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From the Pastor: "God Love is Generous"

During the last twelve months, I have tried to remember that God's love is generous. When I have seen people be selfish and self-serving, I remember that God is generous. Jesus always reacted to hurtful people with a generous heart. When people treated him cruelly he still loved them. He even loved them from the cross. The generosity of God has always inspired in me a desire to grow a generous spirit.

As Christians we learn to be generous with our love and with our encouragement of others. When hurt by others we learn to be generous in forgiveness and grace. We learn how to hold everything we have with an open hand and an open heart. In growing in generosity, we learn that life is not about us. It is about helping and loving others.

Part of a generous spirit is learning how to give out of the resources we have. How to give a portion of what we have for God's work in the world. In our support of God's ministry through the church, we enable others to worship and to get to know God. We enable children and youth to grow up as Christians. We are able to be a generous body of Christ that reaches out to our community.

In February, we will hold a two-week stewardship campaign titled, *"God's Love is Generous."* It is out of gratitude for what God has done for us that we want to give back to God and help others. We find as we give that we become even more grateful that we have the ability to be generous.

On Sunday, Feb. 14th we invite you to return your estimate of giving cards for 2021. One card will be for the General Budget and other card will be for the Building Fund. I invite you to join with us in ministry by being generous.

I will see you online on Sunday.

Grace and peace,

Fred

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

"...Following Jesus... Serving Others"

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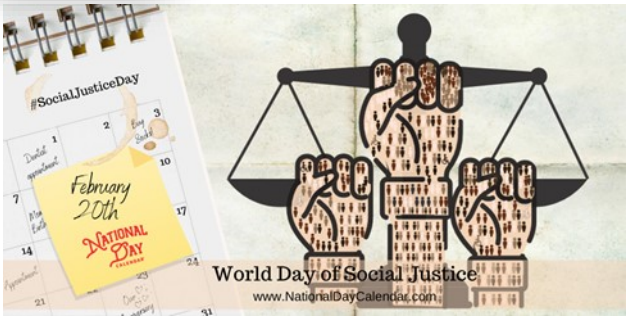


World Day of Social Justice

We Every year on February 20th, the World Day of Social Justice promotes the importance of fair and just relations between the individual and society. The day also tackles issues such as poverty, exclusion, gender equality, human rights, and social protections.

Social justice has become a popular idea in recent years. However, the idea of it goes back to the time of Saint Augustine of Hippo, a fourth-century philosopher. A Jesuit priest named Luigi Taparelli coined the phrase "social justice." Taparelli was a Catholic scholar who lived from 1793 to 1882. The term social justice spread during the revolutions of 1848. This was a time of political upheavals in Europe.

In the United States, social justice became an issue during the Industrial Revolution. As the country prospered, the stark differences between the rich and the poor became increasingly obvious. Unfortunately, these stark differences still exist throughout the world.

Throughout the years, proponents have broken social justice down into five principles:

- Dignity of the human being – ensuring all humans have basic necessities and rights.
- Primacy of the common good – making choices that benefit everyone.
- Reciprocal rights and responsibilities – the right to have a conscience and the responsibility to be kind to others.
- Dignity of work and rights for workers – all people have the right to work safely.
- Fundamental option for the poor and the vulnerable – ensuring that the marginalized in society are looked after.

The pursuit of social justice for all is at the heart of the United Nation's global mission to promote the development and human dignity. The UN's Declaration of Social Justice for a Fair Globalization focuses on fair outcomes through employment, social protection, and rights at work. On November 26, 2007 the United Nations General Assembly declared that February 20th was to be celebrated annually as the World Day of Social Justice.

HOW TO OBSERVE #SocialJusticeDay:

- Learn why social justice is important.
- Commit to always treating others fairly and justly.
- Watch a movie with a social justice theme, such as *The Hate U Give, Fruitvale Station*, and *Selma*.

Ash Wednesday Service

Ash Wednesday is the first day of Lent and occurs 46 days before Easter. Ash Wednesday derives its name from the practice of placing ashes on the foreheads of adherents as a sign of mourning and repentance to God. Please join us for our online experiential worship service on Wed., 2/17. Small baggies of ashes and sea glass will be available to be picked up at the Church Office starting February 7th.

To the Caring Members and Friends of GCUMC:

Because there was such an outpouring of concern and love from so many of you on the recent death of my mother (and also the death of my dear friend, Grace Markert), I cannot thank you all individually. But, please know your cards, Facebook posts and other expressions of condolence were a sweet balm to my soul. You are my family, too, and even despite the pandemic, I have felt the closeness of a beloved community.

In Christian gratitude and reciprocal love,

Pastor Katharine

Lent 2021

Daily Scripture and Reflections for the Sacred Season

THE LORD, YOUR GOD,

is in your midst, a mighty savior, who will rejoice over you with gladness, and renew you in his love...

– ZEPHANIAH 3:17

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			17 FEBRUARY Ash Wed. God's loving message has always been, "It's never too late to change." *Joel 2:12-18*	**18 One Thing Is Certain** All people, even Christ, have suffered in life, but life does not end there. *Luke 9:22-25*	**19 Daily Bread** We need not fast from hearing God's Word or speaking his truth to the world. *Isaiah 58:1-9*	**20 Leave It Behind** When Jesus calls you by name, you don't need anything to follow him. *Luke 5:27-32*
21 Divine Archer God's rainbow bounds through the sky, promising salvation for all. *Genesis 9:8-15*	**22 You Are Christ** Now is the time to confess who Jesus is to all the world: our Savior and Lord. *Matthew 16:13-19*	**23 How to Pray** When you pray this Lent, reflect on what you will say, not how you will say it. *Matthew 6:7-15*	**24 One Day** One Word, one death, is enough witness to God's redemption of the world. *Jonah 3:1-10*	**25 Our Prayer** Lord, grant us whatever we need to keep our Lenten commitments. *Matthew 7:7-12*	**26 Justice for All** Do you owe anyone anything? Go, then, and repay your debts. *Matthew 5:20-26*	**27 God Is Romantic** Unrequited love, though bittersweet, still unites; however, war divides. *Matthew 5:43-48*
28 Sacrifice In God's reckoning, Jesus was the price to pay for the souls of those who needed him. *Romans 8:31-34*	**1 MARCH Confession** Be honest about the consequences of your words and actions *Daniel 9:4-10*	**2 You Can Run ...** God knows your intentions, but he also sees your daily works. *Isaiah 1:10, 16-20*	**3 Humble Thyself** The greatest power is given without reward, acknowledgment or credit. *Matthew 20:17-28*	**4 Living for Today?** Beyond this world is a kingdom of everlasting fullness and peace. *Jeremiah 17:5-10*	**5 Slavery** Don't sell yourself to anyone or anything. Jesus granted us freedom with his death. *Genesis 37:3-28*	**6 Give Thanks** Let your daily life be a song of praise to the God from which our life comes. *Psalm 103:1-4, 9-12*
7 Sabbath God created a day of rest for our sake. Honor him by setting aside some time for him today. *Exodus 20:1-17*	**8 Do Not Delay** If you discover God's presence today, why not go and stay with him? *2 Kings 5:1-15*	**9 Punished** Those who don't learn to forgive teach others to hold their deeds against them. *Matthew 18:21-35*	**10 Professor** Lord, your teachings are so wise, I want to spend my life learning and living them. *Psalm 147:12-20*	**11 Spring Thaw** Frozen inside? Open a window and let God's warmth into your home. *Psalm 95:1-2, 6-9*	**12 The Only Way** The road to God is the path of righteousness, the way to lasting joy. *Mark 12:28-34*	**13 Better than Mercy** Before turning to apologize today, turn your words and actions around. *Hosea 6:1-6*

Children's Education

Sherry Hussein

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

Hello everyone...Happy Heart month! Yes, February is known as American Heart month, motivating us to adopt a healthy lifestyle for a healthy heart. Valentine's Day, February 14th, "Love is in the air", on our minds and in our hearts. Gifts of chocolate, flowers, jewelry, cards, and more will be given & received with LOVE.

Remember to invite Jesus into your heart...always. Let Jesus be the light in your life. In John 8:12, Jesus says "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life." So Jesus is the Light! He sure makes my heart happy!

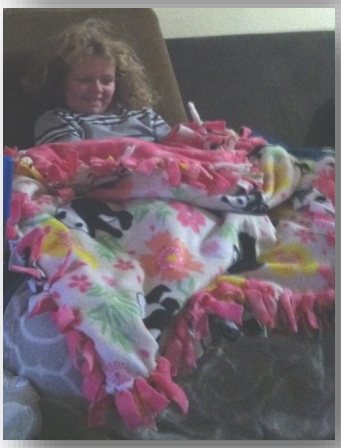
Love & blessings to all... Ms. Sherry

Sidewalk Children's Ministry

Sidewalk Children's Outreach Ministry serves Apache Junction area children. We meet on Saturdays from 10:00am—11:15am at the Desert Chapel UMC campus. Parents drop their children off at DCUMC, where they enjoy Bible lessons, outdoor activities, crafts, and service projects. We continue following the guidelines for social distancing & wearing masks.

Sandy Mueller has been a Sidewalk volunteer for many years and always has amazing crafts for the children to make. Rex Smith is our "Truck Guy" who has been volunteering with Sidewalk since the beginning. Rex sets up the ministry truck, stage and sound system, and recently he has been the "pizza runner". Many thanks to all the wonderful volunteers that continue serving, and ministering to the children.

This is our 17th year of Sidewalk, and we are very grateful to our GCUMC congregation for their continued support and blessing of this children's outreach ministry. Many thanks goes especially to Sheryl Butson and her Granddaughter Parker for the handmade blankets they made for the children in December... they loved them!



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. . If you would like to know more about Sidewalk Children's Ministry, please contact me at (480) 529-9621, or Bev Stout at (480) 926-6479.

Midweek Mountaineers

Our weekly Wednesday program for students 1st-6th grade continues to meet online. Children from GCUMC, their friends, and other children in our community join together for Bible lessons, music, trivia games, and more. Children receive lesson packets in the mail, then parents receive an email with our Zoom information.

During January the children learned about the Kings in the Bible, we started with the visit of the Magi bringing gifts to Jesus. Children participating received a Burger King gift card. We hope to be back together, meeting in person sometime soon.

Many thanks to Jan Daniels for assisting and teaching the children through scripture, and to John Nuss for sharing his music with us.

Be sure to watch for updates that will be posted in the weekly bulletin. For more info, please contact me SheriffSherry2000@gmail.com or (480)529-9621.

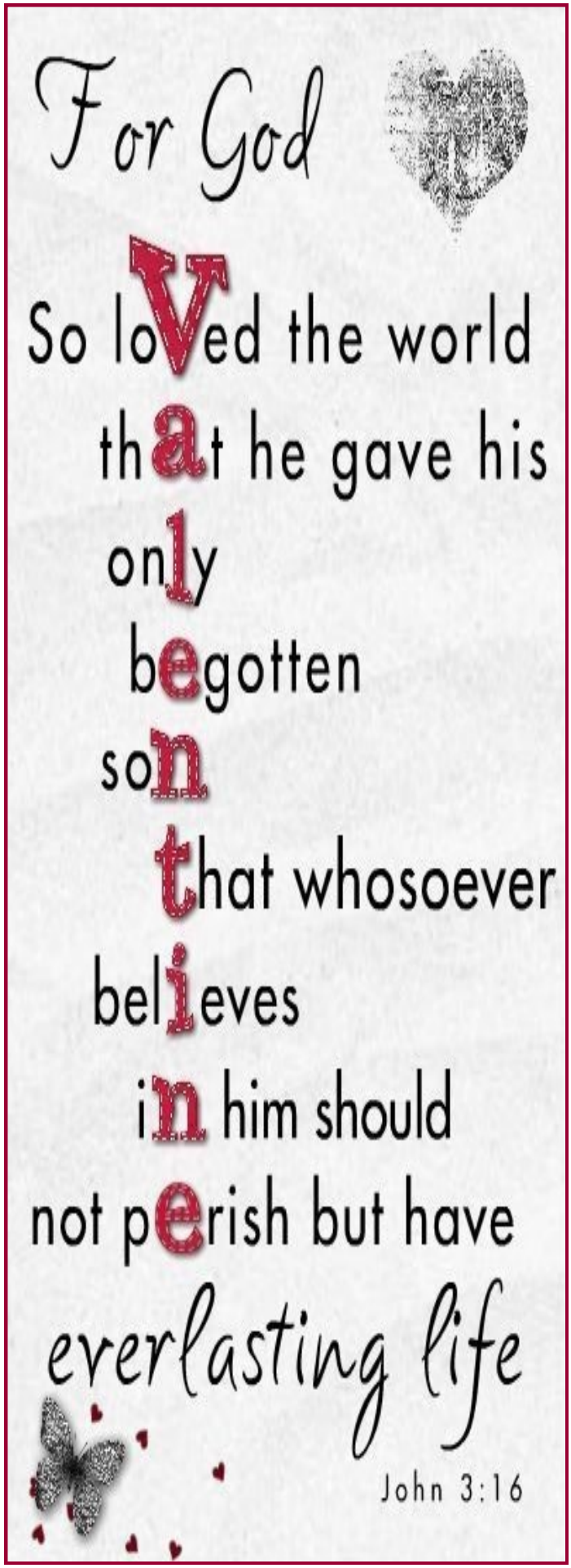
Sunday School & Zoom Sessions

The children will continue receiving packets in the mail with Bible lessons and fun activity pages. We will continue with Zoom chat sessions, and will let you all know when our Sunday school classes resume at the Church. Please contact Sherry if your children or grandchildren would like to join our group on Zoom, email sheriffsherry2000@gmail.com. For more info or to sign-up, please contact me at sheriffsherry2000@gmail.com or (480)529-9621.

Vacation Bible School 2021

We are looking ahead to the summer of 2021, and have high hopes with high hopes of having a traditional VBS program for the children. The Biblical theme for this year's VBS program will be revealed soon, with planning to begin this month. VBS is such a positive, uplifting experience for the children and volunteers who participate in the program.

Be sure to weatch for updates in the Sunday bulletin, as volunteers will be needed. We are all looking forward to what God is going to do through VBS 2021! Please contact me for more info, or to volunteer at (480)529-9621 or sheriffsherry2000@gmail.com.



Youth Group

Linda Clise, Youth Director

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

Happy Valentine's Day! Our Youth made valentines and we sent them to the troops overseas. It was a fun experience, learning about the different platoons that we will be supporting. We are later hoping to collect items that they specifically are asking to be sent to them.

As the holiday season wrapped up, our Youth are keeping busy! Most of them were able to participate in taping for the Youth Sunday Service.

Besides schoolwork, the youth are enjoying other aspects of life, getting out and doing some of the things that they really like to do such as: playing guitar, hiking, walking, camping, dancing, working with the family business, skiing and shopping & eating out.

Thank you for continuing to support the youth program!

Blessings, Linda

To participate online with Zoom, send an email to:
LindaKTClise@gmail.com

JOIN US!

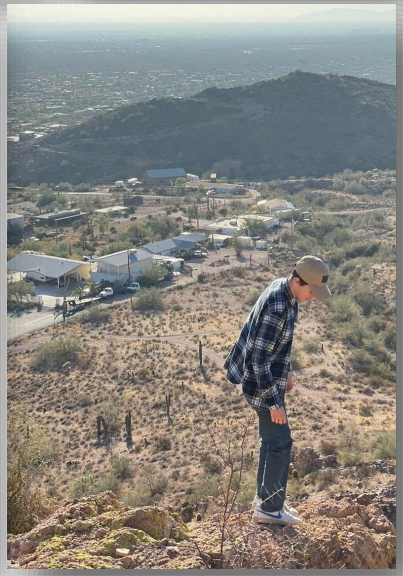
Youth Group

(Fun & faith-based programs & fellowship for7th—12th grades)

Thursdays at 6:30pm
Bible Study *(Hybrid)*

Fridays at 6:30pm
Netflix Movie Party

Sundays at 6:30pm
Youth Group *(In person; need reservation)*



Music Notes

Dr. Ian Classe, Director of Music Ministries

As we continue into the New Year, I only have a few pieces of news to pass on to you. The Music Department is still working under COVID restrictions, so it may be some time before you'll be hearing the bells, choir, and orchestra again in full. We're looking forward to returning to normal as vaccine distribution ramps up. I've heard from some folks that they're already getting theirs and others are reserving times, so hopefully within a few months many more will have them. This month and next we will be concluding the 2020-2021 season of the Gold Canyon UMC Performing Arts series.

On February 20 at 3:00pm, we'll be hosting the **SoSco Duo**, a unique pairing of flute and guitar coming out of Phoenix, in virtual concert. Alex and Laura perform a great variety of music with everything from Irish genres to Jazz and Classical. Alex Mack performs on guitar primarily for SoSco, but also specializes in voice and other instruments. During college he performed over 1,000 shows for Cedar Point Amusement park in Sandusky, Ohio and upon graduation, he was hired by Princess Cruises as principal orchestra guitarist where he traveled throughout Europe, the Pacific and Caribbean. In addition to being a founding member of the SoSco Duo, he is the Creative Director with Lonely Street Productions, a nostalgia-based nationally touring production company. Laura Strickland is a freelance flutist with music degrees from Northwestern University and Cincinnati College-Conservatory of Music and with doctoral studies at the University of Maryland and University of Illinois. In addition to playing with SoSco Duo, Laura is principal flute with Arizona Pro Arte Ensemble and teaches private flute lessons in Phoenix. Before relocating to Phoenix, Laura performed on flute and piccolo in a wide range of ensembles throughout Chicago, Cincinnati, Seattle and Washington D.C. It should be a treat to hear them together, performing both music new to us, as well as some familiar tunes. You can either stream the concert at 3pm or watch whenever is convenient for you from our website or Facebook. As always, GCUMC-hosted concerts are free admission, but we will be receiving a free-will offering if you're inclined to help out.

Next month, on March 8th, we'll be hosting the world-renowned Rice **Brothers** once again for their originally contracted concert for this season. More info on that will be posted on our website and the next newsletter.

Our closing concert for this season of the arts series is scheduled currently for March 21st and will be a kaleidoscope of different organ music and organs. I'm still ironing out the details but, this virtual concert will feature a number of different artists on different organs throughout the country and per usual, proceeds will go to support the Organ Project.

I'm still counting the days when we can all be together again, but in the meantime Choir and Bells are still regularly meeting via Zoom. If you'd like to join and say hello, even if you don't regularly participate in music, please let me know and I can send you the necessary connect info. As always, if you have any questions, concerns, or comments, feel free to email or call anytime. Be well!

Peace and best regards, Ian

Global Missions

Fay Quanstrom, Associate Pastor

No Loaves and Fishes

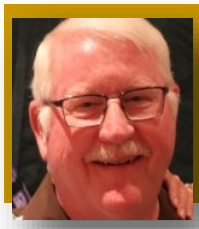
At **Fellowman International** in Honduras a primary concern has been hunger, food insecurity. This problem has increased with schools have been closed for nearly a full year, as many children received their most substantial meal of the day at school. The focus has now shifted from school lunches to feeding some of the most vulnerable. When the medical team travels village to village to provide medical care, the physician has been able to identify those who are malnourished or at greater risk, especially children and the elderly. As a result, deliveries of fresh chicken, raised by the mission, and food bundles have been made all over the mountain to those struggling with hunger. This is one of FMI's tangible ways to share Christ's love.

Covid-19 has threatened FMI healthcare professionals as they have been faced with the dilemma of risking their own lives to care for the sick, adding an extra layer of challenge to their work. Those living in remote areas are in particular need of early diagnosis and timely treatment. Home visits to deliver medications have helped to reduce the infection risk for fragile patients.

Through its budget, GCUMC provides modest annual contributions to Fellowman International and missionary Lisa Armstrong.

Gold Canyon United Methodist Church supports these Global Missions:

Fellow Man International of Honduras | World Vision | Delbert & Sandy Groves Missionaries New Life Center—Zambia A Ministry of the UMC | Rice + Beans Ministries | Mobility Worldwide



On the Country Side

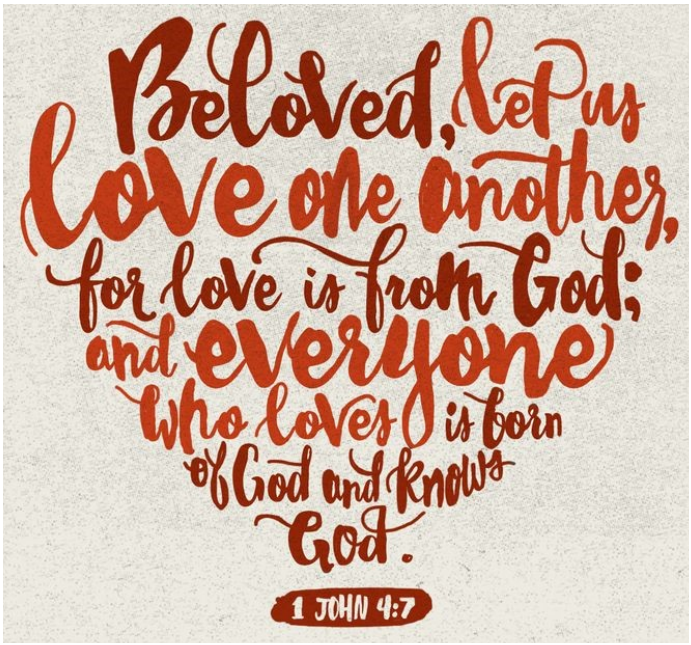
Dr. David Worley

The difficult year of 2020 has now passed, but the difficulties have not, as you well know! Never in my lifetime in America have I seen the kinds of developments we have faced in the opening days of the New Year. But, I remind you that the God of the Bible is the Sovereign of the universe. His purposes will not fail and He has promised to uphold us in the time of hardship. Cling to Him!

Deb and I are so grateful for your continued support of our Country Western Service; our online attendance remains strong. However much, we wish it were otherwise, and will continue virtual worship for the foreseeable future.

The importance of worship however is not where, who, when or how but why. We worship because at all times, in all places and in all ways our God is worthy of our sincere adoration, so, please continue to join us in worship.

I am pondering a number of sermon topics or perhaps even an extended study of the Book of James, which someone suggested last year. I welcome your input as I did in 2019 at Christmas. Please send me an email, text or note expressing your opinion about sermons subjects for this coming year as well as ways I might pray for you and those close to you. Lent is, believe it or not just around the corner and I intend to offer a series of messages for the season that I trust will be a blessing to you. See you online!



Holy Land Trip ($3,498)
Rescheduled January 4-17, 2022

The Holy Land trip with Pastor Fred & Beth was rescheduled to January 4—17, 2022 due to the coronavirus.

If you've already paid your deposit, it can be left on file and you'll automatically be moved to this new trip date. If you'd like to withdraw from the trip, please contact Educational Opportunities and they will fully refund your deposit. Those who have paid their initial deposit will not need to pay the second deposit until July of 2021. All trip details remain the same and new brochures will be available in the future.

Pastor Fred would be glad to answer questions or email you a brochure if you contact him at revstein78@gmail.com or leave a message with the Church Office.

Pastoral & Congregational Care

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

Pastoral Care

Our Pastors are on-call to reach out to members and friends of Gold Canyon UMC. If you know someone in our congregation who is hospitalized, ill at home, needs a listening ear and/or prayers of the community, please send an email to GCUMCPrayers@gmail.com, call the Church Office at (480) 982-3776, or contact one of the pastors directly so they can be included on the prayer list.

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Dr. David Worley, Director, Congregational Care
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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.

Pastoral Note

Oswald Chambers wrote, "Faith never knows where it is being led, but it loves and knows the One who is leading." This reminds me of Paul's declaration, "…I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day what I have entrusted to him."

As I write this we are in the midst of a new surge of a variant of COVID-19 and experts predict that the virus is likely to still be prevalent even with the distribution of vaccines. Social distancing and masks will not go away. We are also encountering a whole new set of difficulties, uncertainty and confusion surrounding vaccine distribution and availability. Economic pressure continues and will probably also become more severe as people face an array of losses. We have already seen this impact on our church's benevolent ministries and we suspect it will only become more widespread.

Perhaps you're saying, "Well thanks for the good news!" Please remember these are predictions not prophecies. We simply do not know what tomorrow holds, which actually is not new; it's always been that way. Faith to face the furor is therefore even more essential. My friends, faith is an anchor for the soul. We live by faith – not a blind faith but a deep trust in the One who is trustworthy and faithful. One of my mother's favorite songs has these lyrics: "Many things about tomorrow I don't seem to understand. But I know who holds tomorrow and I know who holds my hand." God is sufficient for 2021 and beyond. You can count on it! — *Dr. David Worley*

Prayer Chain Ministry

Please email prayer requests to gcumcprayers@gmail.com.

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

Kay Cook
Phyllis Davis (MI)
Michael Deemie
Marlene Gloss
Grace Markert
Stacy Musial (MN)
James Shoop
Jerry Tippie

In Remembrance

Caring Corner

Kim Shroyer

Love

Is it too cliché to write about love in February? I am going to go with *"no"*. Valentine's Day can sometimes be the default holiday that comes to mind for this month, but that's not necessarily the kind of love I'm referring to. Instead, let's talk about putting God's love in action.

Last month we talked about hope and trust. And although we must place some hope and trust in humans at times, ultimately, we discussed both as they lie in God. But does having that hope and trust, also known as faith, mean that we sit back passively and wait for things (life) to happen to us? Does it mean we decide we have no control and just wait on God, or others, to fix what we currently see as wrong in our lives? Having faith in God doesn't necessarily mean we walk aimlessly through life with an attitude of *"oh well, there's nothing I can do, nothing's in my hands."*

As police officers, my husband and I once taught a program in the schools titled D.A.R.E. (Drug Abuse Resistance Education). Comprised of 17 lessons, and primarily focused on helping adolescents resist the temptations they faced regarding drug use, it was really a series of life lessons. In Lesson #7 we discussed rights and responsibilities – focusing on the fact that each of us has personal rights, and each of us has a responsibility to others to respect their rights.

Do we have responsibilities to God in how we carry out our faith here on earth? Of course we do, and the Bible is full of just what that means. One such place is 1 Corinthians 13:1-13:

13 If I speak in the tongues of mortals and of angels, but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. 2 And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. 3 If I give away all my possessions, and if I hand over my body so that I may boast,[a] but do not have love, I gain nothing.

4 Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant 5 or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; 6 it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. 7 It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

8 Love never ends. But as for prophecies, they will come to an end; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will come to an end. 9 For we know only in part, and we prophesy only in part; 10 but when the complete comes, the partial will come to an end. 11 When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child; when I became an adult, I put an end to childish ways. 12 For now we see in a mirror, dimly,[b] but then we will see face to face. Now I know only in part; then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known. 13 And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love.
[NRSV]

Pastor Fred did a sermon on conflict back in November. He reminded us that although portions of this scripture are quite often used in weddings to honor the vows and the love a couple has for one another, the Apostle Paul wrote this scripture regarding conflict. The Christians in Corinth at the time were struggling. There was sin, immorality, anger, and lack of unity. They weren't reflecting God's love to one another. This scripture reminds us that ***love is the greatest tool in dealing with conflict***. Pastor Fred highlighted ways to do this, and our obligations as Christians to - engage in healthy conflict, always have a measure of humility, control our own behavior by refusing to act or react in anger, diffuse strong emotions by listening, and agree where we can. Worship on that day ended with the song *They Will Know We Are Christians By Our Love*, the song couldn't have been more perfect.

I recently read this somewhere - *"Jesus didn't have to agree with everyone to be kind to them."* Wow, different language, but the same important message! Will they know we are Christians by our love? If you are in a position where loving as we've discussed here is not coming easy, and you are unable to fully express your faith in how you love others, then you aren't alone. Times are trying.

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Ministry & Missions

SCRIP Bus & Van Fund

Thank you for your continued support... Well done good and faithful Bashas' card users! Thanks for that extra effort to recharge your cards, and we are very grateful for those who have linked-up their Amazon to Smile and Fry's. It's so easy to do so... just call if you need help!

A reminder to those who are returning and shop Bashas: You can recharge the Community Support cards that you have and add more money to use as a payment card. All purchases made using the Community Card at Bashas benefits the Church at 6%, and doesn't cost you anything except your time to recharge the card before the cashier rings up your groceries! If you have funds on your card and fail to use it within 12 months, an inactivity fee is deducted at $2 per month by Bashas. If you need a card or a replacement card, please contact Jan at (480)540-7454) or the Church Office.

YOUR recently reported participation in the programs to support the bus and van program, as well as for 2020:

Year 2020 (per available info)

• Bashas'	$ 1772	$ 5102
• Fry's	$ 205	$ 812
• Amazon Smile	$ 120	$ 324
• Individuals		$ 150
• **Grand Total**	**$ 2097**	**$ 6388**

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

Thank you for your continued support!

amazonsmile 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.

Great news... AmazonSmile customers can now support GCUMC in the Amazon shopping app on mobile phones (iOS & Android)! Follow the below instructions to turn on AmazonSmile and start generating donations to support our Bus/Van Fund.

- Open the Amazon Shopping app on your device.
- Go into the main menu of the Amazon Shopping app and tap into 'Settings'.
- Tap 'AmazonSmile' and follow the on-screen instructions to complete the process.

Bashas' 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.'

fry's 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.

United Methodist Women

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FAITH · HOPE · LOVE IN ACTION

Return to Love

"Love divine, all loves excelling,
Joy of heaven,
to earth come down;
Fix in us thy humble dwelling;
All thy faithful mercies crown!
Jesus, thou art all compassion,
Pure, unbounded love thou art;
Visit us with thy salvation;
Enter every trembling heart."

from Love Divine, All Loves Excelling;
words by Charles Wesley, 1747.

"I give you a new commandment: Love each other. Just as I have loved you, so you also must love each other. This is how everyone will know that you are my disciples, when you love each other." —John 13:34-35.

Alisha L. Gordon, M.Div., the executive for spiritual growth for the United Methodist Women national office, wrote in 2017 of Jesus' words at the Last Supper:

"Commandments are an essential part of the Christian

faith; the Ten Commandments shaped the legacy of God's relationship to the Children of Israel for centuries. The Old Testament contains over 600 laws for the Children of Israel to follow, and by the time we encounter Jesus in the New Testament, we still see evidence of the Commandments in the everyday lives of the people He encounters. Often, Jesus challenged the Commandments of old with more simplistic commandments, rooted not in mundane rule following, but in a change of heart.

When Jesus gives the Disciples the commandment to love one another in John 13:34, Jesus took a laundry list of commandments and simplified it down to one: Love one another. We'd think that having to follow only one commandment is easier than following the 600 laws in the Old Testament plus the Ten Commandments God gave Moses, but if we're honest with ourselves, this single commandment is the hardest of all."

The United Methodist Women is a mission organization ruled by this one commandment: to love one another. We are not called to judge or to even understand one another, but to love unconditionally. The UMW fulfills this commandment through our missions around the world, through the empowering of women and youth in their communities, through helping those who are disenfranchised, through educating our members and others. Love is such a powerful force! With God's help, it can move mountains and bring about miracles! Let us focus on this.

The Gold Canyon UMW continues to meet every Monday on Zoom from 10:00am—11:00am, and can be joined by clicking the below link, which is also included in the Weekly Bulletin. Please join us there as we pray and fellowship.

To join: https://zoom.us/j/99192245351?pwd=SVpUczU1QUtZMU9ndkluaStlYSs1dz09

Our Gold Canyon UMW Reading Program will be hosting a monthly get-together! Our first will be on Wednesday, February 3, 2021, from 10:00 am to 12:00 noon on the patio outside the Barnabas Room at the Missions Center. There will be an opportunity to check out and return books, discuss the books we have read (a mini book club!), and to fellowship together. This is a drop-in event; no need to register. Bring a cup of coffee or tea and sit for a while! For more information, contact Peggy Kinder at p.kinder@mchsi.com or 480-474-0964. We ask that you please wear a mask.

Our Matthew 25 Prison Ministry will have its monthly Zoom meeting on February 18, 2021, from 10:00 am to 11:00 am. If you are interested in learning more about this wonderful ministry, please join us. We would love to have more women serve as pen pals; this is a great way to provide hope, inspiration, and companionship to women currently serving prison terms at Perryville Women's Prison.

Our Gold Canyon UMW Culinary Circle hopes to meet in person or virtually sometime in February. If you are interested in cooking, baking or even just eating, please contact Carol Johnson at caroljohnsonaz@yahoo.com or 602-750-2008.

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Food Bank

Goodbye 2020! The GCUMC Food Bank volunteers' dedication to serving those in need goes beyond simple words. They distributed more than 250,000 pounds of food to 3,200 households, while keeping themselves and guests safe. The Food Bank was also blessed with amazing support from the entire community. We couldn't have succeeded in accomplishing our mission without your help. We are truly blessed!

Sometimes just bouncing your thoughts and fears off one of our Pastors can take the weight of the world off your shoulders. ***Please remember that at GCUMC we are blessed with 4 pastors who are there for you. Let them help.*** 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 (currently emailed to congregants prior to Sunday on-line worship services), church office or the Pastoral and Congregational Care page of this newsletter.

Let your steadfast love, O Lord, be upon us,
even as we hope in you. ~ Psalm 33:22 [NRSV]

L THE LORD
O YOUR GOD
V LOVES YOU.
DUETERNOMY 23:5

FRIENDSHIP
and what it means
to me...

LOVE IS...
what is love?

1 GOD IS LOVE

2 GOD LOVES ME

3 I CAN LOVE GOD

A friend is
someone WHO...

Name:

February 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!

Behan, John (Jack) 02/01
Hoerter, Coleen 02/03
Barton, Marlene 02/04
Benjamin, Chris 02/04
Hoefs, Ed 02/05
Hoff, Cynthia 02/05
Lindaman, Carol 02/05
Merrick, Jim 02/05
Osgood, Gladys 02/05
Barraza, Roman 02/06
Barraza, Vivienne 02/06
Bos, Daniel 02/06
Breuklander, Bobbie 02/06
Lambert, Alice 02/06
Oxley, Gene 02/06
Chase, Donna 02/07
Elek, Deane 02/07
Cook, Ted 02/08
Mogharbel, Amira 02/08
Nelson, Joni 02/08
Novak, Sandra 02/08
Pappalardo, Megan 02/08
Hicks, Steve 02/09
Peterson, Marilyn 02/09
Waytenick, Dave 02/10
Brown, Barbara 02/11
Halterman, Bobbie 02/12
McBride, Paula 02/12
Unz, Gwen 02/12
Colaizzi, Michael 02/13
Elco, Jackie 02/13
Jacobsen, Elaine 02/13
Lane, Bonnie 02/13
Rumptz, Deborah 02/13
Travis, Mark 02/13
Willis, Gloria 02/13
Fridlund, Jo 02/14
Richter, Val 02/14
Schmidt, Judy 02/14
Christ, SuzAnne 02/15
McGinness, Anne 02/15
Sanders, George 02/15
Brannan, Thomas 02/16
Carpenter, Trudy 02/16
Russell, Bob 02/16
Adams, Ada 02/17
Burris, Terry 02/17
Malloy, Susan 02/17
Teller, Susan 02/17
Burzlaff, Julie 02/18
Newkirk, Edgar 02/18
Broderson, Darlene 02/20
Kaul, Imogene (Jean) 02/21
Atkinson, William (Bill) 02/22
Chase, Bob 02/22
Fratt, Genie 02/22
Ball, Margaret 02/23
Fye, Ben 02/23
Nelson, Wylladene 02/24
Beasley, Earl 02/25
McConnell, Alice 02/25
Rasmussen, Gordie 02/25
Daniels, Jacob 02/26
Owens, Ann 02/26
Giroux, Shane 02/27
Kness, Larry 02/26
Halbig, Shelley 02/27
Franklin, Char 02/28
Mulhair, Bob 02/28
Waechter, Nancy 02/28
Schwartz, Dick 02/29

Happy Anniversary!

Straka, Stan & Virginia 02/03/2016
Vorseth, Duane & Sue 02/04/1967
Adams, Ada & Michael 02/05/1984
Lackey, Sally & Steve 02/05/1978
Toppin, Beverly & Jim 02/05/1983
Colmer, Jerry & Margaret 02/06/1966
Nelson, & Patty 02/06/1961
Smith, Dave & Jeanie 02/06/1971
Zabel, Darlene & Vint 02/07/1959
Crites, Kenneth & Margaret 02/09/1962
Deits, Bob & Meise-Deits, Nancy 02/10/2018
Jacobsen, Betty & Bob 02/12/2015
Kness, Dee & Larry 02/12/1981
Clark, Daniel & Sharon 02/13/2016
Bliss, Joy & Dybwad, Gay 02/14/1990
Laich, Flossie & Nick 02/14/1953
Vander Stoep, Karen & Paul 02/14/1970
Lundberg, Betty & Joe 02/19/1966
Cooke, Teresa 02/21/1994
Larsen, David & Jan 02/24/1990
Burgi, Jenelu & Bob 02/28/1969

February Calendar

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

Mon Feb 1	All day	First Day of Black History Month
	10am	UMW Mtg (ONLINE)
	1pm	***SUSPENDED*** Grief Support Mtg (ONLINE)
	1:30pm	Class: 21-Day Racial Equity Habit Building Challenge (ONLINE)
	7pm	***SUSPENDED*** Al-Anon (SoGR)
	7pm	***SUSPENDED*** CoDA Mtg (ER)
Tue Feb 2	2pm	DISCIPLE 1 (ONLINE)
	2pm	DISCIPLE 2 (ONLINE)
	6pm	***SUSPENDED*** One in the Spirit Reh (KR)
	6pm	Trustees Mtg (ONLINE)
	6:30pm	***SUSPENDED*** Canyon Carillon Rehearsal (S)
	6:30pm	Youth Bible Study (Hybrid)
	7pm	***SUSPENDED*** UG Rehearsal (KR)
Wed Feb 3	9:30am	***SUSPENDED*** Music Librarians (MR)
	10am	***SUSPENDED*** UMW Book Club (BC-Patio)
	11am	Cancer Support Group (ONLINE)
	11:30am	Healing & Prayer Time (ONLINE)
	1pm	DISCIPLE 3 (Worley-ZOOM)
	1pm	DISCIPLE 4 (Paul-ZOOM)
	5pm	***SUSPENDED*** Wranglers for the Lord (KR)
	6pm	Midweek Mountaineers (ONLINE)
Thu Feb 4	9am	***SUSPENDED*** Prayer Shawl Ministry (S-MC)
	11am	Chat w/ Pastor Fred (ONLINE)
	6:30pm	***SUSPENDED*** Choir Rehearsal (Music)
Fri Feb 5	10am	***SUSPENDED*** Mtg: Superstition Mtn Astronomical (E-MC)
	5:30pm	***SUSPENDED*** AA (ER)
	6:30pm	Youth Games (ONLINE)
Sat Feb 6	10am	***POSTPONED*** Mtg: GC Coordinating Council (S-MC)
	4pm	Shareholder's Dinner Setup/Cleanup (KR/ER/Kitchen)
	5pm	Shareholder's Dinner (KR/ER/Kitchen)
Sun Feb 7	8am	Traditional Worship (ONLINE)
	9am	***SUSPENDED*** UG Rehearsal (KR)
	9:30am	***SUSPENDED*** "The Table" Adult Discussion Grp (E-MC)
	9:30am	***SUSPENDED*** Children Sunday School (KR)
	9:30am	***SUSPENDED*** Traditional Worship (ONLINE/S)
	9:30am	***SUSPENDED*** Youth Participate in Worship (S)
	9:30am	***SUSPENDED*** Youth Sunday School (YR)
	10:50am	***SUSPENDED*** Children's Sunday School (KR)
	10:50am	Praise Worship (ONLINE)
	3:30pm	***SUSPENDED*** Country Music Rehearsal (KR)
	4pm	***SUSPENDED*** Youth Group (on campus)
	5pm	Country Worship (ONLINE)
	6:30pm	Youth Group (on campus)
Mon Feb 8	10am	***SUSPENDED*** UMW Leadership Committee (SoGR)
	10am	UMW Mtg (ONLINE)
	1pm	***SUSPENDED*** Grief Support Mtg (ONLINE)
	1:30pm	Class: 21-Day Racial Equity Habit Building Challenge (ONLINE)
	7pm	***SUSPENDED*** Al-Anon (SoGR)
	7pm	***SUSPENDED*** CoDA Mtg (ER)
Tue Feb 9	9am	Stitches Unlimited (B&Patio-MC)
	9:30am	***SUSPENDED*** GC Garden Club (Esther-MC)
	2pm	DISCIPLE 1 (ONLINE)
	2pm	DISCIPLE 2 (ONLINE)
	6pm	***SUSPENDED*** One in the Spirit Reh (KR)
	6:30pm	***SUSPENDED*** Canyon Carillon Rehearsal (S)
	6:30pm	Youth Bible Study (Hybrid)
	7pm	***SUSPENDED*** UG Rehearsal (KR)
Wed Feb 10	9:30am	***SUSPENDED*** Music Librarians (MR)
	11am	Cancer Support Group (ONLINE)
	11:30am	Healing & Prayer Time (ONLINE)
	1pm	DISCIPLE 3 (Worley-ZOOM)
	1pm	DISCIPLE 4 (Paul-ZOOM)
	5pm	***SUSPENDED*** Wranglers for the Lord (KR)
	6pm	***SUSPENDED*** Mtg: Vista del Corozon HOA-DRC (S-MC)
	6pm	Midweek Mountaineers (ONLINE)
Thu Feb 11	11am	Chat w/ Pastor Fred (ONLINE)
	1pm	***SUSPENDED*** Gold Canyon Arts Council Mtg (S-MC)
	6:30pm	***SUSPENDED*** Choir Rehearsal (Music)
Fri Feb 12	10am	***SUSPENDED*** Mind Menders (ER)
	10am	***SUSPENDED*** Mtg: Superstition Mtn Astronomical (E-MC)
	3pm	Reserved (S)
	5:30pm	***SUSPENDED*** AA (ER)
	6:30pm	Youth Games (ONLINE)
	7pm	GCAC Concert: Musicum Delirium String Orchestra
Sat Feb 13	9am	***SUSPENDED*** PEO Mtg (E-MC)
Sun Feb 14	All day	Valentine's Day
	8am	Traditional Worship (ONLINE)
	9am	***SUSPENDED*** UG Rehearsal (KR)
	9:30am	***SUSPENDED*** "The Table" Adult Discussion Grp (E-MC)
	9:30am	***SUSPENDED*** Children Sunday School (KR)
	9:30am	***SUSPENDED*** Traditional Worship (ONLINE/S)
	9:30am	***SUSPENDED*** Youth Sunday School (YR)

	10:50am	***SUSPENDED*** Children's Sunday School (KR)
	10:50am	Praise Worship (ONLINE)
	3:30pm	***SUSPENDED*** Country Music Rehearsal (KR)
	4pm	***SUSPENDED*** Youth Group (on campus)
	5pm	***SUSPENDED*** Country Worship (ONLINE)
	6:30pm	Youth Group (on campus)
Mon Feb 15	All day	Presidents' Day (regional holiday)
	10am	UMW Mtg (ONLINE)
	1pm	***SUSPENDED*** Grief Support Mtg (ONLINE)
	1:30pm	Class: 21-Day Racial Equity Habit Building Challenge
	7pm	***SUSPENDED*** Al-Anon (SoGR)
	7pm	***SUSPENDED*** CoDA Mtg (ER)
Tue Feb 16	2pm	DISCIPLE 1 (ONLINE)
	2pm	DISCIPLE 2 (ONLINE)
	6pm	***SUSPENDED*** One in the Spirit Reh (KR)
	6:30pm	***SUSPENDED*** Canyon Carillon Rehearsal (S)
	6:30pm	***SUSPENDED*** Youth Bible Study (Hybrid)
	7pm	***SUSPENDED*** UG Rehearsal (KR)
Wed Feb 17	8am	***SUSPENDED*** Newsletter Team (MR) 9:30am ***SUSPENDED*** Music Librarians (MR)
	11am	Cancer Support Group (ONLINE)
	11:30am	Healing & Prayer Time (ONLINE)
	1pm	DISCIPLE 3 (Worley-ZOOM)
	1pm	DISCIPLE 4 (Paul-ZOOM)
	5pm	***SUSPENDED*** Wranglers for the Lord (KR)
	6pm	Midweek Mountaineers (ONLINE)
Thu Feb 18	9am	***SUSPENDED*** Prayer Shawl Ministry (S-MC)
	10am	Matthew 25 Ministry (ONLINE)
	11am	Chat w/ Pastor Fred (ONLINE)
	6:30pm	***SUSPENDED*** Choir Rehearsal (Music)
Fri Feb 19	10am	***SUSPENDED*** Mtg: Superstition Mtn Astronomical (E-MC)
	5:30pm	***SUSPENDED*** AA (ER)
	6:30pm	Youth Games (ONLINE)
Sat Feb 20	10am	***SUSPENDED*** UMW Mtg (B-MC)
Sun Feb 21	8am	Traditional Worship (ONLINE)
	9am	***SUSPENDED*** UG Rehearsal (KR)
	9:30am	***SUSPENDED*** "The Table" Adult Discussion Grp (E-MC)
	9:30am	***SUSPENDED*** Children Sunday School (KR)
	9:30am	***SUSPENDED*** Traditional Worship (ONLINE/S)
	9:30am	***SUSPENDED*** Youth Sunday School (YR)
	10:50am	***SUSPENDED*** Children's Sunday School (KR)
	10:50am	Praise Worship (ONLINE)
	3:30pm	***SUSPENDED*** Country Music Rehearsal (KR)
	4pm	***SUSPENDED*** Youth Group (on campus)
	5pm	Country Worship (ONLINE)
	6:30pm	***SUSPENDED*** Youth Group (on campus)
Mon Feb 22	10am	UMW Mtg (ONLINE)
	1pm	***SUSPENDED*** Grief Support Mtg (ONLINE)
	7pm	***SUSPENDED*** Al-Anon (SoGR)
	7pm	***SUSPENDED*** CoDA Mtg (ER)
Tue Feb 23	9am	***SUSPENDED*** Stitches Unlimited (B-MC)
	2pm	DISCIPLE 1 (ONLINE) 2pm DISCIPLE 2 (ONLINE)
	6pm	***SUSPENDED*** One in the Spirit Reh (KR)
	6:30pm	***SUSPENDED*** Canyon Carillon Rehearsal (S)
	6:30pm	***SUSPENDED*** Youth Bible Study (Hybrid)
	7pm	***SUSPENDED*** UG Rehearsal (KR)
Wed Feb 24	9:30am	***SUSPENDED*** Music Librarians (MR)
	11am	Cancer Support Group (ONLINE)
	11:30am	Healing & Prayer Time (ONLINE)
	1pm	DISCIPLE 3 (Worley-ZOOM)
	1pm	DISCIPLE 4 (Paul-ZOOM)
	5pm	***SUSPENDED*** Wranglers for the Lord (KR)
	6pm	Midweek Mountaineers (ONLINE)
Thu Feb 25	9am	***SUSPENDED*** Days for Girls (B-MC)
	11am	Chat w/ Pastor Fred (ONLINE)
	6:30pm	***SUSPENDED*** Choir Rehearsal (Music)
Fri Feb 26	10am	***SUSPENDED*** MindMenders (ER)
	10am	***SUSPENDED*** Mtg: Superstition Mtn Astronomical (E-MC)
	2pm	Reserved (S)
	5:30pm	***SUSPENDED*** AA (ER)
	6:30pm	Youth Games (ONLINE)
	7pm	GCAC Concert: Fitzgerald Family Fiddlers & Dancers (S)
Sat Feb 27	9am	PEO Mtg (E-MC)
Sun Feb 28	8am	Traditional Worship (ONLINE)
	9am	***SUSPENDED*** UG Rehearsal (KR)
	9:30am	***SUSPENDED*** "The Table" Adult Discussion Grp (E-MC)
	9:30am	***SUSPENDED*** Children Sunday School (KR)
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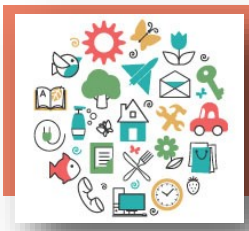
	6:30pm	***SUSPENDED*** Youth Group (on campus) campus)

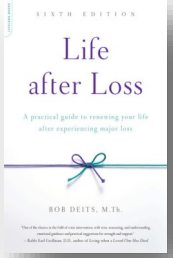
If you are a Facilitator/Teacher/Leader of a class or small group and would like to start meeting with your group online, please contact the Church Office to set-up your online meeting space!

Happy Valentine's Day

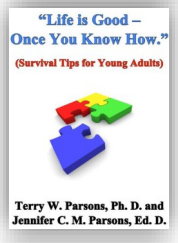


Bits-N-Bytes

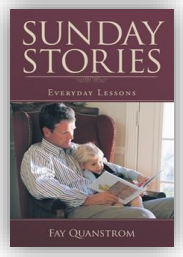
The Book Shelf



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



"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!



*"Sunday Stories: Everyday Lessons"*ã by Rev. Dr. 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.

Scholarship Ministry

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 18 years old
3. Complete in detail a GCUMC 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 June 1, 2021 together with corresponding reference letters/materials. If you would like to speak to a College Scholarship Ministry representative about making a contribution to the Program, or would like additional info, please contact the Church Office.

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.

Watch live and archived worship services and events at:

- http://goldcanyonumc.org/watch-worship-services-live/
- (www.Facebook.com/GoldCanyonUMC/)

Tax Prep Ministry

A church member graciously volunteers to assist GCUMC attendees who are struggling to prepare (or pay for the preparation of) their 2020 federal and state tax returns. To request an appointment, call the Church Office.

Roadrunner & Bulletin Deadlines

Please send your content for the
MARCH Roadrunner
via email to ChurchOffice@GoldCanyonUMC.org
no later than 8:00am, Mon., 2/8/2021

Weekly Bulletin & Flower Orders
12:00pm on the Friday two Sundays before Service to be listed

Contributions & Attendance

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

December	2017			2018			2019			2020		
	General	Building	Worship All	General	Building	Worship All	General	Building	Worship All	General	Building	Worship All
	110909	39617	8172	103801	22786	6666	118989	35001	9088	132010	26203	10073

Wish List

If you would like 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 raised so far)*
- **Fellowship Hall** *($2.4M; $773,966 raised so far)*
- **Stained Glass** for upper Sanctuary windows *($163,202 raised so far; $2,725 per 2'5"x 2'8.5" panel + scaffolding)*
- **Organ Pipes:** *($127,628 raised so far)*
- **Building Fund Debt Payoff** *($750,865/$222,000 prepaid in 2019)*

End of Year Charitable IRA Rollovers

- Per HR637 of 2015, donors age 70.5+ can make direct gifts to qualified charities via their IRA's WITHOUT owing income tax on those withdrawals.
- For more info, please consult your financial advisor, IRA Custodian or call the Church Office.

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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.

Gifting Your Home to GCUMC

... is a practical means of reducing the size of one's estate

... simplifies life for one's heirs and executor (personal representative)

... eliminates the hassle of having one's home on the market

... reduces one's taxes

... helps reduce the church's debt

... can be done through a lifetime estate, allowing a person to continue living in the home.

AccessACS

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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Addressee or Current Resident

Worship Services

- 8:00am TRADITIONAL *(Online)*
- 10:50am PRAISE *(Online)*
- 5:00pm COUNTRY *(Online)*

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 *(Koinonia Room)*
- 10:50am Children *(Koinonia Room)*

Staff

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