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# From The Pastor:

# "Forgiveness in the face of hate"

Skye Jethani in the book, The Divine Commodity, writes of a Christian pastor

who responded to hate with Christ like forgiveness and love.

Ghassan Thomas leads one of the few public churches that emerged in Baghdad after Saddam Hussein was toppled. His congregation erected a sign on their building that said "Jesus Is the Light of the World," but the church was raided by bandits who left behind a threat on a piece of cardboard. It read: "Jesus is not the light of the world, Allah is, and you have been warned." The note was signed "The Islamic Shiite Party."

In response, Pastor Ghassan loaded a van with children's gifts and medical supplies - which were in critically short supply following the American invasion - and drove to the headquarters of the Islamic Shiite Party. After presenting the gifts and supplies to the sheikh, Ghassan told the leader, "Christians have love for you, because our God is a God of love." He then asked permission to read from the Bible. Ghassan turned to Jesus' words in John 8, "I am the light of the world." He then showed the cardboard note to the sheikh. The Muslim leaders, astounded by Pastor Thomas's actions, apologized. "This will not happen again," [the sheikh] vowed. "You are my brother. If anyone comes to kill you, it will be my neck first." The sheikh later attended Pas-

tor Thomas's ordination service at the church. How do we respond to hate or hurt? Do we try to get even or do we respond with forgiveness and love? It is so easy to respond to hurt with hurt. I know many people who are determined to hold onto their righteous anger which only destroys them.

I always liked the thought of one writer who explained that holding onto righteous anger is like drinking poison and waiting for the other person to die. It won't happen and we just become bitter angry people. In June we will spend three weeks on Sunday mornings facing the issues surrounding forgiveness. We hope you will join us as we come to terms with our bitterness and anger and commit to forgive.

Grace and Peace,

Fred

# **Forgiveness** Sermon Series



Jesus was clear in his teaching: He offers us God's forgiveness and instructs us to forgive one another. Why is this so hard? What is it that makes us so unforgiving of ourselves and of each other? In this series, we will dig into one of the greatest issues we confront as human beings. We'll take an honest, realistic look at how to seek, extend and accept forgiveness

June 3 - Forgiveness-Releasing the Weight

June 10 - Forgiveness in Marriage

June 17 - Forgiveness Can Be Complicated



# **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."

# **Time For Summer Camp!**

June and July are great months for camp at Mingus Mountain. Brochures are available through Katharine in the church office.

The Senior High Camp (grades 9 – graduated seniors) meets July 2-7 and will be led

by Jody Topping. And, there are other camps scheduled as well.

The cost is \$310 per person for all camps, with deadline dates after which there is an additional fee of \$25, so please pick up the brochure soon. If you need scholarship help, please let Katharine know. If you



are able to assist those attending camp, please write your checks to GCUMC and memo it: *Mingus Camp Scholarship Donation*.

# Looking for Acolytes

Is your child graduating 4th grade this month and would she or he like to learn how to be an

acolyte at the 9:30 service? In case you don't know what an acolyte does, this person brings down the light towards the beginning of the service and lights the two candles, representing the presence of Christ, on the communion table. Please contact Katharine Keller in the church office, so that she can line up training. This is a great way for a young person to participate in worship, so please present this idea to your student.

# Summer Sunday School Teachers Needed

Our 9:30 Sunday School teachers in the Pre/K and 1st-3rd grade classes are taking a break for the months of June, July and August. Would you consider teaching one or two Sundays at 9:30 to help us out? Please contact Katharine in the church office if you are available. Thank you for considering this opportunity!

# DIVE in to Vacation Bible School with Operation Overboard: Where Kids Dare to Go Deep with God!

VBS will be held *June 18th - 22nd*, and includes Ages 4 - having completed 6th Grade. Early registration (before June 11) is \$15 per child/\$50 max per family. After June 11 the fee is \$20 for the first two children/\$15 for additional children in the family. We will have Bible lessons, crafts, music and so much more! Registration forms are available in the church office, at the Information Center in the Narthex, and in the lobby of the Education Building. Or, you can register online.

# **VBS Needs:**

If you can, please **donate** items from the following list we will need for VBS (items may be brought in to the church office):

- Empty 2 liter plastic bottles with a CLEAR bottom
- White pipe cleaners
- Blue foil door curtains (Party City)
- Inflatable fish, sharks, octopi, etc.
- Quart-size Ziploc plastic bags
- Little food coloring bottles
- Rubber gloves (small, medium or large)
- Rainbow colored goldfish crackers
- Foam swimming noodles all colors (from dollar store)
- Light or dark blue plastic tablecloths (dollar store)
- SMALL bottles of water

# To borrow:

- Snorkel/diving masks
- Flippers
- Black light
- Wet suit
- Oxygen tank preferably empty



# THE ESSENTIALS OF EFFECTIVE PRAYER: SHORT TERM STUDY BEGINNING JUNE 19

Do you pray? Really, do you pray? How often? How effective do your prayers seem to be? Do you question whether your prayer life is all it should be? Do you ever wonder if God still answers when ay? Do you worry that you don't truly understand what prayer really is? If you've asked yourself these

people pray? Do you worry that you don't truly understand what prayer really is? If you've asked yourself these questions, you are not alone. Almost all of us have questioned at some time what prayer really is and how - or if - it really works. In this study we will discover the answers to these questions as we examine what Scripture teaches about prayer and consider how to apply those truths to our own lives.

We hope you will join us for this 4-week study on prayer, led by Pastoral Intern, Jody Topping. The study group will meet on Tuesday afternoons from 3-4:30 pm at the church. If you are interested in joining, please contact Jody at the church office or by email at jody@goldcanyonumc.org. The cost for this study will not exceed \$10.

# Join Us for Summer Fun and Worship!

**Kids' Kapers** ~ Might your child be looking for some fun things to do this summer? Please pick up a Kids' Kapers booklet, if your child did not get one in Sunday School. They are available at the Information Center. Some events have a cost, others do not. Our activities in June are:

**Tuesday, June 12**: Afternoon at the Movies - "Puss in Boots", 2-4 pm, Popcorn

included! Cost: Free

June 18-22: Vacation Bible School - "Operation Overboard", 9am -12:30 pm

Cost: \$15 per child

**Wednesday, June 27:** Picnic in the park (bring your own lunch, beverages provided)

See brochure for location. Cost: Free





# Our Church History

# History Committee Update

When our pastor, Rev. David McPherson left we were sad and afraid everything we had started would come to a big halt. No faith! As I said, God had a big plan for Gold Canyon United Methodist Church and He was not going to let us down! He sent Rev. Fred Steinberg, the organizer of all organizers! He was exactly what we needed and look what he has done for our church! I'm not leaving Beth out either, as she is a real worker right

along with him. We got two for one this time and we grew and grew!

At first Fred did not quite know what to do with such a friendly, relaxed and devoted congregation. It wasn't long, however, before he loosened up and enjoyed the challenge of being a minister for such a fast growing church. He is excellent at detail and organization, and always keeps ahead of the rest of us. We definitely proved to the leaders of the United Methodist Conference that we were a loving, caring, excited, growing church and God wanted us in Gold Canyon.

Soon Fred was preaching 4 Sunday morning services in the little church and the devoted choir sang for 3 services. He kept accusing me of growing the choir so big that we were pushing him off the stage. It is true we were packed in there like sardines but we loved it! I no longer used Elko's choir music because we had grown larger and we needed more copies than they had.

A cute story about the choir: we would form a line outside the little church and enter through the back door. Kay Batt's husband, Bob, always sat at the entrance and as I was the last one through the door he would tell me how many men I had singing that day. The most I had was 35 men. Can you imagine? This was a choir to die for! Oh how I loved the blend!

Mary Ann Warren (more next month)



# Gold Canyon UMC Youth



Wendy Moore, Youth Director

# Youth News Update From Wendy:

By the time you are reading this newsletter, we will be in the last stages of preparation for our *Annual Youth Service Mission Trip*. The excitement has been building for weeks and the kids can't wait. We are still accepting donations for the trip. At last count we were within about 4 shares of totally funding the trip. The generosity, love and support of our congregation have made it possible for the lives of our youth, and those they serve, to be permanently changed. The Adults who go on the mission trip witness the changes in real time, and what a blessing it is. What a gift you have given us! We will be sharing our adventures with you as soon as we return.

The church volleyball league begins this month and we are all looking forward to a successful season. This is such a great opportunity for our youth to compete (and we want to win), but never lose sight of our Christian values. The Gold Canyon team placed third in last year's tournament (our highest finish ever) among 14 teams!



**Cooking For Youth Lesson** 

May and June are such exciting and busy months for all kinds of reasons. One of the happiest things we did in May was celebrate our graduates from both high school and college. This year's graduates are Christian Ordiway, Kaylea Payne and Katee Sharp. We are proud of them, and they are fantastic people.



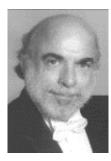
Eagle Scouts
Charlie Olson and
Mikey Sheridan

Mothers Day and Fathers Day - we are never too old to honor our parents. Having a grateful heart and realizing that most parents do their best for their children, in spite of their own challenges. We should carry our grateful hearts to our Lord as well. He loves us, in spite of our own failings, and he will never fail us.

# **Perspectives:**

"Sometimes the questions are complicated and the answers are simple."

- Dr. Seuss



**Music** News ~ June is the traditional beginning of summer. Finally, us desert rats can put away our long-johns and heavy coats! It is also a time for travel and re-creation. I pray we all are blessed with safe travels, and are thankful for the beauty of His creation that we get to experience as we travel. I hope we will all take

the opportunity to go visit somewhere we have never been before, and thank God for the opportunity to experience new places and things.

We had 12,295 come to our **Performing Arts Series** events (not including the Gold Canyon Arts Council events) this past season. At least 20% of these folks were visitors! This has become a very effective means of evangelism for our church, which, of course, is one of the main reasons for having a Performing Arts Series. Additionally, a tremendous amount of food has been donated to the Gold Canyon United Methodist Church Food Bank. We have encouraged the **Gold Canyon Arts Council** to ask their patrons to also bring items for the Food Bank or donate money to the Food Bank, which they are doing. How many towns our size has anything close to an Arts Council?!? Thank you, **Dr. Jack Kukuk** and the GCAC Board! I thank God I live and worship in this place at this time!

Our first ever **Interfaith Choral Festival** was a tremendous success! It was held at **Superstition Foothills Baptist Church** on Sunday, April 29, and featured the Choirs from SFBC, **Our Savior's Lutheran Church** and **GCUMC.** Each choir sang a couple of songs separately, then joined together as a Massed Choir to sing three anthems, each directed by one of the Church's Music Directors: **Richard Wall** (OSL), **Rev. Doug Sanders** (SFBC host) and myself. The choir members very much enjoyed singing for each other and singing together! Everyone came away feeling great and looking forward to our next combined event – our **Celebration of Veterans** in November.

We had a fair number from the three churches in attendance and raised \$372.00 which will go to the Apache Junction School District to establish a "scholarship" fund to help Junior High kids rent instruments. This is a serious need in the AJSD, and we plan on making this an annual event. If this is something you would like to financially support, please let me know.

On a personal note, I am being inducted into the Handbell Musicians of America (HMA) – formerly the American Guild of English Handbell Ringers (AGEHR) – Area 11 *Ring of Fame*. This is one of the highest honors one can receive in the handbell world. I am being recognized for my 39 years of directing hand-bells, serving on the National Board of Directors (first time as **Chair of** 

**Area 11**, second as the first **Chair of Director Education** for the AGEHR, having directed Massed Choir Festivals on the National, Area and State levels of AGEHR, written several published works for handbells with and without voices and/or instruments, serving as a Clinician at International, National, Area and State events of the AGEHR, and authored multiple articles in *Overtones*, our national journal, including the first major research on *Carpal Tunnel Syndrome/Repetitive Strain Injury and Handbell Ringing.* I am very blessed and humbled to be so honored. When I return from our Area 11 Festival, I hope to have some pictures.

Thanks to all of you who have donated to the **Pipe Organ Fund**. We have over \$13,000 toward the \$350,000 needed to add the pipes and update the Choir Area in the Chancel. The addition of the pipes and updating the Choir Area will greatly enhance our worship experience, especially the music! If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call me.

Now that it is summer, most of our winter singers have gone to cooler places, though, of course, we don't know why! This means that if you have been thinking of singing with us, now is the time! The *Chancel Choir* will continue to sing through July then take the month of August off. If you can sing on pitch, read music at least a little, and enjoy having fun, come check us out! We meet at 6:50 on Thursday evenings, and have more fun that a "church" group probably should have!

Finally, I want to thank *Steve Crane*, Chair of our Trustees, who had one of his crew member put up the new **Wenger Sound Panels** in the Music Room. The Music Room used to have so much reverberation, it was very hard to understand people, including myself, when they talked or sang. It got to the point that the Administrative Council met in the Koinonia Room instead of the Music Room due to the lack of clarity. With the new sound panels, the Chancel Choir sounds very clear, I can talk fast and still be understood, and the Choir will no longer be excruciatingly loud! I can't wait the hear the orchestra when we start up again in the fall. I know it will no longer be painfully loud as it has been in the past! Again, thank you Steve, and Mark!

Also thanks to our incredible Custodian, *Rick Ceynar*, for putting together the new **Wenger Music Filing System** in out Music Library! He is indeed a tremendous blessing to our church. Look for him, say "Hi!" and tell him how much you appreciate his work! He does sooo many things way beyond his job description, and he does everything very well! Thanks again, Rick!

May we all have a great summer! Blessings to all,

Douglas J. Benton
Director of Music Ministries





# Healthy Living

News from the Health and Wellness Ministry of Monica Ortega-Watters and Susan Malloy, Parish Nurses

**Wishing You a Healthy 2012!** 

**Greetings All!** I hope everyone is settling into their summer routines. A quick reminder about the sun - whether you are here in Arizona or elsewhere in the country, protection from the sun's harmful rays is very important. Please remember to protect your skin and eyes by using sunglasses, sunscreen, or appropriate clothing to cover your skin when outdoors. Also, you should do monthly skin exams to look for unusual skin eruptions or discolorations.

We had a good turnout for the "Speak UP and Stay Alive" presentation done by Pat Rullo, the author of a book by the same name. Great information was presented on being your own health advocate and/or having someone who would be willing to "walk along" with you if you have a need for hospitalization. This month's article will focus on one of the topics discussed in the presentation - Medication Errors. This is a common concern that requires vigilance when you are in the hospital, and at home as well. According to the Institute of Medicine, on average, a hospital patient is subject to at least one medication error per day. It may be disturbing to hear that this is not an unusual occurrence, however, paying attention to the reasons listed below could help alleviate some of these mistakes.

# **Eight (8) Reasons Medication Errors Occur:**

- Patient or Advocate does not ask questions or does not remind medical staff of drug allergies always insure that someone has advised hospital personnel, and ask them to check your red arm band with allergies listed prior to administering medications.
- 2. Use of abbreviations on prescriptions, chart notes etc. may lead to misinterpretation.
- 3. Medications may look or sound alike.
- 4. Verbal orders by a physician can be inaccurately carried out.
- 5. Pharmacist errors.
- 6. Nurse fatigue or interruptions.
- 7. Patient overload or staff shortage.
- 8. Illegible or sloppy handwriting.

You may have no firsthand knowledge of, or any control over, many of the reasons for errors. You have the most control over #1 so it is very important that you or your health advocate ask questions prior to administration of any medication or IV.

There are **five (5) rules for correct medication administration** that are taught in Nursing schools throughout the country. They are:

- 1. Right Patient.
- 2. Right Drug.
- 3. Right Dose.
- 4. Right Route (by mouth, liquid or pill, intravenous, injection or inhaled).
- 5. Right Time.

When your physician recommends a new drug for you, ask lots of questions –



- What is this for?
- What will it do?
- Is there a generic for it?
- What side effects do I need to be aware of?

Respectfully, let your physician know you are being a wise and careful consumer. Protect yourself or someone you love by being AWARE.

Things to do when having prescriptions filled include:

- Check your prescriptions before leaving the pharmacy to insure you have the right medications. If it does not look like your routine meds, don't hesitate to ask if there was a change in manufacturer or other reason that the meds do not look the same.
- Be sure and *read the paperwork* that accompanies your medications. Things do change, and missing an important instruction or potential side effect can be hazardous. Or, at the least it can make the drug ineffective if not taken correctly.

We live in a fast paced, tremendously busy world and human error does occur. Help yourself, a friend or loved one by being there for them in their time of need. Have a safe, enjoyable summer. Healthy Living articles will resume in October. Hopefully, in January 2013 we will have Pat Rullo come and speak to us again. It is well worth your time and effort to attend and it could save your life or that of someone you care about. Blessings of Health & Wellness,

Susan Malloy RN BSN Parish Nurse

# **Building Mortgage Update**

The Finance Committee would like to provide an update on the status of the GCUMC building mortgage effective March 31, 2012. The below figures are for the existing mortgage on the new Sanctuary Building.

Our monthly payment is \$28,359.00. Of that, \$16,845.00 goes toward principle and \$11,514.00 to interest. The outstanding loan amount still owed to Wells Fargo is \$2,788,922.00.

Thank you to all, for your continued service and support to Gold Canyon United Methodist Church.

"For every house is built by someone, but the builder of all things is God." Hebrews 3:4

# **Church Wish List**

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.

- Pave the North Parking Lot \$200,000
- Religious Statue for South Exterior Alcove of Sanctuary Building
- Playground \$10,000-50,000
- ◆ Stain Glass for upper Sanctuary windows \$105,000 (\$3,000 per panel)
- ◆ Building Fund Loan Payoff
  (In 2012 we prepaid \$25,825 on the building loan)

# GCUMC Permanent Endowment Fund

The Gold Canyon United Methodist Church has a Permanent Endowment Fund which was established several years ago. Did you know that it is possible to make a difference in the ministry of GCUMC even after you are gone? Gifts to the GCUMC Permanent Endowment Fund are invested and in turn only the gains are used to further the missions and ministries of the Church. The principal of the gift is held in perpetuity. This is a wonderful way for any donor to make a difference for many years into the future. The Permanent Endowment Committee has designated the income to be used for Buildings and Property; Scholarships, especially for those entering the ministry; Missions; and Undesignated. Undesignated can mean that a donor may select where he or she wishes the income to be used or leave it up to the Committee to decide. There is a generous donor who has given gifts over the past few years to the Endowment Fund, which were specifically given for the income to be used for scholarships. This income has provided the funds for the scholarships which the church has given to various members.

The Permanent Endowment can become a strong supporter of the Church and its missions, but only if members and others of the congregation remember the Fund with gifts at any time or with estate bequests of any size. Please consider gifts to support the Endowment and GCUMC. For more information on how to make a gift, call Pastor Fred at the church or Wally Quanstrom Chairman of the Endowment Fund Committee at 480-982-9314.

We cannot give God anything; for everything is already His, and all we have comes from Him. We can only give Him praise, thanks, and honor.

~ Martin Luther

# **DONATIONS AND ATTENDANCE**

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

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1st	\$28,426	\$9,548	\$20,738	\$9,201	\$26,989	\$11,781	1476	1668
2nd	19,203	8,853	15,956	8,414	\$21,968	\$8,540	1111	2485
3rd	13,502	2,644	16,720	5,700	\$15,208	\$6,893	1101	1247
4th	18,068	10,615	18,493	8,520	\$13,025	\$5,294	1769	1085
5th					\$10,988	\$5,165		917
Total	\$79,199	\$31,660	\$71,907	\$31,835	\$88,177	\$37,672	5457	7402



# WITHIN THE CHURCH FAMILY

By Hu & Wendy Rhymes, with a little help from Hattie, Muffin (& Sadie, too)

JUST A REMINDER: Please let the Rhymes know at whsadier@earthlink.net or call the church office if you WANT A NAME REMOVED FROM THE ROADRUNNER or SUNDAY PRAYER LIST or are having surgery or are in the hospital, if you wish a visit or want to be on the Sunday Prayer List.

### FROM THE SADIE RHYMES' MISSION CORNER

Many of you may not know or remember how the pet food part of the food bank was started. Bonnie & Arne Eisentraut gave money as a memorial to our Sadie schnauzer when she died in 2008. All of us decided it would be a great tribute to Sadie and so wonderful for the hungry pets. It is unbelievable how much pet food goes out of the Food Bank each day. We are so thankful for all of you who donate, bring pet food and help bag the food. Thank you again this month to Hattie & Muffin's veterinarian, Dr. Munion, for donating pet food. Also to the folks who have donated money for pet food as Memorials. Thanks again to the Agnew & Kimball families, Jeanette Lunstead & Lolly Skillman for purchasing and/or bagging pet food so our furry friends can eat. THANKS TO ALL OF YOU WHO DONATE FOOD & PET FOOD AND THOSE WHO HELP IN THE FOOD BANK.

Love, Hu, Wendy, Hattie, Muffin and Sadie too!!!

# WITHIN THE CHURCH FAMILY

**Sympathies:** The Baker family, upon the death of their mother, Dorothy; Royce Brownfield, upon the death of his wife, Barbara; Debi Combs, upon the death of her father; Sonia Holbrook & the rest of Garry Neisius' family, upon his death; The family of Kathleen Moore, upon her death; Violet Reiners, upon the death of her husband, Hap; Blair Pingree, upon the death of his wife, Donna; Dan & Evelyn Robbs, upon the death of their daughter, Michelle; and the families & friends of the above.

Concerns and/or Continued Prayers: Nancy Arbuckle, Patty Atkins, Earl Beasley, Isaiah Bradthen, Alan Burg (Houser's brother-in-law), Boyd Burnett, Jerry Colmer, George Butler, Lynn Evensvold, Clare Fowler, Dee Dee Frazer, Deane Gage (Shirley Hodges' brother-in-law), Sue Galliart, Kelsey Gearhart, Lois Gerst, Liz Gibson, Bob Gill, Duane Hansen. Jeannette Hardman, Payton Hewett (Gloria Charette's ggranddaughter), Clarence Hodges, Jennifer Kvam Horrell, Rod Johnson, Judy Keltner, Dennis Michaelis (Jerri Manbeck's brother-in-law), Bev Morton, Billie Nolton, Bob Parker (Don Parker's brother), Dee Plummer, Jim Potter, Rev. Francis Rath (friend of Hu & Wendy Rhymes), Tommy Russell, Chris Shuls, Gary Sinder, Lucille Sterling, Peggy Tippie,, Kim & Dave Van Pelt, Edith Viviani, Sherri Wnuk and Lisa Buscher, on a MISSION in PERU until June, 2012 (Jeff/Jane Hayes' daughter), PRAYERS for the families & caregivers of the above. PRAYERS for requests in the "CONFIDENTIAL PRAYER" boxes & UNSPOKEN REQUESTS. Also, those FOOD BANK CLIENTS who have requested prayers. PRAYERS for our MILITARY personnel (Chris Everett, Felip Gonzales, Rex & Robb Hewett, Matthew Jacobson, Jared Lallier, Jacob Manbeck, Sierra Nagle & Myles Strange), those in harm's way & those suffering from, PTSD & other maladies as a result of their military service & their families. Also, those who are POOR or HOMELESS & IN NEED OF EMPLOYMENT. PRAYERS for the families of SIDEWALK MINISTRY.

Still in Need of Prayers: John & Doris Adamson, Richard & Eleanor Armstrong, Tom & Dee Ashe, Patti Baker, Bob & Ruth Bennett, Cathy Bird, Irene & Jr. Blake (Paul Fillion's sister), Leon & Jane Blumhagen, Marge Bos (Dave Bos' mother), Kay Bottomley (Mike Vagnier's mother), Lyle Brewer, Jack & Esther Ann Brown, Royce Brownfield, Gen Brunk (Jerri Manbeck's mother), Jeff & Karen Brown, Dr. Brad & Arlaine Bryant & Julie Bryant-Holver, Bob & Jenilu Burgi, Martha Burkinshaw, Jim & Carolyn Burt, Leon & Linda Schafle-Castonia, Jack Challender (Hahns), Mindy Couch (Don/Diane Parker's daughter), Rev. Bob &

June Deits, Chuck Dickinson, Laura Dinges, Rev. Jim & Eve Dinkel, Eulalia Pascal Domingo, Adelyne Douglass, Janet Fillion (Paul & Joyce Fillion's daughter-in-law), Peter Fillion (Paul Fillion's brother), Dale & Inge Fitzpatrick, Gen Friesen, Sue & Dave Flitsch, Danna & Andy Gharavi, Ardeena Gillette, Glen & Ona Golden, Bill Green, Arline Hacker, Gaylord Hart & kids, Kathy & Paul Fabish, Jan Helquist, Shirley Hill, Neil & Melva Houtcooper, Jim & Suzanne Jameson, Dawn Johnson (Todd Williams' aunt), Ginny & Joe Johnson, Helen Johnson, Gladys Kay (Jane Hayes' Mom), Mel & Mary Kilbo, Tom & Mariol Knapp, Thelma Lang (Pete 'n Kay Johnson's mother), Ardis Larson, Rick & Diane Lockwood, Bob & Juana Mahlandt, Sue & Michael Malloy, Earl & Lorna Marifjeren, Sally Marviano (Suzanne Cherry's sister), Tony Masucci (Colette Bos' father), Will Matthews, Colin Mattoon (Joe & Uni Kincade's nephew), Bryan McGann (Jeanette Lunstead's son), Corine McGinley (Diane Kissner's sister), Larry & Pat McMann, Wilbur McMann, Anita Mendoza (Lucy Kidwell's mother), Linda & Mike Mestek, Vivian Miller (Marcella Dorsey's aunt), Judy Monk, Hedy Moore (Jed Moore's mother), Lorraine Murphy, Bill & Alice Myers, Alan Nolan (Calder & Lavoyce Nolan), Ramona Orr (Kris Laux's mother), Jim & Marcia Ritenour, Peter Ritsch, David & Judy Robertson, Tom & Marty Robison, Virgil & Rose Scantlin, Sister Teresa Shields (Juanita Elms), Ari Shreffler, Orville & Maxine Slagle, Debbie Steedy, Lew & Doris Stichter, Marilyn & Dave Striebel, Rick & Sue Sutter, Nathan and Julie Terrell (Carol Ballard), Lillian Thomas (Bill & Mary Thomas' mother), Kenneth Tippie (Jerry & Peggy Tippie's son), Gordon & Patty Truckle, Wanda Tufte, Jim & Charlene Van Slooten & Floy Kilbourn-their daughter, Nancy Villeneuve, Nancy Virden, Mickey Wenzel, Garnet White (Jody Topping), Delza Wilson (Jayne Urbach's mother), Reta Wilson, Pat Zirjacks and the families of the above.

### **DESIGNATED GIFTS FROM MEMORIAL/FUNERAL SERVICES**

**BARBARA BROWNFIELD**: GCUMC or Lions Club International Foundation or Hospice of the Valley



### SECOND TIME AROUND

The minister's wife was a genius when it came to grocery shopping. She seldom had any leftovers. At one meal she served her pastor husband nothing but leftovers, which he viewed with disdain. He began picking at the food, causing his wife to say, "Dear, you forgot the blessing."

"Listen, sweetheart, if you can show me one item here that hasn't been blessed at least twice, I can't see what another prayer can do for it."

### **NO KIDDIN'**

Pastor Father: "I never kissed a girl before I married your mother. Will you be able to tell your children that?"

Parsonage Son: "Not with a straight face."

YOU DON'T STOP LAUGHING BECAUSE YOU GROW OLD, YOU GROW OLD BE-CAUSE YOU STOP LAUGHING.





### GRIFF

The Grief Support Group will meet through the summer only on an on-call basis. Please call Laurie at 480-518-3786 or Email at Lchristy20@yahoo.com to schedule.

# **MIND MENDERS**

Meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Friday each month at 10:00 am in the Education Building. Mind Menders is a support group for caregivers of Alzheimer's and other dementia disease patients. Come join us. *Contact Jeanette Lunstead at 480-671-9888 or the church office for more information.* 

### CANCER

Meets each Wednesdays at 11:00 am in Room 101/102. This active group provides spiritual support, love, friendship and a helping hand to cancer patients, caregivers and their families. For further information, contact Tom or Dee Ashe at 480-924-5483 or 480-650-6765 (cell) or by email at deeashe7580@gmail.com.



# **International Missions**

"The world is my parish." - John Wesley

"... 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."

# June 2012 International Missions Update

# **Get Involved!**

Opportunities to participate in Global Ministries abound! Did you know that many different ways to volunteer in mission and ministry exist under the United Methodist umbrella? Here are some of them:

**VOLUNTEERS IN MISSION (VIM) -** The GCUMC Mission Team of volunteers will be flying directly from Phoenix to San Jose, Costa Rica on January 10, 2013 to continue work on a student housing project at the United Bible College (UBL). Why not consider joining this team?

**NOMADS** - Those with recreational vehicles can become <u>N</u>omads <u>on</u> a <u>Mission Active in <u>Divine</u> Service, working from 20-25 hours per week for up to three weeks in meaningful Christian service.</u>

**Ubuntu eXplorers Journeys** - Opportunities, particularly for women volunteers, in the Philippines, Northern Ireland, Haiti and Sierra Leone as destinations for the Fall of 2012.

**Disaster Relief** - UMCOR and UMVIM (United Methodist Committee on Relief and United Methodist Volunteers in Mission) Disaster Relief concentrates on providing on-the-ground assistance after floods, tornados, and other disasters.

**Youth and Young Adult Teams -** Groups such as our own youth join to work on designated projects in the US and abroad. Our youth head to Montana in July.

**Individual Volunteers -** Many opportunities for giving two months to two years of your time to serve in a world mission area using your expertise to assist as needed are available. The volunteer pays transportation to the mission destination and personal expenses; room and board are usually furnished while on assignment.

**Primetimers** - Five to 10 day cross-cultural educational and service opportunities are available in many world areas.

**UMCOR** at Sager Brown Depot, Baldwin, Louisiana - Volunteers sort relief supplies for shipment, distribute boxes of food locally, rehab homes, or work in the sewing room.

**Family Opportunities -** Expose your family, rich by world-wide standards, to the realities of third world life by volunteering in our country or overseas.

Learn more! If you spend a little time on the internet by first searching UMC GLOBAL MINISTRIES, you can then click on OUR WORK, then VOLUNTEERS and UMVIM PROGRAM for pictures, further details, and application forms. Then enrich your life and serve God by taking the Volunteer in Mission (VIM) challenge!

### **INTERNATIONAL MISSIONS CONTACTS:**

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# Habitat for Humanity

**We did it!** ~ Thanks to all of you who donated money and helped with the Habitat Build this year. Our church contributed \$5,000, and the combined coalition of 7 churches contributed \$30,000, which represents about one third of the cost of the home. We had many volunteers help with building, as well as bringing breakfast and lunch goodies for the workers.

Construction is now complete, and on Saturday, May 12<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 am the house was dedicated and presented to Sujey Rodriguez and her family. Gold Canyon volunteers and members were invited to attend the ceremony at 461 S Temple St, near Broadway and Stapley in Mesa. Pastoral Intern Jody Topping accepted the plaque on behalf of GCUMC thanking you all for the "support and assistance in building hope and building a home for the Rodriguez family."

In the fall, we will begin planning for next year's build, which will be in either Apache Junction or Mesa. It is not too early to start contributing funds for next year. We look forward to seeing our experienced volunteers and some new ones too. For more information, call Joe and Maureen Morton. at 602-284-2826.



The Rodriguez Family, Maureen Morton, and Jody Topping

# **Current UMCOR Emergencies**

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

Horn of Africa Crisis (Somalia) UMCOR Advance #982450

Japan Emergency
Earthquake & Tsunami
~UMCOR Advance
#3021317

Liberia Emergency ~ UMCOR Advance #150300

Cote D'Ivoire Crisis ~ UMCOR Advance #982450

U.S. Disaster Response ~ Spring Storms UMCOR Advance #3021326

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



# News from the Wesley Foundation at ASU

The Wesley Foundation at ASU is looking for alumni that participated in ASU Wesley over the years. So if you participated in ASU Wesley in the past, please contact them. They would also like to announce that there is a Valley Wesley Alumni group on Facebook that is open for anyone to join and stay in contact with other alumni, so please check it out.

You may e-mail your contact information, or any questions, to Jennifer Lazbin at jlazbin@q.com.

# Thinking Theologically —

By Jody Topping, Pastoral Intern

Last night (May 9, 2012) we experienced a big storm in the Phoenix area. I received my first Severe Thunderstorm Warning from the Weather Channel application on my iPad about 15 minutes before the winds started to blow. Next thing I knew, I was outside chasing empty boxes that had been left on our back patio waiting to be recycled, trying to keep them from blowing into the pool. Not long after that the rain came and the storm, at least at my house, was in full force. By the time it was over, I learned later that evening while watching the news, there had been much damage and even destruction. Several homes were damaged beyond repair by the strong winds, and one even burned to the ground. There was even a tornado funnel spotted in Gold Canyon! It was quite a night as the storms quickly and forcefully descended upon our community, then disappeared as quickly as they had come in.

It's not unusual for a storm to come crashing into our lives, leaving destruction and sometimes even death in its wake. Sometimes the storms are weather related, and other times they are storms of our own making. When things don't quite go our way, or when a crisis occurs, at least for me, it's a bit like being hit by the strong winds and pouring-down rain of a sudden storm. Not only is the event unexpected, but it is often unwanted, inconvenient, and even downright scary.

In the gospels, we read about a time when Jesus and his disciples were hit by an unexpected storm. I especially like the account as it is written in Chapter 4 in Mark's gospel:

 $^{36}$  Leaving the crowd behind, they took him along, just as he was, in the boat. There were also other boats with him.  $^{37}$  A furious squall

came up, and the waves broke over the boat, so that it was nearly swamped. <sup>38</sup> Jesus was in the stern, sleeping on a cushion. The disciples woke him and said to him, "Teacher, don't you care if we drown?" <sup>39</sup> He got up, rebuked the wind and said to the waves, "Quiet! Be still!" Then the wind died down and it was completely calm. <sup>40</sup> He said to his disciples, "Why are you so afraid? Do you still have no faith?" <sup>41</sup> They were terrified and asked each other, "Who is this? Even the wind and the waves obey him!" (Mark 4:36-41, NIV)

I especially like how this translation, the New International Version, uses the word "squall" instead of "storm." According to my online dictionary, a squall is "a sudden, violent gust of wind, often accompanied by rain, sleet, or snow." Isn't that what it feels like when we are faced with a crisis? Like a sudden, violent gust of wind has crashed into our lives, leaving destruction in its wake? And how often have we, like the disciples, said to God "why are you letting this happen? Don't you care that I'm drowning in this awful thing that is happening to me right now?"

In situations like this, we need to remember what Jesus' said to the disciples. "Why are you so afraid? Do you still have no faith?" Jesus calms the storms in our lives. Even when we think he isn't there, he is. Jesus knows what is going on in our lives and is walking beside us, through good times and bad. When we are faced with troubles in our lives, Jesus is there to rebuke the winds of life, and to command the waves of destruction to be quiet and be still. When we have faith in the power of Jesus in our lives, even the most destructive of storms is tamed.

We can depend upon Jesus to calm the storms in our lives. Thanks be to God. Amen.

Grace & Peace, Jody

A Note From A Sister Seminarian



Jody Topping

Since I am graduating with my Masters of Divinity Degree from Iliff School of Theology on June 1, 2012, I will no longer be a "Sister Seminarian". It has been a joy for me to share some of my seminary experiences with you through this column, and I look forward to sharing even more adventures in ministry through my "Thinking Theologically" column. Thank you all for your love and support!



# BIBLE BANTER

Meets every Monday, 9:30-10:30 am
Mountain Brew Coffee House
6832 S Kings Ranch Rd #5



(near the NW Corner of US 60 and Kings Ranch Rd)

Join us for coffee and stimulating conversation as we discuss ways 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

Congratulations
Jody Topping
On Your
Graduation!



The Trustees, Faculty and Students of
The Iliff School of Theology
are pleased to announce that
Jody Beth Topping
is a candidate for the degree of
Master of Divinity
with an Emphasis in Theology
at our 107th Annual Commencement
Friday, June 1st
Two Thousand Twelve
Ten o' clock in the morning

Saint Andrews United Methodist Church 9203 South University Boulevard Highlands Ranch, Colorado



# Volunteers Do Make a Difference

# **GREETERS**

# June ~ Inspirational Values

# REACHING OUT The Brittany Project

Brittany Maxwell, was a 911 dispatcher in Tennessee. She decided to start a project to give away artificial Christmas Trees in low income housing complexes. Many fellow workers bullied, harassed and teased



her. She did not let that stop her. Brittany committed suicide, but her project did not stop. Others decided to pick up where Brittany left off and continue the project in her honor.

\*\*\* Each year, we have a GCUMC family who completes a similar project in their own way. They call the office and we find a place in need of a tree.



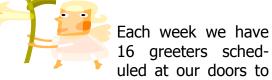
An example of simply reaching out on the spur of the moment happened to a mother who each day would walk 6 blocks to school with her infant son to pick up her 1st grader so she would not have to walk home alone.

One day about halfway to school, rain began. The infant was sheltered by the carriage cover and blanket, but the young daughter and her mother were getting soaked.

Along comes a car with a lone male driver who pulled up to the curb. The mother panicked and began walking faster. The man (who got wet himself), realized the fearful situation, and simply handed an umbrella to the woman and got back into his car and drove off.

Simple gestures make all the chaos in the world seem smaller. We have people who everyday decide they will go out and help another. **Take some time to do the same this month!** Each month, I see so many of you doing your part to reach out by assisting with or donating to our Food Bank, Pet Food bank, providing water and assistance to local Pet Shelters.

\*\*\*For other ideas simply use your computer to look at "Good News" on the Values.com website.



assist with bulletins and passing on a welcome to our guests and congregation. Greeters may obtain a reserved sign for their seats while performing their duty.

Arrive 40 min. prior to service. CALL by Friday at 4:00 pm if you cannot make your assigned service.

Do you have the time? No, I don't mean your watch! Are you willing to



volunteer your spiritual gifts? Please look over this list of volunteer needs. If you can help with one or more of the

following, <u>complete and place this</u> <u>form in the collection plate, take it to</u> <u>the information table, or send it to the</u> <u>church office, 480-982-3776.</u>

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# W.O.W. Corner

With summer upon us and many of our winter residents departing for cooler climes, things slow down a bit so that we are able to focus on planning for the future. This fall, the community will celebrate "Day of the Cowboy" on Saturday, October 13 so we thought it might be fun to carry the theme to a community picnic on Sunday, October 14. It will be a fun filled Sunday afternoon with cowboy grub, games, square dancing and lots of entertainment. We'll also include an ice cream social and cake walk.

So, mark your calendars so you don't overbook and plan to join us for some real foot stomping fun. If you have ideas to add to this program or would like to help, give Ron Walker or Katharine Keller a call. Or, come to the next W.O.W. meeting September 4 at 6:00 pm. Have a wonderful and safe summer.

# **Commemorative Mugs!!!**

Wouldn't you like to enjoy your morning coffee or tea or perhaps hot chocolate in an attractive Gold Canyon United Methodist Church Commemorative Mug? Stop by the Information Desk or the office and pick one up for only \$5.00 each. They also make great gifts! Your *W.O.W.* team designed the mugs and proceeds are used to support their outreach mission.



# **GCUMC SINGLES GROUP**Come Get To Know One

**Another!** 

The 50+ Singles group meets the first Saturday of the month, most months. We have a social hour from 5—6:00 p.m. with dinner to follow. Please call Rhonda Rapp at 480-357-1574 for more information, and exact dates of summer gatherings.

Any Single over the age of 50 is invited. Please join us for fun, food, games and fellowship!



# **United Methodist Women of Gold Canyon**

There will be **no** UMW meeting in June.

However, UMW meetings are normally held the second Thursday of each month at 9:45 am, in Room 101/102. Have a great June and please join us when we resume in July!



# CALLING ALL UNITED METHODIST MEN!

United Methodist Men have begun organizing a UMM Golf League. They will play on Thursday mornings. at Toka Sticks Golf Course in southeast Mesa near Williams Field. They began on May 17, and expect this to be on-going.

Start times will move closer to 7:00 am, with a shotgun start, in later weeks. Cost will be approximately \$22.00 (plus tax), and will decrease as the weather heats up.

If anyone would like to join this fun and fellowship, please contact Larry Lininger at 480-398-6582, or Idlininger@q.com.



### **ONLINE GIVING AVAILABLE!**

You may give a one-time or recurring donation online by logging on to our church website at and selecting "Click to Give". You will then be guided through the steps to get set up. It's easy and convenient! [www.goldcanyonumc.org]



# Should I Ask to Talk With a Stephen Minister?

Have you ever asked yourself "what does a Stephen Minister really do"? Or, "what does such a ministry at my church really mean?" If so, don't think that you are alone. The fact that you don't regularly hear details of the ministry is, in reality, a good thing. Ministry relationships are strictly confidential, and this is one of the keys to the ministry's effectiveness. Many occurrences in our lives can cause us hurt, loss or stress. Let's explore just one such situation in which a Stephen Minister can step in and assist:

Has divorce touched your life in any way? For many, divorce can be tragic. It can cause deep feelings of loss and pain, sometimes leaving a hole in our lives as traumatic as a loss due to death. A marriage is one of the most significant of human relationships. Working through the emotions, relational conflict, judicial intervention, and possible separation from one's children, can take a great deal of time and energy. Sometimes we can feel as if few people are on our side, or that no one understands.

A Stephen Minister can enter your life at this time and be there for you as you experience any of the above described challenges, as well as many others. A Stephen Minister is someone you can trust; someone who will listen to, and be there for, you; someone who will not pass judgment or "put you down"; and someone who will be in your corner and provide you care and comfort during a difficult time.

If you find yourself in a time of need, please call the office for a referral to a Stephen Minister's Christian care and love.

"My presence shall go with thee, and I will give thee rest." Exodus 33:14



# **A Note From**

**Bob....**Throughout June we will continue to have our Country Western Worship Services every Sunday. Please keep coming and bring your friends!

# New Book: "When Your Grandma Forgets"

Rev. Bob Deits has co-authored a new children's book that helps children understand and cope with the changes in a grand parent who has Alzheimer's disease. It is also an important view of the disease through the eyes of a child for adults. **"When Your Grandma Forgets"** is available directly from Bob by phone (480-396-4838) or email bobnjune@cox.net.

Books can also be ordered through the church office and Bob will deliver them by the following Sunday. The cost is \$14.99. Bob will absorb the sales tax and delivery cost. More information on the book is found at: www.becausehopematters.com.

# "Uncommon Grace"

The Gold Canyon United Methodist Praise Band, "Uncommon Grace", has gone through many changes over the years. Band members come and go, but the music plays on. Carol, David, Tim, John, Jed, and Mike bring the joyous sounds of praise music to our congregation every Sunday at 10:50 am in the Education building.

One of greatest joys is hearing the congregation

sing along with our music. We always are new adding songs to the lineup. Come enjoy an upliftworship ing experience with Uncommon Grace!



# Stitches Unlimited

Meets on the FIRST Wednesday of each month at 9:00 am in Room 101/102. Contact Melva Houtcooper for more information.



# Folders For Sale

GCUMC Folders, bearing the Church logo, are for sell at the Information Center and church office. for \$12.00 each.

The cost is \$12.00 each and all *proceeds*are going to the North Parking Lot

Fund. Thanks for your support!

# **Donations for Student Financial Assistance**

Have you ever considered financially helping a student to advance his or her education and/or career training but weren't sure how to go about finding qualified applicants? If so, GCUMC can now be of assistance. A new scholarship program has been established to help students, young and not so young, with their financial needs. There are established criteria that must be met before a potential recipient may receive any available funds. Brochures describing the criteria, along with more details about the program, are available at the Information Center in the narthex.

### Roadrunner Email

We encourage you to sign up to receive your Roadrunner by email. Complete the information below, tear it off and drop it in the collection plate or send it in to the church office.

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### **SCRIP/BUS FUND** ~

Did you know?????..... Over the past ten years, at no cost to participants, the church bus fund has earned over \$104,000 from the *Scrip* program (\$85,000 from Bashas', \$18,000 from Fry's). This is fantastic!! This money was used to purchase our bus and pay for gas, insurance and maintenance.

Now that we need to purchase a fifteen passenger **van** to accompany our bus (we are about \$10,000 short to buy this van before the youth go on their Mission Project to Busby, Montana this summer), we are asking *all* of you who shop at these two stores to reconsider using a Bashas' Community Support card and/or Fry's Gift card purchased at the church Information Center on Sunday mornings or at the church office during the week. Each card starts with \$20, \$50 or \$100, and you recharge it as often as necessary just before you check out at the store (or at Customer Service), using your personal charge card, a check or cash; then use the card to pay for your purchases, and you can even use it for gas at Fry's!

Bashas' gives the church 6% of every dollar you load onto the card, Fry's 3%. Bashas' cards are honored at Bashas' grocery stores, A.J.'s Fine Foods and Food City. Fry's cards are accepted at Fry's grocery stores, Fry's Marketplace, and all other Kroger-owned stores throughout the US.

For many of you who in the past only used the "number program" at Bashas' which was a separate program and only earned 1%, be advised that it has not been in place for the past two years since they had to make a choice of their charitable programs at that time. If you have any questions, please give Betty Rolley a call at 480-380-0147. Thanks for your continued support.

### **Lost & Found**

Have you ever lost something and it may have been while you were at church? There is a Lost and Found box in the Church office that contains things like keys, jewelry, sunglasses, umbrellas, etc. If you think your item may be with us, stop by the office.

# GCUMC Calendar June 2012

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# **WORSHIP SCHEDULE**

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8:00 & 9:30 AM **Traditional** ~ **Sanctuary** 

10:50 AM

**Praise** ~ Koinonia Room Music led by Uncommon Grace

5:00 PM

**Country Western ~ Koinonia Room** Music led by One in the Spirit or the Housers Childcare Provided at ALL Services

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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.

8:00 AM ~ Adult ~ Room 101/102

9:30 AM ~ Children

9:30 AM ~ Youth

10:50 AM ~ Children

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