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FROM THE PASTOR:

"Questions from John Wesley"

As I write this newsletter article, Beth and I are traveling in England retracing the steps of John Wesley, the founder of the Methodist Church. So far we have seen the church and home where John and Charles Wesley grew up. We visited Oxford University where John Wesley started the first Methodism movement and, we read from his sermons and heard lectures about his life.

The term Methodist was used as a criticism of his Holy Club and spiritual life. He was methodical in his process to help others mature in their faith. When the Holy Club of Oxford met they had 22 questions they could use in their private devotions.

1. Am I consciously or unconsciously creating the impression that I am a better man than I really am? In other words, am I a hypocrite?
2. Am I honest in all my acts or words, or do I exaggerate?
3. Do I confidentially pass on to another what was told to me in confidence?
4. Can I be trusted?
5. Am I a slave to dress, friends, work or habits?
6. Am I self-conscious, self-pitying, or self-justifying?
7. Did the Bible live in me today?
8. Do I give it time to speak to me every day?
9. When did I last speak to somebody else with the object of trying to win that person for Christ?
10. Am I enjoying prayer?
11. Am I making contacts with other people and using them for the Master's glory?

12. Do I pray about the money I spend?
13. Do I get to bed on time and get up on time?
14. Do I disobey God in anything?
15. Do I insist upon doing something about which my conscience is uneasy?
16. Am I defeated in any part of my life? Am I jealous, impure, critical, irritable, touchy or distrustful?
17. How do I spend my spare time?
18. Am I proud?
19. Do I thank God that I am not as other people, especially as the Pharisees who despised the publican?
20. Is there anybody whom I fear, dislike, disown, criticize, hold a resentment toward or disregard? If so, what am I doing about it?
21. Do I grumble or complain constantly?
22. Is Christ real to me?

There is value in these questions. John Wesley was deeply concerned that we not be part Christian but fully Christian. He wanted us to reflect daily on our spiritual walk that we might become more Christ like.

When you read this article, Beth and I will have returned from our trip. Our hope is to use the story of John Wesley's life and ministry to help us understand more fully our heritage as Methodists and how some of his teachings might help us grow spiritually. I will see you Sunday

Grace and peace,

Fred

"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."

KIDS' KAPERS

Our last two Kids' Kapers for the summer season. Thanks to those who participated – it was great having you along for the fun!



FIELD TRIP FRIDAY

Katharine has put together a tentative schedule for a once-a-month field trip for the school year, which will be available later in September.



For September we will be going ice skating at AZ Ice in Gilbert on Friday, Sept. 11th from 9:45 – 11:45am. Admission and skate rental is \$7.50 per person, assuming we get at least 10 people. So, who's in for a little "Frozen" time? The church van will leave at 9:00am, or you can meet us there. Please call the office to sign up.



KIDZ KANYON

We are pleased to announce that we now have a Facebook page highlighting our children's program at Gold Canyon UMC! If you are on Facebook, search for GCUMC "Kidz Canyon" to see what's trending from birth through 6th grade and view pictures of our activities.

MONTHLY MINIONS

Every month we will highlight a child or siblings in our children's programming. This month we want to introduce you to Roman and Vivienne Barraza!



- Their favorite animal: Maggie, their dog
- Favorite activity: Roman - watching cartoons; Vivienne - reading to Maggie/puzzles
- What they like about church: Roman - All of it; Vivienne - Mrs. Sherry
- What they think God is like: Roman - Nice; Vivienne - with Buddy, Nana's dog



Our midweek program for boys and girls from 1st–6th grade will begin **Wed., Sept. 9th**, and meet weekly, unless otherwise indicated, from 5:00pm–7:00pm from Sept.–early May in the Education Building.

Pioneer Clubs is a Christian organization that teaches Bible truths, as well as do fun activities, all the while earning badges that the students wear on sashes or vests. Dinner is a part of our time together; and music will be incorporated in this time period, as well.

There is a fee of \$30 for the year, which helps cover meals and materials. *However*, we want all to participate, so please see Katharine if a scholarship would help. Please register before 9/9/15 if possible.



BIBLE CLASSES

Bible classes for 3rd and 4th graders will be held Saturdays, October 3 and October 11 from 10am–11:30am in the Education Building. The student should be present for both classes, please. Each student will receive a Bible after the second class. Please register by calling the church office, talking to Katharine or signing up at the Information Desk.



SIDEWALK CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Sidewalk is an outreach ministry for children, many of whom do not attend church. It runs October–April and meets every Saturday from 10am–12noon at Avalon School in Apache Junction.

We have a wonderful group of GCUMC volunteers who are dedicated to Sidewalk. Each Sidewalk session is filled with spiritual nurturing through God's word, Bible stories, games, songs, and crafts, and lunch is included.

If you are looking for a unique volunteer experience where you have the opportunity to change a child's life... *Sidewalk is for you!*

The children are now back to school and school days bring stability to a child's life. They are in a safe place, their bodies and minds being nourished, and many children are eating free breakfast and lunch at school. We are very grateful for your generosity of spirit, with all the donations of school supplies. Please continue to pray for all of the children, and their families.

Looking ahead... our first Sidewalk Saturday is October 24th, with a volunteer meeting scheduled for Tuesday, October 6th at 4:00pm. Please join us and find out how you can serve in this wonderful children's ministry. **We are in need of bus/van drivers to transport the children (rotating schedules).**

For more Sidewalk opportunities, call Sherry Hussein (480)529-9621. Many thanks to everyone at GCUMC who support Sidewalk through your donations, time, and talents. God Bless you all!



Adult Education

ADULT STUDIES & CLASSES FOR THE FALL

Please scan the list of adult classes and small groups listed in the next column. You may now sign up for one or more! If you are out-of-town and wish to join a class when you return, please call or email the church so that we can get an accurate headcount. Also, if you have questions about any of the classes/groups, please contact Katharine in the Church Office.

✝ **Disciple 1:** *Becoming Disciples through Bible Study*
Thursdays beginning Sept. 24 from 7pm–9pm
Facilitator: Suzanne Jacobson-Cherry
(childcare available up to 5 years of age)

✝ **Disciple 2:** *Into the Word/Into the World*
Tuesdays beginning Sept. 22 from 3pm–5pm
Facilitator: Fay Quanstrom

✝ **Bible 101:** *(Basics on the Bible & how to use it)*
Tuesdays Oct. 6–Nov. 11 from 7pm–8:30pm
Facilitator: Katharine Keller

✝ **Beliefs 101:** *Essentials of Our Faith*
Tuesdays Nov. 17–Dec. 15 from 7pm–8:30pm
Facilitator: Fay Quanstrom

✝ **Emotional Wellness**
Wednesdays Oct. 7–Nov. 18 from 2pm–3pm
Facilitators: Fay Quanstrom & Mary Johnston

✝ **Advent Study**
Mondays Nov. 30–Dec. 21 from 1pm–3pm
Facilitator: Fay Quanstrom

✝ **Small Groups** *(Fellowship & Bible Study)*

- Montessa area
- Superstition Mountain Road area
- Apache Junction area

Please indicate which one works for you!

LADIES 1-DAY RETREAT



LADIES!... You're invited to mark your calendars now for our 1-Day Women's Retreat scheduled for Sat., Feb. 6th, 2016 at the Arizona Golf Resort. The theme next year is: *Lavender Springs Spa.*

COUNTRY NEWS



Get ready to dust off your boots, lay out your cowboy hat, shirt/blouse and jeans! The Country Western Service at 5:00pm Sundays now meets every week, starting Sunday, August 30 and running through May 29, 2016!

As in the past, *One In the Spirit* will provide the music for all but the last Sunday of each month. The Housers with Ron, Tara, Chris and their “gang” will provide the music for the last Sunday. Both groups will be presenting concerts during the new season sometime fairly early in the new year—watch for the announcements!

We will also have a Harvest Festival in October with games, food and rides followed by the Country Western service.

Lots of good stuff coming that will be made better when you bring a friend, family member or neighbor to a good ol’ country church service that is laid back and full of fun and great fellowship.

Y’all come—ya hear?

Bob Deits (the “Country Preacher”)

David Ballard (the Music Director who sings, plays drums, wash board... & train whistle!)

A Personal Note From Bob...

Many people asked me recently about June’s name appearing on our prayer list under Hospice. You were concerned whether her Alzheimer’s condition has worsened. I’m sorry for any anxiety I caused. No, June is not noticeably worse or requiring the end of life care typically associated with Hospice. In May I moved her from Arbor Rose Senior Care to Legacy Senior Living Community that is nearer my house and seems to offer a better level of care. On June 13 she fell from her wheel chair and fractured her hip, requiring the insertion of three screws. She has recovered very well. However, Legacy, recognizing the need for closer watch over her and a higher level of care, informed me that if June were going to remain a resident there she had to go on Hospice. I reluctantly agreed since I have no better option for caring for her.

June’s Alzheimer’s is progressing slowly, but steadily. That is the nature of the disease. There is no cure and nothing yet medically that will slow its progression. As I lead the fight along with June’s determined spirit, the image that works for me is as if I were in Alaska where the great glaciers move slowly toward the water and break off a piece at a time. I see myself with hands against the wall of a “glacier”, called Alzheimer’s trying to hold it back. It can’t be done, of course, but as long as June is (in her words) “Trying so hard” I won’t give up.

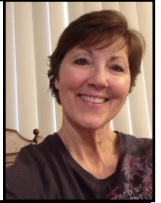
*Thanks so much for your concern for her.
It means a lot to all of us in the family. ~ Bob Deits*





GCUMC Youth Group News

By Beth Steinberg, Youth Director



SEPTEMBER CALENDAR

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|--------------|--|--|
| ✝ Sun., 9/6 | Youth Group WATER NIGHT! | 6:30pm—8:30pm (GCUMC Education Bldg.) |
| | <i>Bring friends and be prepared to get WET!</i> | |
| ✝ Sun., 9/13 | Youth Group | 6:30pm—8:30pm (GCUMC Education Bldg.) |
| ✝ Sun., 9/20 | Youth Group | 6:30pm—8:30pm (GCUMC Education Bldg.) |
| ✝ Sun., 9/27 | Youth Group | 6:30pm—8:30pm (GCUMC Education Bldg.) |



We recently returned from our Mission Trip to San Diego. This is a letter from one of the youth who went on the trip...



2015 GCUMC Volleyball Team
Thanks for all of your hard work!



SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY CLASS

(7th—12th Grades)

Sunday mornings at 9:30am

Education Building

Creative Bible lessons & discussions!

YOUTH GROUP

(7th—12th Grades)

Sunday nights 6:30pm—8:30pm

Education Building

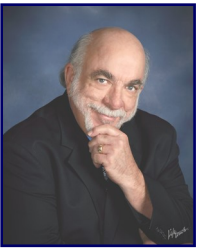
Fun, faith-based programs



Hello, my name is Taylor Wehle, and I would like to thank you for donating to our mission trip and allowing me to have this amazing experience. This was my first mission trip so I wasn't really sure what to expect and nervous about what I'd be doing and who I'd be working with, but my worries were alleviated and everyone I met was just amazing and fun to be around. I got to serve kids lunch and read to them and work at the San Diego Rescue Mission and sort donations for the homeless and those struggling with addiction. During this trip my connection with God and Jesus really grew and strengthened so I thank you because without you that wouldn't have been possible!

Sincerely, Taylor Wehle





MUSIC NOTES

September seems to come earlier every year! But, after a relaxing, inspiring, invigorating vacation, and the several musical conventions and conferences I participated in, I am very much looking forward to the fall, and to the year beyond. It's gonna be a GREAT year!

Organ 101: Someone asked me how pipes work in a pipe organ and suggested I explain this in the newsletter. The sequence of events for a pipe from to sound: 1) a *blower* blows *wind* (air) under pressure into a *reservoir* which stabilizes the air pressure. 2) Wind then goes from the reservoir into the *wind chest* that the *pipes* are mounted on. 3) There is an electronic *valve* below each pipe in the wind chest that will let air into the specific pipe that is actuated by pressing the key for that note sending an electronic signal to the valve. In other words, when I *pull* out the 8' Principal *stop* (the control for that *rank* or set of pipes. When the stop is *pushed* in, it *stops* wind from entering that wind chest – when the stop is pulled out, it allows wind into the wind chest) and play the middle “C”, the valve below that pipe will open allowing the air within the wind chest to enter that pipe from that stop and make it *speak* or sound. The term, “pulling out all the stops”, comes from the organ. When all the stops on the organ are pulled, the organ then “gives all it has” – the loudest sound possible. So, when “we” pull out all the stops, “we” give all that we have. If you have any questions, please let me know.

We are near finalization of the new façade and hope to share this with you in the next month or two. This has taken longer that I thought it would, but the end result is going to be fantastic!

As you know by now, the lights above the Choir Area have all been changed to new fixtures and LED bulbs which are supposed to last 30 years or more. Most importantly – at least for the Choir! – they will be able to *see their music* at night as 6 of the 12 lights had burned out! Our grateful thanks to those who contributed specifically to this project and to the Ad Council and Board of Trustees for making this a priority!

Many of our Music Groups will begin this month. Please look down the list and if you see a group you would like to participate in or have questions about, please let me know.

Chancel Choir: *Thu. (beginning Sept. 3) 6:50-8:30* Open to High School age through Senior Adults who can sing on pitch and read music at least a little. No audition, but come a few minutes early to get registered and a folder with music. We have more fun than probably should be allowed, but we make some pretty good music and have a real sense of family and spirituality.

Chanters Men's Chorus: *Thu. (beginning Oct. 15) 5:30-6:30 pm.* Open to all men who love to sing. Directed by **John Nuss**, we sing in church about once per month, go caroling to a couple of assisted living facilities at Christmas time and again in the spring.

Canyon Carillon: Adult handbell Choir of experienced ringers. We rehearse on *Tue. (beginning Sept. 15) 6:30-8:00pm.* If you would like to join us, please call me at the church: 480-982-3776. We ring once a month plus all the major services, concerts.

Orchestra: *Wed. 7:00-8:00pm (beginning Nov. 4):* This group is for everyone who has played or currently plays an instrument. Our library includes many new titles all of which are scored for standard orchestra – strings, winds, brass and percussion. If you have an instrument, dust it off and come join us in November for some great music making!

Music for Children – now part of Pioneer Clubs, beginning Wed., Sept. 9. For more information, see **Katharine Keller's Christian Education** article in this newsletter, or call the church office. **John Nuss** will continue to work with these kids during Pioneer Clubs, learning music – what it is, how we do it and why it helps us praise God.

Youth Handbell Team: I hope to start this group again this year for Jr. & Sr. High students. Watch the Sunday Bulletin for details.

Uncommon Grace: our fabulous Praise Team that leads worship at our 10:50am Praise Services. If you are interested in being a part of our Praise Team, please contact **David Ballard, Associate Direct of Music** or call the office for more information.

One in the Spirit: the singers who lead worship for our Country/Western Services on Sundays at 5:00 pm. Rehearsals are on *Tue. 5:30pm.* Contact **David Ballard** for more information.

Special Music: If you would like to sing for offertories or other times for Special Music, contact **Cindy Hoff, Associate Director of Special Music** or call the church office. The Worship Team, which includes both Cindy and myself as well as many others, is very conscious of making sure all elements of Worship match the Theme of the Day. Cindy is very, very good at finding appropriate Offertory music for these Themes and works several weeks ahead so keep these things in mind for if and when you would like to sing.

Performing Arts Series: This series includes a wide variety of faith-based performers. Most programs will be on *Sundays at 2:00pm;* a free will offering will be received as well as each patron is requested to bring at least one non-perishable food item for the GCUMC Food Bank.

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OPPORTUNITIES FOR CONGREGATIONAL CARE MINISTRY VOLUNTEERS

Volunteering as little as two hours a week to help others actually increases life expectancy and enhances a person's sense of wellbeing! Congregational Care Ministry (CCM) is a delightful way to serve Christ and others. Trained volunteers offer regular visits to the homebound and others who might appreciate conversation, Bible reading and prayer. CCMs also serve Communion to those unable to attend worship.

Within the Congregational Care Ministry the Hearts and Hands volunteers are prepared to offer supportive friendship, connection to community resources and further assistance to those of our congregation who could use the boost of good company. To become part of the Hearts and Hands ministry the first step is to complete the Congregational Care Ministry training (next session TBA) or express your interest to Carol Johnson (602-750-2008), Harriette Downing (480-983-6844) or any of the Associate Pastors. Men and women are welcome!



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. After hours, you may call or email one of the pastors directly:

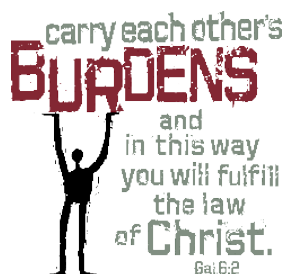
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If you know someone in the congregation who is hospitalized, ill at home and/or needs the prayers of the community, please let one of the pastors or the church office know so they can be included on the prayer list.



STITCHES UNLIMITED OR QUILTS FOR ST. ANDREWS CLINIC



Thanks to all of you who've been quilting at home and bringing in completed quilt tops. We have a good supply, and this month is our last meeting time to complete quilts for the October trip to St. Andrews scheduled for the first Thursday in October. We still have some that need to be quilted and bound, so your help this month is greatly appreciated. Donations of any size quilts, crocheted afghans, or baby blankets are also welcome.

We will begin working on getting quilts ready for the March trip, and there is always plenty to do, i.e., cutting fabric, assembling quilt kits, piecing tops together, quilting, binding, ironing, putting backing fabric to completed tops, and spray basting the quilt sandwiches together... and don't forget the company and fun of being with other quilters! Bring a lunch (*if you can stay that long*) and join us the last Tuesday of the month, Sept. 29 from 9:00am—2:00pm in the Emmaus Room. If you can't stay, stop in and take a quilt kit or two home to work on at your leisure.

Remember Matthew 25:40 "The King will reply, 'I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me.'"

For questions or more info call Bonnie Becker at (480) 250-9652.



GLOBAL MISSIONS

Fay Quanstrom, Associate Pastor

"...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



GLOBAL MISSIONS WORK TRIP 2016

The Global Missions Work Trip leaves January 16, 2016 for a week in San Jose, Costa Rica, where we will work with Rice and Beans Ministry on building projects and food ministry. The food ministry provides an amazing opportunity to visit people's homes, hear their concerns, and pray with them with the help of Costa Rican interpreters. Building projects include structures for local churches as well as home repairs. All skills are needed so long as they come with a willingness to work at whatever needs to be done. You will learn. You will be inspired. You will be deeply touched. You will bring a piece of Costa Rica home in your heart.

We fly directly from Sky Harbor to San Jose, about five hours, and stay in a large, secure home with single beds and semi-private baths. Cost of participation is your plane fare, about \$750 round trip (purchase your ticket directly), room and board of \$40 per day while in country, and a contribution of \$300 toward materials for the project (given through GCUMC). For no more than \$1,500 you can have this incredible experience!

Some participants choose to extend their time in Costa Rica, seeing additional parts of this beautiful country which boasts over 600 species of birds, seven volcanos and both Atlantic and Pacific beaches. Studies show that Costa Rica is the happiest country in the world and it's very welcoming for Americans because the water is potable throughout the country and electric power is the same as ours. No adapter is needed for your hair dryer! English is widely understood but people appreciate tourists' efforts to speak Spanish.

So give the global missions work trip prayer and consideration. Fay Quanstrom, who will be leading the trip, will be happy to talk with you further. Then watch for announcements of team meetings in the fall.

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.



- **Nepal Earthquake Relief Fund** ~ Advance #982450
- **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.qbgm-umc.org/umcor/> or follow UMCOR on Twitter at @UMC_UMCOR



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

... provides spiritual support, love, friendship and a helping hand to cancer patients, caregivers and their families. During **June—October** the group meets the **1st & 3rd Wednesday** of the month at **10:30am** in the **Emmaus Room**, and every Wednesday the remainder of the year. Contact Dee Ashe at (480)924-5483, (480)685-7175, or send an email to her at deeashe7580@gmail.com.



GRIEF SUPPORT

... 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 Bob's invitation to attend the Grief Support group he leads every **Monday from 1:00pm—2:00pm in the Education Building.** For questions or if you wish to speak with Bob privately, you can call him at (602)615-6634.

FOOD BANK UPDATE

Jeff Downing, Food Bank Manager



During the month of September 2015 the GCUMC Food Bank will be opening on Wednesday evenings 9/9, 9/16, 9/23 and 9/30. The Food Bank is attempting to reach out to clients who are unable to come during our regular hours.

The Food Bank will be available for providing emergency food boxes from 4:30 until 8:00 PM on the above dates. Our normal hours of Mon. to Fri. from 8:30 AM until noon will remain the same.

After those four nights we will determine if adding evening hours will be possible considering current inventory levels, volunteer availability and client response. If all that appears to be possible, evening hours may become a permanent addition to our mission. We certainly thank you for your continuing support and our volunteers for their dedication.



GENESIS PROJECT

Thank you for your generous sock donations! Having a pair of clean socks or just a pair of socks has been very important to many of our clients. They are very grateful.

We served over 4,000 meals in June and July. The need for a hot meal in our community has been overwhelming and our volunteers have risen to meet this challenge.

We are a blessed organization. Thank you for your continued support and prayers!

COME GET ENERGIZED!

Join Uncommon Grace at the Sunday 10:50am Praise & Worship Service, as we lift our voices to our



Lord and sing current songs you hear on the radio! Your hearts will be filled with joy each and every Sunday as we praise our Lord with uplifting music and hear God's message!



MEN'S RENEWAL WEEKEND 2015

The Desert Southwest Conference United Methodist Men present their renewal weekend from Fri., Sep. 25–Sun., Sep. 27 at the United Christian Youth Camp in Prescott, AZ. This year's theme is *"So God Created Man"* and has three guest speakers.

Additional information and the registration form are available at the Information Desk or in the Church Office. If registration is received before Sept. 5, the cost will be \$120. Monies are available to help defray costs. One gentleman is desiring to go, but needs transportation. Please contact Katharine for details.



On Saturday, October 17th Gold Canyon UMC has the opportunity to go to Feed My Starving Children in Mesa to pack food for hungry children around the world. Feed My Starving Children is a non-profit Christian organization committed to feeding God's children hungry in body and spirit. The approach is simple: children and adults hand-pack meals specifically formulated for malnourished children, and these meals get shipped to their distribution partners. FMSC meals have reached nearly 70 countries world wide in their history. We have 40 slots for people aged 6+ to help between the hours of 11:30–1:30. It is first-come, first-served, so if you'd like to join us please contact the office to sign-up. FMSC will appeal for donations at the end of our packing time; this helps to buy the food and pay for the shipping of the boxes. (*This is totally optional, but it does help*) Please contact Katharine with any questions.



HARVEST FESTIVAL

Sun., Oct. 25th from 3pm–5pm is our Community Festival! Team Outreach is in the midst of making plans to create another fun event for young and old. Some of the same activities from past Harvest Festivals will be offered, but we will also have some new.

We would again like to have booths where our creative folks can sell their crafts, whatever they may be. Last year we had lamps, hand-crafted jewelry,

homemade cards, wood carvings, watercolor, photography, just to name a few. If you would like to participate, please pick up a "Booth Form" either at the Information Desk or in the Church Office.

If you would like to assist at the event, we can always use your help – for set up, during the event and for tear down. Please direct all questions to Katharine Keller.



Due to health issues some members of our current team regretfully had to stop participating, so we are looking for new folks who love people, especially "the stranger," who enjoy planning and working certain community events, or being a greeter, among other opportunities.

Our Team mission is to create a non-threatening atmosphere and provide a Christ-like welcome to all who are new to this campus, and afford an opportunity for our members to rub shoulders with the unchurched. We meet once a month (usually the first Tuesday from 5:30–6:30pm) from October through May. Please contact Katharine Keller in the church if you would like to serve in this ministry.



GREETERS

Last year we had a required greeter training for all who greet at any of our services. If you desire to be a greeter and have not attended this training, you will need to meet briefly with Katharine to discuss our GCUMC guidelines. We have a wonderful pool of greeters, but are always looking for new smiling faces!

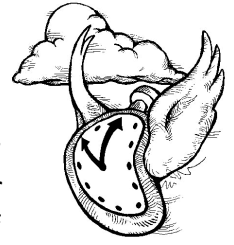
INFORMATION DESK

We are looking for smiling faces, a warm personality and a helping heart to staff our Information Desk at the 8am and 9:30am services. Especially when winter visitors have returned, the Desk gets delightfully busy! Training is provided, and it's helpful if you can do once a month... but your service will be welcomed whenever you can assist! Please contact Katharine in the Church Office.





WHERE DOES THE TIME GO?



Do you sense time speeding up? I sure do! Every time I turn around another week has flown by, and that makes a point with regards to your peepers. Don't delay getting regular eye exams, wearing your sunglasses, and being proactive in your health management. The last of this article series on your "peepers" focuses on age-related Macular

Degeneration aka "AMD."

AMD is a common eye condition and a leading cause of vision loss in people over 50. It is caused by damage to the macula, a small spot near the center of the retina, which is the part of the eye that is needed for sharp, central vision allowing us to see objects that are straight ahead. When the macula becomes damaged your field of view becomes blurry, distorted or dark. AMD does not cause "complete" blindness, however, losing the ability to see with clear central vision, impacts the simplest everyday activities; cooking, driving, recognition of the faces of others, fixing things around the house, reading, and writing and other things we take for granted.

AMD includes the term "age-related" because it often occurs after the age of 60 however, it can occur earlier. Risk factors for developing AMD include:

- 1) **Smoking:** Research has proven that smoking doubles the risk of AMD. Is losing your sight worth your continued smoking and losing your independence?
- 2) **Race:** AMD is more common in Caucasians than African-Americans or Hispanic/Latinos.
- 3) **Family History or Genetics:** People with family history of AMD are at a greater risk. At last count there are nearly 20+ genes that can affect the risk of developing AMD. Genetic testing does not foretell your risk status. Environmental factors such as smoking and nutrition play a big part in developing this disease and there are no genetic tests that can actually "diagnose" or predict AMD with any certainty. "The American Academy of Ophthalmology currently recommends against routine genetic testing for AMD and insurance generally does not cover it."*

What can you do to reduce your risk and possibly prevent AMD? Five healthy choices you can make to improve your odds are:

1. Avoid smoking
2. Exercise regularly
3. Maintain normal blood pressure and cholesterol levels
4. Eat a healthy diet rich in green, leafy vegetables and fish
5. Take daily nutritional supplements geared for eye health, such as Vitamin C (at least 500 mg), Vitamin E- 400 international units, Zinc (80 mg as zinc oxide), Copper (2mg as cupric oxide), and either 15mg of beta carotene (*Do not take beta-carotene-if you smoke or used to smoke*) or Lutein 10mg and 2mg Zeaxanthin, Omega-3 fatty acids 1 (2000mg, a day especially if you are not a fish eater).

The AREDS and AREDS2 study trials completed by the National Eye Institute showed that a combination of these supplements can reduce risk of late AMD by 25%, but how much better would it be to proactively, prevent the disease, by making these 5 healthy choices a daily habit? Here is to better eye health and remember to give God thanks for those precious two eyes that give us the ability to see all of His creation and glorify Him for it. ~ *Psalm 29:2*.

Blessings of Health & Wellness,
Susan Malloy RNBSN GCUMC Parish Nurse

Information derived from: * nei.nih.gov/health/maculardegeneration/armd and preventblindness.org.



TAKE ME OUT TO THE BALL GAME

I have a friend named Grace. Three to four years ago I learned from her about one of her “idiosyncracies”. Her word, not mine!

She was going through some health challenges and we were talking about an upcoming surgery. Through the course of that conversation she relayed to me that she was at peace going into surgery, and she trusted in God. However, besides prayer, there was one more thing she always did prior to surgery - before she let any doctor touch her. She **required** any doctor/surgeon working on her to sing *Take Me Out to the Ballgame* before her anesthesia and surgery.

Grace is a baseball fanatic. She loves the game, traveling to the stadiums across the country, the people, the smells, the energy...she loves it all. That song puts her at ease, it's a feeling of home to her. She believes the song in pre-op lightens the load of those stoic surgeons and medical professionals. She has a hilarious story or two about the looks on their faces once they realize she means it when she says “*you aren't putting me out and operating on me until you sing with me.*” Can you picture that? Makes me chuckle every time I think about it!



There's a song by songwriter/singer Gordon Lightfoot called *Rainy Day People*. I've loved the song for years, and when I was younger I listened to the catchy tune and sang along. But I didn't really pay that much attention to the lyrics. I even thought for a while the song was about people who bring you down, who are negative, the gloomy Gus. Then one day I really listened to the lyrics, boy had I been wrong. Here are some of the key phrases in the song:

“Rainy day people always seem to know when it's time to call...”

Rainy day people don't talk, they just listen till they've heard it all...

Rainy day people don't mind if you're cryin' a tear or two...

Rainy day people always seem to know when you're feeling blue...

Rainy day people all know there's no sorrow they can't rise above...”

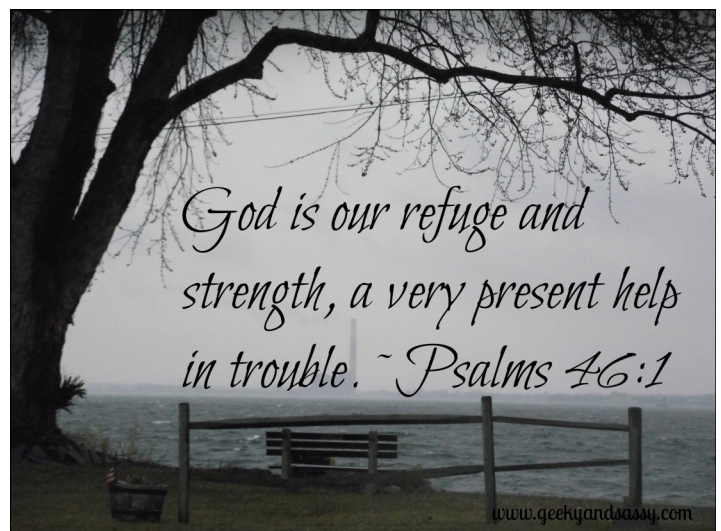
You see, Grace Wrobel is a rainy day person. I believe her attitude and “*idiosyncrasy*” actually uplifts the doctors; and they aren't the ones being operated on!! If you run in to her, ask her to tell you one of her singing stories. Also, keep her in your prayers, as she had to do some singing with some doctors in August.

Stephen Ministers are people like you who have gone through their own challenges in life, but are at the moment in a good place to assist others. They are Rainy Day People.

If you are in a place where you could use a confidential, listening ear to help you find a little peace, consider asking to speak with a Stephen Minister.

To inquire about the Stephen Ministry or ask for one to be assigned to you, simply make a confidential request to a Stephen Leader by emailing a Leader at: stephen.ministry.gcumc@gmail.com, calling 480-283-4861, or checking the box beside “*Desire a Stephen Minister*” on the Sunday morning attendance pad

by Kim Shroyer,
on behalf of the Stephen Ministry Team





OUR HISTORY

by Velma Carlson

ORDINATION FOR WOMEN IN THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

On May 4, 1956 in Minneapolis, MN, the General Conference of the Methodist Church voted to grant women full clergy rights.⁽¹⁾ Many women were already serving in some places as lay pastors. This vote gave women the right to be ordained and be recognized and receive full privileges as pastors.

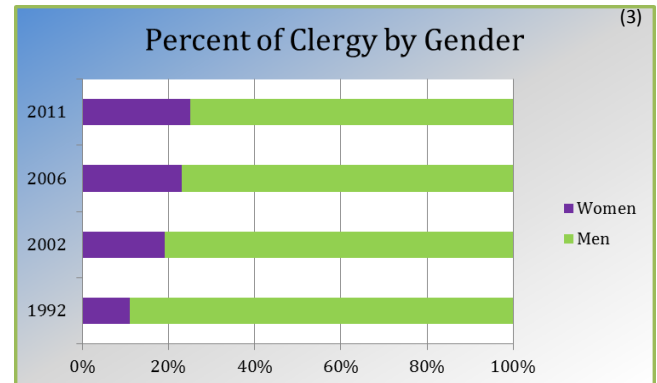


Methodist women had served the church since early establishment of the United Methodist Church. Women contributed to the early church in many ways and helped the spread of Christianity. Conservatives in the church felt that the role of women was marriage and motherhood. Motherhood was considered the bedrock of church and society. Centuries of tradition decreed men in the roles of leadership and responsibility.

Even though Methodist founder, John Wesley asked women to serve as evangelists, lay preachers and leaders in other positions this was considered radical in the eighteenth century. The debate for ordination for women has existed since the eighteenth century. The vote in 1956 opened the door for women to assume roles of leadership.

The Methodist Church has always been able to adapt to change and has been an example in granting equal rights and opportunities of service to all its members regardless of sex.⁽²⁾ Gender equality within the church has progressed slowly but has not yet been fully implemented. Women have to overcome gender prejudices from members of their congregation as well as from administration.

Women have answered the call to ministry in increasing numbers. Their presence and their witness has opened the church in the direction of greater outreach to the community. They have initiated new programs and new services to meet the needs of the community.



- (1) *Journal of General Conference 1956, 707-708*
- (2) "Women Clergy: Steps Forward and Back," *Christian Century* 123.22 (October, 2006)
- (3) *UMC Connections Blog* (December, 2013)



HONEY-DO HOME REPAIR MINISTRY

Do you know someone who needs minor repairs around the home, but has little or no resources or can no longer do it? We do jobs like changing smoke detector batteries, leaky faucet repair, replacing a faulty outlet, moving some furniture, replacing a door lock or other small projects. Referrals and/or requests can be made by calling John or Nancy at (907)232-8203 or at gold-canyonhoneydo@att.net.

SMALL
groups

AN INVITATION

If you would like to be a part of a small group that shares struggles and joys of the Christian journey, please complete this form and place in the Offering Plate.

NAME: _____

PHONE: _____

EMAIL: _____



Jane Hayes, Volunteer Coordinator
GCUMC (480)982-3776

VOLUNTEERS DO MAKE A DIFFERENCE

10 REASONS WHY SOME VOLUNTEERS QUIT

<i>Burnout</i>	<i>Negative or unkind people</i>	<i>Discouragement</i>
<i>Unrealized objective or outcomes</i>	<i>Failure</i>	<i>Declining organization</i>
<i>Unstable leadership</i>	<i>Frustration from a lack of training or resources</i>	
<i>Serving becomes very difficult or rough</i>	<i>Lack of compassion and mercy</i>	

As I read about heroes of the Bible, and look at some of our 90+ year old volunteers, I am standing among warriors. Being committed for the long haul is a common bond. Never give up! I often wonder “How does it happen?”

Finding new goals and accomplish small victories are rewarding and enriching. Prayer is a definite help. Perhaps joining a small or large Bible Study will give us the boost we need. Ask if there is another job to do when you are bored. If you are willing to mentor a new person into the work you have been doing, allows another person to learn!

If you are willing to share some of your Spiritual Gifts as a GCUMC Volunteer, now is a great time to try a new ministry or join a study as they are becoming organized in September! Hope to hear from you!



Hospitality needs YOU! Can you offer your time and efforts one service a Sunday each month? We need volunteers for the 8:00, 9:30 and 10:50 services.



We have a “Lost & Found” box in the Church Office... If you think your missing item may be with us, stop by!

SUNDAY COFFEE FELLOWSHIP



Please remember to help keep this aspect of our Team Outreach welcome alive with your contributions of yummy treats for Sunday Coffee Fellowship! ***Everyone is always welcome to enjoy this plethora of goodies,*** and your contributions are important to the continuance of this hospitality.

WATCH GCUMC SERVICES LIVE!



For livestreaming of the 8:00am & 9:30am services, go to www.livestream.com (a few minutes before service)

- ⇒ Click on “Watch” and “Search Events &Accounts...” and type in “Gold Canyon United Methodist Church”
- ⇒ Select GCUMC under “Accounts”
- ⇒ You can also view past services on the webpage.

PUBLICATION DEADLINES

October Roadrunner — 8am, Tuesday, 9/8/15
Weekly Bulletin — 12pm Wednesdays

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.



HELP WANTED

Volunteers!



help... Help... **HELP!**

Need volunteers to run PowerPoint at 8:00am service. It's very simple and fun to do! Contact Cris (480)772-8227.

VEHICLE NEEDED

Donations



Two GCUMC families are currently in need of a reliable vehicle. If you have a car you'd like to donate or sell, please call the Church Office and leave a message for Colette Bos.



BUS DRIVERS NEEDED

We've been losing our Sunday bus drivers, causing a serious need for new/ additional volunteers. This is a really rewarding volunteer opportunity for anyone who can drive... and our Sunday riders really appreciate being able to still attend services in our Sanctuary. If you can help, please contact the Church Office at (480)982-3776.

Uncommon Grace Worship Team AUDITIONS

Date/Time: TBA

Do you sing and/or play an instrument?
Do you have a passion for worship music?

If so, we need YOU! If you are interested, please send an email to: ChurchOffice@GoldCanyonUMC.org

SCRIP BUS & VAN FUND

Bashas'



Fry's



Did you know Bashas', Albertsons 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.**

⇒ **AmazonSmile:** Who doesn't shop on Amazon? Amazon will donate 0.5% of the price of your eligible AmazonSmile purchases to the GCUMC SCRIP Bus & Van Fund whenever you shop on AmazonSmile... *same selection... same prices!* To benefit GCUMC the next time you shop, just go to:

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

⇒ **Albertsons (1% rebate)** offers a key tag you swipe each time at checkout.

⇒ **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.



⇒ **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! **(Please remember to renew your Fry's VIP card online during August!)**

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

DONATIONS & ATTENDANCE

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

JULY	2012	2012	2013	2013	2013	2014	2014	2014	2015	2015	2015
	General	Building	General	Building	Worship All	General	Building	Worship All	General	Building	Worship All
1st	14,777	6,970	15,451	14,851	443	16,989	10,258	482	17,221	7,909	571
2nd	10,129	6,342	11,505	7,571	469	9,701	5,770	543	15,714	8,401	494
3rd	11,709	3,043	10,106	4,248	429	11,301	5,484	445	18,230	10,681	583
4th	7,450	2,913	16,841	4,313	532	6,766	2,173	443	5,572	2,305	532
5th	8,265	1,865	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	\$52,330	\$21,133	\$53,903	\$30,983	1,873	\$44,757	\$23,685	1,913	\$56,737	\$29,296	2,180

HIT THE "EASY" BUTTON!



If you need a convenient way to make recurring contributions, check out our electronic giving options! As the pace of life speeds up, electronic giving a great way to make contributions. Please note, if you use any type of electronic payment system to satisfy your pledge and you change your pledge, you must also make the change to your electronic payment provider. Please call the Church Office if you have questions.

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Finally, I want to express my sincere thanks to our **Choral Music Librarian, Inge Fitzpatrick** for her outstanding and dedicated service to the Choir and to me! She has decided to retire from this, though, knowing her, I'm sure we will continue to see her helping with music on occasion, and certainly she will continue to share her voice with the Choir on Sunday Mornings. Our new **Choral Librarians** are **Lee Dunning and Janice & Paul Workman**. Yeah, it takes three people to replace Inge! I look forward to working with Lee and Janice and Paul. My continued appreciation to **Mary Catherine Myers, Handbell Librarian** and **Bob Myers, Orchestra Librarian**. These are big jobs and require dedication. Without all these people, I would have to put in many more hours per week just maintaining our Music Library! My profound thanks to all of you!

If you have any questions about any of our Music Groups, please feel free to call me at the church. We have very active Music Ministries for all ages and we hope you will want to join in with us to make beautiful music for our Lord and our congregation.

Blessings to all,

Doug

Douglas J. Benton
Director of Music Ministries



Want to give back to Gold Canyon United Methodist Church beyond your pledge to the General Budget or the Building Fund? Listed below are some items that will better enable us to fulfill our mission as a church:

- ✚ Playground - \$20,000-40,000
- ✚ Stain Glass for upper Sanctuary windows - \$105,000 (\$3,000 per panel)
- ✚ Building Fund Loan Payoff (2015: Prepaid \$47,000)
- ✚ Organ Pipes
- ✚ Food Bank Building - \$200,000

Hello, September!

CHURCH CALENDAR & KEY

BP = Back Patio EB = Education Bldg
ER = ER K = Kitchen
KR = KR MR = MR
NAR = Noah's Ark Rm S = Sanctuary
SoG = SoGR YR = Youth Rm

*This calendar is subject to change; For more info, visit
www.goldcanyonumc.org or call the Church Office*

Tue Sep 1	5:30pm	One in the Spirit/Houser Gang Reh(KR)
Wed Sep 2	9:30am	Music Library Activities (MR)
	10:30am	Cancer Support Group (ER)
Thu Sep 3	6:50pm	Choir Reh (MR)
Fri Sep 4	3pm	Hearts & Hands Mtg (SoGR)
	4:30pm	Wedding Reh: Vagnier & Maxwell (S)
	5:30pm	AA (ER)
Sat Sep 5	10:30am	Wedding: Vagnier & Maxwell (S)
Sun Sep 6	8am	Traditional Worship (S)
	8:30am	Uncommon Grace Reh (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)
	6:30pm	Youth Group (7th-12th grade) (YR/ER/K)
Mon Sep 7	OFFICE CLOSED / Labor Day	
	9:30am	Bible Banter (Uncommon Grounds)
	1pm	Grief Support Mtg (SoGR)
	3pm	Stephen Ministry (ER)
	7pm	AI-Anon (SoGR)
	7pm	CoDA Mtg (ER)
Tue Sep 8	5:30pm	One in the Spirit/Houser Gang Reh (KR)
	5:30pm	Team Outreach (ER)
Wed Sep 9	9:30am	Music Library Activities (MR)
	5pm	Pioneer Club (ER)
Thu Sep 10	6:50pm	Choir Reh (MR)
Fri Sep 11	10am	Mind Menders (ER)
	5:30pm	AA (ER)
Sun Sep 13	8am	Traditional Worship (S)
	8:30am	Uncommon Grace Reh (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)
	6:30pm	Youth Group (7th-12th grade) (YR/ER/K)

Mon Sep 14	9:30am	Bible Banter (Uncommon Grounds)
	1pm	Grief Support Mtg (SoGR)
	7pm	AI-Anon (SoGR)
	7pm	CoDA Mtg (ER)
Tue Sep 15	5:30pm	One in the Spirit/Houser Gang Reh (KR)
Wed Sep 16	9:30am	Music Library Activities (MR)
	10:30am	Cancer Support Group (ER)
	5pm	Pioneer Club (ER)
Thu Sep 17	6:50pm	Choir Reh (MR)
Fri Sep 18	Women's Retreat (Tonto Rim Christian Camp) 353 N Baptist Camp Rd, Payson AZ 85541	
	5:30pm	AA (ER)
Sat Sep 19	Women's Retreat	
	3pm	Wedding: Kilbourn & Timmins (KR)
Sun Sep 20	Women's Retreat	
	8am	Traditional Worship (S)
	8:30am	Uncommon Grace Reh (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)
	6:30pm	Youth Group (7th-12th grade) (YR/ER/K)
Mon Sep 21	9:30am	Bible Banter (Uncommon Grounds)
	1pm	Grief Support Mtg (SoGR)
	3pm	Stephen Ministry (ER)
	7pm	AI-Anon (SoGR)
	7pm	CoDA Mtg (ER)
Tue Sep 22	3pm	Disciple 2 (ER)
	5:30pm	One in the Spirit/Houser Gang Reh (KR)
Wed Sep 23	9:30am	Music Library Activities (MR)
	5pm	Pioneer Club (ER)
Thu Sep 24	1pm	Disciple 1 (ER)
	6:50pm	Choir Reh (MR)
Fri Sep 25	10am	Mind Menders (ER)
	5:30pm	AA (ER)
Sun Sep 27	8am	Traditional Worship (S)
	8:30am	Uncommon Grace Reh (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)
	6:30pm	Youth Group (7th-12th grade) (YR/ER/K)
Mon Sep 28	9:30am	Bible Banter (Uncommon Grounds)
	1pm	Grief Support Mtg (SoGR)
	7pm	AI-Anon (SoGR)
	7pm	CoDA Mtg (ER)
Tue Sep 29	9am	Stitches Unlimited (ER & Sea of Galilee)
	3pm	Disciple 2 (ER)
	5:30pm	One in the Spirit/Houser Gang Reh (KR)
Wed Sep 30	8:30am	Newsletter Team (MR)
	9:30am	Music Library Activities (MR)
	5pm	Pioneer Club (ER)

SEPTEMBER CELEBRATIONS



Cassella, Michelle 09/01
 Gale, Donna 09/01
 McDaniel, Stephen (Steve) 09/01
 Serrine, James 09/01
 Storley, Renee 09/01
 Williams, Ashley 09/01
 Grills, Iona 09/02
 Johnson, Ginny 09/02
 Jurgens, Ronald 09/02
 Linton, Diana 09/02
 Matthews, Lowell 09/02
 Johnson, Curtis (Curt) 09/03
 Luse, Robert (Bob) 09/03
 Christian, Wendy 09/04
 Zieglowsky, Rick 09/04
 Gaulke, Norma 09/05
 Johnson, Mary 09/05
 Mitchell, Darrell 09/05
 Pappalardo, Christina 09/05
 Ingram, Pamela 09/06
 Petticrew, Daniel 09/06
 Mercer, Jerry Dean 09/07
 Ralston, Riechia 09/07
 Jacobsen, Betty 09/08
 Shroyer, Kimberley (Kim) 09/08
 O'Donnell, Michael (Mike) 09/08
 Burris, Rodger 09/09
 Jameson, James (Jim) 09/09
 Jones, Riley 09/09
 Leet, Richard (Dick) 09/11
 Pezzino, Gina 09/11
 Miller, Janeane 09/11
 Bills, Bob 09/12
 Crites, Margaret 09/12
 Downing, Harriette 09/12
 Hegna, Jan 09/13
 Pepin, Sally 09/13
 Schaefer, Jefferson (Jeff) 09/13

Ingram, Bob 09/14
 Richardson, Douglas 09/14
 Watters, Scott 09/14
 Acree, Jeanine 09/16
 Kohan, Joyce 09/16
 Parke, Bob 09/16
 Rosenberg, Joe 09/16
 Messmer, Patti 09/17
 Billeter, Sandy 09/18
 Reichert, Cynthia 09/18
 Van Slooten, James 09/18
 Bos, David 09/19
 Kreil, Adriana 09/19
 Parsons, Laura 09/19
 Rowland, Philip (Phil) 09/19
 Seabright, Randy 09/19
 Confer, Terry 09/20
 Evans, Lora Lee 09/20
 Koch, Karl 09/20
 Mansdorfer, Nyla 09/20
 Olson, Randene (Randi) 09/20
 Ashe, Diana (Dee) 09/21
 Hodges, Wes 09/21
 Houseman, Alexandra 09/21
 Johnsen, Donna 09/21
 McGinness, Patrick 09/21
 Ohnstad, Jeanette (Jenny) 09/21
 Pingree, Blair 09/21
 Williams, Tristan 09/21
 Adams, Jacob 09/22
 Blankenship, Sherry 09/22
 Lukas, Stephen (Steve) 09/22
 Miller, Nancy 09/22
 Nielsen, Bonny 09/22
 Pappalardo, Robert 09/22
 Wilson, Reta 09/22
 Keyser, Brenda (Dee) 09/23
 Olson, Robert (Carter) 09/23

Brown, Jeffrey (Jeff) 09/24
 Rolf, Jayne 09/24
 Donovan, Jack 09/25
 Doschadis, Mary (Torchy) 09/25
 Morris, Mike 09/25
 Rohn, Vi 09/25
 Koch, Roberta (Bobbie) 09/26
 Rolley, Emunds (Bud) 09/26
 Fritz, Blanche 09/27
 Schmidt, Conrad 09/27
 Beam, Wayne 09/28
 Gerst, Leo 09/28
 Heinauer, Richelle 09/28
 Mercer, Bruce 09/28
 Oldham, Barbara 09/28
 Manbeck, Rich 09/29
 Plakos, Shirley 09/29
 Robison, Tom 09/29
 Schmidt, Amber 09/29
 Eisentraut, Bonnie 09/30
 Gingrich, Noah 09/30
 Hart, Beverly 09/30
 Thomas, Lillian 09/30

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!

... AND MORE!



Arehart, Larry & Patsy 09/01
 Eriksen, Norman & Adelaide (Ritchie) 09/01
 Kellough, D Eugene (Gene) & Marilyn 09/01
 Adkins, George & Ann 09/02
 Bird, James (Mark) & Marjorie 09/02
 Kinzel, Alan & Lisa 09/04
 Lane, John & Bonnie 09/04
 Dage, Carol & Carol 09/05
 Mott, Bob & Sue 09/05
 Korver, Douglas (Doug) & Carol 09/08
 Lukas, Stephen (Steve) & Teresa 09/09
 Williams, Jay & Barbara 09/10
 Bennett, William (Bill) & Sharon 09/12
 Halsted, Vern & Dorothy 09/12
 Schmidt, Conrad & Judy 09/14
 Peterson, Sherrill (Pete) & Marilyn 09/14
 Bowman, Harry (Hank) & Judith 09/15
 Schwartz, Richard (Dick) & Myrtice (Ann) 09/15
 Nord, Gary & Faye 09/16
 Cherry, William & Suzanne 09/17
 Anderson, Delbert (Andy) & Janice 09/20
 Butler, Paul & Joan 09/20
 Downing, John (Jeff) & Harriette 09/23
 Urbach, Arthur & Jayne 09/23
 Houser, Ron & Chris 09/27
 Ritenour, Jim & Marcia 09/29
 Kinder, Sherl (Steve) & Peggy 09/30

GCUMC DIRECTORIES

...are available in the Church Office or at the Information Desk on Sundays. If any of your info needs to be updated, be sure to let the Church Office know 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.



ST. ANDREW'S CLINIC COLLECTIONS CONTINUE

The time is near for our trip to St. Andrew's Children's Clinic in Nogales, AZ... Thursday, October 1st. 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. If you have any questions please contact Alyce Ancell (480)983-2510, Gail Crawford (480)268-0918 or Teri Lukas (480)274-3982.

We also request that you collect small stuffed animals (*new or used*) to give to the children while they wait for their appointments. Please bring items (*including any toiletries you've collected over the Summer*) to the Narthex collection box or to the Church Office by September 28th. In addition, we supply quilts made by our quilting group to the families.

Needed Items

- ✚ AA batteries for speech
- ✚ Hearing devices
- ✚ BeneFiber
- ✚ Blenders
- ✚ Clorox wipes
- ✚ Disposable Diapers (small)
- ✚ Eyeglass frames (children's sizes)
- ✚ Hand Sanitizers
- ✚ Hearing aids (used)
- ✚ Hydrocortisone 1% ointment
- ✚ Peanut Butter
- ✚ PediaSure (generic ok)
- ✚ Exercise balls for physical therapy (45 & 55cc)
- ✚ Powdered milk
- ✚ Prune juice-single serve size
- ✚ Receiving blankets
- ✚ Trash Bags with drawstring
- ✚ Vitamins (children's with iron)
- ✚ Wipes
- ✚ Ziploc bags-quart size only
- ✚ Toiletry items (travel size toothbrush, toothpaste, combs, soaps)



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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

8:00am & 9:30am

TRADITIONAL ~ Sanctuary

10:50am

PRAISE ~ Koinonia Room

5:00pm

COUNTRY ~ Koinonia Room

(Last Sunday of the Month Only in June, July & August)

Childcare Provided at ALL Services

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