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**From The Pastor:
"Faith & Authentic
Relationships"**

Kevin Miller once asked the question on Facebook: "What makes it hard for you to serve other people?" One person responded simply, "Others." It's true. People make our lives harder and our jobs more difficult.

Occasionally I have heard a person yell at one of our volunteers who work at the reception counter at church. Every family has at least a couple of people who are difficult to deal with. Almost all families are in some way dysfunctional. Life has problems because it is filled with people.

I know several people who purposely took jobs that would have less interaction with people so their lives would be easier. One woman told me, "I just don't like dealing with people." Dealing with people is difficult but has great rewards.

Recently I talked to a woman who doesn't have any friends. That's right, zero friends. Some of us can't imagine that. As a result she is very lonely. Being in relationship with others has its stresses but it also has great rewards. We spend our whole life learning how to live in relationship with others. Some of us learned healthy ways to be in relationship and some of us inherited unhealthy ways to deal with other people.

On the last Sunday of April we began a new sermon series titled, "Faith & Authentic Relationships". In that series, we are looking at how the teachings of the Bible can help us improve our relationships with our friends, coworkers and fam-

ily. The rewards of healthy relationships are well worth the effort. Jesus even taught that we are not only to love God but love our neighbor.

Do you need help to love your neighbor and your family?

I will see you on Sunday.

Grace and peace,

**"Faith & Authentic
Relationships"
Sermon Series**

Do you ever feel lonely? Do you struggle with impatience? Do you ever wish you could retract your words? How do you live your faith at work? As an adult do you ever wrestle with your relationship with your parents? Your children? Do you have the know how to have a healthy relationship with someone?

In this series of sermons we are exploring what the Bible teaches us about the most important relationships in our lives. We are looking at how we can cultivate and maintain friendships, what it takes to make love last a lifetime, how to encourage our children and love our parents.

May 5 – Bestowing a Blessing
May 12 – God's Retirement Plan
May 19 – The Best Investment

"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."

COME ROCK WITH US AT VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL!



Our Vacation Bible School theme this year is *Kingdom Rock ~ Where Kids Stand Strong for God!* Our team has already begun making exciting plans. The dates for this fantastic week for children are **June 17-21st**. Registration forms will be available in early this month through the church office, at the Information Center, or by contacting Katharine Keller. The cost is \$10 per child, \$25 max for three or more children until June 7th. (this is a reduction from last year) After June 7th, the cost will be \$15 per child and \$40 for three or more children). Have the children think of friends they can bring - it is a great evangelistic tool and FUN!!

We're looking for volunteer adults and youth to be "guides" for VBS groups of 5-6 children. This is not a teaching position, but one of a shepherd, leading children to each activity and doing small group discussion (questions will be provided by the activity leader). If you love children and love the Lord you will be great for this position. Please contact Katharine in the church office if you want to help.

2012 Vacation Bible School



You can also help by providing **Donations for Kingdom Rock**; a list of needed items follows:

- Pool foam noodles- any color (\$1 at dollar store)
- Sponge balls
- Small wading pools
- English muffins
- Pizza sauce
- Confetti cake mix
- White frosting
- Goldfish crackers
- Small round pretzels
- M&M's
- Small bottled water
- Play-Doh

Thanks for helping

KIDS' KAPERS

During the summer months we will be offering a special activity for children once a week. Some will be geared to entire families, some to certain age groups. There will be a cost to some of the activities, some will be free; and, we hope your children or grandchildren will be able to take advantage of most of these activities. Look for a brochure to come out in mid-May. Friends are invited to participate. Below are snapshots of activities last summer.



Breakfast in the Park



Superstition Mountain Museum

Women's Spring Retreat

Twenty-six lovely women retreated in April to the delightful Living Water Retreat Center tucked away in Cornville. Our theme was *Cozy Mountain Lodge*, studying the lives of Ruth and Naomi. We had times of fellowship, reflection, refreshment, worship and fun! The weather was very conducive to sitting outside and walking around the grounds. Our thanks to the Retreat Planning Team, who organized this event. We hope others will join us the next time.



JOIN US FOR SUMMER CAMP AT MINGUS !!

If you ask any child or teen who has attended camp, what they got out of the experience, they will share the excitement of being in God's creation 24-7, meeting new friends and doing new things. The deadline is fast approaching to register your child for Mingus Camp near Prescott. **May 16th** is the deadline for the Explorers Camp, June 3-8 (children going into third through sixth grade) with Katharine Keller as dean. Cost is \$285 per child. Scholarship is available both through the church and the Conference, so please contact Katharine as soon as you can. Jody Topping will dean the Senior High Camp during the week of July 1. See either Jody or Katharine for registration materials. Transportation to and from camp is being made available for the Explorers Camp.

Sidewalk Children's Ministry

Many thanks to all the volunteer Shepherds who participated in Sidewalk this season, helping nurture children through God's word. Sidewalk ended its weekly gatherings April 27th, with a Family Picnic at Superstition Shadows Park in Apache Junction. ***This summer*** we would like to offer children the opportunity to attend Vacation Bible School at Church, and are in ***need of 1 driver and 1 adult chaperone, available June 18, 19, or 20th***, to transport children to and from the program. ***If you would like to help with a 1 day summer event, please call Sherry at 480-834-3512*** for more information.



Sidewalk sessions will resume in October. We make home visits with children during summer months, providing them with spiritual nurturing. The children will soon be on summer break from school, leaving behind that stability in their daily lives. Please pray for their safety, that they make good decisions, and they have Jesus in their hearts, asking God for guidance in their life. Amen.

Blessings to all who have given of their time, donations and prayers to this ministry.



Gold Canyon UMC Youth



Gold Canyon United Methodist Youth Group News

Wendy Moore, Youth Director

The Youth Group is getting very excited about our mission trip to Mescalero, New Mexico. We only need about 10 more shares at last count. Now the detail planning begins. We will be filling out our paperwork, checking our tools and supplies, and planning the exact time we will leave for New Mexico. The people we are helping in Mescalero are excited about our coming as well. It will be a week of love, hope, and faith for all of us. We are so grateful for all the shareholders who make this possible!! If you have any questions regarding our trip please don't hesitate to ask a youth or call Wendy Moore at 480-459-1809.



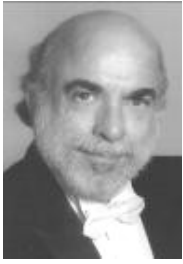
The youth participated at the Eggstravaganza...

What a wonderful opportunity for our youth to connect with our local community, especially the children. Thank you to Katharine Keller and W.O.W. for including us.



Gold Canyon Interfaith Teen Event Coming Up!

On **Saturday, May 4**, the 1st annual Gold Canyon Interfaith Teen Event will be held at our church, from 7:00 to 9:00 pm. The Apache Junction High School Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Gold Canyon Community Church and Gold Canyon United Methodist Church are working together to provide a safe and fun water extravaganza to start off the summer. We will have a 22 foot high water slide, super soakers and water balloons for getting each other wet. We will also have a jousting arena, sand volleyball, music, snow cones, hotdogs, and other fun things for teens to do. It is our hope to have many teens come and find out how much fun church events can be. So teens, mark your calendars for this fun, free event, and come cool off with us. Grandparents if you have a teen visiting please let them know about our evening, it should be a blast. Again, the event is being held at Gold Canyon UMC. For more information contact Wendy (480) 459-1809.



Music Notes

May is here with the promise of warmer weather, beautiful desert flowers and the brief smell of citrus blossoms - before the allergies clog up the nose!

The musicians of our church have shared, and continue to share, their God-given talents through the Chancel Choir, Canyon Carillon, Canters Chorus, the Houser Gang, Joyful Noise, One in the Spirit, the Orchestra, Uncommon Grace and the Youth Handbell Team. I am so blessed to work with these very dedicated people and I'm sure that David Ballard, Associate Director of Music (Houser Gang, One in the Spirit, and Uncommon Grace director), Kathy Nuss, director of Joyful Noise and John Nuss, director of the Chanters Chorus all feel the same way. This church is a very special place and I thank God, and my predecessor, Mary Ann Warren (who helped get me here) every day! I still feel like I've died and gone to heaven, working here. I also thank our great congregation for your support and your incredible singing! And, of course, to Pastor Fred, who has become a real friend in addition to being a great boss, and a excellent preacher. He can, and does, keep me awake through 2-3 sermons per week – no small feat for this non-morning person!

The Chancel Choir will continue through July. Several of you have asked about joining. We would love to have you! Simply come to a rehearsal on Thursday evenings at 6:45 and we will get you signed up with a folder, music and a pencil. No audition! Just come join us and share your talents with us.

Thanks to Kathy Nuss, who so ably directs the Joyful Noise, our youth choir, grades 4-8. Their last performance this season will be on **Mother's Day, Sunday, May 12 at all three morning services.** They have worked really hard this year, and I know how much our congregation appreciates the fruit of their effort! Thanks again, Kathy, and kids! We look forward to working with you all again in the fall.

The Youth Handbell Team will also have **their last performance on Mother's Day.** They too have worked very hard and have really be-

come quite good! I think you will agree when you hear them! I will also look forward to working with them again in the fall.

The Orchestra, a long-time goal of mine, has really blossomed over this past year! We now have a budget and have been able to play some *real* orchestra music this year, in addition to orchestrations of hymns for the congregation to sing! Those of you who play instruments, I sincerely hope you will consider joining us next fall. **Those of you who winter in Arizona, don't forget to bring your instruments with you when you return.**

The San Tan Chorale and Orchestra will perform once again at our church on Sunday, May 19 at 3:00 pm in the Sanctuary. This is a paid, ticketed event, and we will have discount tickets available for our congregation at the Information Center that day, and in the Office the week before. **Don't forget to bring at least one non-perishable food item per person for the GCUMC Food Bank.** I hope to see you all there!

On a personal note, I am having my left knee replaced this month (to go with my new left ankle replaced two years ago). I will be "off the bench" for a few weeks, but I know the Chancel Choir and the organ will be in the very capable hands of Linda Jones, with Nancy Virden at the Petrof (piano).

To those of you who are travelling, be sure and take time to enjoy the beauty of God's creation, smell the roses, and have safe travels.

Viya con Dios, go with God!
Blessings to all,



Doug

The Rev. Jim and Eve Dinkel want to express their appreciation for all those who were able to make Jim's 92nd birthday open house.



They deemed it a great success with over 100 people attending. It reminded them that the most important thing in life is loving relationships. They were extremely blessed.



News from the Health and Wellness Ministry of Susan Malloy, Parish Nurse

✝ *Wishing You a Healthy 2013!*

Stress: Gotcha Coming & Going?

There are a million and one things that create stress in our lives, but did you know it boils down to **me and you?** "Happiness or Misery, Health or Illness are choices we make. That misfortune is not misfortune at all, but OUR own doing, and it is not **an easy concept to accept**", says psychologist, Dennis T Jaffee, the co-director of the Center for Health Studies at Saybrook Institute in San Francisco. Personally, it is hard to swallow that idea, but as I read more of what this Dr. with a PHD, had to say I understood more clearly my part in this in my life and the same would be true for YOU.

As I looked over a "small" list of over 100 things that can stress you out it's no wonder we all have some degree of "overwhelming" stress affecting us. But again, do we really? If looking at this from a Worldly standpoint yes we do, but from a Spiritual stand point **NO we don't.** **The Good News is that we can retrain our brains with God's help by restructuring it so that we can be happy even in the most difficult circumstances.** One very enlightening fact is that the stress we experience comes from the interaction between a changing environment and ourselves. CHANGE is a hard but inevitable pill to swallow. So one does not make oneself crazy with stress but **it's the response to it that causes the problem.**

Our behavior patterns can actually create an environment to make us miserable and SICK. Research has proven that many of the diseases we battle come from this same pattern of behavior. Some of the diseases included are: Cancer, Rheumatoid Arthritis, Allergies, Auto-immune related diseases to name a few. This is certainly an eye opener and hopefully, you will reflect on the magnitude of what I found in this research. These diseases are a **reflection of "your immune system acting analogously with your behavior".** Once example is "the CANCER pattern which is well-established in the literature, being characterized by feelings of helplessness and hopelessness-the sense that you've been victimized by factors beyond your control and that you **have no power to change**". It creates, in essence, the attitude that you have given up and your Immune system says, "well, if you have given up I may as well also". The result allows stress to overwhelm us. By not keeping our attitudes in check and seek-

ing God in it all our circumstances, we create susceptibility to a whole myriad of illnesses and diseases. WHO KNEW? Well now you know and here are 15 wonderful ways to seek RELIEF from STRESS to prevent Physical, Mental and Spiritual harm. 1) Exercise regularly; exercise dissipates **life's tensions. The threshold for aerobic value and overall wellbeing is 20 minutes of vigorous walking.** 2) Give yourself permission to express your feelings with crying or honest speech with a trusted friend, family member or Stephen Minister. 3) Breathe very slowly and deeply. Oxygen is crucial for good brain function. It is necessary for all our bodily functions as well. 4) Redirect your mind; Practice the art of pondering, thinking carefully, and meditating on something of beauty. Be it scenery, art work (including paintings, sculpture) or the outdoors. 5) Get in touch with friends, relational time helps alleviate stress. 6) Take up a hobby. 7) Cut back on sugars and junk food and get yourself focused on healthy eating. 8) Worship. Open your soul to the greatness and sovereignty of God. Listen to uplifting spiritual music. 9) Reduce all the noise around you (turning off the TV, computer, etc.) 10) Journal to think a bit more clearly and to treasure your day. 11) Make a list of all the things for which you are thankful. 12) Soak yourself in Jesus. **Read the Gospels a lot! He said, "I will give you rest."** (Matthew 11:28) **Mental peace comes** when we have Scripture deeply enough within our memory to recall at a moments notice. 13) Affirm and give thanks to people (send notes, cards, emails and gifts). 14) If you are tense because of a hurt or wrong done to you, be radical-just forgive them from your heart. 15) Read/Watch/Tell something funny. Push away the tensions with laughter, because the world is a lot bigger and God is a lot more loving and in control than your tensions would have you believe.

I trust that this information gave you food for thought and will help you become LESS STRESSED and MORE RELAXED as we travel the road of life together.

Blessings of Health & Wellness,
SUSAN L MALLOY RN BSN GCUMC PARISH NURSE

Informational Research from: The Complete Guide to Your Emotions & Your Health by Emrick Padus 1986, David Argue a former executive presbyter and author, ministry coach, and pastor at large living in Colorado Springs, CO.

DONATIONS AND ATTENDANCE

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

March	2011		2012		2013		2012	2013
	General	Building	General	Building	General	Building	Worship All	Worship All
1st	\$34,414	\$11,307	34624	14503	36735	26112	1984	1949
2nd	21,107	5,455	25446	7716	21055	8440	1918	1818
3rd	17,278	4,338	20604	6433	24060	7476	1532	1798
4th	20,621	9,430	17964	5097	19752	4828	1769	2005
5th	—	—	—	—	23030	12972	—	2281
Total	\$93,420	\$30,530	\$98,638	\$33,749	\$124,632	\$59,828	7203	9851



Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT)

Save time, simplify your life, and support our church! In this new millennium the church is keeping up with the times by offering our givers an

easier way to support our ministries. Our electronic contribution program is an automatic funds transfer program that will allow you to make contributions without having to lift a pen to write a check or reach into your wallet for cash!

Here is how it works: you authorize a specified amount of money to be electronically transferred directly from your checking or savings account to **the church's account**. You can also specify the frequency of the transfer to allow you to keep your check register up to date.

It is fast, safe, and easy! In fact, it is less risky than checks, as it cannot be lost, stolen, or destroyed in the mail, and the rate of accuracy is high. The electronic transfer will cost you NOTHING and you save the cost of the check. The church will issue you a donation statement for your records, and bank statements will provide you with a record of transfer as additional proof of your contributions. Donations via electronic transfer can be made to our general fund and/or our building fund. Designations to Missions or the Pastors Discretionary Fund can also be made. Of course you can cancel your authorization of transfer at any time by

notifying us in writing. We believe that once you have enjoyed the convenience and savings of this program, you won't want to go back. Contact the church office now.

Tax-free IRA Contribution to Church Possible



The *American Taxpayer Relief Act* has renewed through December 31, 2013. Individuals aged 70.5 or older may make a tax-free contribution from an IRA to a qualified charity (e. g. GCUMC). ***NO income tax*** incurred on up to \$100,000 per year donation via an IRA. Please direct questions to your IRA custodian/financial advisor, or to Terry Parsons: 480 -982-6578.

Deadlines:

June Roadrunner is May 10th

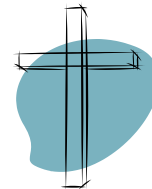
Weekly Bulletin Insert is Noon Wednesday

Your GCUMC Publications are brought to you by: Bill Atkinson, Georgia Kirkpatrick, and Kim Shroyer, with help from the Friday Bulletin Team and the Roadrunner Assembly Team.

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



Pastoral & Congregational Care



THE HEALING POWER OF PRAYER

As members of a caring congregation, we believe very strongly in the healing power of prayer. When people pray for us during times of illness, injury, during surgery, or when we are grieving, we feel the presence of God in our midst. We know that God is working through those who are praying for us to help us heal and become whole. Have you ever wondered, though, whether or not the healing power of prayer has been proven scientifically?

According to an article published by the website WebMD*, research on the healing power of prayer has nearly doubled in the past 10 years. Even the National Institutes of Health, **which had previously "refused to even review a study with the word prayer in it four years ago"** – has funded a study on prayer and its power to heal.

So what is the impact of prayer on our physical and mental well-being? According to several studies mentioned in the WebMD article, religious beliefs and prayer have a number of positive effects on personal health, including:

- Hospitalized people who have attended church have an average stay of three times shorter than people who have not;
- Heart patients were 14 times less likely to die following surgery if they participated in a faith community;
- Elderly people who never or rarely attended church had a stroke rate double that of people who attended regularly;
- And in Israel, religious people had a 40% lower death rate from cardiovascular disease and cancer.

These statistics are remarkable.....but as believers in Christ, we already know how being

active members of a faith community and engaging in intercessory prayer can result in positive outcomes and outlooks when it comes to our physical and mental well-being. We encourage you to pray regularly for those who have been included on our weekly prayer list, as well as those who are in your hearts and on your mind every day when you go to the Lord in prayer.



ARE YOU IN NEED OF PRAYER SUPPORT OR A PASTORAL VISIT?

If so, please call Jody Topping, our Director of Congregational Care, either at the church office (480- 982-3776) or on her cell phone (480 -766-9272). Our Congregational Care team is available to visit and pray with you no matter what the reason. If you would like to receive prayer prior to surgery, please let us know when and where the surgery is taking place. We will also wait with your loved ones during your surgery if desired. If you or your loved one is hospitalized, let us know so we can visit **and offer prayer support. And, if you're dealing with the death of a loved one or a crisis in your life, please call us so we can walk that journey together. No matter what the reason, we're here to help.**

STEPHEN MINISTRY®



Following Easter this year, Pastor Fred blessed us with a sermon series entitled “Road to Restoration.” His theme for this series was grace - **experiencing God’s grace, and ultimately** aligning our lives and our wills with the will of God. He analogized the process of restoring a relic automobile to the process of restoring our own lives. Bountiful information could be taken from those analogies, including these points:

- What is seen on the exterior does not reveal all of the potential within;
- The work must start from the ground up, or inside out, to insure structural integrity;
- Sustained maintenance, discipline, and attention over time will maximize performance; and
- Always, always, take the car (and yourself) down the path for which it was designed.

Along with those foundational premises, there is the reality that this entire restoration process takes time. It does not happen overnight, or does not necessarily come “easily”.

We can also draw some other conclusions about automobile restoration processes, conclusions that are clearly pitfalls. Some people try to rush, or shortcut, the process. They may use the cheapest parts available to re-build the engine. They may decide 2 of the existing shocks are “okay”, and only replace 2 instead of 4. They might rationalize that “no one can see it anyway” and simply paint over rusted parts of the body rather than repair it first. In so doing, they jeopardize the long term integrity of the automobile.

Do any of the pitfalls listed above sound familiar? **Aren’t they things that we tend to do with ourselves?** Sometimes it just seems easier to take shortcuts. It seems easier to gloss over the deeper issue that might force us to feel some pain. It seems easier to only talk about surface topics with friends and family. It seems easier to just “slap a coat of paint on the problem”, or “paint a smile” on our faces and face the day.

While there is definitely research to show that putting on a smile and facing the day with a positive attitude is beneficial, and can be infectious, there is simply nothing like digging a little deeper – tackling a root issue – to provide us **long-term** strength, health, spiritual wholeness and overall happiness. Sometimes simply having another ear to hear you out can work wonders. Someone who is a fellow Christian, non-judgmental, and who will keep things in confidence may be just the person to walk beside you as you scrape away at the ‘rust’ that may be holding you back from the path for which God intended.

Stephen Ministers understand that some things take time and that it is in God’s time, not ours, and they will walk with you for as long as it takes. If you aren’t quite where you would like to be, and are interested in learning what part a Stephen Minister might play as you go down a path toward restoration, call the church office (480-982-3776) and ask for Kim for a *confidential referral* to a Stephen Minister. This one on one relationship is one worth seeking out.

For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing: it is the gift of God” ~ Ephesians 2:8

Please join the GCUMC Stephen Ministry in congratulating our four newest Stephen Ministers. They were commissioned on Sunday, April 21st, and are ready to serve:

Pete Johnson
Mary Kay Neely
Richard Thomas
Jody Topping

CONGRATULATIONS!

Keep your eyes open for their Stephen Minister nametag, and the nametags of other Stephen Ministers, on Sunday mornings. They can answer any questions you might have about the Ministry.



Global 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."

Imagine NO Malaria

We would like to report progress toward our GCUMC goal ~ The Easter Sunday offering brought in just slightly over half of the funds needed to meet our goal - Wow! As of April 10th, we have received sixty-seven percent of the total amount designated by Gold Canyon UMC to contribute to this project. Thank you to all who have contributed. Our efforts to raise the remaining 33% continue.

As we approach Mother's Day, consider contributing to the Imagine No Malaria fund as a way to honor the special women in your life. You will *"Share the Love & Save a Life."* Mother's everywhere sacrifice in so many ways for their children. Your gifts to Imagine No Malaria help reduce the number of deaths from malaria on the African continent as well as assist the mothers in Africa who struggle each day to protect their children from malaria.

Helen Steiner Rice's poem reminds us of this sacrifice:



A Mother's love is something
that no one can explain,
It is made of deep devotion
and of sacrifice and pain,

It is endless and unselfish
and enduring come what may
For nothing can destroy it
or take that love away . . .

It is patient and forgiving
when all others are forsaking,
And it never fails or falters
even though the heart is breaking . . .

It believes beyond believing
when the world around condemns,
And it glows with all the beauty
of the rarest, brightest gems . . .

It is far beyond defining,
it defies all explanation,
And it still remains a secret
like the mysteries of creation . . .

A many splendored miracle
man cannot understand
And another wondrous evidence
of God's tender guiding hand.



"Her children arise and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praises her."

– Proverbs 31:28



You may contribute to the Imagine No Malaria campaign through Gold Canyon UMC by writing "Imagine No Malaria" on the memo section of your check, or by contributing to UMCOR directly. The UMCOR code is #3021190. If you contribute directly through UMCOR, please indicate that GCUMC is your church so that your contribution will apply to our \$26,000 goal.

Fair Trade Products

Starting in June, Sunday sales of Fair Trade coffee, tea and cocoa will be on hiatus through the summer months. Purchase of these items may be made Monday-Friday when the church office is open. We thank you for your support throughout the past few months, and look forward to offering you a full line of Fair Trade beverages once again on Sundays, starting in October.



Buy a Handcrafted Cross to Support Global Missions!

The Global Missions team is selling hand crafted wooden crosses to support Global Missions. Wally Quanstrom and Harry Warren, the creators of these crosses, are members of the Global Missions Team and mission team to Costa Rica. The workmanship in these 18" high by 12" wide crosses is exquisite. Original design crosses will be sold for \$30.00.

Custom made (special requests for particular scriptures or other wording) crosses are also available for \$40.00.

Please look for the crosses at our Global Missions table in the courtyard.



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 goes to those affected by the emergency.

Imagine No Malaria ~ Advance #3021190

Wings of Caring - Projects ~ Advance #08595A - Supports evangelism, education, transportation & medical emergencies in rural areas

Midwest Emergencies - Projects ~ Advance #901680 - Responding to emergency victims of tornado, flood, etc.

Disaster Response, International - Projects ~ Advance #982450 - Quick response to meet emergency needs around the world.

Japan Emergency ~ Earthquake & Tsunami ~ Advance #3021317

Liberia Emergency ~ Advance #150300

Cote D'Ivoire Crisis ~ Advance #982450

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

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



Imagine No Malaria

\$10 will save one life from malaria.

**How many lives can you save?
 Contact the church office for more information!**



Jane Hayes, Volunteer Coordinator

GCUMC
982-3776

Volunteers Do Make a Difference

May



Please join me in acknowledging extreme appreciation for our Chancel Choir. This year they came through for our Sunday worship for January, February, and March arriving at 7:00 am and performing at exceptional levels until 11:30 am. We are so fortunate to have Doug Benton and his leadership to allow us such wonderful, spiritual musical blessings. I am going to encourage all of you to send cards to the church in support of the following people:

Ackerson, Gary & Kay
Acree, Jeanine
Atkinson, Mary Ann
Beam, Jackie
Benton, Doug
Berry, John
Bills, Bob & Jill
Bonestell, Marian
Burgi, Jenelu
Carnahan, Bob
Chase, Bob & Donna
Coad, Roger & Shirley
Corbin, Marie
Criswell, Beverly
Dunning, Lee
Eilers, Mark
Engbrecht, Don
Fahlgren, John
Fitzpatrick, Inge

Gale, Donna
Gallart, Susan
Graham, Larry
Graves, Donna
Grills, Iona
Halverson, Judy
Hart, Shirley
Heath, DiAnn
Herr, John
Hoff, Wade & Cindy
Holbrook, Sonia
House, Dottie
Hubbell, Ralph
Jelf, Bill
Jelley, Jan
Jones, Linda
Keyser, Jerry
Lineback, Bill & Carol
Lorts, Ted

Mason, Marlene
Morton, Joe & Maureen
Mott, Sue
Myers, Mary Catherine
Nichols, John
Norris, Charlene
Norton, Lester
Nuss, John & Kathy
Olson, Randi
Parker, Dianne
Plale, Alice
Rasmussen, Diane
Robison, Marty
Rolley, Bud
Rosenberg, Rose
Sauerbrunn, Gary & Di
Schmidt, Conrad
Schulz, Merle
Schulz, Rosemary

Stemple, Gary
Stoffen, Bruce
Taylor, Shirley
Toole, John
Toomey, Janet
Vinzenz, Doreen
Virden, Nancy
Vorseth, Duane
Warren, Mary Ann
Waterman, Ruth
Wenger, Mary Gay
Wiff, Bette
Wolf, Bud & Barbara
Zerves, Mary
Morris, Claudia

PLEASE CONTINUE TO
SEND ME NAMES OF THOSE
WONDERFUL
VOLUNTEERS TO
RECOGNIZE!



Do you have the time? If you can help with one or more of the following vol-

unteer needs, PLEASE **complete and place this form in the collection plate, at the information center, or church office, 480-982-3776.**

Time	Job
30 + min	Hospitality
40 min	Greeter
90 min	Rides to Doctors
60 min	Bake Cookies
240 min	Office Receptionist

Name _____

Phone _____



THE SUMMER SEASON IS REALLY HERE!

Winter.
YEAR!

It's that time of year when many of you will be leaving, or have already left, for cooler climates until Fall or

THANK YOU FOR YOUR WORK THIS

***If you are willing to give our
Volunteers a vacation break,
PLEASE CALL me!
We can always use assistance .***



Scholarships Awarded for 2013 Fall Term!

Congratulations are in order for 12 recently selected scholarship winners for the 2013-2014 school term. They are:

Daniel Bos	Christina Pappalardo
Nathaniel Gingrich	Nicholas Saathoff
Jenny Hawk	Skylar Saathoff
Rachel Hawk	Amber Schmidt
David Moore	Caleb Shroyer
Scott Moore	Timothy Steinberg

The recipients met all of the requirements for eligibility and each will receive a \$500.00 scholarship. Our church is fortunate to have a member who has established an endowed scholarship fund available to members of GCUMC. Our scholarship committee has recently broadened the program to enable other members to make designated contributions for scholarships. To learn more of the details about GCUMC's scholarship program, please find brochures at the Information Center in the Narthex, or in the church office.

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
 Playground - \$40,000-50,000
 Stained Glass for upper Sanctuary windows - \$105,000 (\$3,000 per panel)
 Organ Pipes
 Building Fund Loan Payoff

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, convenient and costs nothing!

SUPPORT GROUPS

MIND MENDERS

Meets on the 2nd & 4th 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 Wednesday 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 Dee Ashe at 480-924-5483 or 480-650-6765 (cell) or at deenashe7580@gmail.com.

GRIEF

This group meets **every Tuesday** from 11 am to noon in the Sea of Galilee Room - Ed. Bldg. Rev. Bob Deits leads the group the 1st & 3rd Tuesdays of the month, and Parish Nurse Sue Malloy the 2nd & 4th Tuesdays of the month. The group is open to anyone who has experienced a major loss such as the death of a loved one, divorce or job loss.

If this fits you or someone you know, this group will provide great help. For more information call Bob at 480-396-4838.



Folders For Sale

GCUMC Folders, bearing the Church logo, are for sale at the Information Center and church office. The cost is \$12.00 each and all **proceeds go to the North Parking Lot Fund**. Thanks for your support!

Thinking Theologically with Jody Topping—



A couple of weeks ago I attended the GCUMC Women's Retreat in Cornville, AZ. It was a beautiful weekend full of fun, fellowship, and spiritual learning. During the retreat

we studied the entire Book of Ruth. We heard **how Naomi's husband died, leaving her with two sons and their wives; how her two sons died, leaving her with her daughters-in-law; how she commanded her daughters-in-law to go back to their parents' homes and get on with their lives while she prepared to return to her own homeland.** One of her daughters-in-law did indeed return to her home of origin, but Ruth refused to leave Naomi alone, and as she argued with Naomi to let her stay, she said the words that many of us have come to know very well: *"Don't urge me to leave you or to turn back from you. Where you go I will go, and where you stay I will stay. Your people will be my people and your God my God. Where you die I will die, and there I will be buried. May the LORD deal with me, be it ever so severely, if even death separates you and me."* (Ruth 1:16-17) After hearing these words, Naomi relented and allowed Ruth to stay with her. The two became as mother and daughter, caring for and supporting one another. They depended upon each other, making sure their physical as well as spiritual needs were met.

We all need someone we can depend on, don't we? **Maybe we depend upon our spouse or our children, or maybe it's a friend that we know will be there for us no matter what.** It's important for us all to know that even in our most desperate times, someone will be there to walk with us through our darkest valleys.

What became increasingly clear throughout our study was that even though the presence of God is only obliquely mentioned in the story of Ruth and Naomi, God was clearly present as they tried to survive as widows, with no husbands to take care of them (which was absolutely essential for women in that time and place). God understood their situations;

God knew what they needed in order to survive, and God provided for both their short- and long-term needs.

We, too, can depend upon God to be present in our adversity. Whether we are dealing with personal or family issues, through our grief or physical pain, whether we are trying to make ends meet, or simply trying to make it through the day, God is with us, walking right beside us. We can depend upon **God...just like Ruth and Naomi depended upon God and each other.** It's good for us to have another person in our lives who can **share our burdens with us...but isn't it even better to know that God shares them with us as well? God bless...**



BIBLE BANTER

MEETS EVERY MONDAY,
9:30-10:30AM,

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 explore!! All are welcome!

A Note From Bob... Country Western News



A Mother's Day special will happen at the Country Western Service at 5 pm on May 12th. Bob Deits will be joined by his daughter, Jeanne Hon-saker, in a special dialogue sermon in honor of June Deits.

On Mother's Day, 2005, Bob and June presented a sermon together titled, "Keepers of the Springs." Bob and Jeanne will modify that sermon with Jeanne replacing June as half of the preaching team. The sermon title and scripture texts will remain the same as the original sermon.

They hope that June will be well enough to be present that day and be blessed as her husband and daughter seek to honor her as they share spiritual insight, humor and celebration of Mother's Day.

Change in Schedule...

This year we are going to try something different during the summer months. Instead of providing a country western service every week through June and then go to monthly (on the last Sunday) for July, August and September, ***we will go weekly through May and go monthly for June, July and August, going back to weekly in September.***

Mark your calendars and plan to come on by. "Y'all" will find a welcome that is warmer than the summer weather!

Bob Deits



Prepare and Wear

Commemorate GCUMC's upcoming 25th anniversary by buying t-shirts or totes with our logo on them!

Shirts/\$15; Totes/\$10

Look for Velma Carlson at a table near the refreshment area on Sunday mornings. Cash is best, or Velma can advise to whom to address a check. The sale of these items *will go until the end of this month*, stop for the summer months and resume in the fall.



Life after Loss Book Reaches a Milestone

Bob Deits' book, *Life after Loss*, reached the 25th anniversary of the first publishing in April. Now, 25 years later with the current edition being #5, the book is still selling and still recognized as one of the most useful books ever written in the field of loss and grief.

The first edition in 1988 had 217 pages; the 5th edition, published in 2009, has 283 pages. It is translated into 7 foreign languages (Spanish, German, French, Russian, Chinese, Greek and Hebrew).

Bob leads a grief support group here at GCUMC on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month at 11 am in the Sea of Galilee Room.

To speak with Bob regarding the Grief Support group, or book, you may call 480-396-4838. You may also purchase the book in the church office.



Food Bank News

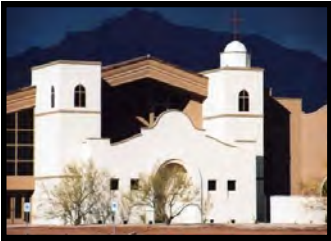
Thank you one and all for your support of the Gold Canyon United Methodist Church Food Bank. We are speaking of the volunteers, Church members, attendees, visitors, concert attendees, Gold Canyon Arts Council, Church choir, Church office staff and volunteers, other local Churches and Gold Canyon businesses, the United Food Bank, Starbucks, Paradise Bakery, Bashas', Ugly Quilt Mission, Alpine Valley Breads and anyone we have forgotten to mention.

We bet you wouldn't have expected this long a list, but you are all important to us and the Food Bank's success. One additional group we can't forget as we move forward is "Sadie's Mission". That is our pet food mission. Sadie's Mission is going strong and is unique among local Food Banks (unless they copied us). Food Bank clients with pets benefitting from "Sadie's Mission" represent about 50% of our total clients.

We are headed into the summer of 2013 with perhaps the strongest inventory ever. That's the good news—unfortunately with our limited available storage space, it still may not meet demands so please don't forget about us this summer. We might even need some summer month volunteers. Talk to us if you might be available to help. Bless you all for your support!



Jeff Downing, Dan Gray, Rush Tucker



Our Church History

History Committee Update : Early Church Memories

~ Dave & Colette Bos

Living in the LA area of California David and Colette Bos learned of job opportunities for a young family in the Phoenix east valley area. So they moved here in 1984. Job opportunities led them to a short stay in Texas from February to July 1986.

Moving back to the Gold Canyon area they researched many churches. When Sara was born they were looking to have her baptized but did not have a church connection to one that they could utilize. They contacted Reverend John Irely of Desert Chapel. Since they had no church affiliation at that time, they asked if Sara's baptism could be performed in their home with close friends in attendance. Reverend Irely agreed. Although neither Dave nor Colette were brought up in a Methodist church, they both found that this willingness to minister to their family opened their hearts to attending Desert Chapel and becoming more familiar with the Methodist tradition.

After several months of attending Desert Chapel, the Boses received a phone call with news that the conference was going to begin holding worship services in Gold Canyon to start a new congregation. They were asked if they would like to be a part of this effort and they were excited about the opportunity. They attended the first Sunday, a service at the Gold Canyon Elementary School, with several others from Desert Chapel and from the community. These were the charter members of their new church home.

The first pastor assigned to Gold Canyon was Reverend James Wood. The first Lay Leader of Gold Canyon United Methodist Church was Jim Hackman. Colette followed Jim in service as Lay Leader when Reverend Wood left and when Reverend David Mc Pherson was appointed.

[More from Dave and Colette next month.]



Over the past ten years, at no cost to participants, the church bus fund has earned over \$127,000 from the Scrip program. This is fantastic!! This money was used to purchase our bus and pay for gas, insurance and maintenance. With your continued support we just purchased a new fifteen passenger van to accompany our bus!! Now we will put funds toward paying off that van, and providing for maintenance and service.

We are asking all of you who shop at these **two stores to consider using a Bashas' Community Support card and/or Fry's Gift card** purchased at the church Information Center on Sunday morning 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.

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



W.O.W. (Witness Our Wonder)

The W.O.W. team is taking a hiatus for the summer, HOWEVER, plans are already being made for our Harvest Festival, to be held **Sunday, October 27 from 2 – 5 pm** with worship led by the Houser Gang and Bob Diets immediately following. You can mark your calendar now, so you don't miss the fun! Ideas are already flowing for sundry activities. If you have some creative thoughts you'd like to share about the event, email Katharine at ladiebug1214@gmail.com. She welcomes all suggestions. This is a community event, specially designed to attract those who may not be church and to be a welcoming presence in Gold Canyon and beyond.



Update on Habitat for Humanity

We thank those of you who gave your time, energy and/or donations to assist in our winter 2013 project! We **also welcome your contributions** to start getting ready for next year, as the planning never stops. If interested, you may make a check payable to GCUMC and indicate "Habitat for Humanity" in the memo, or make your contribution online at www.GoldCanyonUMC.org. We will keep you posted as we near the dedication of this winter's build. Thanks so much for your ongoing support of this ministry. If you have questions or desire information here is our info: Joe and Maureen Morton, 602-284-2826, MoandJoeM@aol.com



"Honey Do" Home Ministry



Do you know someone who needs minor repairs around the home but has little or no resources? We can do jobs like changing smoke detector batteries, leaky faucet repair, replacing a faulty outlet, replacing a door lock or other small projects. Referrals or requests can be made by contacting: goldcanyonhoneydo@att.net or calling John or Nancy at 907-232-8203. Still need male and female volunteers with various skills!



"Singles Moving Forward"

We are slowing down some for the summer months, but if you would like to take part in any of our planned activities please send name, address, phone number and e-mail to Ella Sander at eusander@yahoo.com; Phone # 480-474-1488. Come join the fun!



Desert Diners' Mystery Trip ~ April 2, 2013

Pictured below are Desert Diners John & Ruth Ewing, Darrell & Bev Mitchell, Dick & Nellie Moore, Earl & Lorna Marifjeren, and Gene & Rita Vadasz/Miller



For information on the Desert Diners, please contact Rita at Ritarkv2@aol.com.

GCUMC

Permanent Endowment Fund

Benjamin Franklin said something like this, "The only things for certain are death and taxes." One can make many observations and arguments about this but the basic point is sound, that all humanity has certain things in common and not living forever is one of them. Therefore, it follows that everything we have will sometime in the future belong to someone or something else. Therefore, the real question is *"will we determine what will happen to our possessions, or will it just happen?"*

During my brief tenure as chairman of your permanent endowment committee, I have learned a bit of how GCUMC functions and how we relate to our Desert Southwest United Methodist Conference. One of the resources we have available is the Desert Southwest United Methodist Foundation (DSWUMF). The DSWUMF has financial planning capabilities that it would be very difficult for a local church to match, and I wanted to share with you some of them. These capabilities can facilitate some creative decisions for you and your family, and possibly save on taxes as well.

Let's look at just a few in the immediate gifts category. You could donate your home or real property to our church and receive an immediate tax deduction and avoid capital gains taxes. You could designate the church as the beneficiary or owner of an insurance policy as a future gift to the church. You could make a retained real estate gift, where you designate the ownership of your home to the church while continuing to occupy it for your lifetime. There are several other ways in this category including gifting appreciated securities which

avoids capital gains taxes and earns an income tax deduction.

Deferred gifts include having a bequest in your will, a living trust, or a charitable gift annuity. With a charitable gift annuity you can enter into a contract with the DSWUMF and the DSWUMF pays your designated annuitant a regular fixed payment for life, and then distributes the remainder to your church. There are certain tax benefits to this as well.

Life income gifts include Charitable Remainder Trusts, providing fixed income for your lifetime, Charitable Remainder Unitrust, a hedge against inflation, and a Charitable Lead Trust that can reduce gift and estate taxes.

Many of the aforementioned are complex and of course must be accomplished in compliance with all tax regulations. This is what the DSWUMF can help you do. If any of this sounds like it would work for you, please **contact Pastor Fred in the Church Office or Wally Quanstrom, Chairman of the Permanent Endowment Committee, at 630-309-3298**. One last thing - you can designate your gift for any purpose within the mission of our church that you would like. There is no charge for consultation.



Stitches Unlimited ~ Quilts for St. Andrews Clinic

Did you know...the Stitches Unlimited group **makes and donates quilts** to the St. Andrews Clinic? The quilts we make range from infant size (about 40" x 40") to quilts for older kids (about 42" x 60"). Donations of quilts of any size are accepted. We have kits already cut for simple ABC style quilts, with directions included. We also have the backing and batting. We **sew toiletry bags** for St. Andrews as well. Those kits and instructions are also available.

Come join us on the **first Wednesday of every month** at 9:00 am in room 101/102. We work **year round**. Bring your sewing machine and sew (we do have a couple of machines here), your rotary cutter and cut kits, iron, or pick up some kits to sew at home.

We will also **gladly take donations** of cotton, flannel, light weight denim, light weight corduroy fabric, and fleece, in solids, tone on tone, and kid friendly prints. Monetary donations are also welcome. Slightly used sheets (or new) are good for backing too. For questions or more info call Bonnie Becker at (480) 629-8796.

May Celebrations

Birthdays

5/1	Betsy Wood Allison Cantrell Nathan Cantrell Mary Seabright Jane Heyse Jacqueline Johnson Adam Kalik Jennie Oukada	5/16	Lois Gerst Lorna Hartman Charlie Olson Robert Swails Gerald Tippie
5/2	Kelly Gingrich Erica Reichert Victoria Mullins	5/17	Gary Hunter
5/3	Helen Stoner Keith Alford Don Parker Albert Paone	5/18	Ryan Wood Laura Dinges
5/4	Ronald Beason	5/19	Dylan Kessler
5/5	Ione Nelson Darrell Tilus Debra Ireland Bay West	5/20	Joe Guerrero Marc O'Brien Wayne Fritz Claudia Graham
5/6	Lois Davis Roy Pearson Betty Forest Al Cobb	5/21	Jerry Hunt Barry Peebles Eve Dinkel Don Little
5/7	Mary Hollingsworth Pat Osbaklen	5/22	Deha Mulhair Faye Nord
5/8	Margaret Baker Donald Dewinter Alice Myers Valenie Sheridan	5/23	Bob Crow Michael Sheridan Jr. Lynda Kessler Jack Twa
5/9	Susan Fitzgerald Mae Livgard Donna Schiager Joyce Shafer Ella Mae Rowe	5/24	Jean Alton Larry Arehart Margie Bird Joanne Burris
5/10	Caroll Dage Phalen Schuler	5/25	Marian Bonestll Bev Criswell
5/11	Charles Whitier Jo Alford	5/26	Jack Berglund Marilyn Horkey Chris Houser Mark Kessler Jim Bell Sam Nichols
5/12	Shirley Matthews	5/28	Roy Pape
5/13	Eleanor Conger Carmen Nordell Patricia Renfer Janet West	5/29	Peggy Buck Mavis Fuher Patti Girardi Brett McNamee Andrea Pape Lucy Weiland
5/14	Wes Carpenter Richard Svoboda Shirley Taylor Paul Fabish Leslie Tabor	5/30	Bob Ancell Katie Petticrew Violet Reiners
5/15	Peggy Dowrick Joyce Gingrich Maureen Morton Zackary Hartman	5/31	Nina Pennington Duane Vorseth Polly Knowlton Scott Galbraith



Anniversaries



1-May	Neil & Ann Brogren
4-May	Herb & Doris Kingery Russ & Kathy Formento Dave & Judy Robertson Nick & Linda Weidner
5-May	Craig & Jill Saathoff
8-May	Bob & Marian Bonestell
9-May	Jack & Judy Donovan
10-May	Pat & Judy Campbell
14-May	Jed & Wendy Moore Gerald & Peggy Tippie
15-May	Stan & Retha Oolman
17-May	Ron & Linda Borders Curtis & Marlene Johnson
18-May	Edgar & Linda Newkirk Lloyd & Vi Potter
19-May	Thomas & Mary Lynn Preiss
20-May	Phil & Beth Gordon
21-May	William & Sandra Butterbrodt
22-May	Scott & Toni Galbraith Jack & Pamela Kopnick Al & Diane Rasmussen
23-May	Doug & Martha Benton
25-May	Earl & Jeanine Roe Eldon & Marilyn Weinhold
27-May	Bruce & Marjorie Stofferan Marc & Cecilia O'Brien
28-May	Wes & Cheryl Carpenter Lawrence & June Welker
29-May	Bob & Donna Chase
30-May	Wade & Cynthia Hoff Charles & Marilyn Jungman
31-May	Jim & Eve Dinkel Todd & Karen Williams

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

GCUMC Calendar May 2013

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<u>Key</u> AA=Alcoholics Anony- mous 101/102 =Room 101/102 Kit = Kitchen	Sanc =Sanctuary Music or M =Music Room Ed. =Education Building	WOW =Witness our Wonder (Outreach) K = Koinonia Room SofG =Sea of Galilee Rm	1 9 am Florence AZ Study Grp 11am Cancer Suprt–SofG 4:30 pm Spirit Club-SofG 5:30 pm Joyful Noise –M 6 pm Youth Handbell–M 7 pm Orchestra-M, S	2 4:30 pm Girl Scouts–SofG 7 pm Choir – M	3 5:30 pm AA–101/102	4 7 pm Teen Event
5 8 am Traditional Worship/Adlt Sun Schl 9:30 am Traditional Worship/ Chld,Yth,10th-College Sun Schl 10:50 am Praise Worship/Chld Sun Schl 5 pm CW Worship–K 6:30 pm Youth–Ed.	6 9:30 am Bible Banter Mtn Brew Coffee House 2 pm Disciple 1–K Rm 4 pm Stephen Ministry- 101/102 5 pm Disciple 4-Feather's 7 pm At-Anon–101/102	7 11 am Grief Support–S of G 2 pm Disciple 1 Rm 101/102 6 pm One/Spirit Reh–K Rm 6:30 pm Canyon Carillon-Sanc	8 11am Cancer Suprt–SofG 4:30 pm Spirit Club-SofG 5:30 pm Joyful Noise –M 6 pm Youth Handbell–M 7 pm Orchestra-M, S	9 4:30 pm Girl Scouts–SofG 7 pm Choir – M	10 10 am Mind Menders– 101/102 5:30 pm AA–101/102	11
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Addressee or Current Resident

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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1. Name _____ and
E-Mail _____
2. Name _____ and
E-Mail _____

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

8:00 & 9:30 AM

Traditional ~ Sanctuary

10:50 AM

Praise ~ Koinonia Room

5:00 PM

Country Western ~ Koinonia Room

Childcare Provided at ALL Services