan United Methodist Church in Mesa. Following the service and fellowship time, we will have lunch at the Aloha Kitchen.

> Sunday, 11/21: Our Annual UMW Bake Sale Fundraiser! Moneys raised will support the ministries of the UMW and also CAAFA (Community Alliance Against Family Abuse). Please consider donating baked goods or volunteering your time! I know there are some amazing bakers in our church!

> Saturday, 12/4: Our Annual UMW Christmas Tea!... an exciting and fun event at 2pm in the Koinonia Room, to allow for more women to attend. We are already busy planning! The Tea will be one of our fundraisers this year, so there will be a \$20 per person charge.

> also continue to have our Reading Program gettogethers monthly (August 11, 10:00 am, Barnabas Room, Missions Center).

Last, but not least, our Circles continue to meet:

- Culinary Circle: Check the church bulletin for specific date and time, or contact Carol Johnson at caroljohnsonaz@yahoo.com or 602-750-2008.
- Matthew 25 Prison Ministry Circle meets monthly. Contact Cherie Creel for info: cheryljunec@icloud.com or 480-232-1584.
- Esther Circle (Bible Study): Will start meeting again in October. If interested, contact Carol Johnson at caroljohnsonaz@yahoo.com or (602)750-2008.
- Creation Care Circle: To meet again beginning in October. For more information, contact Rita Vadasz-Miller at RitaRKV2@aol.com.

FOOD BANK



Our Food Bank was blessed again by the support of the Arizona National Guard. Four Guardsmen unloaded a truck of food donations, and packaged frozen meats for distribution, as well as bagging a pallet of water for those in

need. We could not do what we do within their help, or yours. Thanks for your continued support! Donations of canned goods and/or bottled water are always greatly appreciated, and can be left on one of the Food Bank carts located at one of the Church entrances, or dropped off at the Food Bank's back door during open hours of Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 9:00am-Noon. Please call us at (480)982-6789 if you have any questions.

ST. ANDREWS CLINIC



St. Andrew's Children's Clinic is a volunteer-driven health clinic located at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church in Nogales, Arizona. Medical specialists provide much needed medical treatment to children that travel to the clinic from Mexico. Before Covid, the clinic was open the first Thursday of each month, except in July. For over 16 years, GCUMC volunteers have traveled to the clinic in



March & October, bringing donations of supplies, hand-made quilts, stuffed animals, and hygiene kits, with our last trip in March 2020 with 11 volunteers.



With the borders closed, the clinic has also been closed. The clinic staff has kept in touch with patients and their caregivers. St. Andrew's Clinic is getting ready to help support two cleft palate surgical clinics scheduled for September and October with 25 patients per clinic. Thanks to the generous support of people at GCUMC, through our Mission funds, we were able to help with a \$750 donation in June, 2021. God-willing, volunteers from GCUMC will be making the one-day mission trip to St. Andrew's Clinic on Thursday, October 7th. The GCUMC Quilters provide beautiful quilts that are given to

each child at the clinic.

We invite you to join us on this worthwhile mission trip as we caravan on route to the clinic — some people with personal vehicles, as well as the Church van if needed. Starting August 15th, there will be sign-up forms in the Sanctuary and Education Building lobbies, as well as our donation bins for the requested supplies needed at the clinic. Please consider donating any of these items: umbrella strollers, blenders, diapers, baby wipes, children's soft chewable vitamins, child size bibs, Pedialyte, small cans prune juice, backpacks, small personal size hygiene products. If you have questions about donating items, please contact Gail Crawford at (480)268-0918. If

you would like more info on how to join us on this mission trip, please contact Sherry Hussein at (480)529-9621.

WEEKLY FOOD FESTIVAL AT GCUMC!

Every Saturday from 5:00pm to 8:00pm GCUMC is the gathering site of community food trucks in our North Parking Lot!

This weekly "Food Festival" is hosted by Rattlerun Events, and is a great opportunity to invite a friend(s) for a bite and support local businesses. If you have any questions about the food trucks, please contact Pastor Katharine in the Church Office.



If interested in becoming a food vendor please visit www.rattlerunevents.com and fill out a vendor interest form





ANGEL TEAM: After fourteen wonderful years serving as GCUMC's Angel Mission "Head Angel," Jane Hayes, Angel Team Coordinator, is looking for a trainee replacement. The willing person would team up with her to learn the ropes and carry this important mission forward into the future — with a multitude of angels happy to assist them. Volunteer Team Captains are also needed who would lead a small group (via phone, mail or email) made up of friends, neighbors, family, hiking, golf, tennis, walking, bible study, office mates, etc. Each group, under the direction of their Team Captain, then adopts a family who has been vetted by one of our partners: Sidewalk Sunday School, Project Help, or Hope Women's Center. If you have any questions, or would like to

volunteer, please contact Jane Hayes at (602)320-5952 or JHayesFamily@msn.com.

SUNDAY COFFEE FELLOWSHIP GOODIES! If you have a knack for baking, we would greatly appreciate baked goods from your kitchen!

SUNDAY COFFEE FELLOWSHIP VOLUNTEERS: If you are a people-person and enjoy serving in the kitchen, we need you! Please contact Reta Wilson (480)288-0468 to let her know if you are able to volunteer... and be sure to tell her after which service you could work!

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS: Volunteers are needed who ideally work 1-2 times a month along with a partner. Curriculum and supplies are provided and set-up, and your job would be to show up, have fun with the kids, and teach about Jesus! If you have a heart for teaching children and a love of our Lord, please call the Church Office or email LClise@GoldCanyonUMC.org.

WORSHIP SERVICE VOLUNTEERS: We are looking for friendly faces who welcome church family members and new attendees to our church services through Ushering, Greeting, or at the Welcome Center. Training provided; to volunteer email AdmAssociate.GCUMC@gmail.com, specifying what you would like to do and which church service. Be one of our lights!

SINGERS & INSTRUMENTALISTS WANTED! In September we will resume worship service music as normal. If you haven't participated in the Choir or Orchestra in the past — and have a heart for worship through music — we encourage you to contact Dr. Ian Classe, Director of Music Ministries at (480)982-3776 or lanceachgamail.com. Those interested in serving in the Praise Band or Country Worship Music Team should reach out to David Ballard at DCBallardsAZ@gmail.com.





AUGUST 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!

Arquisch, Rosemary 08/01 Ballard, David 08/01 Barber, Larry 08/01 Crosswhite, Carol 08/01 Nuss, Kathy 08/01 Tufte, Wanda 08/01 Klaers, Mary 08/02 Morris, Claudia 08/02 Luhrs, Otto 08/03 Robertson, Delores 08/03 Snyder, Toby 08/03 Tollefson, Daniel (Dan) 08/03 Fast, Jim 08/04 Ofstedahl, Sherrie 08/04 Walker, Linda 08/04 Fuerherm, Roy 08/05 Little, Margie 08/05 Nelimark, Sue 08/05 Nelimark, MD, Bob 08/05 Pullen, Ed 08/05 Meise-Deits, Nancy 08/06 Nelson, Jack 08/06 Storley, LeRoy 08/06 Fitzgerald, Ashton 08/07 Klaers, Nicholas (Nick) 08/07 Mintert, Frank 08/07 Hall, Lindsey 08/08 Fordyce, Barb 08/09 Laich, Flossie 08/09 Ramsey, Bill 08/09 Browne, Kim 08/10 Kellough, Marilyn 08/11 Burzlaff, David 08/12 Hayes, Jane 08/12 Kies, David (Dave) 08/12 Mintert, Zenith 08/12 O'Donnell, Cherry 08/12 Rewerts, Jerry 08/12 Wasserfort, Joan 08/12 Sandness, Patty 08/13 Wiff, Tom 08/13 Adams, Markee 08/14 Andreyka, Joe 08/14 French, Jerri 08/14 Wilson, Denise 08/14 Gregg, Bill 08/15 Miller, Roger 08/15 Cline, Donald 08/16 Lilly, Sue 08/16

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Turner, Joyce 08/16 Wiff, Bette 08/26 Atkinson, Judy 08/17 Butler, Joan 08/17 Butterbrodt, Sandy 08/17 Luther, Jeff 08/17 Vander Stoep, Karen 08/17 Edwards, Bill 08/18 Hick, Adrian 08/18 Johnson, Jerry 08/18 Hall, Rick 08/19 McClure, Bob 08/19 Nuss, John 08/19 Bos, Sara 08/20 Fitzgerald, Chris 08/20 Jones, Tara 08/20 Lunder, Wayne 08/21 Deits. Bob 08/22 DeVries, Deanna 08/22 Linton, John 08/22 Welker, June 08/22 Witucky, Micah 08/22 Braathen, Flo 08/23 Hahn, Jan 08/23 Osborn, Barbara 08/23 Taylor, C James (Jim) 08/23 Adamski, Carol 08/24 Brigham, Christian 08/24 Brogren, Ann 08/24 Rasmussen, Diane 08/24 Sunderland, Lois 08/24 Toole, Donna 08/24 Ficarra, Willa 08/25 Fuerherm, Donna 08/25 Johnson, Mark 08/25 LeRoy, Debbie 08/25 Sheridan, Bob 08/25 Kingsley, James 08/26 Blank, Julie 08/27 Svoboda, Ron 08/27 Winkler, Don 08/27 Huffman, Gene 08/28 Rodgers, Barb 08/28 Burt, Carolyn 08/29 Creel, Cherie 08/29 Sauerbrunn, Gary 08/29 Sweeney, Kenneth (Ken) 08/29 Bentley, Ann-Marie 08/30 Fast, Shirley 08/30 Fendley, Penny 08/30 Rowley, Roger 08/30 Capozzi, Carol 08/31

Jacobsen, Robert (Bob) 08/31 Tambke, Norma 08/31

Happy Anniversary!

Luse, Carol & Bob 08/01 Myers, Mary Catherine & Bob 08/01 Larson, Craig & Sharon 08/03 Cascaden, Lisa & Brian 08/04 Petticrew, Keith & Nancy 08/04 Tabor, Lynn & Ilene 08/05 Gray, Dan & Phyllis 08/08 Shank, Linda & Stuart Thaniq 08/08 Graham, Claudia & Rich 08/09 Kies, Dave & Sherry 08/10 Nelimark, Sue & Bob 08/10 Fabish, Kathy & Paul 08/11 Ralston, Riechia & Tim 08/11 Digerness, Bruce & Nancy 08/12 Sandness, Patty & Paul 08/12 Quanstrom, Fay & Wally 08/14 Togstad, Keith & Pamela 08/14 Johnson, Jerry & Kathy 08/16 Picek, Char & Tom 08/16 Mulhair, Bob & Delna 08/17 Hollingsworth, Carol & Glen 08/18 Tollefson, Dan & Kathy 08/18 Anderson, Don & Beth 08/19 Graba, Joe & Sylvia 08/19 Miller, David & Nancy 08/21 Wilson, Don & Peg 08/21 Burzlaff, David & Julie 08/22 Annin, Frank & Karen 08/23 Hall, Cheryl & Rick 08/23 Svoboda, Beverly & Dick 08/23 Rickey, Craig & Patricia 08/24 Parsons, Phil & Jean 08/25 Robison, Marty & Tom 8/15 Russell, Nancy & Bob 08/25 Confer, Lynne & Terry 08/26 Ancell, Alyce & Bob 08/27 Hick, Adrian & Pam 08/27 Behan, Connie & Jack 08/28 Fyfe, Angie & Bill 08/28 Kresge, Betty & Willard 08/28 McGinness, Anne & Pat 08/29 Moorberg, Deb & Mike 08/29 Storbakken, Linda & Terry 08/29 Eshelman, Myrna & Skip 08/30 Beebe, Kathy & Bill 08/31 Fisher, Judy & Steve 08/31 Jameson, Jim & Suzanne 08/31 McBride, Paula & Gene 08/31



AUGUST CALENDAR

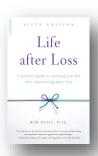
(Calendar is subject to change; For more info, please visit <u>www.GoldCanyonUMC.org</u> or call the Church Office)

Sun Aug 1	8am	Traditional Worship (S)		2nm	Country Music Rehearsal (KR)
Juli Aug 1	9am	UG Rehearsal (KR)		3pm 4pm	Country Worship (KR)
		Children's Sunday School (EB)			Youth Group (K)
		Traditional Worship (S)	Mon Aug 16	-	Bible Study (ONLINE)
		Youth Participate in Worship (S)	WOII Aug 10		Ad Council (Online)
		Youth Sunday School (YR)	Tue Aug 17	-	Youth (K)
	11am	Children's Sunday School (EB)	Wed Aug 18	-	Cancer Support Group (ONLINE)
	11am	Praise Worship (KR)	Wed Adg 10	11:	30am Healing & Prayer Time (ONLINE)
	3pm	Country Music Rehearsal (KR)			Youth Games (ONLINE)
	4pm	Country Worship (KR)	Thu Aug 19	7pm	AA (MC-E)
	-	Youth Group (K)	Fri Aug 20	10am	MindMenders
Mon Aug 2	10am	UMW Mtg (ONLINE)	TITAUS 20	5:30pm	
WOII Aug 2	5pm	Bible Study (ONLINE)	Sat Aug 21	10am	UMW Mtg (MC-B/Zoom)
Tue Aug 3	-	Youth (K)	Jat Aug 21	5pm	Gold Canyon Grubfest & Farmers Mkt (N
Wed Aug 4	10am	UMW Book Club (BC-Patio)		эртт	Parking Lot)
Wed Aug 4		Healing & Prayer Time (ONLINE)	Sun Aug 22	8am	Traditional Worship (S)
		Youth Games (ONLINE)	Juli Aug 22	9am	UG Rehearsal (KR)
Thu Aug 5	7pm	AA (MC-E)		9:30am	
Fri Aug 6	10am	MindMenders			Traditional Worship (S)
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Sat Aug 7	5pm	Gold Canyon Grubfest & Farmers Mkt (N		11am	Children's Sunday School (EB)
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Sun Aug 8	8am	Traditional Worship (S)		3pm	Country Music Rehearsal (KR)
Juli Aug 0	9am	UG Rehearsal (KR)		4pm	Country Gospel Sing-Along (KR)
		Children's Sunday School (EB)			Youth Group (K)
		Traditional Worship (S)	Tue Aug 24	9am	Stitches Unlimited (B-MC)
		Youth Sunday School (YR)	rac rag z r		Youth (K)
	11am	Children's Sunday School (EB)	Wed Aug 25		Cancer Support Group (ONLINE)
	11am	Praise Worship (KR)			n Healing & Prayer Time (ONLINE)
	3pm	Country Music Rehearsal (KR)			Youth Games (ONLINE)
	4pm	Country Worship (KR)	Thu Aug 26	7pm	AA (MC-E)
	-	Youth Group (K)	Fri Aug 27	10am	MindMenders
Mon Aug 9	5pm	Bible Study (ONLINE)			AA (MC-E)
		Coffee with the Pastor (Music Rm/Zoom)	Sat Aug 28	5pm	Gold Canyon Grubfest & Farmers Mkt (N
Tue Aug 10	9am	Stitches Unlimited (B&Patio-MC)	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	-	Parking Lot)
		Youth (K)	Sun Aug 29	8am	Traditional Worship (S)
Wed Aug 11	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Cancer Support Group (ONLINE)	J	9am	UG Rehearsal (KR)
		Healing & Prayer Time (ONLINE)		9:30am	Children's Sunday School (EB)
		Youth Games (ONLINE)			Traditional Worship (S)
Thu Aug 12	7pm	AA (MC-E)			Youth Sunday School (YR)
Fri Aug 13	10am	MindMenders		11am	Children's Sunday School (EB)
J		AA (MC-E)		11am	Praise Worship (KR)
Sat Aug 14	5pm	Gold Canyon Grubfest & Farmers Mkt (N		3pm	Country Music Rehearsal (KR)
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Sun Aug 15	8am	Traditional Worship (S)			Youth Group (K)
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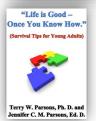
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THE BOOK SHELF



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" a by Rev. Dr. Fay Quanstrom 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.FayQuanstrom.com.



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.

Watch live and archived worship services and events at:









COMPUTER ASSISTANCE



A church member, Craig Starks, has volunteered to help GCUMC members to set-up their computers to receive email, surf the web, and help with the basics of Microsoft Office, and is knowledgeable on a

variety of useful programs. Please **text** Craig at (602) 723-0744, or email him at CST51@airmail.net if you would like his help.

RIDES TO WORSHIP



If you need a ride to church, please contact Tim Hammers at (330)534-3779 so he can get you on the rider schedule.

HOSTING OPPORTUNITY



Have you ever considered hosting a foreign exchange student? If you have any interest in this rewarding experience, or just have questions about the process, text/call Jennifer Rhine-Walker at (219)608-8939.



CONTRIBUTIONS & ATTENDANCE

"Let no debt remain outstanding except the continuing debt to love one another."
- Romans 13:8 (NIV)

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If you would like 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; \$1,555 raised so far)
- Fellowship Hall (\$2.4M; \$882,375 raised so far)
- Stained Glass for upper Sanctuary windows (\$167,348 raised so far; \$2,725 per 2'5"x 2'8.5" panel + scaffolding)
- Organ Pipes: (\$137,023 raised so far)
- Building Fund Debt Payoff (\$621,924)



GIFTING YOUR HOME TO GCUMC

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

ROADRUNNER & BULLETIN DEADLINES

Please send content for the SEPTEMBER Roadrunner

via email to ChurchOffice@GoldCanyonUMC.org

no later than 8:00am, Mon., 8/9/2021

Weekly Bulletin & Flower Orders

12:00pm on the Wednesday prior to the Sunday Service



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.





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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WORSHIP SERVICES

♣8:00am & 9:30amTRADITIONAL (Sanctuary)♣11:00amPRAISE (Koinonia Room)♣4:00pmCOUNTRY (Koinonia Room)

(Childcare available at 8:0am, 9:30am and 11:00am services)

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Children's Sunday School classes are held in the Education Building. Please bring your child(ren) to church with you, where they will be escorted to Sunday School, and you can pick them up after the church service.

 • 9:30am Children (Education Building)

 • 11:00am Children (Education Building)

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