

# ROADRUNNER



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## FROM THE PASTOR: “NO EXCUSES SUNDAY”



I heard of a pastor who planned to have a “No Excuses Sunday.” That means there’s no good excuse for missing worship that day. In the publicity, the newsletter announced:

*For people who say, “Sunday is my only day to sleep in,” cots will be placed in the church lobby.*

*The member who claims “the roof would cave in if I ever went to church” will be provided a steel crash helmet.*

*For those who think the church is too cold, blankets will be available; for those who believe it’s too hot, fans.*

*For those who say the preacher speaks too softly, hearing aids; for those who say the preacher speaks too loudly, ear plugs.*

*Prepared meals will be given out to those who claim they can’t go to church, and also cook Sunday dinner.*

*For those who like to see God in nature, one corner of the sanctuary will be landscaped with trees, grass, and a fishing pond.*

*Those who enjoy Sunday golf will find a putting green and golf clubs at church on that Sunday.*

*For those who customarily attend church only at Christmas and Easter, there will be poinsettias and lilies appropriate to those seasons.*

Then the article declared awards would be given to members who bring the best excuse and the most friends.

During January, we focused on the essential aspects of being a church. We focused on how Jesus broke down the fences between Him and us and set us free to break down the divide between us and others. We talked about how we have been given super-powered spiritual gifts to help others and how intentionally giving our time, talent, energy, and resources can help others in need. And when we act as Jesus calls us to act, we are salt and light to the world.

I pray that Gold Canyon U.M.C. can grow to be the church Jesus would want us to be. There is so much possibility in realizing God’s vision of the church. I will see you on Sunday.

Grace and peace,

*Fred*

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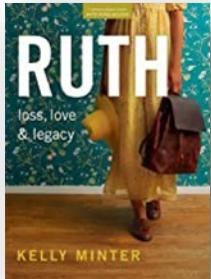


# CHRISTIAN EDUCATION & EVANGELISM

Pastor Katharine Keller

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

## NEW WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY



Beginning Wednesday DAY AND EVENING of February 1 and running for seven weeks, Pastor Katharine is offering a video study of "Ruth: Loss, Love and Legacy," by Kelly Minter. The morning session is at 10am, and the evening class is 6:30pm. In the class, you'll examine Ruth's journey of unbearable loss, redeeming love, and divine legacy to see how God proves Godself faithful. Katharine has ordered 50 study books at \$25 each, so the first 50 who sign up and pay will receive the book. If you are not in the first 50 you will need to order your own book.

## CHRISTMAS 2022 IN PICS

Christmas Eve was memorable as always with the candlelight service, the procession of the three wisemen, and Carters Farm Petting Zoo... and of



course, on Christmas Day we celebrated Jesus' birthday!



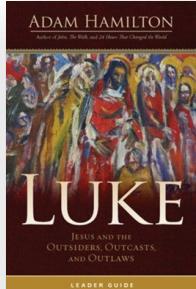
## ALL-CHURCH PANCAKE DINNER



Come for fellowship and flapjacks on Friday, February 24 from 4:30pm – 6:30pm. Any donation is welcome to benefit Genesis Project. For those of you attending the Gold Canyon Arts Concert that night, you can eat before you go. Cooks, wait staff, and all-around-kitchen help is needed. Please contact Pastor Katharine if you can help.



## LENTEN STUDY



Our 6-week Lenten Study (video) based on Adam Hamilton's *Luke: Jesus and the Outsiders, Outcasts and Outlaws* will be taught by Pastor Katharine and start Thur., 3/2 at 10am in the Esther Room. We will explore the life of Jesus as told in the Gospel of Luke. Through Luke's stories we find Jesus' care and compassion for all as he welcomes sinners and outcasts. As we study Luke and see Jesus' concern for those who were considered unimportant, we hear a hopeful and inspiring word for our lives today. Sign-up will begin in early February. Although there is a book that one may purchase, it is not necessary for this class.

CONGRATULATIONS  
CINDY & RICH!

Cindy (Hoff) and Richard Mancini greeted well wishers for their recent nuptials.

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# CHILDREN & YOUTH MINISTRY

Linda Clise, Children & Youth Ministries Director

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

## CHILDREN'S MINISTRY



At Mingus Mountain, we get to practice living in a beloved community. We laugh, pray, cry, dance, run, experiment, learn, and SO MUCH MORE all while surrounded by friends, peers, counselors and staff who celebrate or commiserate alongside us. Register your children & youth for camp today to ensure they get a chance to experience all of this in 2023!



**MINGUS MOUNTAIN**

# SUMMER CAMP 2023

## REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!

Experience God's love and a sense of belonging.  
Play, Have fun.  
Explore Creation.  
Be the YOU God made you to be.



## YOUTH MINISTRY



Our youth group has been doing summer service project trips for many years, but I realized that some of our youth have never been to summer camp. So this year, I wanted to try something different. There is an amazing Christian Camp called Hume Lake in California. The youth camp summer camp is called "Ponderosa". Here is an excerpt from the website about the Ponderosa experience.

*Ponderosa can seem pretty surreal at first—one thousand campers, epic team competitions, cinematic camp themes, balcony-shaking music, and virtually endless activities, all at 5200 feet elevation in the national forest. But once you settle in you'll realize that Ponderosa truly is the best of both worlds where you can escape the regular routines of life while rediscovering all the things that a life in Christ provides.*

In order for our teens to financially attend summer camp, would you consider donating to the youth group? Whether it is summer camp or a service project, these trips are life changing for our youth! If you wish to donate, please mark your checks or giving envelopes to "Youth Group Summer Trip".

Thank you so much for making these trips possible each year!



**Youth Group**

community home meaning belief rest  
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## CHILDREN & YOUTH MINISTRY

### 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  
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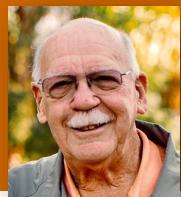
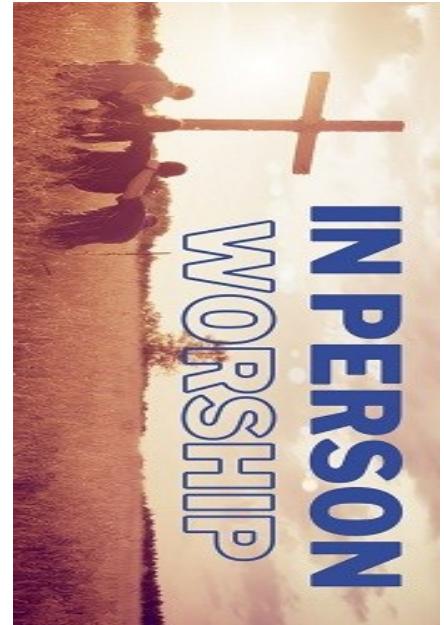
## ON THE GOSPEL SIDE

Dr. David Worley

Have you, like me, ever asked yourself, "Does it really matter if I attend public worship?" Some of you may be thinking, "Well, of course he thinks I should attend; his job depends on it." But, although my answer is as you would expect, I don't encourage Sunday worship attendance for selfish reasons. I think a story might be the best way to make my point:

An aging Christian man got up every Sunday morning in spite of his aches and pains and made his way to morning worship. He had done this for many years. One day his son asked him, "Dad why do you get out of bed every Sunday and regardless of the weather or how you feel make your way to church? Why not just stay home and rest? After all you've been going every Sunday for years, you won't be missed that much." He replied, "Son, it's not about whether I will be missed but what I will miss. Besides, I want everybody to know which side I'm on!"

So, we will look forward to greeting you on the Lord's Day. And remember that the welcome mat is out for you at our 4 pm worship gathering!



## ON A PASTORAL NOTE

Rev. Gary Capen

Probably the first thing that comes to mind when February comes is Valentine's Day. And what is Valentine's day all about?

Love! Love is a powerful emotion; it invokes all sorts of feelings about those whom we love and who love us. In many ways I find that when I think about love the very first thing that comes to my mind is God's enduring Love for us as witnessed in the gift of Jesus Christ who loved us so much that he gave his life for us and for the sins of the world.

What then is the greatest gift we can give this Valentine's Day? Perhaps the greatest gift would be for us to truly take to heart and to action Jesus' commandment: "I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another." (John 13:34-35)

Perhaps you may want to pray this prayer as a reminder to share your love with one another: Lord, in my busy days I forget to let people know how much I love them. Thank You for bringing them into my life. Bless them and watch over them every day. In Jesus name we pray. Amen

Blessings,

Gary Capen





## PASTORAL & CONGREGATIONAL CARE



### 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](mailto: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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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 the Church Office.

### PRAYER REQUEST

...please send prayer requests to  
[GCUMCPrayers@gmail.com](mailto:GCUMCPrayers@gmail.com)  
 or call the Church Office

*Not plugged in yet?...*



If you haven't already, complete and submit a Time & Talents Sheet — available in the Lobbies of either building or the Church Office. We have many areas from which you can select and connect... and it's a great way to make new friends! To see areas where you can get involved, visit:  
[https://secure.accessacs.com/  
access/mydashboard/  
ablegroups.aspx](https://secure.accessacs.com/access/mydashboard/ablegroups.aspx)

### *In Remembrance*

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

Karen Annin  
 Richard Fouse  
 Janice Gillikin (WA)  
 Michael Kornkven  
 John LaViolette  
 Beverly Mitchell  
 Paul Treece





## CARING CORNER

Kim Shroyer

### ALONE OR COMMUNITY OF LOVE?

God didn't intend us to be alone. Colossians 3:12-15 (NLT), says –

<sup>12</sup> Since God chose you to be the holy people he loves, you must clothe yourselves with tenderhearted mercy, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience. <sup>13</sup> Make allowance for each other's faults and forgive anyone who offends you. Remember, the Lord forgave you, so you must forgive others. <sup>14</sup> Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds us all together in perfect harmony. <sup>15</sup> And let the peace that comes from Christ rule in your hearts. For as members of one body, you are called to live in peace. And always be thankful.

Are we always thankful for others? Do we always live in perfect harmony with others on this earth? Do we love one another as Jesus commanded? Certainly not always.

In a December sermon, Pastor Fred talked about being alone. He gave an example of a time in his youth when he was backpacking with a group. That night he decided to pitch his tent further away from the area where the others all pitched theirs together. It seemed he wanted a little solitude. Alas, in the middle of the night he was awakened by thrashing sounds.

He feared it was a bear and didn't know for sure what to do, wandering if it might come toward his tent at any moment, and wishing his tent were closer to the rest of his group. He said he lay awake in fear all night. His point was that we can be alone, or we can surround ourselves with people to ride through the fear with.

I'm unsure why Pastor Fred wanted to sleep away from the group on that trip. But I know why I separate myself from others at times – the reasons include anger, embarrassment, intimidation, annoyance, fear, anxiety, insecurity, pain, need for quiet time, and there are probably more. How about you?

Just needing a moment of solitude is one thing. But if we pull back regularly, the solitude can morph, and isolation creeps up on us. We can find ourselves

spending less time with friends, relationships becoming more distant and our support systems dwindling away. When something bad happens in our lives, we may then find ourselves on an island with few to no others to support us. Much like Pastor Fred with the impending "bear attack," we back ourselves into a corner, becoming lonely, fearful, and isolated.

Pastor Fred's sermon series begun January 8<sup>th</sup>, on loving, is all about connecting with one another within



our church community. If you haven't heard those sermons, I urge you to go back and catch up

online. When we nurture relationships, not only are others there for us, but we are also there for them in their moments of need. Our collective life experiences are meant to be shared in order to love and help one another.

If you have allowed yourself to become somewhat isolated, or detached, from your church community and other relationships in your life, consider stepping back out in love. Take one step at a time. Become involved in a group or study at church, attend an event, resume regular Sunday worship attendance, or initiate a conversation with someone with whom you've had strife and talk through the situation – moving toward the conclusion of forgiveness.

But if you are fearful and can't take the first step back toward community on your own, please reach out to **one of GCUMC's 5 Pastors, who are adept at listening.** 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.

<sup>12</sup> A person standing alone can be attacked and defeated, but two can stand back-to-back and conquer. Three are even better, for a triple-braided cord is not easily broken.

~ Ecclesiastes 4:12 (NLT)



# MUSIC NOTES

Dr. Ian Classe, Director of Music Ministries



Now that we're deep into 'the season', there are a lot of musical offerings coming up this month and next!

This month, the Gold Canyon UMC Performing Arts Series will be presenting the world famous **Legacy Quartet** on Sunday, February 5th at 2:00 p.m. As many of you know, Legacy began as a Southern Gospel quartet and have since expanded their repertoire, becoming much more. Previous concert-goers can't say enough about Legacy, exclaiming that they 'sing the song' and 'walk the walk.' They are a perennial favorite here in Gold Canyon. Bring your family, friends, and neighbors to see and hear this incredible group. Legacy will be singing at our three morning services, including the special arrangement by Joel Raney of *How Great Thou Art*, commissioned for the 25th anniversary of our church. This piece combines the Legacy Quartet with the Chancel Choir, the Sonoran Brass, and the Canyon Carillon. It is one of the congregation's top favorites. Don't miss out on February 5<sup>th</sup>. As always all Gold Canyon UMC Performing Arts Series concerts are free admission.

The '**Sunday Sounds Series**' will also continue on second Sunday of the month, February 12<sup>th</sup>. If you're interested in hearing and discussing organ, be sure to attend! The recital will be presented between the 9:30 and 11:00am services. As always, feel free to move about, find a seat that works best for you, and ask any questions you might have when the time comes.

On Sunday, February 19<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 p.m., I will be presenting, as part of the performing arts series, an organ concert entitled **A Celebration of Hymnody**. Most of the music on the program will be based on hymns and hymn tunes that we use throughout the year written by composers from the 17<sup>th</sup> through 21<sup>st</sup> centuries. As part of the "celebration", we'll also be singing some of the hymns in the program so be sure to bring your singing voice!

The Gold Canyon Arts Council will be presenting two different concerts in February, **Black Market Trust** on Friday, February 10<sup>th</sup> and **The Fitzgeralds Canadian Fiddle and Step Dance Ensemble** on Friday, February 24<sup>th</sup>. Both concerts will be at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. For tickets and additional information, check out <https://www.goldcanyonarts.org/>

Finally, stay tuned to the bulletin and Sunday announcements as well as next month's Roadrunner: GCUMC is continuing its annual tradition to visit to **Organ Stop Pizza** in Mesa for lunch! The visit will likely be scheduled for the first or second Friday in March, information upcoming. It will be a great time, so be sure to sign up as soon as you can! Sign-up sheets will be available starting the last week of January.

As always, if you any questions, concerns, comments or just want to talk music, feel free to reach out to me by email or phone.

Best regards,

*Ian*



## The Organ Project

Stewarding, Honoring, Dreaming

### King of Instruments

#### Part 8: A Recap of the New Organ Project

After a short hiatus due to the holidays and New Year, the organ committee would like to share a recap of the project thus far. As we continue into the New Year, and as we welcome back friends who spend part of their year away from Gold Canyon and their church home, the Organ Committee seeks to broaden the awareness of our new Organ Project by summarizing past articles in the Roadrunner, starting with the June 2022 edition.

In simplest terms, our current instrument is approaching the end of its projected lifespan, and the Organ Committee is tasked with researching, communicating, and giving energy to the task of acquiring a suitable replacement instrument for worship in our sanctuary: a true pipe organ.

#### Roadrunner, June 2022, Part 1: Developing our Vision for a Pipe Organ

In our first article, we introduced and explained the reasons for the timing of the Organ Project, including making the final mortgage payment on our sanctuary,

exciting new growth in our community, and the growing concern that our current instrument was approaching the end of its likely useful lifespan. We explained our conclusion that now was the time to move this project forward.

The Committee began its study by touring other churches to examine their pipe organs, and we discussed the history and necessary trade-off of selecting a digital organ when the sanctuary was constructed, and we sought and received counsel and advice from Rev. Fred Steinberg and technical and musical guidance from Dr. Ian Classe.

Our first article also shared our observation that a pipe organ was far more expensive at the start, but we noted that the economics change over the lifespan of our sanctuary, since a fine pipe organ will last for many generations, while a digital instrument has a typical lifespan of 18 to 25 years and must be updated and replaced, again and again. We set aside for further study the other benefits flowing from a superior instrument, since the focus of the first article was timing and general economic observations.

#### *Roadrunner, July 2022, Part 2: Refining our Vision for a Pipe Organ*

Our second article dug deeper into the reasons why the Organ Committee continued to recommend a pipe organ, but our focus was to introduce and explain the three primary categories of organs for our congregation to consider: a digital instrument, pipe organ, or hybrid instrument.

As we explain in the article, our current instrument is a digital organ, which simulates a pipe organ by reproducing pipe sounds, much like any electronic audio system; but like any electronic device, a digital organ has a practical lifespan measured by the effects of time on digital components and the availability of digital replacement parts. A pipe organ needs no introduction if you have experienced the King of Instruments in skilled hands.

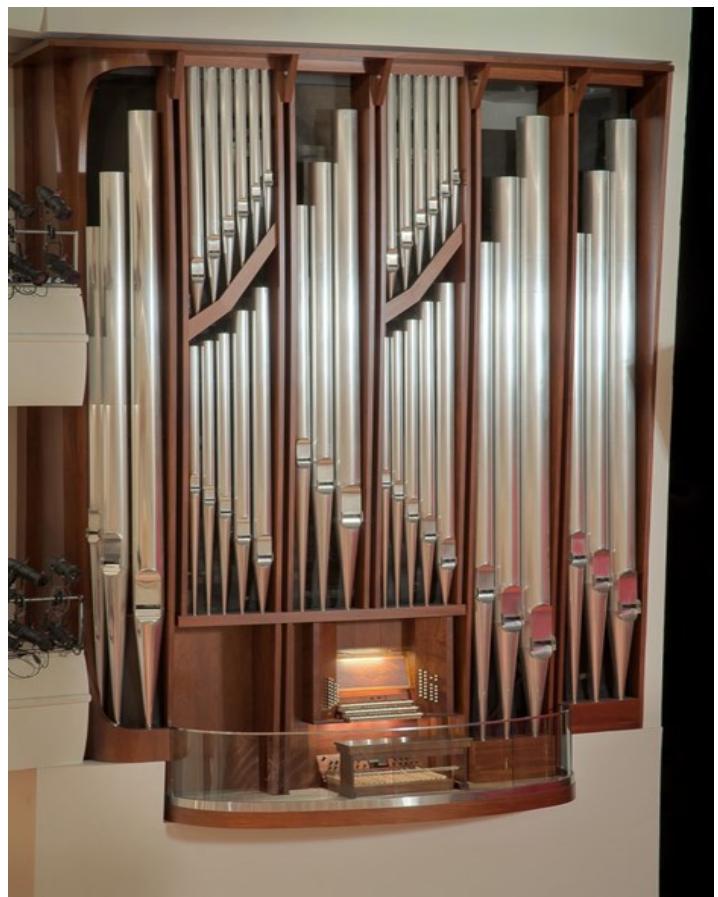
We also introduce the concept of a hybrid instrument, which is a digital organ that is augmented by a few ranks of pneumatic pipes. The idea is to help a digital organ take a step nearer to the experience of a true pipe organ, but the result seems a compromised approach, and the economics appear to be disadvantageous, and we explain in this article why we recommend against this approach.

#### *Roadrunner, August 2022, Part 3: Types of Pipe Organs*

This month we dug deeper into the two major types of pipe organs, known as electro-pneumatic and mechanical action organs, as well as the options of restoring an existing organ or commissioning a new instrument.

An electro-pneumatic organ uses wire between the console and pipes, much like between a light switch and a light fixture, and a fine example of this type of instrument is found at Organ Stop Pizza. A mechanical action organ, commonly known as a “tracker,” is a design that dates back centuries, but it remains a modern, state-of-the-art, and vibrant alternative to electro-pneumatic technology. The difference is that a tracker uses mechanical devices, such as levers and wooden rods (from which the name “tracker” originates), to directly connect the console to the pipes, which likewise requires the console to remain in a fixed location in close proximity to the entire organ. A fine example of this is found at Pinnacle Presbyterian, where the sanctuary was designed by our same architect and it significantly resembles our sanctuary.

At the risk of stating the obvious, a new instrument is typically more expensive than reconditioning an existing instrument, but there are challenges in finding a suitable existing instrument. In this article, we also provide an economic analysis of the alternative options, which we encourage you to review.



## Roadrunner, September 2022, Part 4: Visit to C.B. Fisk Pipe Organs in California

This month, the Organ Committee continued its study and due diligence by visiting two outstanding instruments that were designed and built by a premier American pipe organ builder, C.B. Fisk of Gloucester, Massachusetts. This firm is a builder who is of the caliber that our congregation might commission to build our instrument.

In this edition, we shared information about C.B. Fisk, as well as our observations about the instruments that we examined.

## Roadrunner, October 2022, Part 5: Church Ministry

This month, we shifted toward answering thought-provoking questions that were directed to the Organ Committee. **After all, even hard questions and comments are a blessing to receive!** Here's the comment that we selected for October:

*I love pipe organ music, and I would be fine if someone specifically donated money to acquire a pipe organ, but I think general church funds should instead support outreach ministries.*

This comment gave the Organ Committee pause. Had we lost sight of the mission of this church? Were we wrong in believing that a suitable organ was an essential piece of equipment for our church? We think this was a very important discussion, and we strongly encourage you to read this article – even if you read no other article in this series.

But after careful thought and discussion, the Organ Committee shared that it continues to believe that an organ project is in harmony with the goals of our ministries, and we believe that this project enriches the ability of our church to realize its mission. To be clear, we also share the value that outreach ministries are very important, but we strongly believe that a proper balance must be achieved when allocating resources between nurture ministries and outreach ministries, which we believe this project achieves, just as we believe it is a commitment and endowment that is invested in future generations, too.

## Roadrunner, November 2022, Part 6: Process to Acquire a Pipe Organ

In the next edition of the Roadrunner, we moved on to the following question:

*What is the process or steps to acquire a pipe*

*organ, and can we use our sanctuary while it is being installed?*

This was a great question and, for our members who are project managers at heart or who like to know the “nuts and bolts,” the article describes the steps and milestones to move this project from a vision to a reality. We also hope to encourage the congregation to take the next important step to set this plan in motion.

## Roadrunner, December 2022, Part 7: Ambassador Program

Last month, we kicked off our “Ambassador Program,” for which we will be brief in the hope that many readers caught the last edition of the Roadrunner.

In summary, the Ambassador Program is not a fundraising activity, and no contributions will be sought, nor will an offering be taken. Our goal remains to welcome and invite people to a Summit meeting with the Organ Committee, where we will share some time together and provide a condensed training program, answer questions, hear ideas, and guide people through a hands-on review of the work and research of the Organ Committee over the last year.

In simplest terms, we seek to enlarge our circle, to invite a core group of people, no matter whether they firmly support this project or merely want to learn more, who will invest some time with the Organ Committee, acquire knowledge, and become Ambassadors to the congregation, who in turn can spread the word and answer questions from the congregation, and provide periodic feedback to the Organ Committee.

And finally, thank you for your continuing thoughtful consideration of these issues. The Organ Committee is continuing its work, and please continue to discuss this vision among yourselves, think and pray about becoming a donor for this project, and continue to share questions and comments to GCUMCorgancomm@gmail.com, or speak with any member of the Organ Committee, Dr. Classe, or Rev. Steinberg.

## The Organ Committee:

Carter Olson, Peter Johnson, Dawn Carroll





## LOCAL MISSIONS & MINISTRIES

### SCRIP BUS & VAN FUND



Your continued participation in the SCRIP programs at Bashas, Amazon Smile and Frys that support GCUMC's bus and van programs is so appreciated! So far in 2022 SCRIP has raised **\$5,288.17!** It's so easy to do... just call the Church Office if you need help!



Link your account to [Smile.Amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com) and choose GCUMC as your charitable organization. Amazon donates 0.5% of your eligible purchases to our SCRIP Bus & Van Fund—the same selection—same prices! Just go to:

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

AmazonSmile customers can also support GCUMC in the Amazon shopping app on mobile phones (iOS & Android)! Just follow the below instructions to turn on AmazonSmile!

- 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 or prescriptions and use their rechargeable card that was obtained here at the Welcome Center or the Church Office, GCUMC receives a 6% charity gift from Bashas'.

**fry's** Go online to link your Fry's VIP Card to their Community Rewards program and choose GCUMC (A#TS438), and they will contribute 3% of your purchases to GCUMC!

### SCHOLARSHIP MINISTRY



Each year GCUMC offers a Scholarship Program to our members who qualify for financial assistance. If you would like to speak to a member of our Endowment Ministry about making a contribution to the Program, or would like additional info, please contact the Church Office.

### UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH



United Women in Faith

February program about the open eyes, ears and hearts of United Women in Faith.

Our church choir sang a choral prayer Sunday, January 8 "This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you." Taken from the Gospel of John, this was a new commandment given by Jesus to his disciples. Why is love so important? As children we learn that God is love and we are made in his image and to be human requires us to love others. If we live in love we live in God. Simple?... Hardly! As Pastor Fred says in his new series "I Love My Church" I am not talking about the building, I am talking about the people who make up the church." God wants us to love the church and the most important part of a loving church is its community of loving people.

Can we learn to love those people who are not in our church? Can we step out of our comfort zone and reach out to those who are different? Can we dare to cross social, ethnic and religious borders? As Christians how should we respond to the immigration crisis?

We invite you to an important program and discussion on border ministry and immigration. You will be challenged to listen and learn.

**Program:** Frontera de Cristo, Border Ministry

**Speakers:** Catherine May, PhD and Dan Abbott, volunteers with Frontera de Cristo

**Location:** Saturday, February 18, 10am, Mission Center

Frontera de Cristo is a religious organization that brings the good news of Jesus Christ in word and deed. It builds understanding and relationships across borders. It is located in the sister cities of Agua Prieta, Mexico and Douglas, Arizona. Frontera de Cristo engages in several areas of ministry such as mission education, family and health ministry, and church and community development.

Additionally, read: *Finding Jesus at the Border: Opening our Hearts to the Stories of Our Immigrant Neighbors* by Pastor Julia Lambert Fogg. Interweaving biblical tales

of border crossing and stories of immigrants journeying to the US-Mexican border, Pastor Fogg presents a beautifully written and painfully moving book. This book is recommended in our UWF reading program.



Meet Gold Canyon United Women in Faith officers (left to right): Rita Vadasz-Miller, Membership; Barbara Bancroft, Secretary; Cherie Creel, Vice President & Matthew 25 Prison Ministry; Mary Ann Davenport, Spiritual Growth; Susan Lyons, President. Not pictured: Susan Teller, Treasurer



Pastor Gary Capen did the installation of new Gold Canyon UWF officers in December.

### Mission Giving in 2022: United Women in Faith Generosity at Work

Gold Canyon United Women in Faith (UWF) gave \$9,505 to missions in 2022. This represented nearly 90% of all monies raised through member pledges and fundraising activities (Teas and Bake Sales).

In addition to the National and International Missions supported by UWF, funds were given locally to Matthew 25 Prison Ministry, Justa Center, Lutheran Social Services, Wesley Community Center, and Hope Women's Center in Apache Junction.—Joy V Bliss, Treasurer



Outgoing UWF President Carol Johnson gives the gavel to Susan Lyons newly installed President

### Creation Care Corner: Recycle, Reuse, Refresh, Reclaim, Rejoice

Earth Day is Saturday April 22, 2023. We are stewards of God's creation.

### Reading Program

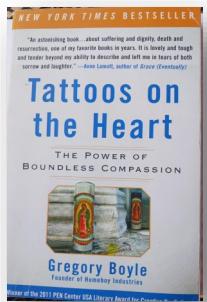
Many of my childhood memories relate to books and reading. Going to get a library card, a trip to the bookmobile, the summer reading program at the library and my fourth grade teacher who read to us each week with a chapter from some of her favorite books. I particularly remember Wind in the Willows and years later was so excited to visit the home of the author and the location for the book.

Books took me to new places and introduced me to new people and new ways of looking at things. The stories I read gave me new perspectives and experiences and opened my eyes to the wider world. They still do, reading is one of my favorite things. The United Women of Faith Reading program is designed to strengthen our understanding and nourish our souls and give us new ideas about community. Each month as women share the book they have selected and describe what they learned in the process we are made richer by these experiences.

Peggy Kinder, Reading Program Coordinator,  
[p.kinder@mchsi.com](mailto:p.kinder@mchsi.com), (480)302-0464

**Thursday, February 9 at 1 pm:** Tattoos on the Heart: The Power of Boundless Compassion by Gregory Boyle.

Members of our UWF book club join "Read It and Reap" to discuss this book led by Pastor Katharine Keller. This book is included in the UWF reading program.



**Leader's Meeting: Tue., 2/14 at 10am in the Stephen Room (MC)**— Officers meet to plan meetings. All members are welcome.

**Culinary Circle: Thur., 2/23 at 1pm at Osaka Sushi & Teppanyaki Grill, Mesa.** Hungry for more info? Contact Carol Johnson, [caroljohnsonaz@yahoo.com](mailto:caroljohnsonaz@yahoo.com), (602)750-2008.



Lighting candles during the installation of officers in December. From left are Mary Ann Davenport, Barbara Bancroft, Joy Bliss and Rita Miller

**Matthew 25 Prison Ministry Circle (Zoom): Thurs., 2/9 at 9am.** Contact Cherie Creel, 480 232 1584, [cherylijunec@icloud.com](mailto:cherylijunec@icloud.com).

**Project Safe Star** helps women coming out of Perryville prison transition into community. 232 come through Project Safe Start in 2022.

**Linda Thistlewaite, Outreach Chair, Matthew 25 Prison Ministry** offers a story about a former prisoner who is now a Matthew 25 prison ministry pen pal.

Lea was incarcerated in the Arizona Department of Corrections for nine years. She has been out for nearly five years. During her time in Perryville she returned to her roots in Christ, engaged in recovery, and flourished. She was partnered with Marcy Trupe as a pen pal. Receiving the encouragement and devotionals that Marcy would send her in prison brought Lea so much joy. Still keeping in touch, they have cultivated a friendship based on their shared love for Christ and incarcerated women. In 2022 Lea became a Matthew 25 pen pal friend, writing to a woman at Perryville named Melissa. Lea knows how important it is to come alongside women who feel disenfranchised and disconnected. She is a co-facilitator for Celebrate Recovery

Big Group on Fridays, leads two women's 12 Step study groups a week, and personally sponsors five persons. Lea has been one of Matthew 25's most frequent co-presenters.

**Esther Bible Study Circle meets Fridays at 10am:** Twelve Women of the Bible: Life Changing Stories for Women Today. In this small group discussion, you will learn about the triumphs and failures of Mary Magdalene, Rebekah, Hannah and nine other women. Twelve sessions each focused on one biblical woman. Contact: Dian Capen, 919 357 6933 or [dkcapen@gmail.com](mailto:dkcapen@gmail.com).

## GENESIS PROJECT



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Genesis Project wrapped up 2022 with over 109,000 meals served! The continued generosity of GCUMC members ensured we were able to meet the needs of the hungry and homeless six days a week. As a reminder, Genesis Project is a AZ Qualified Charitable Organization and you can receive a dollar for dollar state tax credit, up to \$400 for individuals and \$800 for joint filers. Tax credit forms are available at the help desk.

## HABITAT FOR HUMANITY



We have started this year's build in Tempe. It is the Don Carlos neighborhood where we built several years ago. We are paired with a Lutheran Coalition this year. The family is a single mother with two children. She is very excited to be able to buy a

Habitat home so they can have a stable home in a safe area. The wall signing is taking place on January 21st. We will be sending volunteers for at least 2 Saturdays during the build and also providing lunch at least once. Tasks are flexible and we can accommodate various levels of skill. You do not need to be an expert to come out and help.

We have raised \$6000 toward our goal of \$10,000 toward the building of this home in partnership with this qualified, needy family. We hope you can help us complete our pledge. Please make your check to GCUMC and indicate "Habitat for Humanity" in the memo, or make your contribution online at [www.GoldCanyonUMC.org](http://www.GoldCanyonUMC.org). Thanks so much for your ongoing support of this ministry!

Questions? Please call Joe and Maureen Morton at 602-284-2826 or email us at or [MoandJoeM@aol.com](mailto:MoandJoeM@aol.com).

## ALL-CHURCH GARAGE SALE!



GCUMC's annual rummage sale is scheduled for Sat., 3/4 from 6am—?, so pack up your stuff, bring it to the South parking lot, sell it, and keep the money!

Sell anything... furniture, clothes, collectibles, etc. Bring everything you need to set up shop... racks, tables. Drink & Food vendors are welcome! Suggested \$10 rental fee for your space goes back to Church. Questions? Contact Lynda Hammond 480-242-1475 [ljhammond21@gmail.com](mailto:ljhammond21@gmail.com).



# GLOBAL MISSIONS

Rev. Dr. Fay Quanstrom, Assoc. Pastor



## THE CHOSEN IMPACTS MILLIONS FOR CHRIST

To watch The Chosen series:

- On your smart phone install the free CHOSEN app for individual viewing.
- Stream episodes on the internet.
- Watch the series on YouTube.
- Purchase the DVDs for home viewing.
- Attend theatre screenings of the show.

With availability in all these media, plus dubbing and captioning in over one hundred languages, The Chosen portrayal of Christ in the Gospels has already been seen by millions around the world. Viewership has stunned Hollywood. The movie industry could not imagine the power of seriously researched and culturally accurate portrayal of the story of Jesus. But Dallas Jenkins and his friends imagined it and worked their dream to reality!

Committed to accurate portrayal of the Bible text, augmented by serious period research and inspired casting, a team of Christian visionaries brought The Chosen into existence. Twenty-first century technology went to work sharing the first century Gospel stories, going where traditional missionaries are unable to travel or live. Touching reports of the impact of Jesus' message of hope and transformation are coming from locations as unlikely as Ukraine. God's remarkable ability to use any means to reach people's hearts amazes even dedicated followers.

THE CHOSEN provides Christ followers anywhere around the world to share the Gospel in this fresh contemporary way. This can be done directly by describing to others how to access the material, by donating to the project to help defray production and distribution costs, or by gifting the dvds to friends and family. Powered by prayer and the Holy Spirit, The Chosen has become a dynamic evangelism tool. Praise God who works in ways that are beyond what we can imagine ourselves!

Dear friends at Gold Canyon United Methodist Church,

A warm greeting from our undisclosed mission location! While we have never met you, you know our dear friends, Tim and Deane Elek, who attend your church. First of all, we wanted to say a belated THANK YOU for your very generous donation to our ministry earlier in 2022. We are very touched by your contribution to the work here, and the ministry that is happening here in Asia.

We recently returned to our mission assignment after a hectic home visit from August until the end of December — mainly in the eastern half of the U.S. We had delayed our normal trip back to the U.S. due to Covid, and finally the doors opened for us to be reasonably confident that we could return if we left the country. This had not been the case during the pandemic. Thankfully we did not catch covid during the U.S. trip, so we were able to re-enter fairly easily on January 1.

As you may recall, we are involved serving with a small international clinic in our city with mostly Christian staff, offering western-style family medicine, and we also are involved quite extensively with LIGHT, which does community outreach to vulnerable groups in our city and region, including orphans, elderly, and children with special needs. We have 5 children, and our oldest is in college at Kent State, and our second is about to graduate and leave in May.

Please keep in touch and we look forward to meeting you, hopefully on our next home assignment in 2024!

Warmly, Drs. "H"



# CONTRIBUTIONS & ATTENDANCE

*“Let no debt remain outstanding except the continuing debt to love one another.”*

- Romans 13:8 (NIV)

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*"Please note when requesting IRA donations be sent directly to the church from your financial institution, please be sure to request they include your name either on the check or on the stub. We often receive checks with no identification and due to privacy laws, we are unable to ascertain who should be provided an acknowledgement.*



To give to Gold Canyon UMC 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:

- Artificial Grass Play Areas (\$35,000 needed)
- Fellowship Hall (\$2.4 Million needed; \$414,061 given)
- Pipe Organ (\$158,766 given)
- Building Fund Loan Payoff (Completed 2022)
- Stain Glass for upper Sanctuary windows (Completed 2022)
- Loop Hearing Assist System \$48,000 (Completed 2022)



Electronic giving is a great way to make contributions, including recurring and additional/special gifts.

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



## GIFTING YOUR HOME...

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

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## FEBRUARY 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 Anniversary!

Vorseth, Duane & Sue 02/04  
 Adams, Ada & Michael 02/05  
 Lackey, Sally & Steve 02/05  
 Colmer, Jerry & Margaret 02/06  
     Nelson, Bill & Patty 02/06  
     Smith, Dave & Jeanie 02/06  
 Crites, Kenneth & Margaret 02/09  
     Jacobsen, Betty & Bob 02/12  
     Bliss, Joy & Dybwad, Gay 02/14  
 Vander Stoep, Karen & Paul 02/14  
     Paterson, Nancy & Bob 02/15  
     Cooke, Jon & Teresa 02/21  
     Sich, Jeff & Jonna 02/22  
     Larsen, David & Jan 02/24  
     Burgi, Jenelu & Bob 02/28

### Happy Birthday!

Behan, John (Jack) 02/01  
 Talley, John 02/01  
 Hoerter, Coleen 02/03  
 Benjamin, Christopher (Chris) 02/04  
 Cunningham, Stephen (Steve) 02/05  
 Hoeft, Edwin (Ed) 02/05

Hoff, Cynthia 02/05  
 Lindaman, Carol 02/05  
 Merrick, James (Jim) 02/05  
 Osgood, Gladys 02/05  
 Barraza, Roman 02/06  
 Barraza, Vivienne 02/06  
 Breuklander, Roberta (Bobbie) 02/06  
     Oxley, Gene 02/06  
     Chase, Donna 02/07  
     Elek, Deane 02/07  
     Nelson, Joni 02/08  
 Hicks, Dean (Steve) 02/09  
 Peterson, Marilyn 02/09  
 Callantine, Peggy 02/10  
 Waytenick, Dave 02/10  
 Brown, Barbara 02/11  
 Halterman, Bobbie 02/12  
 Colaizzi, Michael 02/13  
 Elco, Jacqualine (Jackie) 02/13  
     Jacobsen, Elaine 02/13  
     Rumptz, Deborah 02/13  
         Willis, Gloria 02/13  
 Fridlund, Jody (Jo) 02/14  
 Richter, Valerie (Val) 02/14  
     Schmidt, Judy 02/14  
     Christ, SuzAnne 02/15  
     McGinness, Anne 02/15  
 Kurtenbach, Diane 02/15  
 Sanders, George 02/15  
 Carpenter, Trudy 02/16  
 Poferl, David 02/16  
 Russell, Robert (Bob) 02/16  
     Adams, Ada 02/17  
     Burris, Terry 02/17  
     Malloy, Susan 02/17  
     Teller, Susan 02/17  
     Burzlaff, Julie 02/18  
 Broderson, Darlene 02/20  
 Atkinson, William (Bill) 02/22  
 Chase, Charles R (Bob) 02/22  
 Fratt, Imogene (Genie) 02/22  
     Fye, Ben 02/23  
 Nelson, Wylladene 02/24  
     Beasley, Earl 02/25  
 McConnell, Alice 02/25  
 Rasmussen, Gordon (Gordie) 02/25  
     Daniels, Jacob 02/26  
     Owens, Ann 02/26  
 Halbig, Michelle (Shelley) 02/27  
     Mulhair, Bob 02/28  
 Waechter, Nancy 02/28  
 Schwartz, Richard (Dick) 02/29

**GOLD CANYON UMC**

**Uncommon Grace**

"I will be glad and rejoice in You;  
 I will sing praise to Your name,  
 O Most High!"  
 ~ Psalm 9:2

**Praise & Worship**

**Sundays at  
 11:00am in the  
 Koinonia Room!**

Together we lift our  
 hearts, souls and  
 spirits... and you'll feel  
 uplifted and energized  
 when you leave!

Contact David at...  
 (DCBallardsAZ@gmail.com)  
 ...if you would be interested  
 in getting involved  
 with the Praise or Country  
 music teams

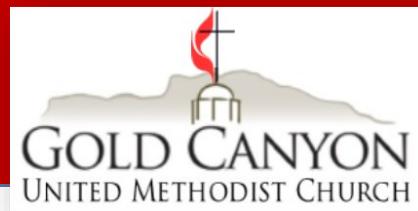
**Access ACS**



Add/update your photo and contact info — and more using GCUMC's online directory, AccessACS!

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# FEBRUARY CALENDAR

*(Calendar is subject to change;*

For more info, please visit [www.GoldCanyonUMC.org](http://www.GoldCanyonUMC.org) or call the Church Office)

<b>MAIN CAMPUS</b>	<b>MISSIONS CENTER</b>
EB = Education Bldg	MC-B = Barnabas
ER = Emmaus Rm	MC-E = Esther
K = Kitchen	MC-M = Martha
KR = Koinonia Rm	MC-S = Stephen
MR = Music Rm	
NAR = Noah's Ark Rm	(Calendar is subject to change;
P = Patio	For more info, visit
S = Sanctuary	<a href="http://www.GoldCanyonUMC.org">www.GoldCanyonUMC.org</a>
SoGR = Sea of Galilee Rm	or call the Church Office)
WR = Wesley Rm	
YR = Youth Rm	

Wed Feb 1	7:45am	MTG: Dinosaur Mtn Networking (MC-E)	3:30pm	DISCIPLE 1 (ER)
	10am	MTG: Superstition Mtn Astronomical (MC-M)	5pm	Praise Band Rehearsal (KR)
	10am	UWF Book Club (MC-B/Patio)	6:30pm	Women's Study: Ruth (ER)
	10am	Women's Study: Ruth (KR)	Thu Feb 9	9am Lions Club Mtg (MC-M)
	10:30am	Cancer Support Group (ER/K)		1pm "Read It & Reap" Book Club (ER)
	11am	Healing & Prayer Time (ONLINE)		6pm Choir Rehearsal (MR/S)
	1pm	Book Club (MC-M)		7pm AA (MC-E)
	1pm	DISCIPLE 4 (MC-E)	Fri Feb 10	11am CareGivers Support Group (ER)
	3:30pm	DISCIPLE 1 (ER)		5:30pm AA (MC-E)
	5pm	Praise Band Rehearsal (KR)		6:45pm Youth Games (ONLINE)
	6:30pm	Women's Study: Ruth (ER)		7pm GCAC CONCERT: Black Market Trust (S)
Thu Feb 2	6pm	Choir Rehearsal (MR/S)	Sat Feb 11	8am PEO Mtg (MC-B)
	7pm	AA (MC-E)	Sun Feb 12	8am Traditional Worship (S)
Fri Feb 3	11am	CareGivers Support Group (ER)		9am UG Rehearsal (KR)
	5:30pm	AA (MC-E)		9:30am Children's Sunday School (EB)
	6:45pm	Youth Games (ONLINE)		9:30am Traditional Worship (S)
Sat Feb 4	9am	MTG: Gold Canyon Community, Inc (E-MC)		9:30am Youth Sunday School (YR)
	2pm	GC Strong "Market on the Spot" (Parking Lot)		10:30am Organ Mini-Concert Series (S)
Sun Feb 5	8am	Traditional Worship (S)		11am Children's Sunday School (EB)
	9am	UG Rehearsal (KR)		11am Praise Worship (KR)
	9:30am	Children's Sunday School (EB)		3pm Gospel Band Rehearsal (KR)
	9:30am	Traditional Worship (S)		4pm Gospel Worship (KR)
	9:30am	Youth Participate in Worship (S)		6:30pm Youth Group (Ed Bldg)
	9:30am	Youth Sunday School (YR)	Mon Feb 13	6:30pm Coffee with the Pastor (MR)
	11am	Children's Sunday School (EB)	Tue Feb 14	9am CLASS: DISCIPLE 2 (Feather; ER/Zoom)
	11am	Praise Worship (KR)		9am Stitches Unlimited (B&Patio-MC)
	2pm	CONCERT: Legacy Quartet (S)		10am Mtg: UMW Leadership (MC-S)
	3pm	Gospel Band Rehearsal (KR)		1pm DISCIPLE 4 (MC-E)
	4pm	Gospel Worship (KR)		1pm GriefShare (ER)
	6:30pm	Youth Group (Ed Bldg)		2pm MEMORIAL: Nick Laich (KR)
Mon Feb 6	-	-		3pm Canyon Carillon Rehearsal (S)
Tue Feb 7	9am	CLASS: DISCIPLE 2 (Feather; ER/Zoom)		3pm MEMORIAL LUNCHEON: Nick Laich (KR/ER/K)
	1pm	DISCIPLE 4 (MC-E)		5pm Gospel Band Rehearsal (KR)
	1pm	GriefShare (ER)	Wed Feb 15	7:45am MTG: Dinosaur Mtn Networking (MC-E)

## GOLD CANYON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

	10am	MTG: Superstition Mtn Astronomical (MC-M)	4:30pm	All-Church Pancake Dinner (KR)
	10am	Women's Study: Ruth (KR)	5:30pm	AA (MC-E)
	10:30am	Cancer Support Group (ER/K)	6:45pm	Youth Games (ONLINE)
	11am	Healing & Prayer Time (ONLINE)	7pm	GCAC CONCERT: Fitzgerald Family Dancers & Fiddlers (S)
	1pm	DISCIPLE 4 (MC-E)	Sat Feb 25	8am PEO Mtg (MC-B)
	3:30pm	DISCIPLE I (ER)		11am Youth Sunday Rehearsal (S)
	5pm	Praise Band Rehearsal (KR)	Sun Feb 26	All day Youth Sunday
	6:30pm	Women's Study: Ruth (ER)		8am Traditional Worship (S)
Thu Feb 16	6pm	Choir Rehearsal (MR/S)		9am UG Rehearsal (KR)
	7pm	AA (MC-E)		9:30am Children's Sunday School (EB)
Fri Feb 17	11am	CareGivers Support Group (ER)		9:30am Traditional Worship (S)
	5:30pm	AA (MC-E)		11am Children's Sunday School (EB)
	6:45pm	Youth Games (ONLINE)		11am Praise Worship (KR)
Sat Feb 18	10am	MTG: UWF (MC-B/Zoom)		3pm Gospel Band Rehearsal (KR)
Sun Feb 19	8am	Traditional Worship (S)		4pm Gospel Worship (KR)
	9am	UG Rehearsal (KR)	Mon Feb 27	- -
	9:30am	Children's Sunday School (EB)	Tue Feb 28	9am CLASS: DISCIPLE 2 (Feather; ER/Zoom)
	9:30am	Traditional Worship (S)		9am Stitches Unlimited (MC-B)
	9:30am	Youth Sunday School (YR)		1pm DISCIPLE 4 (MC-E)
	11am	Children's Sunday School (EB)		1pm GriefShare (ER)
	11am	Praise Worship (KR)		3pm Canyon Carillon Rehearsal (S)
	2pm	CONCERT: Hymnody Organ (S)		5pm Gospel Band Rehearsal (KR)
	3pm	Gospel Band Rehearsal (KR)		5:30pm SFHOA Executive Session (MC-E)
	4pm	Gospel Worship (KR)		6pm MTG: Superstition Foothills HOA (MC-E)
	6:30pm	Youth Group (Ed Bldg)		
Mon Feb 20	1pm	CLASS: Salvation... in Depth (ER)		
Tue Feb 21	All day	Shrove Tuesday/Mardi Gras		
	9am	CLASS: DISCIPLE 2 (Feather; ER/Zoom)		
	1pm	DISCIPLE 4 (MC-E)		
	1pm	GriefShare (ER)		
	2pm	MEMORIAL: Bill & Gail Yoder (KR)		
	3pm	Canyon Carillon Rehearsal (S)		
	5pm	Gospel Band Rehearsal (KR)		
	6pm	MTG: Trustees (B-MC)		
Wed Feb 22	All day	Ash Wednesday		
	7:45am	MTG: Dinosaur Mtn Networking (MC-E)		
	10am	MTG: Superstition Mtn Astronomical (MC-M)		
	10am	Women's Study: Ruth (KR)		
	10:30am	Cancer Support Group (ER/K)		
	11am	Healing & Prayer Time (ONLINE)		
	1pm	DISCIPLE 4 (MC-E)		
	3:30pm	DISCIPLE I (ER)		
	5pm	Praise Band Rehearsal (KR)		
	6:30pm	Women's Study: Ruth (ER)		
	7pm	Ash Wednesday Service (S)		
Thu Feb 23	9am	Days for Girls (B-MC)		
	6pm	Choir Rehearsal (MR/S)		
	7pm	AA (MC-E)		
Fri Feb 24	11am	CareGivers Support Group (ER)		



### ROADRUNNER & BULLETIN DEADLINES

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**NO LATER THAN 8am on Mon., 2/13/2023**

**Weekly Bulletin & Flower Orders**  
12:00pm on the Wednesday prior  
to the Sunday Service



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## WORSHIP SERVICES

- † 8am & 9:30am TRADITIONAL (Sanctuary)
- † 11am PRAISE (Koinonia Room)
- † 4pm COUNTRY (Koinonia Room)

(Childcare available at 8am, 9:30am and 11am 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 Sunday School (Education Building)
- 9:30am Youth Sunday School (Education Building)
- 11:00am Children Sunday School (Education Building)

## Addressee or Current Resident