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FROM THE PASTOR: "LENTEN CONSEQUENCES"

We have entered the season of Lent on the Christian Calendar. Lent is the 40 day period before Easter in which we are encouraged to reflect on our lives and the health of our soul. We are urged to prepare ourselves for Easter. It is typically a season of repentance. Some people even highlight Lent by choosing to give up something.

Deron Smith of Springfield, Missouri wrote of one Lenten season when he described to his three daughters the meaning of Lent. He told them he was giving up desserts until Easter. He then invited them to give up something important for Lent. The two oldest daughters declared that they too would give up sweets like their mom and dad but the youngest daughter who was six years old pondered the question a little longer. She finally responded by saying, "I want to give up consequences!"

Unfortunately consequences can't be so easily avoided. If you have been worshipping with us you know that we have started a sermon series entitled the "7 Deadly Sins." The consequences of succumbing to these sins can damage us. Fortunately there is grace and mercy. When we acknowledge our problems, ask for forgiveness, and change our ways we can find new life. We can experience the joy of resurrection in our life.

During Lent and Holy Week there will be numerous ways for spiritual reflection and worship. I pray you will take advantage of these events to help you grow in your faith. I will see you on Sunday.

Grace and peace,

Fred



MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE

Thursday, 4/2 at 7:00pm, Sanctuary

Our Maundy Thursday Service this year will include communion as a reminder of Jesus' actions before he was crucified. Rev. Joel Hurley will give the message and the Chancel Choir will sing.

GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE

Friday, 4/3 at 7:00pm, Sanctuary

We will celebrate Good Friday with music by our Chancel Choir and darkness to allow for reflection on the crucifixion. Rev. Bob Deits will provide the message.

EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE

Sunday, 4/5 at 6:00am, North Parking Lot

Greet the dawn with a view of the Superstition Mountains from our north parking lot. Special music will brighten the morning and Rev. Fay Quanstrom will give the message.

EASTER SUNRISE BREAKFAST

Sunday, 4/5 at 7:00am, Education Building

Enjoy a continental breakfast prepared by our church members in the Koinonia Room.

EASTER WORSHIP SERVICES

Sunday, 4/20 at 8:00am, 9:30am, 11:00am & 5:00pm

The rest of the day will be filled with special services which will include anthems, hand bells, and messages by Rev. Fred Steinberg and Rev. Bob Deits.

SERMON SERIES: "7 DEADLY SINS"

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| † 3/1 | Greed |
| † 3/8 | Wrath |
| † 3/15 | Sloth |
| † 3/22 | Envy |
| † 3/29 | Pride |



"FOLLOWING JESUS, SERVING OTHERS"



CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

by Katharine Keller

"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."

SIDEWALK MINISTRY

by Sherry Hussein

Sidewalk Ministry continues to meet every Saturday, 9:45am

-11:45am, at Avalon School in Apache Junction. It's a Blessing to the children to have so many dedicated, compassionate, and caring volunteer Shepherds. The Shepherds help with loving & nurturing the children through God's word.

The children will continue learning more of Jesus, His miracles, His Love for all people, and His Love of Teaching. The children will be on Spring Break, 1-2 wks. this month. Please pray for them, to keep Jesus in their hearts, and for their safety.

March 21st is the big parking lot sale at GCUMC. Last year we made over \$350 from our sale items. This money went toward lunches served at Sidewalk on Saturdays. Please consider donating items for this sale. Bring items to Church, we will store them in the Nursery changing room. If you have large items to be picked up at your house, please call Sherry.

We would love to have you join our ministry team Saturdays at 1045 S. San Marcos Drive in Apache Junction. Stop by and see us sometime! If you would like to bake some cookies or provide lunch one Saturday, call Sandra Caldwell at 480-391-3109. We are in need of Bus/Van Drivers for transporting the children to & from our ministry site. Please consider volunteering one Saturday a month, October-April. Contact Charlie Tirrito at (908)267-3981 or (480) 463-1937. Information on Sidewalk, please call Sherry at (480)529-9621.

Thank you GCUMC congregation for all your prayers and continued support of Sidewalk!



IT'S TIME...

...to think about summer camping for your children and youth at the Methodist Mingus Mountain Camp. Although there are no hard copies of the brochures at the church yet, online registration is ready to go.

Besides the elementary camps, there are backpack and rafting camps being offered for junior and senior high students – please check it all out at mingusmountaincamp.org and see the exciting offerings. If you have any questions about camp, please contact Katharine in the church office.



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL JUNE 8—12

This summer the children will be a part of an exciting Holy Land Adventure. During this event, tribes will explore the culture of ancient Nazareth – Jesus' hometown! This year our format will be a little bit different, but just as fun and very much hands-on. There will be more details and information about registration in the next newsletter, but our VBS is open to those who are 4 years of age – grade 5. Please save the date!

****If you would like to help be a tribal leader, assist in one of the marketplace shops, decorate and build sets, or lead games... we need you! Please contact Katharine in the church office, so that you are included in the planning as we move forward.**



TEAM OUTREACH

GREETER TRAININGS

If you are a greeter or wish to be a greeter, please plan to attend the final scheduled Greeter Training on Monday, March 2 at 1:00pm in the Education Building. After this



session, you will need to meet with Katharine privately to cover the expectations of this ministry, as we continue to seek excellence in all of our ministries. To those who have been through the training, thank you!

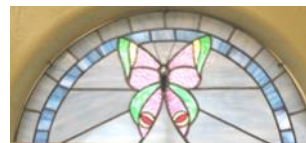
FEBRUARY WOMEN'S RETREAT

...62 women (*photo above*) were blessed by God and were a blessing to others!



MORE ARCH WINDOWS

The Bible window is in memory of Mae Myers by family and friends.



The Butterfly window is in honor of Bud and Betty Rolley's 60th wedding anniversary.

The Alpha and Omega window is in honor of Betty Armstrong, donated by her Bible study group.



Gold Canyon United Methodist church is hosting a free Spring Eggstravaganza followed by a Country Western worship service with music by *The Houser Gang*. There will be entertainment, a cupcake contest, blessing of animals (so bring your pet), and games and activities for the children along with their egg hunt at 3:00 pm. A special addition this year is a silent auction of decorated and theme-filled Easter baskets. And, you won't go away hungry as food will be available at no charge. (*continued on page 4*)

A Note From Bob...

COUNTRY NEWS



We would like to invite you to take a break from the hectic, tiring times and be rejuvenated by our country western worship experience that is as much fun as it is spirit-lifting.

Our music teams, One in the Spirit and The Houser's are always ready to welcome you with a hearty, "Howdy partner!" and music that will get your toes tapping and hands clapping.

After several years of being part of the leadership for this "cowboy" service, I continue to be amazed at how energizing it is for everyone: the congregation, the musicians and singers - and, yes, the preacher.

Take a Sunday evening at 5:00pm to be energized yourself... and do a friend a favor and bring them along!

Bob Deits



EGGSTRAVAGANZA CONTINUED...

Although donations of any amount will be graciously accepted, there is **no** charge for this event. The afternoon activities promise fun and enjoyment for the **whole** family!

- **When:** Sunday, March 29, 2015 ~ 2:00–5:00pm
- **Where:** Gold Canyon United Methodist Church
6640 S. Kings Ranch Road
Gold Canyon
(480)982-3776

So, gather the kids, your neighbors and friends and join us for a fun-filled afternoon!

SUPPORT GROUPS



MIND MENDERS

... is a support group for caregivers of Alzheimer's and other dementia disease patients and **meets on the 2nd & 4th Friday each month at 10am in the Education Building**. Join us! *Contact Jeanette Lunstead at 480-671-9888 or the church office for more info.*



CANCER SUPPORT GROUP

... provides spiritual support, love, friendship and a helping hand to cancer patients, caregivers and their families, and **meets Wednesdays at 10:30am in Room 101/102**. Contact Dee Ashe at deenashe7580@gmail.com or (480)924-5483, (480) 685-7175.



GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

... is for those who have experienced a major loss such as the death of a loved one or divorce. The leader of the group, Rev. Bob Deits, has been working extensively with these issues for 36 years and addressed them in his book, *Life after Loss*, now in its 5th edition. Please accept his invitation to attend the Grief Support group he leads every **Mon. from 1 - 2pm in the Education building**. For questions or if you wish to talk to him privately, you can call him at (602)615-6634.



Gold Canyon UMC Youth

Gold Canyon United Methodist Youth Group News

Wendy Moore,
Youth Director



We Want YOU!... to share faith and fun!

The 2015 Mission Trip to Mescalero, New Mexico will be here before we know it. The actual dates are June 28 through July 4. We have reserved spots for 15 people including chaperones. If you have had a chance to attend our Shareholder's Thank You dinner, then you have heard first hand from the youth how much these mission trips mean to them. This year will be no exception; it will change the lives of all who go. We will be serving the tribe of the Mescalero Apache people, doing a variety of jobs. This is a Challenge Camp which means that there could be reroofing homes, building decks, repairing drywall, and painting.



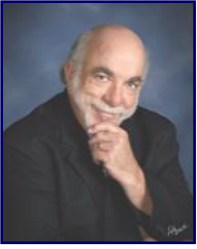
Not only do we serve physical needs of our residents, our service and outreach provides opportunity to share spiritually as well. Our youth experience the joy of service to others, and are provided excellent faith based morning and evening programs to support their work each day. Each year, the organizers provide a theme for the week's events. It is a powerful combination to hear the biblical perspective of service to others, focus on Christ's service and sacrifice, and then go into the community to put those ideas into action.

So, we are actively selling shares for our trip and would love to have you be a part of our 2015 Mission Trip as a shareholder. The cost per share is \$400, half a share is \$200, a quarter share is \$100, but any amount is greatly appreciated and makes you a shareholder. Be a part of a life changing trip, for our youth, the people they will be serving, and hopefully you when we come back and share our stories with you. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call Wendy Moore at 480-459-1809.



Middle school through high school youth between the ages of 13 and 18 are encouraged to join us for fun, friends, and fellowship. We meet every Sunday night from 6:30 to 8:30 in the Education Building. We also have Youth Sunday School every Sunday morning at 9:30 in the Education Building. Youth are encouraged to bring a friend! We hope to see you there! Please contact Wendy Moore (480-459-1809) for more information. COME JOIN US!!!!





MUSIC NOTES

Although it is only February when I am writing this, it feels like April! I do hope we get some winter this year – I would like to wear my heavy coat at some point in time! On the other hand, I am thankful that I can grill without having to take a torch to de-ice the grill, like a friend of mine has had to do in Tennessee!

I want to extend another invitation to those of you who would like to sing in our Chancel Choir. There are no auditions. We only ask that you are able to match pitch and read music at least a little. Our Choir meets on Thursday evenings from 6:50 to 8:30 in the Music Room. If you have any questions, please give me a call at the church.

Also, our Orchestra is really doing great, but we can always use more people. If you played in high school or college and still have your horn, consider joining us! We really have a great time together and we are becoming pretty good! We meet on Wednesday evenings from 7:00 to 8:00 in the Music Room. If you have any questions, again, please give me a call at the church.

We have two major events for you this month. First, is our Spring Concert on Sunday, March 8 at 3:00 pm. This will feature the Chancel Choir, Canyon Carillon (handbells), Agape Brass, Orchestra, Chanters (men's chorus), Women's Chorus, Joyful Noise (children's choir) Piano Trio, and Organ. Proceeds will go to the Pipes for the Organ Fund. We have a great start on this fund, but still have a long way to go. So, we hope you will come, bring your family, friends and neighbors, and your wallets as well as a non-perishable item for the Food Bank! I promise this concert will be very, very worthwhile! I really appreciate the continued support you give to our Music Ministry!

The last concert in March will be the Incredible Rice Brothers, who will perform for us on Sunday, March 22 at 3:00pm. They gave their very successful debut in Carnegie Hall on November 2 last year, and they invited Martha and myself to come – even paid for our hotel! Tickets to their concert were \$35.00 each! Here, we have no

tickets, so this concert is open to the public at no charge! Everyone is asked to please bring at least one non-perishable food item per person for the GCUMC Food Bank.

The Rice brothers, Johnny and Chris, are each true virtuosos on both piano and cello! They will reprise most of their concert in Carnegie Hall, with some added music. As I write this, Chris is in Miami, FL competing in the National Chopin Piano Competition, and Johnny has submitted his audition to the Tchaikovsky International Cello Competition in Russia. Who knows – next year they may reverse rolls and compete all over again on their other instruments! If you have not experienced these two incredible (and I don't say that lightly!) musicians, you really should while I can still afford to have them perform here! I promise you that you will be very glad you came, and so will your guests! Their audience has nearly doubled in size each time they perform! Don't miss this concert!!!

On a personal note, I have just been appointed Chair of Repertoire and Standards Committee for Music in Worship for the Arizona Chapter of the American Choral Directors Association (ACDA). I am very excited about this! I have served on the National Board of the handbell guild for many, many years and on the local Central AZ Chapter of the American Guild Organists (AGO) for many years, but serving the ACDA in this office will be a whole new thing for me. I am really looking forward to this opportunity!

Blessings to all, and thanks for your great and continued support of our Music Ministry!

Doug

Douglas J. Benton
Director of Music Ministries



PASTORAL & CONGREGATIONAL CARE

Joel Hurley, Coordinator of Pastoral Care

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

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revstein78@gmail.com

480.982.3776

Rev. Bob Deits, Assoc.

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602.615.6634

Rev. Fay Quanstrom, Assoc.

fay.quanstrom@gmail.com

480.458.8420

Rev. Joel Hurley, Assoc.

ioelhccjl@gmail.com

602.291.0464



If you know of someone in the congregation who is hospitalized, ill at home or needs prayers of the community, please let one of the pastors or the church office know so they can be included on the prayer list.



BE A PRAYER PARTNER!

The printed prayer list included in the Sunday worship folder appears on just one side of the sheet. This means that when it's posted on your bulletin board or refrigerator the whole list will be visible and easily used. The entire prayer list, including on-going needs, is available to all Prayer Partners. **You can become a Prayer Partner by calling the church office with your e-mail address.** Each Monday or Tuesday you will receive an up-to-the-minute message from "gcumcprayers" that includes the requests spoken on Sunday. Prayer Partners also receive additional urgent requests that come in during the week. You are invited to share in this quiet but powerful ministry.



SCRIP BUS & VAN FUND

Did you know Bashas', Albertson's and Fry's help non-profit organizations — like GCUMC — by giving us a rebate on all purchases made when you use their cards **that are obtained from and/or connected to GCUMC**? The money earned helps pay for the church bus and van (gas, licenses, maintenance, insurance, etc.), and we've already raised \$144,000 from these grocery store programs! After expenses are covered, the balance of the funds goes toward the purchase of a covered structure to protect these vehicles.



- ⇒ **Bashas' (6% rebate) Community Support Cards** can be purchased (cash or check) from the church in denominations of \$20, \$50 or \$100, and be used at all AZ store locations, including AJ's Fine Foods and Food City. When the card balance gets low (shown on store receipt), you can reload it at the Customer Service Desk or at the register **before** your order is rung up (up to \$500) using cash, credit/debit card.
- ⇒ **Albertson's (1% rebate)** offers a key tag you swipe each time at checkout.
- ⇒ **Fry's VIP Card (up to 3% rebate)** Register your VIP card online with GCUMC's affiliation #80092, or you can come to the Church Office and we'll be glad to help. It all adds up!

Additional info is available at the Sunday Information Desk or in the Church Office, or from Betty Rolley at (480) 380-0147. Thank you for your continued participation!



2015 CITRUS GLEANING PROJECT

The 2015 Citrus Gleaning Project that benefits United Food Bank, St. Mary's Food Bank Alliance and our GCUMC Food Bank is ongoing through March. Volunteers wishing to carpool to The Groves in Mesa will depart the Church at 8:30am each Wednesday and return by noon. All ages are welcomed, and experience is not necessary... fun assured. Terry Parsons can provide details for first-time pickers.



WATCH OUT FOR HEALTHY FOOD... SOME ARE NOT SO HEALTHY!

As I consider what I should share with you for the month of March, I read an article about the "10 NOT so Healthy types of foods," with the first one being MILK. Many folks do not understand why there is great concern over this one "not so healthy food." We were raised to believe that "Milk does a body good," but researchers of the British Medical Journal found women who drank three (3) cups or more of milk a day had a greater than 90% chance of dying over a 20-year period than women who only drank one(1) cup a day. Surprisingly, they also increased their risk of bone fractures, higher levels of inflammation and oxidative stress all leading to premature aging.

While we do need calcium, the amount of sugar found in the milk can offset the milk's "supposed" value. Cow's milk is often a toxic brew of antibiotics, pesticides and bio-engineered hormones like rBGH, a genetically engineered Bovine Growth Hormone that artificially increases milk production, which has been linked to many cancers, as well as bacteria from their living environment. 55% of the United States formulated antibiotics are fed to livestock. It's no wonder people become allergic to and intolerant of antibiotics especially if they are milk drinkers. Lest you wonder then "How will I get my calcium so I don't get osteoporosis? Humans can get all the calcium they need from a plant-based diet. Sources like almonds, broccoli, figs, leafy green veggies, and sesame seeds can fill in the gap. All are high in calcium, magnesium and potassium, and some will adequately supply Iron, phosphorus, folic acid and even Protein.

What you need to realize is that milk and milk-based products can actually cause your body to become acidic. The blood pH scale goes from 0-14, the body functions optimally at 7.35-7.45. If it's less than 7.3 you are acidic but if it's greater than 7.4 you are alkaline. It is when you are acidic that your calcium is leached from your bones creating Osteoporosis. It also sets you up for chronic

inflammation which acidity creates and leads to arthritis and debilitating diseases as diverse as atherosclerosis, heart valve dysfunction, congestive heart failure, Alzheimer's disease and even cancer. So it is not something to be taken lightly.

Reputable scientific journals like Journal of Nutrition and The American Journal of Epidemiology support all these findings. It was quoted in one of the research articles that "The only research supporting consumption of dairy products to prevent osteoporosis were brought by the National Dairy Council itself." Also sad to say "milk is fattening." According to the Harvard School of Public Health, 3 cups/day adds 300 calories a day and in just about 11 days or about a third of a month you have consumed about 1 pound of calories — or 1 pound of fat. Even worse is the fact that millions of Americans and 75% of the World are lactose intolerant and don't even know it—yet. Despite having a variety of unpleasant digestive issues and sometimes respiratory issues, such as increased mucus production, they may not associate it with the lactose in milk. You get the picture. This information applies to children and adults. It's no wonder we have so many children with digestive issues, cancers and other diseases that could be prevented by stopping dairy cow milk intake.

If you are someone who would be lost without their milk, consider the wonderful world of milk substitutes like almond, rice, coconut, hemp and cashew milk—any of which can be used like milk and you may develop a real taste for one of these. Be sure to read the labels. Some are high in calories due to added sugar. My current personal favorite is Almond Breeze Almond Milk "Vanilla flavored" without sugar and it is only a whopping 30 calories for an 8 ounce glass. I was pleasantly surprised by the taste. Also, I recently found that Walmart and other stores now have their own brand but read the labels and compare. A plus to having a milk substitute is that you are protecting your body from serious harm of exposure to unnecessary antibiotics, hormones and pesticides, so you will be less likely to develop inflammatory diseases such as arthritis, cancer, degenerative diseases and more. Your immune system will thank you by protecting

you. Remember, too our bodies are God's temple we should be willing to handle it with care by making good food choices for ourselves and our families.

Blessings of Health & Wellness,
Susan Malloy RN BSN GCUMC Parish Nurse



“STICHES UNLIMITED” OR “QUILTS FOR ST. ANDREWS”

The time is arriving for our trip to St. Andrew's Children Clinic in Nogales, Arizona. The date is Thursday, March 5th. If you would like to experience this rewarding trip, a sign-up sheet is on the Narthex bulletin board. Space is limited so don't wait to sign up! In addition to the volunteers who participate, GCUMC provides much needed items from the wish list below.

So our challenge to you is threefold: We would like to concentrate on a couple items if possible: Singles-serving prune juice and dry milk. These are items badly needed for the children. Other wish list items needed are AA batteries for speech, hearing devices, BeneFiber, blenders, Clorox wipes, disposable diapers (size small) disposable bibs, eyeglass frames-children sizes, hearing aids (used), milk of magnesia, PediaSure (generic ok), exercise balls for physical therapy, receiving blankets, umbrella strollers (new or used), vitamins (children's with iron), hand sanitizer and wipes and toiletry items (travel-size toothbrush, toothpaste, combs, soaps.

We would also request that you collect small stuffed animals (new or used) to be given to the children while waiting for their appointments. Please deliver any items to the church office by February 27th. In addition we are able to supply quilts made by our quilting club to the families. Any questions please contact :

- Alyce Ancell 480-983-2510
- Gail Crawford 480-268-0918
- Teri Lukas 480-274-3982



PLASTIC MATS FOR THE NEEDY

Want to help the environment and the needy at the same time? The sleeping mat team members meet Wednesdays from 1:00pm-3:00pm in Room 101/102. Just bring plastic grocery bags, a large crochet hook (L—P) old scissors or cutting mat and wheel — and even if you can't crochet and would like to learn, it's easy as there is no fit required! If you'd like to help and don't want to crochet, help cutting and rolling into balls is needed. Please call Reta if have any questions at (480)288-0468.



FOOD BANK UPDATE

by Jeff Downing, Food Bank Manager

Please continue to think of those less fortunate and donate to the Food Bank. Monetary donations also help balance our inventory. Low stocked items are: diapers, (size 1, 4 & 6), rice (1 lb.), Ramen, jelly, bath soap, toothpaste and general toiletry items. Thank you for your continued support!



Veterans Ministry needs your help to contact the Military our prayer list. If you have an address for Jesse Breitbarth, Matthew Jacobson, Joe Johnsen, Joe Johnson, Casey Lee, Garrett Lover or Lane Miller please call the office or turn it in on a prayer card.

Genesis Project Open House

Please join us for pastry & beverages:

March 14th from 12:00pm - 4:00pm

- **Dedication of kitchen at 1:00pm**
- **Dedication of Dining Hall at 2:00pm**

**564 N. Idaho Road, #5 in Apache Junction
Call (480) 225-7757**





GLOBAL MISSIONS

"...We will strive to be a church that serves our community and the world, realizing and sharing the satisfying and abundant life Christ brings to all people."

"The world is my parish." – John Wesley

What do you know about PETs?

The PET project is one of the missions supported by GCUMC Global Missions. Personal Energy Transportation serves those who cannot walk due to diabetes, leprosy, polio, land mines, crocodiles, or birth defects by making self-transport possible. Over 21,000,000 people in the world crawl rather than walk because of physical limitations.

The PET is hand-cranked, which has proven successful in most field locations. Its wheelbarrow wheels and solid rubber tires provide good service. The PET has a front-wheel brake with a simple parking brake. The PET is limited to the muscle power of the driver, whose strength improves with use. A person using the device moves about the speed of a fast walk and can go where ordinary wheelchairs won't, although it is not an all terrain vehicle.

The PET is designed for the third world. It is simple, sturdy, and low cost (about \$250 each). Maintenance is minimal. Certified PET workshops where the devices are built operate around the US, with Columbia, MO being the first shop location and headquarters. Other workshop locations are Minneapolis, East Jewett, NY, Murfreesboro, TN, Tamp, FL, Spokane WA, Holland MI, Penney Farms, FL, and Luling, TX. After the PETs are built they are shipped to world areas of need where distribution is coordinated by missionaries and charitable aid workers. Over 49,000 PETs have been built and sent to over 85 different countries! You can see a PET in the vestibule of the Education Building.

You can support this project which reflects the love of God through the gift of mobility by designating your gift on the memo line of a check written to GCUMC. This is Advance Mission Project #982665.



THIS MONTH'S SPECIAL NEEDS

To donate to UMCOR on behalf of the following emergency, please write your check to GCUMC and write "UMCOR Advance ##### (fill in appropriate number)" on memo line. 100% of donation goes to those affected.

- Personal Energy Transportation ~ Advance #982665-5
- **Liberia Emergency:** Advance #150300
- **Cote D'Ivoire Crisis:** Advance #982450
- **Imagine No Malaria:** Advance #3021190
- **Wings of Caring Projects:** Advance #08595A
(Supports evangelism, education, transportation & medical emergencies in rural areas)
- **Philippines, Typhoon Disaster Relief:** Advance #240235
- **Disaster Response, International - Projects:** Advance #982450 (Quick response to meet emergency needs around the world)

For more ways to help, or to donate online, go to: <http://new.gbgn-umc.org/umcor/>
or follow UMCOR on Twitter at @UMC_UMCOR



“TODAY”

During a prayer time in worship on a recent Sunday, Rev. Joel Hurley interjected some humor in relation to what he hears quite often as he visits those who are ill, and it really stuck with me. He shared that he often hears something like “It’s tough getting old!” And he sometimes answers with something along the lines of “Yes, but the good news is...it doesn’t last for long...”!

He got quite a chuckle from the congregation, but I think there is truly a deeper message to be taken from that. The reality is, we are here on earth for but a moment. We are born, mature, live, work, raise families, play, love, cry, give, grow old, and have eternal life with our Creator to look forward to. Every now and then along our path of life we notice that time is flying; we might wonder if we will get to do all that we want, if we will eventually have all the “things” that we want, if we will have all the time with our loved ones that we need.

Our earthly presence here is so fleeting, do we make the best of it? When we move on will we be remembered for what we acquired and obtained – homes, cars, flashy clothes, exotic trips? Or will we be remembered for who we truly were (ARE!), what we gave of ourselves, who we made laugh, or how we shared with others?

Those seem like some good questions to ponder as we move into this new year of committing ourselves to Christ. Recently, we once again explored the topic of “Stewardship”, and were asked to examine ourselves for what we could give to our church, it’s ministries, and the community of Christ. This is not only a financial question, it is a critical question about what we can give of ourselves to others. It’s about finding the time, wearing a smile, offering a kind word, opening a car door, providing a hug, simply having a conversation, doing what needs doing. If you don’t do it now, when will you?

If you haven’t heard a relatively new country song titled Trailer Hitch, by artist Kristian Bush, I really encourage you to pull it up on your computer and listen to it.

The key lyric in the chorus is:

*“You can’t take it with you when you go
Never seen a hearse with a trailer hitch...”*

Next, he adds:

*“It ain’t about what you’re driving
Or about the dough you’re piling
The less I have to worry about
The more time I have for smiling”*

Now aren’t those last two lines a poignant reminder? If the song sounds a little silly to you, try listening to the whole thing. The song is in the country genre, but has an extra jazzy, acoustic sound. And, the point he makes is intensely thought-provoking. Put a little thought into how you can give - of yourself, of your “things”, and of your soul. What will leave you with less worry and time for smiling?

If you have always wanted to volunteer for a ministry, do it! If you have always thought about visiting that neighbor, do it! If you have always thought about starting your own ministry, do it! The “ifs” are infinite so get started - after all, we’re not really here that long.

Sometimes we can all have difficulty releasing our worry and finding our smile. If you think you could use a Christian companion to walk with you as you discover how to do that, or know a friend who could use that assistance, just check the box beside “desire a Stephen Minister” on the Sunday morning attendance pad, or contact Stephen Leaders through the church office by calling 480-982-3776 or emailing churchoffice@goldcanyonumc.org.

by Kim Shroyer

on behalf of the Stephen Ministry Team

Matthew 6:19-20 (NLT)

19 “Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal; 20 but store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consumes and where thieves do not break in and steal.





Jane Hayes, Volunteer Coordinator

VOLUNTEERS DO MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Make a Resolution to Exercise Your Kindness Muscle in 2015!

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

FRONT OFFICE VOLUNTEERS:

Does your smile shine through the phone? We have openings for Front Office Receptionists! Timeslots typically run from 8:00am–12:00pm or 12:00pm–4:00pm any weekday, and you can volunteer for a ½-day shift, or fill-in when someone has to cancel. If you think you can help... even a little... please call Jane Hayes at (480)671-7197.



VOLUNTEER FUNERAL LUNCHEON COORDINATOR:

GCUMC is in need of an individual to serve as Funeral Luncheon Coordinator. The current coordinator would like to transition the role over the next few months and will be available to help as long as needed. If you are interested in serving in this valuable and rewarding ministry, please contact LaVoyce Nolan at (559)760-0969.



SUNDAY SNACKS



The Coffee Hour Ministry needs volunteers... once a month and even alternate! Please contact Jane Hayes through the church office for more info on how you can help!

You've undoubtedly noticed the appealing platters of fresh fruit and cheese and a variety of sweets that are available to accompany your coffee. **Everyone is welcome to enjoy the coffee hour tables.** There is no charge, however, your contributions are important to the continuance of this hospitality. Please help keep this aspect of our Team Outreach welcome alive with your contribution!

DEDICATED HEARTS

Dedicated hearts like yours
are not so easy to find.
It takes a special person to be
so generous and kind.

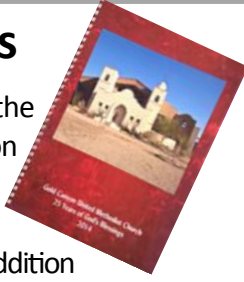
To care so much for your fellow man
is a quality all too rare.
Yet you give of your time and talents,
for all in need to share.

So thank you for being a volunteer,
we're privileged to work with you.

We want you to know
how appreciated you are,
Not just today...
but the whole year through.

GCUMC DIRECTORIES

Directories are available in the Church office or at the Information Desk on Sundays. The Directory is a great resource to identify our new friends and fellow worshippers, in addition to having their contact information! If any of your info is incorrect or has recently changed, please contact the Church Office so we can update our database. If you weren't able to participate in the photo sessions, you can purchase a Directory for \$10.00.



EASTER LILIES

*Easter is just around the corner
and now is the time to order lilies
for this year!*

Easter lilies **may be purchased for \$11.00** in Honor or Memory of someone you love.

To order an Easter lily(s), please fill out the attached order blank including payment for each flower ordered. The form, and payment, may be:

- Mailed to Gary Stemple, 8295 E Sweet Acacia Dr, Gold Canyon, AZ 85218-6998;
- Placed in the offering plate; or
- Left in the church office for Gary

Please make **all checks payable to "GCUMC"** and mark it "Easter lily" in the memo section. 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 FORM

Please order an Easter lily in Memory of:

Please order an Easter lily in Honor of:

Total amount attached (\$11 @): \$_____

Your name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Please call Gary or Sharon Stemple, 480-671-4307, if you have questions.

Order Deadline is Sunday, March 29th!

We have a Lost and Found box in the Church office that contains things like jewelry, sunglasses, keys, etc. If you think your item may be with us, stop by!



PUBLICATION DEADLINES

- **April Roadrunner** — Wed., 3/11/15
- **Weekly Bulletin** — Noon Wednesday

Your GCUMC Publications are brought to you by: Riechia Ralston, Dee Ashe and Georgia Kirkpatrick with help from the Friday Bulletin Team, the Roadrunner Assembly Team, and many other treasured volunteers.



Want to give back to Gold Canyon United Methodist Church beyond your

pledge to the General Budget or the Building Fund? Below are some items that will better enable us to fulfill our mission as a church:

- ✚ Playground - \$20,000—\$40,000
- ✚ Stained Glass for upper Sanctuary windows \$105,000 (\$3,000 per panel)
- ✚ Building Fund Loan Payoff (2014: prepaid \$80,000)
- ✚ Organ Pipes
- ✚ Food Bank Building - \$200,000



BIBLE BANTER

Mondays, 9:30-10:30am
Mtn. Brew Coffee House
6832 S. Kings Ranch Rd., #5
(NW corner of US 60 & Kings Ranch Rd)

Join us for coffee and stimulating conversation as we discuss ways in which we can live as faithful Christians in today's world. Don't forget to bring your Bible and any theological topics of conversation you would like us to explore!



TAX PREPARATION ASSISTANCE

A Church member will again volunteer to assist those struggling to prepare and to pay a preparer for 2014 Federal and State tax returns. Appointments may be made by visiting or calling the Church Office (480)982-3776. A checklist of needed tax documents to bring to the appointment will be provided by stopping by the Church Office to pick it up.



HIT THE "EASY" BUTTON!

If you need a convenient way to make recurring contributions, you are encouraged to check out our electronic giving options. As the pace of life speeds up, you may find electronic giving a most welcome way to make contributions. For more info, just call the Church Office.

Thank you for your generosity and support!



GCUMC YOUTH ANNUAL GARAGE SALE

Join us Saturday, March 21st for the 3rd Annual Garage Sale in the GCUMC in the parking lot. "Rent" a space for just \$10, and that money will go to the Youth Ministries. The money you make from the sale of your items is yours to keep! Tell your friends! The fun starts with set-up at 5:00am, and opens to the public at 7:00am—2:00pm. For more info, also click on the below link:

http://www.garagesalegal.com/listingview.php?listingID=336360&use_referer=yes



HONEY-DO HOME REPAIR MINISTRY

It's been a busy year for the Honey-Do Home Repair Ministry! Our volunteers have made many repairs or improvements in homes, with services ranging from changing batteries in smoke alarms, cleanup after a small fire in a kitchen, assisting in preparation for moving, moving furniture, fixing problem with lighting, enlarging a walkway to accommodate a walker/wheelchair, building a safe entry porch, and many plumbing problems.

Our volunteers have a wide range of experience and are giving of their talents to make people's homes comfortable and safe. Some of our volunteers are winter residents from all over the country and some are full-time area residents. Many are retired and some are still working.

If you or someone you know is need of our services, contact John and Nancy Hill at (907)232-8203 or goldcanyonhoneydo@att.com. If you want to join our group of Honey Doers, let us know and we'll put your name on the list. We want to say a special thank you to our volunteers. They are John Toole, Dort and Vern Halsted, Lyle and Judy Burhans, Jim and Lavia Merrick, Dave and Melva Lupton, Sheldon Wion, Skip Eshelman, Floyd Griffith, Bob Ingram, Mike Mestek, Roger and Opal Waugh, Gary and Grace Rhodes, John and Bonnie Lane and Jim Harbeson.



Honey Doers cleaning after a fire in home



UPCOMING PERFORMANCES & EVENTS AT GOLD CANYON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

3/1/15	Sun	3:00pm	Spring Concert featuring brass, bells, orchestra, just about everyone!
3/22/15	Sun	3:00pm	Rice Brothers in Concert fresh from their performance in Carnegie Hall!
3/27/15	Fri	7:30pm	* Ballet FolkLorico Latin music and dance
3/29/15	Sun	2:00-5:00pm	Eggstravaganza Spring community event for the entire family
4/2/15	Thu	7:00pm	Maundy Thursday Service with Choir and Communion
4/3/15	Fri	7:00pm	Good Friday: Dubois' "Seven Last Words of Christ" by the Choir
4/5/15	Sun	6:00am	Easter Sunrise Service with communion
4/5/15	Sun	8:00&9:30am	Easter Festival Services with Choir, Brass and Bells
4/5/15	Sun	10:50am	Easter Praise Service with Uncommon Grace
4/5/15	Sun	5:00pm	Easter Country/Western Service with One in the Spirit
4/19/15	Sun	3:00pm	Interfaith Choral Festival at Superstition Foothills Baptist Church

* Indicates a ticketed event for a fee, sponsored by the Gold Canyon Arts Council, Canyon Sounds or the Gold Canyon Soroptimists.

* To purchase tickets before the concert event, please contact Canyon Rose Storage (480)983-2171; 6405 South Kings Ranch Road

* All other concerts are sponsored by Gold Canyon United Methodist Church Performing Arts Series and are open to the public at no charge though a free will offering will be received. We ask that everyone please bring at least one non-perishable food item per person for the Gold Canyon United Methodist Church Food Bank.



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DONATIONS & ATTENDANCE

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

JANUARY	2012		2013		2014		2014	2015
	General	Building	General	Building	General	Building	Worship All	Worship All
1st	22797	10515	19033	80009	26923	9083	1698	1715
2nd	18732	4102	10663	3571	21969	4126	1760	1930
3rd	16286	3882	12930	5363	25151	5695	1780	1970
4th	16277	4055	13334	6274	20298	5589	2219	2169
5th	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	\$74092	\$22554	\$57960	\$23217	\$94341	\$24493	7457	7785

PLEDGE CARD REMINDER

Please note that if you use any type of electronic payment system for satisfaction of your pledge and you are changing your pledge for 2015, you must also make the change to your electronic payment provider. Call the Church Office if you have questions.



GCUMC SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE ACCEPTING SCHOLARSHIP APPS

Seeking assistance for the 2015 fall school term? Brochures are available at the Information Desk and application forms/criteria for eligibility are available in the Church Office. Completed applications, along with the required supplemental information, must be turned in to the Church Office **no later than 3/31/15**. Applicants will receive written notification by May 1, 2015.



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Sun Mar 29 Palm Sunday
 8am Adult Fellowship Class (EB)
 8am Traditional Worship (S)
 8:30am Uncommon Grace Rehearsal (KR)
 9:30am Children & Youth Sunday School (EB)
 9:30am Traditional Worship (S)
 10:50am Praise Worship (KR)
 10:50am Pre-K Children's Sunday School (NAR)
 2pm Eggstravaganza (Campus)
 5pm Country Western Worship (KR)
 6:30pm Youth Fellowship (Youth Rm)
 Mon Mar 30
 9:30am Bible Banter (Mtn Brew Coffee House)
 1pm Disciple 4 (Rm 101/102)
 1pm Grief Support Mtg (SoGR)
 5pm Confirmation Class (Youth Rm)
 7pm AI-Anon (SoGR)
 7pm CoDA Mtg (101/102)
 Tue Mar 31
 9am Yoga-Regular (KR)
 10:15am Yoga-Gentle (KR)
 11:15am Yoga-Chair (KR)
 1pm Stephen Ministry Training (Youth Rm)
 1:30pm Jesus in the Gospels (101/102)
 6pm One in the Spirit Rehearsal (KR)
 6:30pm Bells Rehearsal (S)

*(For more information, please visit the online calendar
 at www.GoldCanyonUMC.org)*



MARCH



Armstrong, Bettie 03/01
 Bright, Teresa 03/01
 Oolman, Stan 03/01
 Schlee, Arthur (Art) 03/01
 Martindale, Warren 03/02
 Messmer, Richard (Dick) 03/02
 Bobier, Shirley 03/03
 Broderson, Gerald (Brodie) 03/03
 Denman, Nancy 03/03
 Graba, Joseph (Joe) 03/03
 Enerson, David 03/04
 Houseman, Hailey 03/04
 Minatree, Johnny 03/04
 Moore, Kathryn 03/04
 Muir, Vyrn 03/04
 Nielsen, Claudine 03/04
 Peterson, Sherrill (Pete) 03/04
 Tippie, Peggy 03/04
 Bilensky, Nancy 03/05
 Nolan, LaVoyce 03/05
 Eisentraut, Arne 03/06
 Falk, Ellis 03/06
 Pino, Sandy 03/06
 Beam, Jacalyn (Jackie) 03/07
 Sheridan, Jonathon 03/07
 VanderRoest, Roberta (Bobbie) 03/07
 Weaver, Michael (Mike) 03/07
 Finley, Marjorie 03/08
 Fitzpatrick, Inge 03/08
 Junkermeier, Flo 03/08
 Fleck, James 03/08
 Norin, Bob 03/08
 Walker, Ron 03/08
 Annin, Frank 03/09
 Kinder, Richard 03/09
 Smith, William (Rex) 03/09
 Bird, James (Mark) 03/10
 Bose, Dorothy 03/10
 Ervin, Richard 03/10
 Lane, John 03/10
 Myers, Mary Catherine 03/10
 Neil, Dean 03/10
 Rush, Mylet 03/10
 Van Slooten, Charlene 03/10
 Keenan, Erin 03/11
 Leach, Don 03/11
 Warren, Dorothy 03/11
 Allensworth, John 03/12

Bradshaw, Nancy 03/12
 Gordon, Elizabeth (Beth) 03/12
 O'Gary, Richard 03/12
 Lang, Charles (Charlie) 03/13
 Merrick, LaVia 03/13
 Potter, James (Jim) 03/13
 Wilson, Peg 03/13
 Clark, JoAnn 03/14
 Deits, June 03/14
 Donovan, Patrick 03/14
 Larsen, David 03/14
 Nelson, F Lee 03/14
 Riley, Loren 03/15
 Beatty-Schaefer, Noreen 03/16
 Burhans, Judith 03/16
 Hughes, Patrick 03/16
 Shroyer, Donald (Pat) 03/16
 Hacker, Arline 03/17
 Krull, Julie 03/18
 Poppe, Karen 03/18
 Richter, Jack 03/18
 Steinberg, Beth 03/18
 Sheridan, Gloria 03/19
 Wilson, Betty 03/19
 Toner, John 03/19
 O'Brien, Cecilia 03/20
 Steinberg, Timothy 03/20
 Bennett, William (Bill) 03/21
 Brown, Esther Ann 03/21
 Eilers, Winona 03/21
 Rasmussen, Ann 03/21
 Fillion, Paul 03/22
 Bachler-Palmer, Lori 03/23
 Gingrich, Monty 03/23
 Hartman, Brooke 03/23
 Minatree, Hope 03/23
 Morganegg, James 03/23

Callantine, Ronald (Ron) 03/24
 Gavin, Gordon 03/24
 Primeau, James 03/25
 Scharringhausen, Joyce 03/25
 Kennedy, Barbara 03/26
 Koepp, Carolyn 03/26
 Mueller, Gary 03/26
 Carlson, Velma 03/27
 Sebring, Barbara 03/27
 Johnson, Neil 03/28
 Fite, Edward (Ted) 03/30
 Riedel, James 03/30
 Adams, Jennifer 03/31
 Fite, Joy 03/31
 Moore, Nellie 03/31



Adamski, Carol & Edward 03/10
 Bentley, Allen & Martha 03/08
 Crane, Linda & Steven 03/05
 Deits, Bob & June 03/15
 Graham, Jean & Larry 03/13
 Hunter, Betty Lou & Gary 03/11
 Johnson, Mark & Shirley 03/30
 Kappler, Margie & Wes 03/18
 Kohan, Joyce & Theodore 03/20
 Martin, Darla & John 03/20
 Murcek, Gwen & Marvin 03/05
 O'Donnell, Cheryl & Mike 03/27
 Sauerbrunn, Diane & Gary 03/21
 Sawyer, Barbara & 03/11
 Schaefer, Crista & Jeff 03/21
 Smith, Charlene & Rex 03/24
 Tabor, Leslie & Robert 03/29
 Toner, Paul & Robin 03/08
 Van Slooten, Charlene & James 03/14
 Warren, Harry & Lovena 03/30
 Webber, Don & Linda 03/31
 Whalen, Patrick & Wendy 03/01
 Workman, Janice & Paul 03/23

If your name isn't on this list (or you know of someone who should be), or if you find an error, please call the office with the information. We truly don't mean to make mistakes or to leave anyone out!

GCUMC SPRING



SUNDAY, MARCH 29TH
2:00PM- 5:00PM

- CUPCAKE CONTEST
- CHILDREN'S activities – CRAFTS, GAMES, ROCK WALL, BOUNCE HOUSE, Face painter, BALLOON Lady (INCLUDING egg HUNT at 3 PM)
- BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS
- ENTERTAINMENT
- PHOTO area
- BLESSING WALL
- Free Food...AND More!
- NeW!! ADULT egg HUNT
- NeW!! THEMED BASKETS FOR SILENT AUCTION

Sponsored by team outreach



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Sun Mar 1

8am Adult Fellowship Class (EB)
 8am Traditional Worship (S)
 8:30am Uncommon Grace Rehearsal (KR)
 9:30am Children & Youth Sunday School (EB)
 9:30am Traditional Worship (S)
 10:50am Praise Worship (KR)
 10:50am Pre-K Children's Sunday School (NAR)
 5pm Country Western Worship (KR)
 6:30pm Youth Fellowship (Youth Rm)

Mon Mar 2

9am Gideon Study DVD Review (101/102)
 9:30am Bible Banter (Mtn Brew Coffee House)
 1pm Disciple 4 (101/102)
 1pm Greeter Training (KR)
 1pm Grief Support Mtg (SoGR)
 3pm Stephen Ministry (Rm 101/102)
 5pm Confirmation Class (Youth Rm)
 7pm Al-Anon (SoGR)
 7pm CoDA Mtg (101/102)

Tue Mar 3

9am Yoga-Regular (KR)
 10am Music Library Activities (MR)
 10:15am Yoga-Gentle (KR)
 11:15am Yoga-Chair (KR)
 1pm Stephen Ministry Training (Youth Rm)
 1:30pm Jesus in the Gospels (101/102)
 5:30pm Team Outreach Mtg (Rm 101/102)
 6pm One in the Spirit Potluck (KR)
 6:30pm Bells Rehearsal (S)

Wed Mar 4

8:30am Citrus Gleaning (Meet at GCUMC)
 9am Women's Bible Study on Gideon (KR)
 10:30am Cancer Support Group (MR)
 1pm Lenten Study (KR)
 4:30pm Pioneer Club (SoGR & KR's)
 5pm Jesus in the Gospels (Rm 101/102)
 6pm 'Joyful Noise' Children's Choir (MR)
 7pm Lenten Study (KR)
 7pm Orchestra Rehearsal (MR)

Thu Mar 5

9am 9am Yoga-Regular (KR)
 10am Prayer Shawl Ministry (101/102)
 10:15am Yoga-Gentle (KR)
 11:15am Yoga-Chair (KR)
 5:30pm Chanters Rehearsal (MR)
 6pm Financial Peace University (KR)
 6:50pm Choir Rehearsal (MR)

Fri Mar 6

1:30pm Disciple I Class (101/102)
 5:30pm AA (Rm 101/102)

Sat Mar 7

10am Sidewalk Ministries (Offsite)

Sun Mar 8

8am Adult Fellowship Class (EB)
 8am Traditional Worship (S)
 8:30am Uncommon Grace Rehearsal (KR)
 9:30am Children & Youth Sunday School (EB)
 9:30am Traditional Worship (S)
 10:50am Praise Worship (KR)
 10:50am Pre-K Children's Sunday School (NAR)
 3pm Spring Concert (S)
 5pm Country Western Worship (KR)
 6:30pm Youth Fellowship (Youth Rm)

Mon Mar 9

9:30am Bible Banter (Mtn Brew Coffee House)
 1pm Disciple 4 (Rm 101/102)
 1pm Grief Support Mtg (SoGR)
 5pm Confirmation Class (Youth Rm)
 7pm Al-Anon (SoGR)
 7pm CoDA Mtg (101/102)

Tue Mar 10

9am Yoga-Regular (KR)
 10:15am Yoga-Gentle (KR)
 11:15am Yoga-Chair (KR)
 1pm Stephen Ministry Training (Youth Rm)
 1:30pm Jesus in the Gospels (101/102)
 6pm One in the Spirit Rehearsal (KR)
 6:30pm Bells Rehearsal (S)

Wed Mar 11

8:30am Citrus Gleaning (Meet at GCUMC)
 10am Music Library Activities (MR)
 10:30am Cancer Support Group (Rm 101/102)
 1pm Lenten Study (KR)
 4:30pm Pioneer Club (SoGR & KR's)
 5pm Jesus in the Gospels (Rm 101/102)
 6pm 'Joyful Noise' Children's Choir (MR)
 7pm Lenten Study (KR)
 7pm Orchestra Rehearsal (MR)

Thu Mar 12

9am Yoga-Regular (KR)
 10:15am Yoga-Gentle (KR)
 11:15am Yoga-Chair (KR)
 1pm C.C.M. Training (101/102)
 6:50pm Choir Rehearsal (MR)

Fri Mar 13

10am Mind Menders (Rm 101/102)
 1:30pm Disciple I Class (101/102)
 5:30pm AA (Rm 101/102)

Sat Mar 14

10am Sidewalk Ministries (Offsite)
 12pm Genesis Project Open House (Offsite)

Sun Mar 15

8am Adult Fellowship Class (EB)
 8am Traditional Worship (S)
 8:30am Uncommon Grace Rehearsal (KR)
 9:30am Children & Youth Sunday School (EB)
 9:30am Traditional Worship (S)
 10:50am Praise Worship (KR)
 10:50am Pre-K Children's Sunday School (NAR)
 5pm Country Western Worship (KR)
 6:30pm Youth Fellowship (Youth Rm)

Mon Mar 16

9:30am Bible Banter (Mtn Brew Coffee House)
 1pm Disciple 4 (Rm 101/102)
 1pm Grief Support Mtg (SoGR)
 3pm Stephen Ministry (Rm 101/102)
 5pm Confirmation Class (Youth Rm)
 7pm Al-Anon (SoGR)
 7pm CoDA Mtg (101/102)

Tue Mar 17

9am Yoga-Regular (KR)
 10:15am Yoga-Gentle (KR)
 11:15am Yoga-Chair (KR)
 1pm Stephen Ministry Training (Youth Rm)
 1:30pm Jesus in the Gospels (101/102)
 5:30pm Houser Gang/One in the Spirit Reh (KR)
 6:30pm Bells Rehearsal (S)

Wed Mar 18

8:30am Citrus Gleaning (Meet at GCUMC)
 10am Music Library Activities (MR)
 10:30am Cancer Support Group (Rm 101/102)
 1pm Lenten Study (KR)
 4:30pm Pioneer Club (SOG & KR's)
 5pm Jesus in the Gospels (Rm 101/102)
 6pm 'Joyful Noise' Children's Choir (MR)
 7pm Lenten Study (KR)
 7pm Orchestra Rehearsal (MR)

Thu Mar 19

9am Yoga-Regular (KR)
 10am Prayer Shawl Ministry (101/102)
 10:15am Yoga-Gentle (KR)
 11:15am Yoga-Chair (KR)
 6:50pm Choir Rehearsal (MR)

Fri Mar 20

1:30pm Disciple I Class (101/102)
 5:30pm AA (Rm 101/102)

Sat Mar 21

7am Community Garage Sale (GCUMC)
 10am Sidewalk Ministries (Offsite)

Sun Mar 22

8am Adult Fellowship Class (EB)
 8am Traditional Worship (S)
 8:30am Uncommon Grace Rehearsal (KR)
 9:30am Children & Youth Sunday School (EB)
 9:30am Traditional Worship (S)
 10:50am Praise Worship (KR)
 10:50am Pre-K Children's Sunday School (NAR)
 3pm Concert: Rice Brothers (S)
 5pm Country Western Worship (KR)
 6:30pm Youth Fellowship (Youth Rm)

Mon Mar 23

9:30am Bible Banter (Mtn Brew Coffee House)
 1pm Disciple 4 (Rm 101/102)
 1pm Grief Support Mtg (SoGR)
 5pm Confirmation Class (Youth Rm)
 6:30pm Coffee with the Pastor (MR)
 7pm Al-Anon (SoGR)
 7pm CoDA Mtg (101/102)

Tue Mar 24

9am Stitches Unlimited (101/102 & SoGR)
 9am Yoga-Regular (KR)
 10:15am Yoga-Gentle (KR)
 11:15am Yoga-Chair (KR)
 1pm Stephen Ministry Training (Youth Rm)
 1:30pm Jesus in the Gospels (101/102)
 6pm One in the Spirit Rehearsal (KR)
 6pm Trustees Mtg (Pastor Fred's Ofc)
 6:30pm Bells Rehearsal (S)

Wed Mar 25

8:30am Citrus Gleaning (Meet at GCUMC)
 8:30am Newsletter Team (MR)
 10am Music Library Activities (MR)
 10:30am Cancer Support Group (Rm 101/102)
 1pm Lenten Study (KR)
 4:30pm Pioneer Club (SoGR & KR's)
 5pm Jesus in the Gospels (Rm 101/102)
 6pm 'Joyful Noise' Children's Choir (MR)
 7pm Lenten Study (KR)
 7pm Orchestra Rehearsal (MR)

Thu Mar 26

9am Yoga-Regular (KR)
 10:15am Yoga-Gentle (KR)
 11:15am Yoga-Chair (KR)
 6:50pm Choir Rehearsal (MR)

Fri Mar 27

9am Sanctuary Reserved
 10am Mind Menders (Rm 101/102)
 1:30pm Disciple I Class (101/102)
 5:30pm AA (Rm 101/102)
 7:30pm GCAC: Ballet Folklorico Quetzelli De Vera Cruz (S)

Sat Mar 28

10am Sidewalk Ministries (Offsite)

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SUNDAY SCHOOL SCHEDULE

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

✝	8:00am	Adult Fellowship Class
✝	9:30am	Children
✝	9:30am	Youth
✝	10:50am	Children

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

8:00 & 9:30 AM
Traditional ~ Sanctuary

10:50 AM
Praise ~ Koinonia Room

5:00 PM
Country Western ~ Koinonia Room
(Last Sunday of the Month Only in June, July & August)
Childcare Provided at ALL Services

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