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From the Pastor:

Do you have hope? I think hope is rather critical to our daily lives. I can't imagine life without it. Of course I always look at the glass as half full. I am an eternal optimist. I recently read an article written by Justin Pinkerman which told of an event which happened on January 5, 2009.

Distraught over massive financial losses incurred during the past year, Adolf Merckle scrawled a suicide note to his family and wandered out the door into a dark, wintry night. He made his way for the railway where he stood by the tracks and waited in the cold. Spotting the headlight of an oncoming railcar, he threw himself under the train and took leave of this world. As tragic as the suicide was, it would not have received worldwide press apart from one shocking fact: Adolf Merckle was valued at 9.2 billion dollars, ranking 94th on Forbes 2008 list of the world's richest persons.

Does this story surprise you? Adolf should have known that there were better possibilities in the future. But he had lost all hope. If we dwell on the bad news, than we fail to see the possibilities ahead. All of us would agree we are surrounded by disturbing economic news. Some members of our church have lost jobs or had their work hours reduced. Most of us have been impacted in some way by the economic condition of our country. In times like these we need to cling to our hope in God.

We are quickly approaching a powerful day of hope – Easter. Jesus' disciples had given up hope on Friday. But as Tony Campolo frequently says, "It's Friday, but Sunday's a Coming." In a time of doubt, despair and uncertainty for many people we are reminded that as Easter people we are people of hope. Easter is a reminder that things can be different. Easter is a reminder

that we can be free of addiction with God's help. Easter is a chance to renew a marriage relationship which has gone down the tubes. Easter is a chance to regain a vision of the world as God created it to be. Easter is a chance to notice our lack of love and seek God for compassion. Easter is a time to find different meaningful work when a job has ended. Easter is a time to renew our faith. Easter is a chance to renew our strength and mount up with wings as eagles; to run and not faint.

I believe the best days are before us as Easter people. Do you?

Fred

Holy Week Events

- 4/5 – **Palm Sunday**
- 4/6 Silent Prayer 6 - 9:00 am Sanctuary
- 4/7 Silent Prayer 6 - 9:00 am Sanctuary
- 4/8 Silent Prayer 6 - 9:00 am Sanctuary
- 4/9 – **Maundy Thursday**
Silent Prayer 6 - 9:00 am Sanctuary
Worship Service 7:00 pm in Sanctuary
- 4/10 – **Good Friday**
Silent Prayer 6 - 9:00 am Sanctuary
Worship Service 7:00 pm in Sanctuary
- 4/12 – **Easter**
6:00 am Sunrise Service
8, 9:30 & 11:00 am Traditional Worship
10:50 am Praise Service
5:00 pm Country Western Service



AN ADVENTURE OF FAITH

By Grover Wallace

As we Christians throughout the world observe the crucifixion, death and resurrection of our Savior, Jesus Christ, it would be well if we all read the story of this event in the Gospels of Matthew (26:1-28:20), Mark (14:1-16:20), Luke (22:1-24:53) and John (13:1-21:25), as a true reminder of why we observe "Easter."

The Gospels give a vivid account of His arrival into Jerusalem for the Passover: His cleaning out of the Temple, His authority being challenged in the temple, His disciple, Judas, agreeing to betray Him, his staying in Bethany, the Last Supper, His speaking to the disciples in the upper room, His struggles in Gethsemane, His betrayal and arrest, His trial, Peter's Denial, His crucifixion, and His resurrection. It does not take much time to read the accounts by Matthew, Mark, Luke and John. As mentioned previously, we can be reminded of the true reason we observe "Easter."

Do you remember what Jesus said to His captors and Judas Iscariot when he was betrayed by him? *"Friend, do what you came for."*

Matthew 26:50 (NIV)

When He was questioned by the High Priest, *"...tell us if you are the Christ, the Son of God."*

"Yes, it is as you say," Jesus replied, "But I say to all of you: In the future you will see the Son of Man sitting at the right hand of the Mighty One and coming on the clouds of heaven."

Matthew 26:63-64 (NIV)

His last words as he died on the cross: *"About the night hour Jesus cried out in a loud voice, Eloi, Eloi, Lama Sabachthani?" which means "My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?"*

Matthew 27:46 (NIV)

What Jesus said to Mary Magdalene and the other Mary after they had found the tomb empty: *"Suddenly Jesus, met them. "Greetings," He said. They came to Him and clasped his feet and worshipped Him. Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid, go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me."*

Matthew 28:9-10 (NIV)

Time would be well spent to read again the documentation of the crucifixion and resurrection of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

"Out of the most severe trial, their overflowing joy and their extreme poverty welled up in rich generosity. For I testify that they gave as much as they were able, and even beyond their ability. Entirely on their own."

2 Corinthians 8:2-3 (NIV)

In his letter of January 27, 2009, Pastor Fred appealed to our congregation to individually renew our financial commitment to Gold Canyon United Methodist Church for the 2009 stewardship year, which began March 1, 2009 and will end February 28, 2010. As of February 24, 2009, pledges for the general operation of the church totaled \$434,385.00 while our 2009 budget is \$754,071.00.

Our pledges to the building fund as of February 24, 2009 totaled \$306,691.00 while contributions to the fund totaled \$392,125.00 for the 2008 giving year. Therefore, we are somewhat short in matching last year's contributions with current pledges. In both cases, General Budget and Building Fund, more than 50 people who submitted pledge cards in 2008 have not responded with pledges in 2009.

With the current economic conditions in our country and the world, we must expect that some are unable to contribute as much as they have in the past. I would guess that some of the 50+ people not returning their pledge cards in 2009 have been adversely impacted by current economic conditions. However, some have returned their pledge cards with comments as to why they cannot pledge or must reduce their pledges in 2009.

Although I do not know the identity of the persons that have returned their pledge cards with comments shared by the finance committee. However, the comments made by these unfortunate persons tell the story of the many in our community and congregation who have been adversely affected by the current economic downturn.

Some of the comments received:

"I cannot pledge at this time. I was just layed off work but I will give when I can. Keep us in your prayers."

"We have to reduce our pledge at this time but will increase it when we can."

"Our business has decreased quite significantly the last several months, therefore our giving will have to be decreased. We will give as much as we can."

It is unfortunate that some in our congregation have been negatively affected by the current economic situation. But they should be commended for being honest

and forthright in letting us know. I am sure there are others in our congregation that have the same or similar concerns. We should all keep these persons in our daily prayers. We don't need a name to pray for all in our congregation and community that are suffering financially.

"For if the willingness is there, the gift is acceptable to what one has, not according to what he does not have."

2 Corinthians 8:12 (NIV)

During the month of February, 2009, our congregation contributed \$37,121.00 to "An Adventure of Faith," also known as the "Building Fund." Total contributions for the giving year March 1, 2008 - February 28, 2009 was \$395,580.00 or 79.2% of our goal. We did not reach our goal of \$500,000.00 but we did contribute about \$54,000.00 more than required to meet our mortgage commitment.

MAY GOD BLESS YOU ALL FOR YOUR COMMITMENT TO YOUR CHURCH AND OUR GOD.

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

Romans 13:8 (NIV)



Find Financial Peace!
Financial Peace University
Begins: Thursday April 16,
6:30 to 8:30 pm
Where: Koinonia Room
Length: 13 weeks

What would your life look like if you had no debt and were in control of your money? Are you ready to take the first step? Join G.C.U.M.C. as we present Financial Peace University, a 13 week class that will change your life. During this life-changing class, you will learn to get control of your money, stop struggling to make ends meet, tell your money what to do and change your family's future. Dave Ramsey breaks through the common financial jargon and explains how money really works in a simple, easy-to-understand style. You'll actually have fun as you learn about saving, budgeting, investing, insurance and more. Each week you will meet with the class to watch a video lesson and participate in discussion groups that will change your attitude about money. Watch for the signup sheets!

DONATIONS
 &
ATTENDANCE

"Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse.... see if I will not throw open the windows of heaven for you and pour down for you an overflowing blessing."

Malachi 3:10 (NRSV)



January	2007		2008		2009		2008	2009
	Gen.	Build.	Gen.	Build.	Gen.	Build.	Worship All	Worship All
1st	25999	14940	24703	23833	27233	11220	1570	1682
2nd	18331	7239	21069	5491	18878	5042	1690	1847
3rd	14745	5710	16058	6003	19961	7193	1620	1775
4th	17629	7508	16857	11919	18498	13667	1598	1798
5th	~~~	~~~	~~~	~~~	~~~	~~~	~~~	~~~
Total	76704	35397	78687	47246	84570	37121	6478	7102

Healthy Living

The gift of good health...

By Susan Malloy, RN

5 REASONS YOU SHOULD EAT FLAX EVERY DAY

1. *Promotes good eye health* - preliminary research shows that getting more omega-3 EFA's in your diet (like those found in flax) may promote eye health as you age.
2. *Improves cognitive function* - the oils in flax are the most abundant plant source of alpha-linolenic acid (ALA), an omega 3 essential fatty acid. ALA is converted to DHA and EPA (the same fatty acids found in fish oil).
3. *Results in normal blood insulin* and stable blood sugar levels. The Soluble fiber in flax slows the breakdown of dietary carbohydrates.
4. *Promotes normal blood viscosity* - (thickness) which helps support healthy circulation and normal blood pressure readings.
5. *Protects against free radical damage* - remember we take 10,000 hits to our body every day. Flax is nature's richest source of lignans which fight against free radical damage.

It also promotes moist healthier skin, healthy weight, regularity, healthy joints, and normal cholesterol levels.

Here are TEN Tips for enjoying Flax in your diet.

(Now there should be no excuses not to use it) 😊

1. Put 1/4 cup in your favorite yogurt or cottage cheese.
2. Sprinkle it on your cooked vegetables.
3. Blend it into your morning smoothie or protein drink.
4. Add it to any cold or hot cereal.
5. Top your salad with it or add it to your favorite dressing.
6. Scramble it right into your morning eggs.
7. Sprinkle it on nut butter sandwiches.
8. Make it a part of your turkey or favorite meat loaf recipe.
9. Designate a specific grinder for flax and clean it often so the oils won't get rancid.
10. Store it anywhere; it has an extremely long shelf life.

It has a bit of a nutty flavor but blends in well with all of the above.

So there you go... 5 reasons to purchase Organic Flax Seed at your Health Food Store or local grocer in the health food section and 10 ways to make eating it enjoyable.

Here's to a long and healthy life.

God bless, Susan

*This information was taken from Dr Julian Whitaker's
Health & Healing Product Resource 2008*

Attention All Bicycle Enthusiasts

Join Valley bicycle enthusiasts in the 7th Annual Tour de Paradise ~ a charity bike ride supporting **Beatitudes Center DOAR**. Sign up online at www.tourdeparadise.org to ride on **Saturday, April 18th!** This interfaith organization partners with our congregation to provide free services to homebound adults, grandparents raising grandchildren, family caregivers and congregational health programs. Three Tour de Paradise routes wind through beautiful north Phoenix. Start and finish at Moon Valley Park, 7th Ave. and W. Coral Gables Dr. Choose from the 7 a.m. ~ 62 Mile; 8 a.m. ~ 30 Mile; or 9 a.m. ~ 8 Mile family fun loop. All riders receive goodie bags, Tour de Paradise t-shirts, SAG support stops and lunch from Duck & Decanter. Registration is \$40, or \$50 day of the event. Teams of five or more receive a discount ~ fee is \$35 per rider. Riders may earn prizes by raising funds. Register and ask others to sponsor your ride at www.tourdeparadise.org. Info: (602) 274-5022 or www.centerdoar.org.



John Wesley's Three Simple Rules

Do No Harm
Do Good
Stay in love with God

NOTICE:

We need your Email Address!
Please email it to us at:
goldcanyonumc@mindspring.com

Email List

Would you like to receive your *Roadrunner* and event announcements by email? If so, please fill out the information below, tear it off and drop it in the collection plate or send it in to the church office.

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

Name (s): _____

Email Address:

Do you wish to continue to receive hard copy Roadrunners as well? ___Yes ___No



Christian Education...

With "Coach" Ellis Falk

"Our mission is to bring the love of Christ and His teachings to learners of all ages on their spiritual journey, that they be transformed and thus positively affect our local and global communities."

The final session of the Lenten Devotional series with Rev. Fay Quanstrom will be held on Thursday, April 2 at 5:30 pm in the Educational Building. The evening will start with soup prepared by our own gourmet chef Collette Bos followed by the Lenten Devotional. The topic for our meditation will be "Jesus the Father's Son". I hope you will come to the last of this wonderful and thought provoking series which Rev. Fay has provided for us.

During Holy Week (Monday thru Friday, April 6-10) the church will be open 6:00 am until 9:00 am for personal morning prayer and meditation. This provides a wonderful opportunity for you to start your day with prayer at the alter of the church. There will not be any speaking; just a time of personal reflection and prayer regarding what this week means for our salvation as we proceed on our faith journey.

The confirmation class will meet on Sunday, April 26th at 3:00 pm. We look forward to this class of young persons becoming members of the church on Sunday May 10th.

Vacation Bible School will be held June 15th thru June 19th this year. It is not too early to be planning for your children and grandchildren to attend. The theme this year is built around camping and is called "Camp Edge, Experience and Discover GOD Everywhere". The cost is \$10.00 per child and not more than \$20.00 per family. This fee will be used to cover the cost of supplies and food snacks for the week long school activities. A limited number of scholarships are available. In the coming weeks there will be a "need list" available should members of the congregation wish to make a donation. Volunteers are needed to help with all the VBS programming activities. Enjoy a week of fun (mornings only) with the children. We need help in all areas: teaching, crafts, props, games, science projects, songs, stories, and of course snacks. Please call me at the church office to inquire or volunteer.

Dates for Summer Camp for children and youth have been set and more information regarding the various camps can be obtained by going to www.desertsouthwestconference.org/camps or call the church. Registration may be secured on line and the deadline for all summer camp registration is May 15' 2009. Check the bulletin boards in the Educational Building for all camp dates and other information. Also, there is a limited number of scholarships available for the summer camp experience.



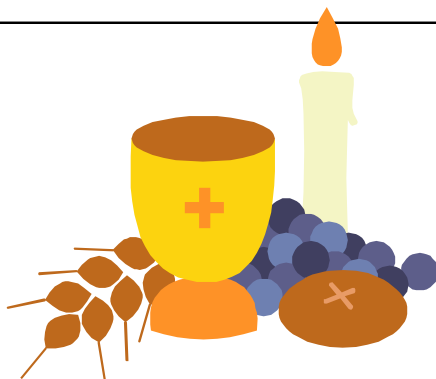
COMMUNION FOR THE HOMEBOUND

It's been one year since we implemented the Homebound Communion Ministry. We have trained communion servers that volunteer to deliver communion to the homebound and patients in local care facilities. Delivery is available on Communion Sunday, the first Sunday of each month, and will be delivered after the 9:30 am service. This service will be available on Sunday, April 5, 2009.

Please call the church office (982-3776) or Grover Wallace at 982-8755 for information.



**Silent Prayers for Lent
During Holy Week
6:00—9:00 am
Monday—Friday
In the Sanctuary**



YOU CAN HELP

Please consider treating a woman to a much needed weekend of renewal and fellowship at the Women's Retreat this year with a scholarship. Cost of the April event is \$100. Thank you.



Youth Ministries

With Heather Rodenberg

Sunday School 9:30 am in the Education Building
Youth Fellowship 6:30 pm Sundays in the Education Building

A Night of Hope A Night of Hope

When: April 4th at 6:30 pm

Cost: \$5.00

Come and join us for "A Night of Hope". The evening will be filled with dancing, refreshments, prizes, encouragement, and stories of hope. The music will be from the 50's all the way up to current hits. We want to be the hope of God to those in our community. The event is being sponsored by our youth group with the proceeds going to help fund our mission trip this summer to Artesia, New Mexico. Not only will you be a part of bringing hope to our community, but you will also be bringing hope to the community of Artesia. The cost is \$5.00 and tickets may be purchased by calling the church office. When you come, please bring a non-perishable food item for the food bank. Our goal is to bring hope to as many as possible.



These kids really know how to "build" a team!



...and then sometimes, the kids just "hang around!" Here's Mikey Sheridan on the wall...with duct tape. Don't worry, there was a serious message to go with this demonstration!

"But those who
hope in the LORD
will renew their STRENGTH.
They will SOAR on
wings like eagles;
they will RUN and
not grow weary,
they will WALK
and not be faint."

Isaiah 40:31



Follow us on Twitter and find out what the youth are up to and get the latest information on what's happening. Go to www.Twitter.com/GoldCanyonYouth

Donate to the Youth Mission Trip. Help change the lives of our youth and those in Artesia, New Mexico.

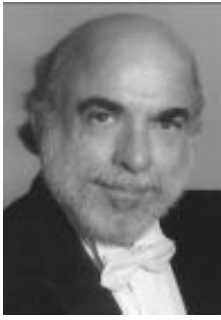
1 Share = \$400

½ Share = \$200

¼ Share = \$100

Please mark Youth Mission when donating.





Music Notes

I am writing this prior to and in great anticipation of the **Fred Swann** Organ Concert. I hope those of you who are reading this had the opportunity to hear this great organist play! It's not very often we get an organist of this

caliber here in the Phoenix area, let alone in Gold Canyon! I am very thankful for the donors of our fabulous Rodgers 967 *Trillium* Organ, Glenn and Shirley Hulcher! Glenn is perhaps most responsible for my being here in Gold Canyon, along with Mary Ann Warren. I thank God daily for these very supportive Christian friends!

This month we celebrate the reason we are a church – the resurrection of our Lord, Jesus Christ! I hope you all will come to the Maundy Thursday and Good Friday services. These two very profound experiences will certainly prepare you for the Easter experience of the Risen Christ! If Jesus doesn't die, he doesn't rise from the dead. These three services, really extensions of each other, show us the humanness of Christ, the absolute love of God for His people and the hope for eternal life and happiness in Christ. This is indeed the basis of our Christian faith and why we are believers.

Easter Services, all six of them, will be very special events. Sunrise at 6:00 am will have **Marty Robison** at the keyboard and **Mary Lynn Preiss** will sing, plus a very inspiring message by **Rev. Fred Steinberg**. The Traditional Festival Services at 8:00, 9:30 and 11:00 am will feature the **Chancel Choir, Chancel Ringers, Agape Brass Quintet, Timpani, Organ and Piano**, with **Rev. Fred Steinberg** preaching at 8:00 and 9:30 am. and **Rev. Bob Deits** preaching at 11:00 am. The Praise Service at 10:50 am will feature the music of our excellent Praise Band, **Uncommon Grace**, led by **David Ballard** with **Pastor Fred** preaching. The Country-Western service at 5:00 pm will feature **One in the Spirit** also led by **David Ballard** and preaching by **Rev. Bob Deits**. What a great number of ways to celebrate our Risen Lord!

The Gold Canyon Arts Council will present the **Arizona State University School of Music** in a concert at our church on **Sunday, April 19 at 3:00 pm** in the Sanctuary. This program is free and will feature the **Music Faculty of ASU**. If you are in town this day, you will definitely want to come and hear some great music! Plus, the price is right! Bring a non-perishable food item for the Food Bank.

Our next **Performing Arts Series** concert will take place **Sunday, May 3 at 3:00 pm** in the Sanctuary. This will be a concert by the **Scottsdale Christian Academy Chorale**, directed by **Rachel Stoddard**, who is the daughter of our own **Pete and Shirley Plakos**. I heard them again at the Arizona

Music Educators Association In-Service Conference and immediately invited them to sing for us again. They are truly an outstanding young chorale group! This concert is free (we will receive a free will offering) and is open to the public. We do ask everyone to please bring at least one non-perishable food item per person for the Gold Canyon United Methodist Church Food Bank. There is a list of Food Bank Needs in every Sunday worship bulletin.

As we approach Springtime in Gold Canyon, or where ever you may be, I hope each of you will take time to commune with nature and experience God in His wonderful creation. There is a lot to be said for taking time to "smell the roses"!

Thank you all for being the wonderful church family that you are!

Blessings to all,

Doug

Douglas J. Benton
Director of Music Ministries

SPRING SERVICE HOURS Beginning April 19th

***8:00 AM—Traditional Worship**

***9:30 AM—Traditional Worship
In the Sanctuary**

***10:50 AM—PRAISE
Service**

**In the Koinonia Room
Music led by *Uncommon Grace***

**Childcare Provided*

**5:00 PM—Country Western Service
Music led by
*One in the Spirit***

**On the Last Sunday of the Month
Music will be led by *The Housers***

WITHIN THE CHURCH FAMILY



By Hu & Wendy Rhymes, with a little help from Sadie and Hattie

ATTENTION: Hu & Wendy Rhymes DO NOT have a home phone. If you want to contact them and you don't have their CELL number, please contact the church office.

*****Thank you all for your prayers, concerns, cards, calls and love as I recover from sciatic nerve problems. **Hu**

SADIE RHYMES MEMORIAL

Donations of food for folks and pets for the FOOD BANK are always needed and welcome. The pets and their owners who are in need thank you for your donations of food and money to make purchases. The Rhymes family thanks you and we love you ~ Hu, Wendy, Hattie and Muffin

Joys: Rick Sutter, Jack Virden & Ron Walker

Sympathies: Arlaine & Dr. Brad Bryant & Valjean, upon the death of Arlaine's brother & Valjean's husband, Dale Anderson; The family of David Carnes, upon his death; Ruth Clymer, upon the death of her husband, Max; Fred & Jerri French, upon the death of their daughter, Diane; The family of Alice Frost, upon her death; Pete & Kay Johnson, upon the death of Kay's brother, David Driscoll; The family of Fern Kelly, upon her death; The Mitchell family, upon the death of James Foster Mitchell; The family of Mike Pawlowski, upon his death; Anne Pedigo, upon the death of her husband, Bill; Abe & Ruth Rikli, upon the death of their son-in-law, Mark and the families & friends of the above.

Concerns and/or Continued Prayers: Casey Atkinson, Irban Aumann, Patti Baker, Michael Beele, Pam Beele, Jan Berry (Myra & John Berry's daughter-in-law), Jim Birch, Dr. Brad Bryant, Karen Burke, Terry Burris, Paul Butler, Donna Campbell (Pat & Judy Campbell's daughter), Dottie Colby (Beth Steinberg's mother), Lee Collins (Lauren Collins-Mitchell's mother), Russell Cook (Marian Bonestell's brother), Dottie Cunningham, Mariette Doan, Kent Douglas, Marilyn Dugas, Betty Fenske, Edward Fite, Herb Gallart, Irene Graham, Chuck Greco, Kari Halverson, Judy Hanshaw, Aidan Housand, Jolene Huth, Lynn Howell, Pete Johnson, Joyce Kerkstra, Katherine Klein, Connie & Rick Keeling, Betty Kremer, Madeline Lance, Nels Lee, Sharon LeMar, Myron Lenning (Heather Rodenborg's grandfather), Jeanette Lindow, Mike Matthews, Helen Michael (Micki Holcomb's mother, Sharron Gingrich & Michelle Shaw's grand-

mother), Lloyd McNeece, Addie Muratore, Barbara Oldham, Bea Parnham, Bill Ramsey, Violet Reiners, Mickie & Bob Rosenstein, Doris Ross, Eric Samuels, Ruth Savage, Yvonne Savage, Elyse Schmunk, Nancy Stonebraker, Bill Talbot, Donna Toole, Nancy Traugh (Grover Wallace's sister), Rev. Peter Vaught, Ray Villeneuve, Kathy Wiegand, Tom Wiff, Tyler Williams and PRAYERS for the families (CAREGIVERS) of the above. PRAYERS for requests in the "CONFIDENTIAL PRAYER" boxes and those FOOD BANK CLIENTS who have requested prayer. PRAYERS for our MILITARY Personnel and their families.

Joys-but Still in Need of Prayers: Dick & Eleanor Armstrong, Tom & Dee Ashe, Barbara, Dorothy & Joey Baker, Sgt. Steven Bise in Iraq (Jackie Bise's nephew), Irene & Junior Blake (Paul Fillion's sister & brother-in-law), Robert Boehm, SSgt. John Briggs in Guam, Jenny & Bob Burgi, Jim & Carolyn Burt, Sgt. Jeff Carroll (Harriette & Jeff Downing's nephew), Bob Carter & family, Eleanor Chesney, Pat Colmer (Sharyn Bennett's mother), Craig Cmar (Marines), Bob & Marcia Cole, Ellie Conger, Carol & Jason Crosswhite, Jenny & Bob Crow, Lorraine Davidson, Chuck Dickinson, Virginia Faris (Suzanne Meier's mother) & Harold & Suzanne Meier, Ed Favia, (Army), Nancy Favia (Air Force Reserve), Andy & Danna Gharavi, David & Ardeena Gillette, Ross & Arline Hacker, Viola Hammond (Don Hammond's Mom, Rich & Sheila Haraldson, Lorna Hartman, Beth Hayes (Jeff Hayes' mother), Amanda Hendersen in Iraq, Jim Hibbing, Chris Huston in Iraq (Ken Miller's grandson), Henry Kamimski, Gladys Kay (Jane Hayes' Mom), Mel & Mary Kilbo, Naomi Kyle, Jane Lambert, Cheryl Lang,



“ LAUGH A LITTLE” with Pastor Hu

HOT AIR HAND DRYERS

My pastor friend put hot air hand dryers in the rest-rooms in his church, and after two weeks took them out. I asked him why and he confessed that they worked fine, but when he went in there he saw a sign that read, “For a sample of this week’s sermon, push the button.”

HOLY COMMUNION

Being a new pastor to an aging congregation, I told them I would be serving prune juice in Holy Communion. When asked why I would dare entertain such a thought, I said, “If the Holy Spirit won’t move you, the prune juice will!”

Carol & Bill Lindemann, Pauline Lymons, Bob & Juana Mahlandt, Michael & Susan Malloy, Sally Marvaino (Suzanne Jacobson’s sister), Todd Matzke in Iraq, Bryan McCann (Jeanette Lunstead’s son), Neal McGough in Afghanistan, Larry & Pat McMann, Wilbur McMann, Hedy Moore (Jed Moore’s Mom), Lorraine & Victor Phillips, Ione Pierce, Sylvia & Calvin, Icey Revis (Lynn Revis’ mother-in-law), Marvin & Jean Richter, Virgil & Rose Scantlin, Gloria Spears, Steve & Fran Strickler, Emily Sutherland (Wendy Moore’s grandmother), Rick & Sue Sutter, Audrey & Gregg Taran, Carl & Helen Thacker, (Jerry Thacker’s parents), Lillian Thomas & Maria Remaley (Bill & Mary Thomas’ mother), Bev & Jim Toppin, Marven & Wanda Tufte, Ray and Nancy Villeneuve, Mary Ann Warren, Lucy Weiland, Dot Zelezic and the families of the above.



DESIGNATED GIFTS FROM MEMORIAL-FUNERAL SERVICES

ANNA MAE KEAST-Gold Canyon UMC
HELEN STRICKLER-Gold Canyon UMC



SCRIP Fund

By Betty Rolley

At mid-March the excess money in this program stands at over \$9,000. This **free money** is earned by all of us participating in the *Scrip* program. After the purchase of a covering for the bus, the remaining money will stay in the fund to build it up toward the purchase of another bus which will be needed in the future.

If you are not familiar with the program using Bashas’ Community Support Cards and Fry’s Gift Cards (*that you must get from the church for them to count*), please stop by the *Scrip* section of the Information Center in the east narthex between services or call me at 380-0147 to find out how easy it is to participate and how **you** can help us to grow this fund in the years to come. Best of all, it is **at no cost to you**. The bus parked in front of the church has been paid for with funds from Bashas’ (at 6%) and Fry’s (at 3%) of all your purchases.

I have heard some people say, “Well, I spend so little each week that it wouldn’t matter.” But if many people each spend just a little at these stores, it adds up to a lot. This is **free money** the church earns when you purchase groceries, meds, etc. (and even gas at Fry’s), things we all use every day. Thanks so much.

*Let us
remember to pray
daily*



Thanks to all the loving people of the church for their prayers and support during my surgery and recovery. A big thanks to Hu & Windy for their visit.

To Georgia Kirkpatrick & Bob Lauver for sitting with Linda during my surgery...You are all GREAT!!

Ron Walker

Grief Support Group

Wednesdays at 3:00 pm, Room 101/102

Led by Laurie Christy

Gold Canyon UMC offers Grief Support for those who need someone to talk with. Grief isn't always about death – we all need help at times talking about and understanding our feelings. Anything that may cause sadness in your life is an issue for grief support. Sometimes it is death or divorce or, it could be the fears of relocation or a new job. We are here to listen when you need to talk. For information, contact Laurie Christy at 480-671-5768 or Lchristy20@yahoo.com.

GCUMC Coffee, Tea & Chocolate Cooperative

You are invited to join me in supporting the UMCOR Coffee Project by purchasing your Fair Trade coffee, tea and chocolate through me. By purchasing as a co-op, we will save money and STILL help out the farmers. Here's a quick cost comparison between companies showing comparable individual 1 pound bags of French Roast coffee:

KONA	STARBUCKS	UMCOR COFFEE PROJECT
\$12.45	\$10.45	\$5.65

If you are interested, contact Suzanne Jacobson in the church office at 480-982-3776 Monday through Friday between Noon and 3:00. Orders must be prepaid.

MIND MENDERS SUPPORT GROUP

Meets on the 2nd & 4th Friday

at 10:00 am in the Education Building.

This support group is for CAREGIVERS of anyone with Alzheimer's or some form of Dementia.

Contact Jeanette Lunstead or the church office for more information.



And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love Him.

Romans 8:28a



STEPHEN MINISTRY®

A Healing Process

Are you close to someone very recently diagnosed with a terminal illness - someone who very likely is going to die? If so, you and that person may share a variety of common reactions. Initially both of you may (probably will) react with denial or anger or both in one form or another.

While not medically trained, a Stephen Minister can meet specific and definite needs which you and/or the terminally ill person is sure to have. We encourage the **EXPRESSION** of denial, rage, resentment and other feelings which are likely to result from the painful bad news someone else brings. We will not argue with the news. We will engage a comforting, spiritual process, monitored by our Lord God, which gets you both talking about it. The final reaction is Acceptance. If you are in need for this kind of help, call the office for a referral. It will really help!

Mark your calendars for

**S P R I N G
F L I N G**



.....this special spring event at the church is scheduled for **April 18th**

from 1:00 to 5:00 pm throughout the campus. There will be fun opportunities for the whole family so bring everyone. There will be square dancing, a barber

shop quartet, clowns and face painting, pony rides, root beer floats, hot dogs, snow cones and popcorn, a bouncy house, balloon art and a blessing of the animals.

The event is free of charge except for food purchases. Bring your family and friends for a fun filled spring afternoon at the church. **See you there!!!**



The United Methodist Women includes all women of the church. We are dedicated to fellowship, friendship and service. We welcome all GCUWC women.

Stitches Unlimited

Stitches Unlimited meets the 2nd and 4th Thursday each month from 10:00 am until 3:00 pm. So quilters, sewers, knitters, and crocheters bring your lunch! All skill levels are welcome. Please come and see where you can be “in stitches” through May 2009. If you prefer to work at home, quilt kits are available. Questions? Please call Melva Houtcooper at 354-4012.

UMW Meeting Schedule Remainder of 2009
School of Missions July 23-26
Central East District Meeting October 10
Executive Board Meeting Monday, October 19th at 9 am
Unit Meeting Saturday, October 24th at 9:45 am
Executive Board Meeting Monday, November 9th at 9 am
Unit Meeting Saturday, November 14th at 9:45 am
UMW Sunday November 15
Remembrance Service November 18

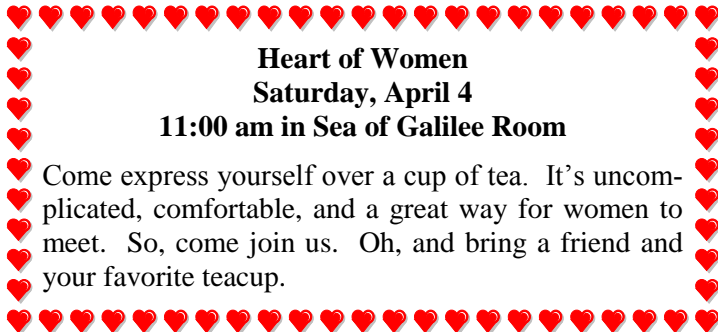
THANK YOU!!!
UMW Book Drive

Thank you to everyone who donated books for our book drive last month, and to everyone who shopped the book sale. All proceeds went to maintain UMW programs and support missions. Thank you for your donations, and your support!



The Page Turners Book Club

Page Turners Book Club meets the fourth Monday each month at 2:00 pm. We are a diverse group of ladies who read the same book then meet in each other's homes to discuss the book. Book selections through May 2009 can be found on the UMW Bulletin Board in the Education Building. If you have any questions, please call Diana Linton at 229-0706.


Heart of Women
Saturday, April 4
11:00 am in Sea of Galilee Room
 Come express yourself over a cup of tea. It's uncomplicated, comfortable, and a great way for women to meet. So, come join us. Oh, and bring a friend and your favorite teacup.

Join us for the “Loving Well”
Women’s Retreat with Beth Moore
April 24-26 2009

Come join us for a fun-filled weekend as we learn how to love well. It is a serious subject we will approach with joy. In the quiet beauty of the mountain top we will hear from best-selling author, Beth Moore through video, enjoy fun and fellowship with other women, sing, play games, laugh our heads off, worship, shed a few tears, eat, make new friends, and enjoy old friends. It's a weekend you won't want to miss! We have a great team at work planning a most wonderful, possibly even life-changing event just for you. We know that only the perfect love of the Lord can truly fill us, but come let us love on you just a little. Let us fill your cup just for a weekend. Registration forms are available in the church office, at the Information Desk, and on the bulletin board in the Education Building. Cost for the weekend is \$100 for lodging, meals and programming. **Scholarships are available.** April 1st is the cutoff date for reservations unless the event is a sell out before that date (and reservations are coming in). So, sign up today! If you need further details about the weekend, please call Diana Linton at 229-0706.

United Methodist Women, Continued



St. Andrew's Clinic Report Of the trip on March 5, 2009



CELEBRATION CELEBRATION

Is celebrating really that important? Yes, it is!

Celebration keeps us balanced in a difficult world, renews our perspective, and enables us to capture joy.

Let's celebrate this latest St. Andrews Children's Clinic project. This adventure helped us build friendships within our congregation and our community. We learned to give ourselves away, to stretch out our hands for the pure joy of doing it. Reaching out to others, they reach out to us. It's a two-way street, a street practically lined with balloons and streamers.

Praise the Lord! Thank you all. Let's Celebrate!

- 300 toiletry kits
- 300 cloth bags for kits for Mother's Day
- 81 quilts
- 10 afghans
- 40 lap robes
- 50 plus knitted slippers, hats, scarves, sweaters, Izzy dolls, cover-ups, ear muffs and neck wraps, and other dolls
- 3 blenders
- 4 large bags of children's clothing & several pairs of shoes
- 154 toddler Pull-Ups
- 50 mattress covers
- 2 fitness balls
- 500 toothpastes for kits
- 5,284 newborn & young baby diapers —
- 440 DOZEN
- 1 case of prune juice
- 12 cases of Pediasure
- 6 pack of Pediasure; 6 pack of Ensure; 6 boxes vitamins;
- 4 large containers of Enfamil; 2 medium, 2 small, boxes baby wipes, Purex Cleanser
- 115 onesies, 4 newborn caps, 16 pairs booties, 10 knitted baby caps
- 1 baby tub filled with mobiles and all delightful things to please babies
- Lots of stuffed animals
- Hand-made wooden toys



What Church Is This?

We have a great looking church sign. It is visible to everyone driving on Kings Ranch Road. Except on Sunday mornings when cars are parked in front of the sign. We have had several 'complaints' that not only can they not tell what type of church we are, but when our services are scheduled. In order to not discourage anyone from coming or thinking there is no room, an immediate remedy has been to block off an area between the sign and the road. Although the barricade solves the problem of the signs visibility, it does nothing for the curb appeal of the church. A group of members would like to improve the visibility of the sign and the appearance. So far the discussion has centered around a cactus garden with rock borders and a bordered path. The garden would have to be small low growing cacti or desert friendly plants as this area will not have an irrigation system. Anyone with suggestions on landscaping this area or donations, please contact Neil Brogren (480) 671-5626 or Sherry Blankenship (480) 983-2048



Easter is just around the corner. Now is the time to order lilies for this year.

If you wish to order an Easter lily or lilies, please fill out the attached order blank and include the \$10.00 payment for each flower ordered. The form, along with the payment, may be mailed to Gary Stemple, 8295 E Sweet Acacia Dr, Gold Canyon, AZ 85218-6998; placed in the offering plate; or put in Gary's box in the office. Please make all checks payable to the church and mark it "Easter lily." The Easter Lilies will be placed in the Sanctuary and the Koinonia Room for your enjoyment on Easter Sunday. You may take your lilies home after the Sunday services.

EASTER LILY ORDER BLANK

Please order an Easter lily in Memory of

Please order an Easter lily in Honor of

Total amount attached: \$ _____

Your name: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Please call Gary or Sharon Stemple, 671-4307, if you have questions.

International Missions

"The world is my parish." – John Wesley

By Jackie Douglass

Service Project to Chile

As we continue to seek ways to serve God's people and multiply God's work as a church and as individuals, we invite you to prayerfully consider the opportunity to participate in a service project in the Northern District of the Methodist Church in Chile. The project will be done in the coastal city of Iquique at a Methodist school to build pews for the Methodist church in Antofagasta. We will be working alongside the members of that congregation under the leadership of John and Janice Cogswell; John and Janice were with us in early March as presenters both in worship and at our International Missions Program.

The dates for the trip are January 1-17, 2010

\$200.00 deposit is **due May 15, 2009**

Total cost is \$2,700 inclusive of materials, travel, accommodations and meals

There is an option for an extended stay at the conclusion of the service project

For more details and a registration form, please contact Ruthmary Anderson (don101mary@msn.com) or Jackie Douglass (jackied.coaz@gmail.com). Registration forms are also available on the information table.

Understanding that not all are able to serve by traveling, there are opportunities to serve by giving. The various international missions that we support are:

The St. Andrews Project in Mexico

The United Methodist Seminary and other projects in the Congo

A new Christian congregation and church in China

Educational and medical support of children in Thailand orphaned by the tsunami of 2004

To contribute to any of these projects, indicate "International Missions" on the envelopes in the pews or in the memo section of your check. If you would like your donation to be used for a specific project, indicate Africa, Chile, China, St. Andrews or Thailand on your envelope or check.



Current UMCOR Emergencies

To donate to UMCOR on behalf of the following emergencies, please write your check to GCUMC and write "UMCOR

Advance ##### (fill in the appropriate number)" on the memo line. 100% of your donation will go to those affected by the emergency.

Gaza Crisis

Middle East Emergency
UMCOR Advance #601740

Zimbabwe Crisis

Zimbabwe Emergency
UMCOR Advance #199456

Hurricanes 2008

Hurricanes 2008
UMCOR Advance #3019695

Cuba Emergency

Cuba Hurricane Response
UMCOR Advance #3020821

For more ways to help, or to donate online, go to:
<http://new.gbpm-umc.org/umcor/>

A Mission of the Heart

By John Paddison, International Missions Team

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?

I have heard you calling in the night.

I will go, Lord, if you lead me.

I will hold your people in my heart.

Several years ago, I guess it was, my wife Jean and I heard Him calling, but we never really were quite sure of why. Only recently have we come realize that voice was and is an invitation to serve.

In the summer of 2001, I had the opportunity of attending an educational conference in Beijing, China. As a college teacher, I was overwhelmed by this professional opportunity. And as a result of that conference, I was asked to teach for a semester at Northeastern University in Shenyang, China. Surprisingly, and thankfully, Jean agreed to leave home and grandchildren and accompany me on this six-month adventure. After that time, things just seemed to continually fall into place. Not only did we return to China several times to teach, we were able to establish a student and faculty exchange program with my home institution, Central Arizona College. Through that program we have been able to bring teachers and students from China to America, and send American teachers and students to China as well. Because Jean and I believe that education and young people and understanding are probably the best ways to change our troubled world, we have counted these activities and opportunities as being truly a blessing to us.

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However, this was only the first part of our journey. One of the exchange students that came to Central Arizona College, Ms. Liu Miao, attended GCUMC on the first Christmas Eve service in the new sanctuary; as did other members of the congregation, she even signed her name on the bare floor at the front of the sanctuary, before the wood flooring was installed. She was so moved by the experience that later, after she returned to China, she told us about a Christian church in Wangshi, China, that her mother was a member of. The congregation has been struggling to grow and flourish since 1990 and is in the process of building a new church building, which, when finished, will hold five hundred people. But because the town is the hub of a small, very poor farming area, progress on the construction has been slow and often is in the red. Last year when we were in China, we were able to visit the town, meet the minister and several church members, and see the new building, which was still under construction. It was then, I think, that we finally discovered our purpose for being in China.

Eventually the building will be completed, but the church is in desperate need of pews, music equipment, Chinese Bibles, and just about everything. Through the help of the GCUMC International Missions Committee, we have already been able to raise \$1,000 for the church. But more than that, the people there cannot believe that the Christians at GCUMC, though halfway around the world, care about them and are so willing to help. Jean and I feel blessed to have heard and have been taught to serve, and in so doing have been given the opportunity to hold God's people in our hearts.



Ms. Liu Miao



Update on Habitat for Humanity

We are making good progress on this year's Habitat for Humanity Build, which started the first week in January and will be completed in April. This year's house is being built for and with Crystal Privett and her family. The house is located near Ironwood and Superstition in Apache Junction, and it completes the 18 home subdivision of Habitat for Humanity homes there called Ironwood Trails. These homes have been built over the last three years, and Gold Canyon UMC has participated in building three of them.

Many Habitat for Humanity homes are sponsored by corporations, and many are sponsored by faith-based groups. Several years ago, as members of Velda Rose UMC, we decided to form a faith-based coalition of churches in the East Valley to sponsor and build a home each year. Known as the Superstition Coalition, it is made up of about a dozen churches, mostly Methodist but also Catholic, Lutheran and evangelical. Each church contributes funds as well as volunteers and refreshments for several of the Saturday build days. Working together with folks from these churches and with each homeowner family has been a very rewarding experience.

Now that we have joined Gold Canyon UMC, we look forward to strengthening this local outreach ministry. We have already started to raise funds for the build that will begin next January. If you would like to contribute, please write "Habitat for Humanity" in the memo of your check. If you have questions or would like to be a volunteer worker, please call or email us. We look forward to working with you.

Joe and Maureen Morton
602-284-2826
Moand Joem@aol.com



Volunteers Do Make a Difference

GCUMC
982-3776

Jane Hayes, Volunteer Coordinator

Thank You Winter Visitors! See
you in the Fall. We appreciate you.
Have a Safe Summer

GIFT CARDS

Don't forget to continue the spirit of giving this Spring by sending a cash donation of \$20 to purchase gift cards for the Foodbank.

We all enjoy participating in this excellent mission work, but as we get busy and go on various trips, it is so easy to leave our donation to be used when our shelves are depleted.

I will be happy to be the "personal shopper" for this worthy cause throughout the Summer when all of us take our journeys.

Simply leave a check for the food bank in the plate or mail it and mark it as food bank gift card to either Bashas or Fry's. *Of Course, gift cards are on sale at the information table as well.*

***Circle one or more of these options to and place the form in the collection plate on Sunday, or drop by the office! Thanks.*

1. **Easter Breakfast:** juice, muffins, rolls, egg dishes or cash donation
2. **Information Table**
3. **Office Assistant**
4. **W.O.W. Team**
5. **Gift Card for Food Bank**

Name _____

Phone _____

THANK YOU W.O.W. TEAM!

We all appreciate the service our WOW Team is doing each week. Special thanks are in order for their offering to organize and serve the Easter Breakfast following the Sunrise Service. Don't forget to send your cash donation, or food items to be enjoyed by our church family.

The Monthly Gift of Sharing:

Buy a gift card for Bashas or Fry's and donate it to the Food-Bank !

God Bless.



Did You Know?

Easter Eggs in the Orthodox Church

Traditionally, the time to color Easter Eggs is on the Thursday of Holy Week. Also, in anticipation of breaking of the Lenten fast, Orthodox prepare Easter Baskets. These are filled with colored eggs, cheese, breads, meats, and wine. This basket will be taken to church and often placed in the front of the church during the Easter service. At the end of the service, this basket is used to celebrate, sharing with others breaking the Lenten fast.

From www.sainkatherineorthodoxchurch.org



I am the RESURRECTION and the LIFE. He who believes in ME will LIVE, even though he dies. John 11:25

Easter Sunrise Breakfast

† PLEASE HELP WITH THE EASTER SUNRISE BREAKFAST BY
GIVING A DONATION OR BRINGING SOME MUFFINS, SWEET
ROLLS, AN EGG DISH, FRUIT OR JUICE - SIGN-UP HERE

I will bring

NAME: _____

PHONE: _____

Donations may be given at any time - Please designate for Sunrise Breakfast donation. Please leave this completed Card in the collection plate, or with one of the Ushers, or bring it into the office during the week.

Office hours are M-F 8 to 4.



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Director of Education	Ellis Falk
Director of Music Ministries	Douglas J. Benton
Associate Director of Music	David Ballard
Director of Youth Ministries	Heather Rodenburg
Pianists	Carol Ballard, Linda Jones, Marty Robison
Office Manager	Nancy Virden
Administrative Associate	Suzanne B. Jacobson
Volunteer Coordinator	Margaret Ball
Parish Nurse	Jane Hayes
Nursery Care Giver	Sue Malloy
Facility Care Takers	Susan Kenyon John LaViolette



Beginning the Sunday After Easter, Traditional Services will be: at 8 & 9:30 am in the Sanctuary. The Praise and Country Services will remain as they are now.

**SEE
 HOLY WEEK HOURS
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**WINTER II SERVICE HOURS
 January through Easter**

***8:00 AM—Traditional Worship**

***9:30 AM—Traditional Worship**

***11:00 AM—Traditional Worship
 In the Sanctuary**

***10:50 AM—PRAISE
 Service**

**In the Koinonia Room
 Music led by *Uncommon Grace***

**Childcare Provided*

**5:00 PM—Country Western Service
 Music led by
*One in the Spirit***

**On the Last Sunday of the Month
 Music will be led by *The Housers***

**SUNDAY SCHOOL
 SCHEDULE**

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

**† 8:00 AM ~ Adult Sunday School
 Meets in Room 101/102**

**† 9:30 AM ~
 Children's Sunday School
 Pick Up in Room 101/102**

† 9:30 AM ~ Youth Sunday School

**† 10:50 AM ~
 Children's Sunday School
 Pick Up in Classrooms**

Monthly Newsletter Deadline: 10th of the Month
 Weekly Bulletin Insert Deadline: **Noon** on Wednesday
 Flower Order Deadline: **Noon** on Wednesday
 Please note that flowers are \$30.00

Love

April

Anniversaries

- 7 Carpenter, Tim & Trudy
- 13 Grills, Herb & Iona
- 15 Eisentraut, Arne & Bonnie
- 15 Wilke, Norman & Barbara
- 17 Olson, Erik & Amy
- 18 Fitzgerald, Chris & Susan
- 18 Goodman, Clare & Clara
- 23 Malloy, Michael & Susan
- 24 Osborn, David & Barbara
- 24 Rosenstein, Robert & Mickie
- 24 Sawyer, Dan & Nancy
- 25 Palmer, Gary & Ellen
- 27 Daniels, Brad & Janet
- 27 King, Mike & Allisen
- 29 Callahan, Dwight & Tracy
- 30 Curtis, Bill & Joyce
- 30 Thacker, Jerry & Ruth Ann

April Birthdays



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|-----------------------|------------------------|
| 1 Lundberg, Betty | 18 Cecil, Paul |
| 1 Epler, Peggy | 18 Svoboda, Beverly |
| 3 Morris, Helen | 18 Revis, Lynn |
| 3 Matzke, Merle | 18 Manbeck, Lucas |
| 3 Mogharbel, Cassea | 18 Copeland, Crystal |
| 4 Marifjeren, Lorna | 19 Tambke, Jim |
| 4 Gray, Daniel | 19 Owen, April |
| 4 Kinder, Elizabeth | 20 Grannis, Lisa |
| 4 Logan, Laurie | 21 Baker, Joey |
| 5 Kostecka, Bob | 21 Crane, Linda |
| 6 Denton, Marian | 21 Freitas, Debbie |
| 6 Wood, Nicholas | 22 Bargman, Carmean |
| 6 Hrehovcsik, Phyllis | 22 Hardman, Jeannette |
| 8 Friesen, Gen | 22 Warren, Harry |
| 8 Ebnetter, Frank | 22 Crane, Heidi |
| 8 Ballard, Erica | 23 Muratore, Gerard |
| 8 Hick, William | 23 Sutter, Sue |
| 9 Richter, Jean | 23 Ward, Lee |
| 9 Madzey, Carl | 23 Moore, Scott |
| 9 Johnson, Nancy | 24 Holst, Bob |
| 9 Mogharbel, Lillie | 24 Taylor, Dean |
| 10 Johnson, Joseph | 24 Rosenstein, Mickie |
| 11 Erskine, Nedra | 24 Graham, Jean |
| 11 Gillette, David | 24 Hanshaw, Judy |
| 12 Bohannon, Bo | 24 Nanny, Robert |
| 12 Warkenthien, Carol | 25 Brewer, Jill |
| 14 Dewinter, Ruth | 25 Russell-Kukuk, Sara |
| 14 Gingrich, Gary | 25 Primeau, Deborah |
| 14 Moore, Jed | 26 Bos, Colette |
| 14 Lullo, Kristen | 27 Helquist, Jan |
| 15 Larson, Ardis | 27 Bennett, Sharyn |
| 16 Cady, Pat | 28 Krstyen, Michelle |
| 16 Swails, Sean | 29 Mercer, Muriel |
| 17 Coules, John | 29 Downing, Jeff |
| 17 Olson, Amy | 30 Houtcooper, Melva |
| 17 Reichert, Rick | 30 Johnson, Sharon |



GCUMC Calendar April 2009

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			<p>1 9 am Beth Moore-K 3 pm Grief Support-SofG 4:30 pm PreTeens 6 pm Youth Bells 7 pm UG 7 pm Chancel Bells</p>	<p>2 5:30 Lenten Soup & Devotion 7 pm Chancel Choir</p>	<p>3 10 am GC Mom's Club -Rm 101/102 5:30 pm AA-SofG</p>	<p>4-8 am Men's Breakfast @ Red Sage 10:30 Sidewalk Sunday School @ Boy's/ Girl's Club 11 am Heart of Women-101/102 1:30pm Teacher Appreciation Luncheon - K Rm 6:30 pm Night of Hope Dance</p>
<p>5 8 am Traditional 9:30 am Traditional 10:50 am Praise 11 am Traditional 3:00 pm Youth t-Lasertag 5:00 CW Service 6:30 pm Disciple 1</p>	<p>6 1 pm Disciple 2-101/102 5:30 pm Pastoral Care ~ Rm 101/102 6 pm Hospitality Outreach Team ~ K Rm 6:30 pm Stephen Min. ~Rm 101/102 7 pm Boy Scouts ~ Rm 106</p>	<p>7 6 pm One in the Spirit 6 pm Trustee's Mtg ~ Fred's Office</p>	<p>8 9 am Cancer Support-101/102 3 pm Grief Support-SofG 4:30 pm PreTeens 6 pm Youth Bells 7 pm UG 7 pm Chancel Bells</p>	<p>9 1 pm Stitches Unlimited 6 pm Financial Peace Preview ~ K Room 7 pm Maundy Thursday Service ~ Sanctuary</p>	<p>10 10 am Mind Menders 101/102 5:30 pm AA-SofG 7 pm Good Friday Service ~ Sanctuary</p>	<p>11 9 am Easter Dress Rehearsal 10:30 am Sidewalk Sunday School @ Boy's & Girl's Club 5 pm Teen Center</p>
<p>12 ~ EASTER~ 6 am Sunrise Service 8 am Traditional 9:30 am Traditional 10:50 am Praise 11 am Traditional 5:00 CW Service 6:30 pm Disciple 1 6:30 pm Youth Group</p>	<p>13 1 pm Disciple 2- 101/102 4 pm Education Team ~ Work Room 6:30 pm Coffee with the Pastor ~ Music Room</p>	<p>14 6 pm One in the Spirit</p>	<p>15 9 am Cancer Support-101/102 3 pm Grief Support-SofG 4:30 pm PreTeens 6 pm Youth Bells 7 pm UG 7 pm Chancel Bells</p>	<p>16 6:30 pm Financial Peace University ~ K Rm 7 pm Chancel Choir</p>	<p>17 5:30 pm AA-SofG</p>	<p>18 10:30 am Sidewalk Sunday School @ Boy's & Girl's Club 1 pm WOW Spring Fling!</p>
<p>19 8 am Traditional 9:30 am Traditional 10:50 am Praise 3 pm ASU Students in Concert 5:00 CW Service 6:30 pm Disciple 1 6:30 pm Youth Group</p>	<p>20 1 pm Disciple 2-101/102 6:30 pm Stephen Min. ~Rm 101/102 7 pm Boy Scouts ~ Rm 106</p>	<p>21 6 pm One in the Spirit 7 pm Administrative Council Mtg ~ Music Rm</p>	<p>22-8 am NL Team 9 am Cancer Support-101/102 3 pm Grief Support-SofG Rm 4:30 pm PreTeens 6 pm Youth Bells? 7 pm UG 7 pm Chancel Bells</p>	<p>23 1 pm Stitches Unlimited - R101/102 6:30 pm Financial Peace University ~ K Rm 7 pm Chancel Choir</p>	<p>24 Women's Retreat 10 am Mind Menders - 101/102 5:30 pm AA-SofG</p>	<p>25 10:30 am Sidewalk Sunday School @ Boy's & Girl's Club</p>
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