



FROM THE PASTOR: "PREPARATIONS FOR REOPENING"



We haven't set a date to restart our in-person worship services as of the writing of this newsletter in the middle of May. We are awaiting direction from the Governor and our Bishop. In watching the Arizona Health Services statistics regarding COVID-19 in Maricopa County, I have noticed that virus hospitalization rates are going down. This is great news, but we do feel it is premature to open at this time.

When we reopen we want to do so wisely. There are many factors we need to take into consideration. We know that our congregation is full of high-risk people so we want to put into place a strategy to protect people from COVID-19. Here are some of the ideas we are thinking about:

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| <i>Socially distanced seating</i> | <i>All services held in Sanctuary for more space</i> |
| <i>Greeters don't shake hands</i> | <i>Require masks</i> |
| <i>Communion offered differently</i> | <i>No Sunday School or Nursery</i> |
| <i>Phased exit</i> | <i>No attendance books/offering plates passed</i> |
| <i>Hard surfaces wiped down</i> | <i>Fellowship food discontinued</i> |
| <i>Temperature checks on entry</i> | <i>Sanitizer available on entry and exit</i> |
| <i>No stand and greet time during service</i> | <i>Prop doors open</i> |
| <i>No paper bulletins</i> | |

We invite you to give us your guidance via a short online survey that will be emailed out this week that will help us plan our return to physically worshipping together. Your feelings and opinions might help us more effectively deal with some of your concerns regarding worshipping in person. If you do not receive your emailed survey by mid-week, please contact the Church Office (480)982-3776 / ChurchOffice@GoldCanyonUMC.org and a link will be emailed to you. We very much appreciate your input in advance.

At the end of March, our financial giving was 11% lower than our giving in 2019. In April we had many people contribute online and through mail-in gifts and we had reduced the loss to 7%. This is great news. Hopefully this trend will continue through the summer. I say a big thanks to those who continue to support the ministries of our church.

I will see you online on Sunday.

Grace and peace,

You are invited to join me online
Thursdays at 11:00am
to spend an informal time talking and
connecting. To participate:

<https://zoom.us/j/713204749>

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"...FOLLOWING JESUS... SERVING OTHERS"



CHRISTIAN EDUCATION & EVANGELISM

Pastor Katharine Keller

"...Growing disciples of Jesus Christ and living the Word."

DISCIPLE I UPDATE

Our Disciple 1 Class has ended for the year. Pastor Fay did a bang up job teaching the group! Class members were Jim Meskimen, Jan Abbott, Katharine Keller, Rev. Fay Quanstrom, Peggy & Dwight Morrison, Susan Cline, Katie Mulry, Cindy Hoff, Jan Roller, Patrick Braatz, Annalee Owens and Deanie Elek. Once class member said, "'I have become quite the Bible reader as a result of this class!"



is God's son and that he is both human and divine. I believe that Jesus rose from the dead and that he has made a place for us all in heaven. I believe that the Holy Spirit is a part of the trinity and acts as a guide and a companion to us. The Holy Spirit reveals truth and wisdom and comforts us when we need it. I believe that Baptism brings us closer to God. I am glad that I was not baptized as a baby because I wanted it to be my decision and now it is. I believe that the Bible is not a history book that has only facts in it, but that it is a story about Jesus' life on earth. I declare that God is my savior as well as my strength and I trust him with my life.



Jeremy Brigham I believe that God is the Almighty Creator, who has made all things. Due to being created in His image, we people are inherently special. As proof of His love for us, He sent His Son, Jesus, to lead us to salvation through grace. Jesus is truly our shepherd in that regard, because

OUR CONFIRMANDS HAVE SOMETHING TO SAY



Confirmation

Included in this newsletter are the Statements of Faith of our three confirmands, Hannah, Kyle and Jeremy. It has been an "interesting" year, with half of our classes meeting remotely (see picture below).

I appreciate our youth, their spirit and openness to learn. We are anticipating that perhaps they will be officially confirmed in June, but we'll have to wait and see. Hannah will be baptized by immersion before then, so some exciting times ahead! I try to remind all confirmands that being confirmed is only one stop along their faith journey. I was privileged to be a part of theirs. - Pastor Katharine



Hannah Morawa I believe in God the creator, who has made all things and who watches over us. He is in control of all things in heaven and on earth. He created all humans in his own image, therefore I am a child of God. I believe that Jesus died on the cross to relieve

me of my sins, so I am special to Him. By dying for me He rescued me, so He is my Savior. I believe that Jesus

He wants only to lead every member of humanity to salvation, as we are not able to find the way to it on our own.

I believe that Jesus is my savior, and I accept his death on the cross as penance for my (and the rest of humanity's) sins.

I believe that the Bible is God's holy word recorded, and all that is held within is truth.

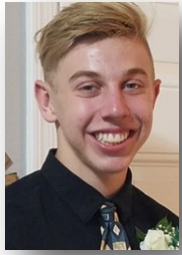
In addition, I believe it is the only holy tome there is.

I believe that the Church is a necessary part of worshipping God and increasing our understanding and strengthening our bond with Him.

It is my feeling that service through the church is an important way to further god's will on earth, as well as to give glory to him. Serving through the church helps one understand what the church (and by extension, God) strives to achieve on earth, which strengthens our bond with God.

I also believe that practicing the sacraments with the church is an important way to honor our Lord God, as well as strengthen our bond with him as well as our fellow Christians.

Overall, I truly believe that the Lord God is our Creator, and being part of a Church (and engaging in all the activities that entails) is a necessary and enriching part of Christianity.



Kyle Cajowski I believe in God. I believe salvation must come through faith and complete surrender to Jesus Christ, our Lord, who saved us from our sins. I believe in the power of the Holy Spirit. I believe prayer is important because it gives us time with God and keeps us in a relationship with Him.

I believe the Bible is a guide for us, especially during hard times and gives us support. A prayer should include thanks, praise and asking help for other people's needs. Having a close relationship to God through Christ means I can also tell Him my needs and ask for help.

I believe the church is a place to worship with others who share the same beliefs and feel unity with others. Baptism is meaningful because it is an important part of our journey with Christ. Communion is important because it reminds us of our acceptance by God in our lives and reminds us of Jesus' sacrifice as we receive the elements that represent him.

Gifts from God to me are plentiful: prayer, being accepted in church, my health, having loving parents and having my basic needs met.

DING DONG DASH!

Pastor Katharine began her surprise "Ding Dong Dashes" where she rings the doorbell at one of our church kid's house, leaves a small bag with a ding dong and other treats, and takes a selfie with the kids. If your child has not yet received a visit, contact her by email (ladiebug1214@gmail.com.) Fun times... check out the following photos of Pastor Katharine with a few of our church kids!



Naz, Christian, Jaime, Amia Brigham



Allison, Stephen, Charlie & Dad Kalik



Matthew & Jacob Daniels



Gabriel, Roman & Vivienne Barraza



Abby Archibald



Carter Hanson



Hannah & Sara Morawa



Wyatt & Abby Chiaravalloti



Gabe & Peter Wick



Chloe & Tucker Barks



Ennis & Edam Ingram



Abigail Remmers



Ava & Dad Witucky



Shirley Gilbreath



DING DONG DASH

Spread the Hope!
Share His Love!



CHILDREN'S EDUCATION

Sherry Hussein

"...Growing disciples of Jesus Christ and living the Word."

Hello to all our Church families, and children! Many of us have become quite creative in our otherwise "normal" daily activities. Children have finished their online school studies, and many are staying online these days....playing games, and "zooming" with friends and family members.



Nevaeh, one of our Sidewalk Ministry teens, who helps in the kitchen for Desert Chapel UMC's "Meals to Go" program on Saturdays

Several of you have been serving God in many wonderful ways. Aedric (2nd grade), baked cookies with his Grandma Ginny, and brought them to neighbors. Lucah (6th grade) helped his Dad convert their loft into a bedroom for his brother. Ava (age 4), donated money from her piggy bank to our Church Food Bank. Nevaeh

(10th grade) helped to serve to-go meals at Desert Chapel UMC, serving and loving others, just as Jesus taught us to do.

Me?... I am really a "people person" and love social interaction — especially hugs! That's why I am missing all of you! It has been nice to see the children on our Zoom chat sessions, and hope they have enjoyed the packets they received in the mail. Ms. Jan continues to send online Bible lesson stories & activities to the children in Elementary Sunday School classes., but we are looking forward to when we can be together again, returning to our Church campus with services! Remember, God will always be with us, and that is a GOD PROMISE! — Love & blessings, Ms. Sherry



Ms. Kristina gave us seeds... we grew a flower!

your prayers during this extended time of social distancing. The children have finished their online school studies and are now looking forward to summer fun with hopes of the reopening of the public library, recreational programs, area parks, and swimming pools.

We continue to keep in touch with families in the Ministry through text messaging, phone calls, and home visits to deliver Bible lesson activities, etc. for the children.

Many of the families in Sidewalk are grateful for our GCUMC Food Bank. A few of our families stop by for a meal at Genesis during the week, and on Saturdays they have a meal at Desert Chapel UMC's Family Feast.

Many thanks to the people in our Church who have continued to support this children's outreach ministry. God willing, we will return to a time when we can meet together as a group and have our big Sidewalk celebration with the families, children and "Shepherds." If you would like to know more about Sidewalk Children's Ministry, please contact Sherry Hussein (480) 529-9621 or Bev Stout, (480) 926-6479.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2020



Our VBS program *Rocky Railway "Jesus Power Pulls Us Through"*, originally set for June 1-5 has been postponed. An alternate date will be announced when we receive notice that it's safe to return to our Church campus. We are looking at different ways to present our VBS program, depending on the need to continue following social distancing.

VBS is free and open to children ages 3 1/2 (potty trained) through 5th grade. When new dates have been determined, registration forms will be made available at the Church, online, or by mail.

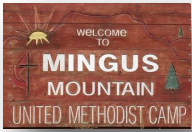
Parents, Grandparents, and Guardians, we look forward to you bringing your children to VBS. It's going to be an amazing, uplifting experience and lots of fun, too! We still have volunteer openings for: crew leaders, storytellers, a photographer, and a decorating team. Please contact Sherry Hussein at (480) 529-9621 for questions and to volunteer.

SIDEWALK CHILDREN'S MINISTRY



Sidewalk Children's Outreach Ministry meets on Saturdays during October thru April and serves children in the Apache Junction area. Please keep the children and their families in

NO SUMMER CAMP AT MINGUS MOUNTAIN



Many of you have already heard the announcement from Pastor Fred. Gold Canyon UMC will not be sending children to camp this summer. Mingus Mt. Camp is currently closed. This decision has been made out of concern for the health and safety of all UMC Church families.

ANTICIPATION OF A NEW PUPPY!



This is Ava, picking out her new puppy! Although he's still too young to bring home yet, they are looking forward to and anticipating his arrival and already named him "Charlie."

5 TIPS FOR A STRONG IMMUNE SYSTEM



Your health is one of the most valuable things you have. There are ways that can help you get over an illness faster, but one of the best ways to fight illness is to prevent it.

What Does "Strong Immune System" mean?

Your immune system's primary purpose is to protect against pesky, persistent bacteria that want nothing more than to attack your body. It is the gatekeeper for what gets in and what stays out of your body. When it is working, viruses and toxins don't have a chance. When it's not, the floodgates are wide open.

Your body often shows signs of a strong immune system. One example is when you get a mosquito bite. The red, bumpy itch is a sign of your immune system at work. The flu or a cold is an example of your body failing to stop the germs/bacteria before they get in. When you recover from the cold or flu, it's proof that your immune system was able to eliminate the invader after learning about it. If your immune system did nothing, you'd never get over the cold, or anything else for that matter. When you are sick, your body isn't able to perform at its full potential.

Depending on the nature of what's making you sick, a prescription or over-the-counter medication may be needed. The good news is there are many things you can do to keep your immune system strong and healthy.

5 Tips for a Stronger Immune System

Living a healthy lifestyle is your single best option to a

strong immune system. Every part of your body functions better when it is fueled with healthy foods, a positive environment, and minimal stress. Here are some easy tips for a stronger immune system...

Regular Exercise: There are lots of benefits to exercise, including prevention of arthritis, diabetes, heart conditions, and more. Exercise has also been shown to enhance and improve different components of the immune system. Exercise also improves your sleep quality and increases immune function. Go for a walk, become a member of a fitness center, find fun exercises, and commit to a routine.

Soak up the Sun: Enjoy moderate exposure to sunlight a few times each week. Vitamin D is imperative for strengthening your immune system. If you're not able to get outside, consider a Vitamin D supplement as a substitute. Fresh air is good for everyone!

Be Mindful: Minimize stress; meditate or pray, and allow your brain some down time. Nothing good ever comes from worrying. Your body will be in a more relaxed state and feel rejuvenated with some peace and quiet.

Keep your Gut Healthy: Foods with good bacteria, like yogurt, have positive health benefits. Probiotics can help your digestive system function normally and stay balanced. After all, 80% of your immune system is located in your digestive system, so it's best to keep your stomach healthy and happy.

Get Enough Sleep: This is your body's chance to rest and recover. Aim for 7-9 good hours each night. Remove distractions, go to bed when you're tired, and eliminate sugary foods late in the day.

Little Daily Habits = Long Lasting Effects

Replacing bad health habits with good ones can help you keep a strong immune system. Here are just a few:

- ⇒ Wash your hands frequently
- ⇒ Eat more fruits and vegetables
- ⇒ Laugh more
- ⇒ Drink plenty of water
- ⇒ Monitor your blood pressure
- ⇒ Take a multi-vitamin

Use these tips to boost your immunity. These habits will help you to live a happy, healthy life.

- Aaron Aslakson, MA, CSCS, ACSM EP-C, NSCA-CPT | Exercise is Medicine® Credential Level II | Walker Methodist Director of Wellness Centers



YOUTH GROUP

Linda Clise, Youth Director

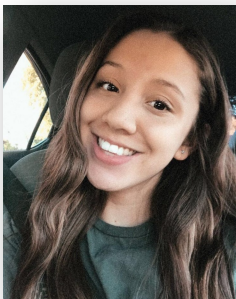
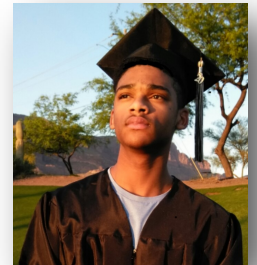
"...Growing disciples of Jesus Christ and living the Word."

MEET OUR 2020 GRADUATES!



Jacob Acedo is graduating from Arizona Connections Academy and East Valley Institute of Technology (EVIT). He is enrolled in the culinary arts program at EVIT and enjoys working at the café on campus. Jacob plans to attend either Mesa Community College or Central Arizona College this fall.

Khristian Davis is graduating from Imagine Prep Superstition High School. He enjoyed playing on both the school's football and basketball teams. Khristian plans on continuing his education in college and would like to become a clinical psychiatrist. His desire is to write books, give speeches and do good works for the mental health of the world.



Karlee Caravella is graduating from Apache Junction High School. She is very involved with student council and works at In and Out on Signal Butte. She has helped with the children's Sunday school class for years. Her plans after graduation are undecided at this time.



Jeremy Brigham is graduating from Imagine Prep Superstition High School. He played on the high school's football team and also helped coach alongside his father. Jeremy would like to further his education in computer science after the conclusion of his gap year.



To participate online with Zoom, send an email to:

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Youth Group—ONLINE!

(7th—12th grades)

Wednesdays at 6:30pm
Bible Study

Fridays at 6:30pm
Netflix Movie Party

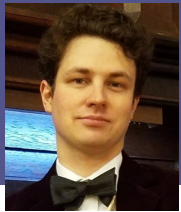
Sundays at 6:30pm
Youth Group



SCHOLARSHIP DEADLINE EXTENDED

Gold Canyon UMC is pleased to offer a Scholarship Program to our members who qualify for financial assistance. To receive consideration for funds, applicants must meet the following criteria: 1) Be a member of GCUMC; 2) Be a high school or GED graduate, or be 18 years of age; 3) Complete in detail the church's Scholarship Application Form, and 4) Supply the Committee with written character references from a non-family member/teacher, and from the pastor or church staff member.

Scholarship Application Forms are available in the Church Office and must be submitted to the Office Manager by **July 1, 2020**, along with corresponding references letters/material.. Also, if you would like to speak to a College Scholarship Ministry representative about making a contribution to the program, or would like additional information, please contact the Church Office at (480)982-3776.



MUSIC NOTES

Dr. Ian Classe, Director of Music Ministries



As summer arrives, I know many of you have returned home to the cool north, but some of you have stayed here due to unforeseen circumstances so...Welcome to the Arizona summer! Thank God for Willis Carrier and air conditioning! I'm happy to report that we're still seeing good attendance for our online worship and the music ministries are still meeting over Zoom weekly, even those members out of state. Last month, I opened up my newsletter article for questions about church music. I'll admit I didn't get as many as I expected but I've answered those I received in the last month below.

The first question I received is in regard to organ music. **"On a composition written for organ, are the manuals, stops, and registrations specified along the score?"**

The practice of registration varies widely by country, composer, and musical era. In the Baroque period, (17th-early-18th centuries) it is rare to have written registrations, though there are some. French music of the period is often registered by the title of a piece. If a piece is titled 'Plein Jeu', an educated organist will know to use a registration known as the 'Plein jeu.' In the Romantic Era (19th century) and later, a composer will often specify a more exact registration, specifically what stops, manuals, and accessories are to be used. Again however, the degree to which different composers do this varies widely. Some composers will go as far to say "Pull the 4' chimney flute of the positive division on beat 1 in measure 37 but only on the second repeat" while others will simply say 'Foundations' at the beginning of a movement which only indicates a certain family of stops. Some composers leave the decision entirely up to the organist which involves a lot of interpretation based on education.

Another question I received was, **"Is there any way to tune a pipe organ like a piano or any other musical instrument, except by making precise length pipes corresponding to each musical pitch?"**

Yes, a pipe organ can be tuned like any other instrument. After the pipes are constructed and originally voiced, their pitch can be modified slightly to maintain pitch in changing conditions. There are several different types of pipes and therefore different types of tuning. Some pipes such as a Bourdon are wood pipes with stoppers or sliders which can be heightened or lowered therefore changing the pitch. Other pipes have cutout scrolls at the back of the pipes which can be rolled up or down changing the length of the pipes, others yet have metal collars or caps

on the outside which can be raised or lowered. Reed pipes can have their reeds' position changed with a small tuning rod on the exterior of the pipe. The oldest type of tuning is called cone tuning and while it is somewhat uncommon now except in small pipes or older organs, some organs still require it. You basically change the pitch by deforming the top of each pipe by using a heavy hollow cone. This type of tuning is very stable but it causes gradual damage to the pipe over a long period of time.

The final question is in regards to singing. **"I read an article on the internet last week that said that singing is particularly hazardous when it comes to spreading COVID -19. How will this affect the choir, bands, and congregation moving forward?"**

Our church staff has been discussing the eventual return to in-person services for some time now and what that might mean for various ministries including music. It is true that singing is more hazardous for spreading the virus (or really any pathogen) because of the intensive inhaling and exhaling that is required, more so than regular speaking. Singing has a tendency to create a larger 'cloud' (of respiratory droplets and aerosols) than speaking and increases the 'safe distance' considerably. While face-masks will greatly help prevent the spread of the respiratory droplets that carry the virus, they muffle and distort sound and make it more difficult to breathe properly while singing. Because of this, it is difficult to predict when the choir, bands, and indeed even congregational singing will resume, even if we were to resume in-person worship. Obviously, upon creation and distribution of a vaccine or other effective treatment, we would likely be able to resume corporate singing but prior to that, moving forward could mean that singing is still limited to soloists, small groups, and/or recorded music. We're still discussing the possibilities moving forward and working to come up with a plan but rest assured we will all be back together and singing sometime in the future so stay tuned.

Just a reminder, I'll be continuing to answer questions in the newsletter for the coming months unless I run out of them so if you have any, feel free to email or call. Other questions and comments are also welcome. Stay safe and healthy!

Peace and best regards,

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GLOBAL MISSIONS

Fay Quanstrom, Associate Pastor

NEED FOR GLOBAL MISSIONS SUPPORT

We share God's love around the world in many ways when we support Global Missions. The impact is immeasurable:

Rice & Beans in Costa Rica (Fred Curry):

- Distributing food parcels
- Supporting local schools
- Praying with families
- Providing school uniforms and shoes
- Encouraging mission teams



Fellowman International in Honduras (Lisa Armstrong):

Providing school lunches, building community gardens, teaching animal husbandry, providing dental care, making medical and dental care available in remote areas.



Mobility Worldwide in Zambia (Sandy & Delbert Groves):

Making mobility possible, educating pastors and teachers at African Methodist University, distributing PET units.



Gold Canyon United Methodist Church supports these Global Missions:





PASTORAL & CONGREGATIONAL CARE

Dr. David Worley

As of the date of this writing, we are still under stay at home orders and from the rate of incidence of the virus here in Arizona, we may remain so for the foreseeable future. Some people have referred to this time as a lock down. Personally I find the term a problem because no one is forcibly holding us hostage; we can still make choices, even unwise ones. Regardless, I sense that some people feel locked down since they are kept from face to face contact with their loved ones and friends. I have heard people speak of going to the grocery store as their great adventure for the week! I find it personally encouraging that even though we may feel locked down we are not locked out from what truly matters! Scripture tells us that Our Father lovingly invites us to come with assurance into His presence where we may offer our praise and petitions. I suspect many of us have asked God to intervene in our world, but I wonder how many of

us have paused to praise Him. Have you found the joy of praising God for who He is and thanking Him for what He has done? When was the last time you sang to Him a song of worship? When was the last time you read aloud one of the Psalms of praise, such as Psalms 8 or 103 to Him? When was the last time you opened your Bible and reviewed His promises?

If you need a bit of help, read this blog post, which personalizes some of the promising of Scripture:

<https://letotherthingsgo.wordpress.com/2011/08/30/54-promises-god-has-made-to-me/>

We may feel locked own, but we are not locked out! Draw near to God and He will draw near to you. How could we use this time any better?



... AND ON THE COUNTRY SIDE

Dr. David Worley

I miss you all! The loss of the joy of seeing one another and worshipping together each week seems longer than it has actually been. I believe this says something about how much our church family and our time together with one another in the presence of the Lord means. My nephew, Brent Easton, who is a Hospice Chaplain and Pastor, shared this quote from a sermon preached by Francis Grimke at the first worship service he led offered after the end of the 1918 Spanish flu epidemic: "The fact that for several weeks we have been shut out from the privileges of the sanctuary has brought home to us as never before what the church has really meant to us. We hadn't thought, perhaps, very much of the privilege while

it lasted, but the moment it was taken away we saw at once how much it meant to us." (see <https://uwepray.com/feed/0504>). These words resonate with me as I imagine they do with you. Let us then take this time away from each other to reflect upon the great blessing of public worship which we have likely taken for granted so easily. I also invite you to join me in prayer that our Lord will bring this harsh season to an end so that we may once again be together to praise His name, even with observing some precautions. Until then, "Let us not be weary in doing good for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up" (Gal. 6:9). I will see you online!



PASTORAL & CONGREGATIONAL CARE

Rev. Fay Quanstrom, Dr. David Worley, Pastor Katharine Keller

PASTORAL CARE

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



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

Also, if you or someone you know within or beyond our parish would like a friendly visit, a listening ear, or a home-cooked meal, please let us know. Caring for others in the GCUMC fellowship of believers is shared by clergy & lay caregivers. In addition to the pastoral staff, trained Lay **Congregational Care Ministers (CCMs)** share a ministry of loving spiritual care: visits, prayer, Holy Communion, music, meals, errands and more.

You are invited to join the **Congregational Care Ministry** by contacting Rev. Fay Quanstrom.

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Boldt, Gary & Kathy 06/15
Wion, Carol & Sheldon 06/15
Webster, Don & Sharon 06/16
Hegna, Jack & Jan 06/17
Moore, Nellie & Dick 06/17
Newton, Doris & Randy 06/17
Rasmussen, Ann & Gordie 06/17
Tyler, Larry & Sandy 06/17
Messmer, Patti & Dick 06/18
Otterstein, Ottie & Karen 06/18
Krull, Julie & Rich 06/19
Fransen, Jim & Yolanda 06/22
Jacobsen, Elaine & Ken 06/22
Lester, Jim & Yvonne 06/22
Nielsen, Bill & Claudine 06/22
Shaughnessy, Julie & Mike 06/22
Schulz, Marilyn & Merle 06/23
Waytenick, Dave & Karen 06/23
Engbrecht, Don & Jackie 06/24
Scharringhausen, Fred & Joyce 06/24
Tonole, Don & Marjorie 06/24
Bos, Colette & David 06/25
Hill, John & Nancy 06/25
Nichols, Sam & Rex 06/25
Gust, Dan & Lois 06/27
Kostecka, Carma & Bob 06/29

Shaffer, Jeanne & Russell 06/29
Donovan, Patrick & Rebecca 06/30
Rowley, Cheryl & Roger 06/30

We honor the lives and memories of these members and friends, as well as their families and friends, who have recently passed...

Glen Golden	Bob Matthews
Rod Kennedy	Bruce Mjoen
Jack Kopnick	Mary Lou Moore
Joseph Landon	

In Remembrance



Prayer Chain Ministry

Please email prayer requests to
gcumcprayers@gmail.com.



CARING CORNER

Kim Shroyer

UNCEASING LOVE AND TRUTH

During these past few months I've had extra time on my hands to read, watch and listen all around me. Whether it's on social media, the newspaper, in a book, a TV show, or opinions expressed by those around us, I have found that there's a lot of garbage out there. You may have found the same. But, in the midst of the garbage there are also nuggets.

I recently read the below. Amidst a period of change and/or loss for so many, I found it to be refreshing:

Me: Hey, God.

God: Hello...

Me: I'm falling apart. Can you put me back together?

God: I would rather not.

Me: Why?

God: Because you aren't a puzzle.

Me: What about all of the pieces of my life that are falling down onto the ground?

God: Let them stay there for a while. They fell off for a reason. Take some time and decide if you need any of those pieces back.

Me: You don't understand! I'm breaking down!

God: No... you don't understand. You are breaking through. What you are feeling are just growing pains. You are shedding the things and the people in your life that are holding you back. You aren't falling apart. You are falling into place. Relax. Take some deep breaths and allow those things you don't need anymore to fall off of you. Quit holding onto the pieces that don't fit you anymore. Let them fall off. Let them go.

Me: Once I start doing that, what will be left of me?

God: Only the very best pieces of you.

Me: I'm scared of changing.

God: I keep telling you - **YOU AREN'T CHANGING!! YOU ARE BECOMING!**

Me: Becoming who?

God: Becoming who I created you to be! A person of light and love and charity and hope and courage and joy and mercy and grace and compassion. I made you for more than the shallow pieces you have decided to adorn yourself with that you cling to with such greed and fear. Let those things fall off of you. I love you! Don't

change! ... Become! Become! Become who I made you to be. I'm going to keep telling you this until you remember it.

Me: There goes another piece.

God: Yep. Let it be.

Me: So... I'm not broken?

God: Of course Not!... but you are breaking like the dawn. It's a new day. Become!!! ~Author Unknown

Often during times of significant change, we can tend to get discouraged. As this writing suggests, we can hang on so tightly to the past, or what has always been, that we fail to see the opportunities that may lie ahead of us. The old sayings "can't see the forest for the trees" or "God never closes a door without opening another" come to mind here.

Are you willing to be patient, take some breaths, let some of the old pieces fall off, assess the need for them, evaluate why they fell, determine the depth of the pieces that you wish to keep, attempt to see more clearly what message God may be sending you, retain your best pieces and see what He wants you to become?

Not all change, or even loss, is bad. But it is sometimes hard to have that perspective in the moment. Please remember that God has placed 4 pastors in your path to be there for you. They minister to members and friends of Gold Canyon UMC. Please simply call the church office at 480-982-3776 and one of them will respond to your request. After hours, you may call or email one of the pastors directly. You will find their contact information in the bulletin, church office or the Pastoral and Congregational Care page of this newsletter.

The unceasing love and truth of God's messages to us are the most solid things in our lives:

²⁴ "Everyone then who hears these words of mine and acts on them will be like a wise man who built his house on rock."

~ Matthew 7:24 (NRSV)

²⁸ "We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose." ~

Romans 8:28 (NRSV)

¹¹ "For surely I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future with hope." ~ Jeremiah 29:11 (NRSV)

¹⁰ "For the mountains may depart and the hills be removed, but my steadfast love shall not depart from you, and my covenant of peace shall not be removed, says the Lord, who has compassion on you." ~ Isaiah 54:10 (NRSV)



MINISTRY & MISSIONS

SCRIP "BUS & VAN FUND"



So far in 2020 YOUR participation in the SCRIP Bus Van Ministry has brought in the following:

• Bashas	\$ 1550
• Fry's	\$ 208
• Amazon Smile	\$ 105
• Designated Gifts from Individuals	\$ 50
Grand Total	\$ 1963

Note: Figures are as available at the time of inclusion deadline

Keep up the good work!



if you haven't done it already, be sure to link your Amazon account to **Smile.Amazon.com** and choose

Gold Canyon UMC as your charity organization. Amazon donates 0.5% of the cost of your eligible purchases to our SCRIP Bus & Van Fund whenever you shop—the same selection—same prices! Just go to: <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/86-0621002>.



When you shop at any Bashas' store for food, gift cards or prescriptions and use their rechargeable card purchased here at the Welcome Center or the Church Office, GCUMC receives a 6% charity gift from Bashas.'



Link your Fry's VIP Card online to Fry's Community Rewards program and choose GCUMC (Account #TS438), Fry's then will contribute 3% of your purchases to our church!

Thanks again for supporting the Bus/Van Fund. Please contact Jan Daniels (480)540-7454 with any questions.

FOOD BANK



The Food Bank has decided to change distribution hours/days due to demand and our desire to provide safe conditions for all volunteers. Starting May 18th we will serve on Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 9:00am—

Noon. Donations can be dropped off at the back door. Thank you for your continued support and

prayers. Stay safe!

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

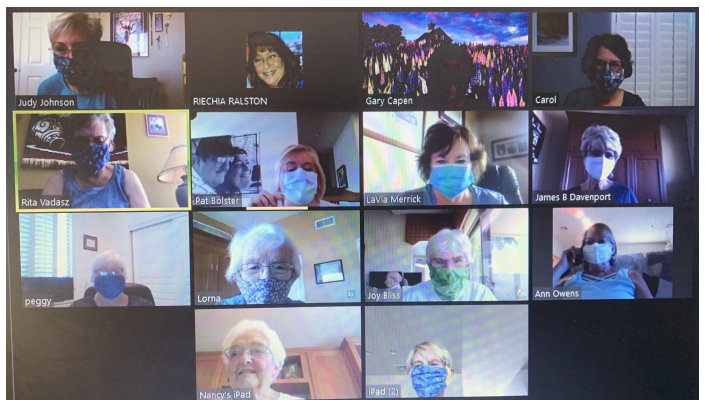
— by Carol Johnson



*"When you get into a tight place
and everything goes against you,
till it seems as though
you could not hang on a minute longer,
never give up then,
for that is just the place and time
that the tide will turn."*
— Harriet Beecher Stowe

As we continue our "social distancing" response to the Covid-19 virus, this quotation helps to give me the patience and strength to remain hopeful and stay the course. I so miss being able to attend church services with others, meeting with fellow UMWs, sharing meals with friends, and getting together with family members. I feel "homesick" for the company of loved ones. It is easy to feel sad and lonely during our self-isolation.

In the March/April 2020 edition of the UMW response magazine, Shannon Priddy, the President of UMW, talks about changing our "mindset." We can look at these times as things we have to do, but we can also look at them as opportunities for things we get to do! We can put our faith, hope and love into action! Here is a short list of things we get to do, and things that people in our congregation are already doing:



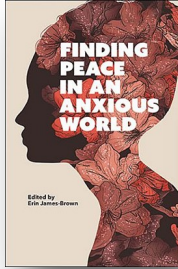
- Attend the United Methodist Women Zoom meeting Mondays at 10:00am to visit, connect, laugh, and learn! To join, go to: <https://zoom.us/j/361215193> or contact Carol CarolJohnsonAZ@yahoo.com / (602)750-2008 with

questions.

- **Subscribe to the UMW Response Magazine** at <https://www.cambeywest.com/subscribe2/default.aspx?p=RSP&f=paid>. Response Magazine is the bimonthly magazine of the UMW. Subscription rate for the paper version is \$24.00/year, or \$20.00/year for the digital version.
- **Read one of the UMW Reading Program books.** Every year a panel of avid UMW readers picks books which are categorized under spiritual growth, education for mission, nurturing for community, leadership development and social action. For a list of these books, visit: <https://www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/rp/2020list.pdf>.
- **Become a Pen Pal with our Matthew 25 Prison Ministry.** You will be paired with a woman currently serving a prison sentence at Perryville Prison. This is a wonderful opportunity to provide hope and support to a woman in need! For more info contact Cherie Creel at (480)232-1584 or cheryljunec@icloud.com.
- **Canyon Connections!** If you live alone and are feeling isolated, contact the Church Office. You will be partnered with another church member who is living alone and who you can speak to and connect with daily for support, understanding, and friendship.
- **Sew masks for our congregation** in anticipation of our return to church. Contact Dian Capen at (919)357-6933 or dkcapen@gmail.com.
- **Read the Bible or become involved with a study group** (Pastor Katharine Keller's class "Bad Girls of the Bible" continues to meet online on Thursdays at 6:00pm through June 18).
- **Attend a church service different from your normal;** find out what the Country Western service is all about! These services are available on Facebook and Livestream!
- **Volunteer:** Call the Church Office to see where they need help.
- **Call a church member who you haven't seen recently,** or send a card letting someone know you are thinking of them. A small gesture can make a huge difference in someone's day!

The closing prayer in response magazine was especially appropriate for our times:

*Present God,
When the water is muddy and its direction unclear,
Help us remember that mud and movement*



*Bring new life to new places.
And when that mud and movement
Feel like a swirling mess,
Remind us that it may be your stirrings!
Ground us in you, guiding God.
Let our work be good for our church
And our church be good for your world.*
— Tara Barnes

CANYON CONNECTIONS MINISTRY



This newer group, "Canyon Connections," we will help people thrive through this crisis and beyond. Our intention is to pair up isolated individuals with other people who also feel alone. We will then encourage those two people to call and talk to each other every day. Women will be paired women with women, and men with men. If people don't feel like they're connecting with their assigned person, they can contact the Church Office and another person will be paired with them to talk to.

If you are interested in pairing up with someone in the church, please contact the Church Office and let us know via email or phone call.

YOUR MINISTRY & MISSIONS STORIES MATTER... SO PLEASE TELL THEM!

Email your story to...ChurchOffice@GoldCanyonUMC.org

HOLY LAND TRIP RESCHEDULED JANUARY 4-17, 2022 (\$3,498)



The Holy Land trip with Pastor Fred has been rescheduled due to the coronavirus to January 4-17, 2022. If you have already paid a deposit, then it can be left on file and you will automatically be moved to this new trip date. If you would like to withdraw from the trip, you can contact Educational Opportunities and they will fully refund your deposit. For those who have paid the initial deposit, this means that the second deposit is not due until July of 2021. All trip details will remain the same and new brochures will be coming out soon. Pastor Fred would be glad to answer questions or email a brochure if you contact him at revstein78@gmail.com or leave a message with the Church Office.



Desert Southwest Conference
The United Methodist Church

WATER FOR THE RESERVATION

by Billie K. Fidlin, April 30, 2020

Imagine. For just a moment, walk with me, through more than 27,000* square miles in Arizona, New Mexico and Utah. 27,000 square miles of many homes without running water or other infrastructure that many of us simply live with daily as part of our "normal". A place where the temperatures vary from 15F to 83F. Imagine heating through only the use of propane or firewood in so many homes. A place where seasonal torrential rains render many unpaved roads impassible and flash floods are common. Imagine meeting your economic needs with a median household income of \$20,005.00.

Imagine a people with a spirit of survival and triumph. A people who value not only their elders, but as a matriarchal society have a strong sense of family allegiance and obligation. A people who place value on tradition and realize the stress brought about by reservation to urban migration. A people who's courage is exhibited in the Navajo Code Talkers from World War II. Navajo artists whose works are in many of our homes – from their woven rugs and blankets to jewelry of silver and turquoise. As the largest tribe their population as of the 2016 count equaled 356,890 tribe members – and roughly 170,000 Navajos still speak Navajo. Such heritage!

A rich history. A painful history such as in 1864, when thousands of Navajos were forced to surrender to American soldiers, enduring "The Long Walk" to Ft. Sumner New Mexico where they lived and died in horrible conditions from beginning to end. A history that includes the creation of the Four Corners Ministry, "Where the Holy Spirit Touches Navajo Hearts."** A history of trials and great achievement.

While this background is interesting, perhaps this very day is of more immediate interest. Why should the people of the Desert Southwest Conference concern themselves with the Navajo Nation? Among the many reasons: we are a people of faith who care for the vulnerable; many of our churches send work teams to sites on the reservation for hands-on mission trips; and we engage in ministry on the reservation, from Bible studies near Page to the United Methodist Church presence in concert with the Four Corners Ministry.

But there is one painful event that is drawing our attention to mission. COVID-19. The virus is

devastating the Navajo. The greatest deterrent, simply washing our hands frequently, for many is impossible. It is hard to wash hands without running water. Hospitals are few and not easily traveled to. We cannot do much about the hospital access. We can help with water. As of April 29, 2020, 1,977 positive cases have been identified for COVID-19, with 62 deaths. These numbers rise daily. With population dispersal throughout the region and the lack of accessibility to health care and water, as with many parts of the country these statistics represent only what is known for certain and may not reflect accurately how the virus has impacted the people. Additionally, as Rev. Tweedy Sombrero, former chair of the Conference Committee on Native American Ministries shared, "Part of the reason COVID is spreading so fast, culturally families live in clusters and a handshake is very important. To greet one another with a handshake is very important and then all of a sudden one cannot do this or see each other is devastating to tribal members."

This year's Annual Conference Mission Project is to receive donations that will be put toward providing water where it is needed on the reservation. While we understand that many of us have experienced furloughs or job lay-offs, we also understand the mission heart of the Desert Southwest Conference. Your donation can be made electronically or by post mail. Please remember to indicate that this is for Mission Project 2020: Water!



Online Giving: <https://dscumc.org/secure/payments/>

NOTE: In "Purpose of Payment" please note AC Mission Project 2020. In "Other Details" please list your church name

Mail-In Giving: Desert Southwest Conference
P.O. Box 32830
Phoenix, AZ 85064

NOTE: On your check please note AC Mission Project 2020 & please list your church name



JUNE CELEBRATIONS

*If your name is missing, or you find an error, please call the Church Office.
We truly don't mean to make mistakes or to leave anyone out!*

Happy Birthday!

Larson, Marilyn 06/01
Lemmon, Harley 06/01
Robertson, Tom 06/01
Blohm Bendix, Linda 06/02
Schlee, Barb 06/01
Crites, Kenneth 06/02
Fenske, Howard 06/02
Martin, Charlotte 06/02
Hopkins, Diane 06/03
Thacker, Ruth Ann 06/03
Colehour, Sharon 06/04
Greenlee, Kay 06/04
Hill, John 06/04
Strong, Gordon 06/04
Tambke, James (Jim) 06/04
Galliat, Susan 06/05
Lindemann, Carole 06/05
Rosenberg, Rose 06/05
Villalpando, Socorro 06/05
Baylor, Jeremy 06/06
Burris, Ruth 06/06
Ramacher, Don 06/06
Schaefer, Jeffrey (Jeff) 06/06
Formento, Kathy 06/07
Gilbreath, Shirley 06/07
Williams, Karen 06/07
Graham, Larry 06/08
Markert, Grace 06/08
Stofferan, Bruce 06/08
Webster, Don 06/08
Williams, Todd 06/08
Abbott, Dave 06/09
Hopkins, Ken 06/09
Karr, Michael 06/09
Hughes, Lee 06/10
Wever, Mike 06/10
Kachelmeyer, Carol 06/11
Noe, Mary Beth 06/11
Olson, Renee 06/11
Otterstein, Ottie 06/11
Minatree, Melissa 06/12
Parsons, Jean 06/12
Sweeney, Dan 06/12
Brigham, Amia 06/13
Phillips, Lorraine 06/13
Schaefer, Crista 06/13
Van Dusseldorp, Marge 06/13
Johnson, Shirley 06/14

Carlozzi, Mid 06/15
Cleavenger, Ariana 06/15
Nolan, Calder 06/15
Pitman, Pamela (Pam) 06/16
Anderson, D.J. 06/17
Elieff, Helen 06/17
Fyfe, Bill 06/17
Jones, Reagan 06/17
Manbeck, Jacob 06/18
Urbach, Arthur 06/18
Abbott, Jan 06/19
Larson, George 06/19
Rickey, Patricia 06/19
Snyder, Lorrie 06/19
Waterman, Ruth 06/19
Adams, Hunter 06/20
Caughey, Joy 06/20
Barnett, Karen 06/21
Curtis, Lisa 06/20
Gust, Lois 06/20
Rhoton, Blakely 06/20
Rhoton, Max 06/20
Ceynar, Rick 06/21
Blankenship, Roger 06/22
Dunn, Carol 06/22
Jurgens, Donna 06/22
Kidwell, Lucy 06/22
Paone, Ellen 06/22
Cleavenger, Alisha 06/23
Collins, Jim 06/23
Ewing, Ruth 06/23
Hegna, Jack 06/23
Hetherington, Betty 06/23
Pappalardo, Michelle 06/23
Ryan-Hick, Pam 06/23
Balon, Sandy 06/24
Denton, Chris 06/24
Tyler, Larry 06/24
Galbraith, Damon 06/25
Talbot, Bobbie 06/25
Moyer, Bob 06/26
Quanstrom, Fay 06/26
Sweeney, Lorene 06/26
Wittstock, Claudia 06/26
Dage, Carol 06/27
Keller, Julius 06/27
Sandness, Paul 06/27
Anderson, Beth 06/28
Brigham, Danielle 06/28
Hansen, Kathy 06/28
Hayes, Jeff 06/28

McBride, Gene 06/28
Scott, Ardie 06/28
Saathoff, Jill 06/29
Eshelman, Skip 06/30
Laich, Nick 06/30
Larson, Nona 06/30

Happy Anniversary!

Hughes, Doug & Lee 06/01
Muir, Barbara & Vyrn 06/01
Tucker, Paula & Rush 06/01
Kinder, Elizabeth & Dick 06/03
Wachtel, Daniel & Susan 06/04
Breuklander, Paul & Bobbie 06/05
Carnahan, Karen & Bob 06/05
Elms, Juanita & Jack 06/05
Oxley, Gene & Vicki 06/05
Rolley, Betty & Bud 06/05
Walker, Ron & Linda 06/05
Arquisch, Duri & Rosemary 06/06
Brown, Jeff & Karen 06/06
Falk, Ellis & Marilyn 06/06
Mueller, Gary & Sandy 06/06
Walker, Jerry & Mary Ellen 06/06
Graves, Donna & Bob 06/07
Sisson, Tony & Pam 06/08
Lewis, Carol & Dean 06/09
Scott, Jay & Peggy 06/09
Creel, Cherie & William 06/10
Miller, Janeane & Roger 06/10
Rowe, Ella Mae & Jack 06/10
Alford, Jo & Keith 06/11
Atkinson, Judy & Bill 06/11
Burris, Ruth & Terry 06/11
Fye, Ben & Carol 06/11
Hahn, Dave & Jan 06/11
Lilly, Rod & Sue 06/11
Miller, Fred & Nancy 06/11
Lang, Caryl & Charlie 06/12
McDaniel, Marilyn & Steve 06/12
Parsons, Laura & Terry 06/12
Travis, Mark & Pam 06/12
Ewing, John & Ruth 06/13
Morris, Claudia & Elgin 06/13
Waechter, Nancy & Bill 06/13
Becker, Bonnie & Jack 06/14
Berry, John & Myra 06/14
Martini, Cindy & Wayne 06/14
Richter, Jack & Val 06/14

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JUNE CALENDAR

(Calendar is subject to change;
For more info, please visit www.GoldCanyonUMC.org or call the Church Office)

Mon Jun 1	All day	Whit Monday	Mon Jun 8	5pm	Country Worship (ONLINE)
	9am	Bible Banter (ONLINE)		6:30pm	Youth Group (ONLINE)
	10am	UMW Mtg (ONLINE)		9am	Bible Banter (ONLINE)
	1pm	Grief Support Mtg (ONLINE)		10am	***SUSPENDED*** UMW Leadership Committee (SoGR)
	7pm	Al-Anon (SoGR)		10am	UMW Mtg (ONLINE)
	7pm	CoDA Mtg (ER)		1pm	Grief Support Mtg (ONLINE)
Tue Jun 2	6pm	***SUSPENDED*** One in the Spirit Reh (KR)	Tue Jun 9	7pm	Al-Anon (SoGR)
	6:30pm	***SUSPENDED*** Canyon Carillon Rehearsal (S)		7pm	CoDA Mtg (ER)
	7pm	***SUSPENDED*** UG Rehearsal		9am	***SUSPENDED*** Stitches Unlimited (B-MC)
Wed Jun 3	9:30am	***SUSPENDED*** Music Librarians (MR)	Wed Jun 10	6pm	***SUSPENDED*** One in the Spirit Reh (KR)
	11am	Cancer Support Group (ONLINE)		6:30pm	***SUSPENDED*** Canyon Carillon Rehearsal (S)
	11:45am	Healing & Prayer Time (ONLINE)		7pm	***SUSPENDED*** UG Rehearsal (KR)
	5pm	***SUSPENDED*** Wranglers for the Lord (KR)		9:30am	***SUSPENDED*** Music Librarians (MR)
	6:30pm	Youth Bible Study (ONLINE)		11am	Cancer Support Group (ONLINE)
Thu Jun 4	9am	***SUSPENDED*** Prayer Shawl Ministry (S-MC)	Thu Jun 11	11:45am	Healing & Prayer Time (ONLINE)
	9:30am	***POSTPONED*** Class: "A Manner of Balance" by Dignity Health (E-MC)		5pm	***SUSPENDED*** Wranglers for the Lord (KR)
	1pm	***SUSPENDED*** DISCIPLE II (ER)		6pm	***SUSPENDED*** Mtg: Vista del Corozon HOA (S-MC)
	6pm	Class: "Bad Girls of the Bible" (ONLINE)		6:30pm	Youth Bible Study (ONLINE)
	6:30pm	Youth Group Netflix Party (ONLINE)		All day	Corpus Christi
	6:30pm	***SUSPENDED*** Choir Rehearsal (Music)		9:30am	***POSTPONED*** Class: "A Manner of Balance" by Dignity Health (E-MC)
	Fri Jun 5	10am		***SUSPENDED*** Mtg: Superstition Mtn Astronomical League (E-MC)	1pm
5:30pm		AA (ER)	1pm	***SUSPENDED*** Gold Canyon Arts Council Mtg (S-MC)	
6:30pm		Youth Group Netflix Party (ONLINE)	6pm	Class: "Bad Girls of the Bible" (ONLINE)	
Sat Jun 6		10am	***POSTPONED*** Mtg: GC Coordinating Council (S-MC)	6:30pm	Youth Group Netflix Party (ONLINE)
	Sun Jun 7	All day	Trinity Sunday	Fri Jun 12	6:30pm
8am		Traditional Worship (ONLINE)	10am		***SUSPENDED*** Mind Menders (ER)
9am		***SUSPENDED*** UG Rehearsal (KR)	10am	***SUSPENDED*** Mtg: Superstition Mtn Astronomical League (E-MC)	
9:30am		***SUSPENDED*** "The Table" Adult Grp (E-MC)	5:30pm	AA (ER)	
9:30am		***SUSPENDED*** Children Sunday School (EB)	6:30pm	Youth Group Netflix Party (ONLINE)	
9:30am		***SUSPENDED*** Traditional Worship (ONLINE/S)	Sun Jun 14	8am	Traditional Worship (ONLINE)
9:30am		***SUSPENDED*** Youth Participate in Worship (S)		9am	***SUSPENDED*** UG Rehearsal (KR)
9:30am		***SUSPENDED*** Youth Sunday School (YR)		9:30am	***SUSPENDED*** "The Table" Adult Grp (E-MC)
10:50am		***SUSPENDED*** Children's Sunday School (NAR)		9:30am	***SUSPENDED*** Children Sunday School (EB)
10:50am		***SUSPENDED*** Praise Worship (Koinonia)		9:30am	***SUSPENDED*** Traditional Worship (ONLINE/S)
3:30pm	***SUSPENDED*** Country Music Rehearsal (KR)	9:30am		***SUSPENDED*** Youth Sunday School (YR)	

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	10:50am	***SUSPENDED*** Children's Sunday School (NAR)		7pm	Al-Anon (SoGR)
	10:50am	***SUSPENDED*** Praise Worship (Koinonia)		7pm	CoDA Mtg (ER)
	3:30pm	***SUSPENDED*** Country Music Rehearsal (KR)	Tue Jun 23	9am	***SUSPENDED*** Stitches Unlimited (B-MC)
	5pm	Country Worship (ONLINE)		6pm	***SUSPENDED*** One in the Spirit Reh (KR)
	6:30pm	Youth Group (ONLINE)		6:30pm	***SUSPENDED*** Canyon Carillon Rehearsal (S)
Mon Jun 15	9am	Bible Banter (ONLINE)		7pm	***SUSPENDED*** UG Rehearsal (KR)
	10am	UMW Mtg (ONLINE)	Wed Jun 24	8am	***SUSPENDED*** Newsletter Team (MR)
	1pm	Grief Support Mtg (ONLINE)		9:30am	***SUSPENDED*** Music Librarians (MR)
	7pm	Al-Anon (SoGR)		11am	Cancer Support Group (ONLINE)
	7pm	CoDA Mtg (ER)		11:45am	Healing & Prayer Time (ONLINE)
Tue Jun 16	6pm	***SUSPENDED*** One in the Spirit Reh (KR)		5pm	***SUSPENDED*** Wranglers for the Lord (KR)
	6:30pm	***SUSPENDED*** Canyon Carillon Rehearsal (S)		6:30pm	Youth Bible Study (ONLINE)
	7pm	***SUSPENDED*** UG Rehearsal (KR)	Thu Jun 25	9am	***SUSPENDED*** Days for Girls (B-MC)
Wed Jun 17	9:30am	***SUSPENDED*** Music Librarians (MR)		9:30am	***POSTPONED*** Class: "A Manner of Balance" by Dignity Health (E-MC)
	11am	Cancer Support Group (ONLINE)		1pm	***SUSPENDED*** DISCIPLE II (ER)
	11:45am	Healing & Prayer Time (ONLINE)		6:30pm	***SUSPENDED*** Choir Rehearsal (MR)
	5pm	***SUSPENDED*** Wranglers for the Lord (KR)	Fri Jun 26	10am	***SUSPENDED*** MindMenders (ER)
	6:30pm	Youth Bible Study (ONLINE)		10am	***SUSPENDED*** Mtg: Superstition Mtn Astronomical League (E-MC)
Thu Jun 18	9am	***SUSPENDED*** Prayer Shawl Ministry (S-MC)		5:30pm	AA (ER)
	9:30am	***POSTPONED*** Class: "A Manner of Balance" by Dignity Health (E-MC)		6:30pm	Youth Group Netflix Party (ONLINE)
	1pm	***SUSPENDED*** DISCIPLE II (ER)	Sun Jun 28	8am	Traditional Worship (ONLINE)
	6pm	Class: "Bad Girls of the Bible" (ONLINE)		9am	***SUSPENDED*** UG Rehearsal (KR)
	6:30pm	Youth Group Netflix Party (ONLINE)		9:30am	***SUSPENDED*** "The Table" Adult Grp (E-MC)
	6:30pm	***SUSPENDED*** Choir Rehearsal (Music)		9:30am	***SUSPENDED*** Children Sunday School (EB)
Fri Jun 19	10am	***SUSPENDED*** Mtg: Superstition Mtn Astronomical League (E-MC)		9:30am	***SUSPENDED*** Traditional Worship (ONLINE)
	5:30pm	AA (ER)		9:30am	***SUSPENDED*** Youth Sunday School (YR)
	6:30pm	Youth Group Netflix Party (ONLINE)		10:50am	***SUSPENDED*** Children's Sunday School (NAR)
Sat Jun 20,	9am	PEO Mtg (E-MC)		10:50am	***SUSPENDED*** Praise Worship (Koinonia)
	10am	***SUSPENDED*** UMW Mtg (B-MC)		3:30pm	***SUSPENDED*** Country Music Rehearsal (KR)
Sun Jun 21	8am	Traditional Worship (ONLINE)		5pm	Country Worship (ONLINE)
	9am	***SUSPENDED*** UG Rehearsal (KR)		6:30pm	Youth Group (ONLINE)
	9:30am	***SUSPENDED*** "The Table" Adult Grp (E-MC)	Mon Jun 29	9am	Bible Banter (ONLINE)
	9:30am	***SUSPENDED*** Children Sunday School (EB)		10am	UMW Mtg (ONLINE)
	9:30am	***SUSPENDED*** Traditional Worship (ONLINE/S)		1pm	Grief Support Mtg (ONLINE)
	9:30am	***SUSPENDED*** Youth Sunday School (YR)		7pm	Al-Anon (SoGR)
	10:50am	***SUSPENDED*** Children's Sunday School (NAR)		7pm	CoDA Mtg (ER)
	10:50am	***SUSPENDED*** Praise Worship (Koinonia)	Tue Jun 30	6pm	***SUSPENDED*** One in the Spirit Reh (KR)
	3:30pm	***SUSPENDED*** Country Music Rehearsal (KR)		6:30pm	***SUSPENDED*** Canyon Carillon Rehearsal (S)
	5pm	Country Worship (ONLINE)		7pm	***SUSPENDED*** UG Rehearsal (KR)
	6:30pm	Youth Group (ONLINE)			
Mon Jun 22	9am	Bible Banter (ONLINE)			
	10am	UMW Mtg (ONLINE)			
	1pm	Grief Support Mtg (ONLINE)			

If you are a Facilitator/Teacher/Leader of a class or small group and would like to start meeting with your group online, please contact the Church Office to set-up your online meeting space!



BITS-N-BYTES

ROADRUNNER & BULLETIN DEADLINES

Please send your content for the
July Roadrunner
 via email to ChurchOffice@GoldCanyonUMC.org
no later than 8:00am, Monday, 6/8/2020

Weekly Bulletin & Flower Orders
 12:00pm on the Wednesday of week to be listed

*GCUMC Publications are brought to you
 by Riechia Ralston, Debra Worley, Carol Lindaman
 the Roadrunner Assembly Team,
 the Friday Bulletin Assembly Team...
 and many other **treasured** volunteers!*

Not plugged in yet?...

If you haven't already, complete and submit a Time & Talents Sheet — available in the Lobbies of either building or the Church Office. We have many areas from which you can select and connect! It's a great way to make new friends, too!

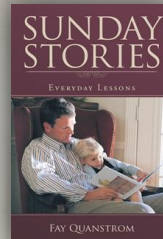
To see areas where you can serve/get involved, go to:
<https://secure.accessacs.com/access/mydashboard/sqavailablegroups.aspx>



Garden Music
 Wade and Cindy Hoff
 Mark Fearey, piano

Garden Music, a CD recorded by Cindy & Wade Hoff with pianist, Mark Fearey, is available for a suggested donation of \$10 at the Welcome Center or Church Office with proceeds going towards GCUMC's Chancel Choir.

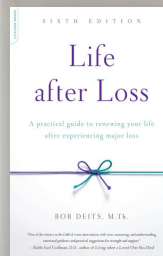
THE BOOK SHELF



"Sunday Stories: Everyday Lessons" by Rev. Fay Quanstrom is a collection of children's stories illustrating how Scripture truths "live" in the life of a child. Available on Amazon, Kindle, Nook, Church Office & Welcome Center. For more info, go to www.FayQuanstrom.com.



"Life Is Good—Once You Know How" by Terry Parsons & Jennifer Parsons is an uplifting gift for young adults, or grandchildren in your family who might be struggling to find their "niche". Available on Amazon, Kindle, and Nook. Check it out!



Life After Loss: A Practical Guide to Renewing Your Life After Experiencing Major Loss is the go-to resource for anyone suffering a major loss, by helping to find positive ways to put together a life that is necessarily different—but equally meaningful. Available on Amazon and Church Office.

www.YourLifeAfterLoss.com



You can watch all of our worship services (live and archived) by visiting:

- [\(www.Facebook.com/GoldCanyonUMC/\)](https://www.Facebook.com/GoldCanyonUMC/)
- <http://goldcanyonumc.org/watch-worship-services-live/>

CALLING ALL PURPLE HEART RECIPIENTS!



At GCUMC's next Celebration of Veterans, we would like to recognize Purple Heart Recipients who attend GCUMC. To be added to the recipient list, please email Nancy Fassbender (nfass@earthlink.net).



CONTRIBUTIONS & ATTENDANCE

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

- Romans 13:8 (NIV)

April	2017			2018			2019			2020		
	General	Building	Worship All	General	Building	Worship All	General	Building	Worship All	General	Building	Worship All
	99615	41987	8627	89681	28532	9549	67936 (\$25072 Easter)	27868	6912	99800 (\$40080 Easter)	31955	14228

WISH LIST

Want to give back to GGUMC beyond your pledge to the General Budget or Building Fund?

Below are Wish List items that will better enable us to fulfill our mission as a church:

- Loop Hearing System: (\$48,000; \$1,425 given so far)
- Fellowship Hall (\$2.4M; \$441,692 given so far)
- Stained Glass for upper Sanctuary windows (\$150,150 given so far; \$6,176 per 2'5"x2'8.5" remaining panels)
- Building Fund Debt Payoff (\$963,727 of 4/30/20)
- Organ Pipes: (\$124,668 given so far)



Electronic giving is a great option to use in making contributions, including recurring contributions and additional/special gifts.

- ✚ **AccessACS:** Very easy to set-up/modify 1-time/recurring donations; Call Church Office for info.
- ✚ **eGiving:** www.GoldCanyonUMC.org and click "Make Donation" button. This link now takes you to AccessACS electronic giving.
- ✚ **TEXT** your gift by sending "goldcanyonumc" to 73256 and follow screen instructions.



HAVE YOU CONSIDERED GIFTING YOUR HOME TO GCUMC?

- ✚ ... it's a practical means of reducing the size of one's estate.
- ✚ ... it simplifies life for one's heirs and executor (personal representative).
- ✚ ... it eliminates the hassle of having one's home on the market.
- ✚ ... it reduces one's taxes.
- ✚ ... it helps reduce the church's debt.
- ✚ ... it can be done through a lifetime estate, allowing a person to continue living in the home.

ACCESS ACS



You can add/update your photo and contact info — and so much more using GCUMC's online directory, AccessACS! If you aren't already using it, but would like to, send an email to ChurchOffice@GoldCanyonUMC.org with "AccessACS" in the subject line and we'll email you login instructions.

You can also view the GCUMC Church Directory on your phone using the ChurchLife app!



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REGULAR WORSHIP SERVICES

- ✝ 8:00am & 9:30am TRADITIONAL (*Sanctuary*)
✝ 10:50am PRAISE (*Koinonia Room*)
✝ 5:00pm COUNTRY (*Koinonia Room*)
(*Last Sunday of the month only in June, July & August*)

(Childcare available at 8:00am, 9:30am and 10:50am services)

REGULAR SUNDAY SCHOOL

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

- ✝ 9:30am Children / Youth / Adults
✝ 10:50am Children

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