



FROM THE PASTOR: "WHEN THE AIR WENT OUT"



We stopped to visit the Great Basin National Park in Nevada on the drive home from our vacation in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho. This beautiful high alpine park is in the middle of nowhere, and our lodging for the night was down a seven-mile dirt road into a nearby canyon. As it grew dark and we drove down this lonely dirt road with no cell service, the rear right tire on our minivan was punctured and deflated with a hiss.

What a pain, I thought as I unpacked the van to uncover our spare tire. As I piled our stuff by the side of the dusty road, a truck pulled up with a woman inside. She asked if I needed help. I said that might be nice. She then told me her husband would follow her in about 10 minutes, and she was sure he would stop and help. About 10 minutes later, a man pulled up in a truck and offered assistance. He helped me jack up the van and pull off the damaged tire. Then he told me he worked at the resort where we were headed and could repair our tire if we would like.

I was blown away. The closest repair shop was in the wrong direction and about sixty miles away. I had thought it might be stupid to continue up the dirt road with the risk of blowing out another tire. But this Good Samaritan could solve my problem. He left with the tire, and by the time we put on the spare and drove to the ranch, he had our tire plugged and inflated. It was a homemade repair job with a plug, but I put it back on the van.

I was worried it might not hold up to the 115° heat predicted for the next day in Phoenix. But we drove 616 hot miles and arrived home safely. The following day I walked out to the garage and the tire was partially deflated. It had lasted long enough to get us home. That afternoon a Costco tire representative would tell me it was not fixable but it was under warranty.

So as we finished our road trip, I was treated to the kindness of a Good Samaritan and a patched tire that held up for the right amount of distance. A family member said I should claim the tire repair holding up as an act of God. Who knows. Maybe it was. The man, though, was acting out of compassion and kindness. The world is filled with many good people willing to help when necessary. I have experienced their goodness many times. Thank you, Alan!

I will see you on Sunday!

Grace and peace,

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CHRISTIAN EDUCATION & CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

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

COFFEE WITH THE PASTOR



learn more about our church.

If you are considering becoming a full or associate member of GCUMC, you are invited to join Pastor Fred and Pastor Katharine on Mon., 8/7 at 6:30pm in the Choir Room to

GRIEF SHARE



Our next GriefShare program starts on Tue., 9/5, at 1pm and will run for 13 weeks. The cost of the workbook is \$25. *(If you are repeating this program you will only need to pay \$15 for the new workbook.)* Shirley Feather will be the facilitator. One does not need to sign up ahead of time, but if you have questions, you may contact Shirley at (602) 214-3964.

INTERGENERATIONAL GAME NIGHT



Your Congregational Life Team is sponsoring Game Night for all ages on Friday, September 22 from 6:30pm—8pm in the Education Building! Snacks will be provided. Come enjoy meeting new people and just having lots of fun! Please direct any questions to Pastor Katharine at ladiebug1214@gmail.com or call the Church Office.

FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY



Join the millions who never have to worry about money again! With Financial Peace University, you'll learn the proven plan to pay off debt fast and save more money for your future. The 9-week session program will be facilitated by Darlene Zabel on Tuesdays at 6:30pm in the Education Building, beginning on October 3. Sign ups will begin the first week of September. There is a fee associated with this class.

40 DAYS IN THE WORD



In the fall Pastor Katharine will be facilitating the study, **40 Days in the Word** by Rick Warren. LOVE the Word. LEARN the Word. LIVE the Word. We will meet Thursday mornings from 10am-11:15am for 6 weeks beginning Oct. 5th. The cost of the workbook is \$25. Sign up will begin late August. Please email any questions to Pastor Katharine at ladiebug1214@gmail.com or call the Church Office.

WOMEN'S FALL RETREAT



Ladies of all ages – be sure to mark your calendars to save the dates for this year's Women's Weekend Retreat that is scheduled for November 3—5 at the beautiful and serene Franciscan Retreat Center in Scottsdale. *(Google it to check it out if you haven't been before!)* The registration will include class materials and all 6 meals and 2 nights' board (cost TBD and will vary depending on double-occupancy or single-occupancy rooms). Scholarship money will be available, as we do not want anyone left out!

"THE CHOSEN" DISCUSSION GROUP



This fall, we will be starting a discussion group based around the series, **"The Chosen,"** facilitated by Deane Elek and Jan Roller beginning Tuesday, November 7th from 2pm - 4:30pm. This will be a hybrid class (in-person and via Zoom), and participants will need to view the season beforehand.

ALL THINGS NEW STUDY GROUP

The *All Things New* study wrapped up on July 19. Members of the morning session are pictured on the next page.



Members of the evening session are pictured below.



TEAM VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



Pastor Katharine is inviting you to join her to serve on the Congregational Life Team or the Children's Ministry team. As a reminder, below are the Committee descriptions:

- **Congregational Life Team...** will create community-building activities that foster a sense of belonging and togetherness amongst our church members.
- **Children's Ministry Team...** will be responsible for assisting Pastor Katharine to provide opportunities for children to grow in their faith by working to create engaging and age-appropriate activities for children of all ages that teach them about the love of God and the importance of service in the community.

We would love your input and participation on either team! Please contact her with your willingness to help!

SUPPORT OUR SCHOOLS!

Many thanks to all who donated school supplies to our area students! We had boxes and boxes of school supplies delivered to Peralta and Four Peaks Elementary schools! A photograph of some of the donated items in on the next column.



YOUTH MEMBERS ATTEND HUME CAMP

A few of our Youth attended Hume Camp in California in July. (Pictured below: Lorelei Clise, Andrew Herron, Dalton Adams, Hunter Adams, Zachary Jolly, Nathan Jolly, Naomi Jolly, Linda Clise).



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ON THE GOSPEL SIDE

Dr. David Worley, Preaching Associate

Did you know there is a long list of special days in August? I was very surprised to find that there is clearly something for everyone during this month! (If you're interested go to this URL <https://www.holidayinsights.com/moreholidays/august.htm>.)

Inevitably, it seems we find reasons to celebrate whether it's a day like August 5 which is Underwear Day (really?) or a more serious day such as International Forgiveness Day that occurs on the first Sunday in August.

While we have silly and serious reasons to celebrate, nothing is more celebratory than our faith. Oh, how much we have to celebrate when we remember what Christ has done for us through His life, death, burial, resurrection and Ascension! Think of the joy of sins forgiven, the constancy of Christ's unfailing presence and the eternal hope we have in Jesus. Therefore, each Lord's Day is to be a community celebration, indeed.

We invite you to join us this month at the 4pm Country Gospel Service to join the weekly celebration; for we have good reason to rejoice!

National Inventors Month	16th Roller Coaster Day
1st Sport's Day	17th Archeology Day
2nd National Ice Cream Sandwich Day	18th Bad Poetry Day
3rd National Watermelon Day	19th National Aviation Day
4th Friendship Day	20th National Radio Day
5th National Waffle Day	21st Sit Back and Relax Day
6th Wiggle Your Toes Day	22nd Be An Angel Day
7th Sea Serpent Day	23rd National Sponge Cake Day
8th Dollar Day	24th Strange Music Day
9th Book Lovers Day	25th Kiss and Make Up Day
10th S'Mores Day	26th Women's Equality Day
11th Play in the Sand Day	27th Banana Lovers Day
12th Middle Children's Day	28th Dream Day
13th International Left-Handers Day	29th Mary Poppin's Day
14th National Creamsicle Day	30th Frankenstein Day
15th National Relaxation Day	31st National Trail Mix Day

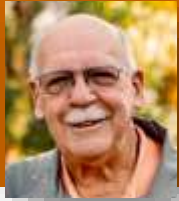
JOB POSTING: YOUTH DIRECTOR

Gold Canyon United Methodist Church is seeking to hire a part-time Youth Director. The position pays \$36,000 per year for 20 hours per week. Responsibilities for the Youth Director in our church include:

- leading the youth evening fellowship meetings and youth Sunday School classes,
- planning and leading retreats, service projects and other special youth events.

Applications are available from the Church Administrator by sending an email to ChurchOffice@GoldCanyonUMC.org. Interested parties should submit their completed application along with their cover letter and resume to ChurchOffice@GoldCanyonUMC.org for review. The position will remain open until filled. Employment to this position is contingent upon obtaining satisfactory results from a criminal background check. Questions may be directed to Rev. Fred Steinberg (480)982-3776.





ON A PASTORAL NOTE

Rev. Gary Capen, Associate Pastor

In Pastor Katharine's sermon series "Roll Down, Justice" we looked at how we as Christians should respond to Jesus's call to discipleship. Are we Sheep or Goats? For the most part I believe that most of us consider ourselves as "sheep" rather than "goats" as we seek to live out the gospel. At the same time, we are facing a many serious issues in this country and world. Every night on the news, here in Arizona and elsewhere, we see the homeless crisis, climate crisis, violence crisis, economic crisis, etc. Given all the issues we are facing, it is difficult to imagine how we might use our God-given gifts to help in these areas of "crisis."

It's overwhelming to say the least. Yet we are called to action by Jesus Christ to feed the hungry, visit the sick, visit those in prison, clothe the naked, give water to those who thirst. As individuals we are only able to do so much. But as the body of Christ, we can do all things through Him. There are many things we do as Christ's body at Gold Canyon UMC that make a difference to individuals, families, communities, and world. The Food Pantry does incredible work helping to feed those who are hungry — not only with physical food, but spiritual food, as well.

GCUMC's missions outreach missions is another area that was highly impactful in our deciding to become a part of GCUMC. The Easter and Christmas offerings helped in both local and global outreach, and Rice and Beans Ministry mission team members gave of their time and talent. There are so many areas in which our church reaches out! There is also the work of United Women in Faith through their various mission projects, Matthew 25 pen pals with incarcerated women, refugee resettlement program, just to name a few.



And yet our work doesn't stop there, as Pastor Katharine said in the last of her sermon series "Roll Down, Justice: We Still Have Work to Do." Each and every day we must choose to follow Jesus, take up our cross and follow Him by continually feeding the hungry, clothing the naked, visiting the sick, caring for the widows and children, visiting those in prison, seeking equity and justice, ending racism, standing up for the downtrodden and "loving our neighbors as ourselves." Yes, we are the hands and feet of Jesus each and every day of our lives — not just on Sundays as the short video described but every day — 365 days a year for as long as we live. Thanks be to God for the many ways in which we have been blessed as children of God. Amen.

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... and it's a great way to make new friends! To see areas where you can get involved, visit:

<https://secure.accessacs.com/access/mydashboard/ablegroups.aspx>

Add/update your photo and contact info — and more using GCUMC's online directory, AccessACS! If you aren't 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 our Church Directory on your phone using the ChurchLife app!



PASTORAL & CONGREGATIONAL CARE

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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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 the Church Office.

PRAYER REQUEST

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In Remembrance

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

Carolyn Alcorn

Dave Burzlaff

Juanita Elms

Dick Kingsley

Harley Lemmon

James Nelson

Pat Urbach

Bonnie Wellman

Doug Williams





CARING CORNER

Kim Shroyer

KEEP AWAY, OR TRUST?



I recently pondered a question - What does the Bible say about, and how does God view, our decisions if we have a mental illness, dementia, severe anxiety or depression, etc? Rest assured that my research only helped confirm what I've stated many times in the past, I'm no theologian! So, you won't get an answer to that question today from me, but the exploration made me think. Whether it is the normal travails of life, or one of the maladies mentioned above that affects you or a loved one, life can have some incredibly tough times. Sometimes they are only moments, sometimes they last years.

How do we get through those tough times? To me, Romans Chapter 8 is amazing. Beginning with what our life in the spirit looks like, to the future glory Christians can look forward to. Yet, I particularly love Romans 8:31-39, telling us nothing can separate us from God's love:

31 What shall we say about such wonderful things as these? If God is for us, who can ever be against us? 32 Since he did not spare even his own Son but gave him up for us all, won't he also give us everything else? 33 Who dares accuse us whom God has chosen for his own? No one—for God himself has given us right standing with himself. 34 Who then will condemn us? No one—for Christ Jesus died for us and was raised to life for us, and he is sitting in the place of honor at God's right hand, pleading for us. 35 Can anything ever separate us from Christ's love? Does it mean he no longer loves us if we have trouble or calamity, or are persecuted, or hungry, or destitute, or in danger, or threatened with death? 36 (As the Scriptures say, "For your sake we are killed every day; we are being slaughtered like sheep.") 37 No, despite all these things, overwhelming victory is ours through Christ, who loved us. 38 And I am convinced that nothing can ever separate us from God's love. Neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither our fears for today nor our worries about tomorrow—not even the powers of hell can separate us from God's love. 39 No power in the sky above or in the earth below—indeed, nothing in all

creation will ever be able to separate us from the love of God that is revealed in Christ Jesus our Lord.

This portion of Romans is very much a promise. But at times we may have a hard time believing the promise. We may feel separated from God. We, or someone we love, may suffer from one of the diseases or illnesses mentioned before. We may be worried.

My word of the day a few weeks back was Aposematism. It's a scientific term, referring to the natural world, and means "use of warning coloration to inform potential predators that an animal is poisonous, venomous, or otherwise dangerous." It's literal meaning is "away signal". It is mother nature's way of protection, keeping predators away. Sometimes though, do we as humans choose to be aposematic? Do we build walls, put up defenses, isolate, close ourselves off in an attempt to protect ourselves? Do those walls even begin to exclude God in our lives?

I think we can tend to do that more and more if we are fearful, unsure, ill, or lonely. Instead of seeking out the expert helpers God has put into our paths, we go into self-protection mode. None of us has all the answers, I still can't answer the question I started this article with. But one thing is for sure, if we believe in God, He has made us a promise. He desires that we avail ourselves of the wisdom of those around us with specialties we don't have, gifts He gave them.

If you've felt particularly aposematic lately, take a step to trust someone, someone who can answer some of your questions, address some of your fears. And who better to trust or reach out to than one of GCUMC's 5 Pastors, who are adept at listening! 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 on Sunday morning, (or emailed to you prior to Sunday worship), in the church office or the Pastoral and Congregational Care page of this newsletter.

Let the morning bring me word of your unfailing love, for I have put my trust in you. Show me the way I should go, for to you I entrust my life.

~ Psalm 143:8 [NIV]



MUSIC NOTES

Dr. Ian Classe, Director of Music Ministries



As we continue beyond the dog days of summer, it has become increasingly hot here in Arizona! Soon we may see monsoon clouds on the horizon so be prepared for increased humidity which may make some of our instruments out of tune. As we move towards autumn, the music department is taking the month of August to refresh and re-energize for our upcoming season. We'll be singing some of the congregation's old favorite hymns during this month and the choir will be getting a well-deserved rest.

The 'Sunday Sounds Series' will also take a short break this month as I will be out of town on the second Sunday and preparing for the fall. However, you can expect a special 'Sunday Sounds' when the series resumes in September. With special thanks to Dr. Valerie Harris, current dean of our local chapter of the American Guild of Organists, as well as our very own Doug Benton, we'll be demonstrating a real (albeit small) pipe organ on Sunday, **September 10th** in the usual 'Sunday Sounds' slot after the 9:30 service. You will get to see how a real mechanical action pipe organ works and hear real pipes with air blowing through them as I present some small pieces for portative organ and demonstrate the instrument. We'll also have time to do our usual Q&A session so you can ask any questions that might come up. As always, feel free to move about, find a seat that works best for you, but I certainly encourage you to be close so you can see and hear the little pipe organ!

While you may not have heard from the organ committee for a little while, rest assured they are still hard at work. The committee continues to work with the organ builders to develop proposals for the church. At the end of last month, we had a small site visit with members of organ builders C.B. Fisk as well as the renowned acoustician Dana Kirkegaard. Their analysis of our building will be an important part of an upcoming proposal from Fisk. We'll be continuing to meet with various builders for design input as well as to confer with the church's leadership soon. If you're interested in learning more or in joining our organ ambassador program, reach out to me or the organ committee at iclasse@goldcanyonumc.org or GCUMCOrganComm@gmail.com.

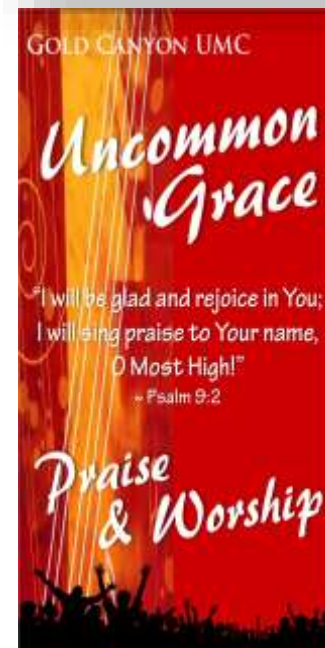
Finally, as Chancel Choir will be returning in September,

we're opening the doors to new members! We're always accepting new members but the start of the season is the best time to join since new members can try it out and ease into the season. If you're interested in joining, contact me via phone or email or if you like, you can just show up for our first rehearsal on **Thursday, September 7**. I hope to see you there!

As always, if you have any questions, concerns, comments, or just want to talk music, feel free to reach out to me by email or phone.

Best regards,

Ian



**Sundays at 11:00am
in the
Koinonia Room!**

Join us as we lift our hearts,
souls and spirits... and
you'll be sure to feel
uplifted and energized
when you leave!

Contact David...
(DCBallardsAZ@gmail.com)
...if you are interested in
getting involved with the
Praise or Country
music teams!



GLOBAL MISSIONS

Rev. Dr. Fay Quanstrom, Assoc. Pastor



INFORMED PRAYER STRENGTHENS MISSIONARIES

Each of our global missions maintains a website. By searching using their addresses, you can learn more about the missions we support. Photos, video, and descriptions are regularly posted and provide helpful insights for specific prayer needs.

- Rice and Beans: <rabmin.org>
- Fellowman International: <fm.youtube.com>
- Mobility Worldwide: <mobilityworldwide.org>
- Undercover workers: Search "undercover Christian ministry" for sobering news
- Voice of the Martyrs: <vom.org> shares prayer needs from world areas where believers in Jesus are persecuted

Enrich your prayer life and be inspired by what you learn!

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SCENES FROM JULY WORSHIP



Eli Schlemper serving as Liturgist during a 9:30am worship service



Pastor Katharine in her Roll Down Justice sermon series

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LOCAL MISSIONS & MINISTRIES

SCRIP BUS & VAN FUND



Your continued participation in the SCRIP programs at Bashas and Fry's grocery stores who support GCUMC's bus and van programs is so appreciated! So far in 2023 SCRIP raised **\$5,437.61!** It's easy to do... just call the Church Office if you need help!



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



Go online to link your Fry's VIP Card to their Community Rewards program and choose GCUMC (A#TS438), and they will contribute 3% of your purchases to GCUMC!

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY



We've completed another successful season of participating in the building and funding of a Habitat home here in the East Valley. We have been leading the Superstition Coalition of churches for over 20 years. At peak the coalition had six churches as members, and Habitat would partner us with a corporate sponsor each year to make up the needed funds and manpower. Over the years most of the other churches have dropped out for one reason or another, and this year we were the last remaining church in the group. Happily, the Habitat Faith relations folks found a church group for us to partner with again. It is the Southeast Valley Lutheran Coalition. They have not been able to raise all the funds needed lately, but partnering with us providing \$10,000 or more each year enables them and us to continue building houses in the East Valley.

We are very pleased with this new arrangement, and that we were able to meet our \$10,000 goal this year. Thanks to all of you who have supported this ministry. We look forward to another build next winter. —Joe & Maureen Morton (MoAndJoeM@aol.com)

UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH(UWF)



United
Women
in Faith

When you hear of the country, what comes to mind? Is it the scene above? Or is it Rick's Café from the movie, Casablanca? Join us at our August general meeting for the interesting presentation by Carol Johnson:

"Morocco"

Sat., August 19, 10am (Fellowship); 10:30am Meeting
in the Missions Center

When I left to spend two weeks in Morocco in May, I wasn't sure what to expect. What I found was a nation rich with amazing natural beauty, warm, hospitable people, a fascinating history, delicious food and its own share of challenges, just like any country now.

I will be sharing a little bit about Morocco, focusing on the people of Morocco, at our United Women in Faith August Meeting. Fellowship is from 10-10:30am and the meeting begins at 10:30am.

At the meeting, travel with me (virtually) to Morocco! Go to the cities of Rabat, Fes, Casablanca, Marrakech, and beyond. Learn about a family of nomads in the Sahara Desert and a group of musical students from Sub-Saharan Africa. We will share Moroccan snacks and have the traditional Moroccan beverage.

I hope you will join me on the voyage! Learning about another country and its people helps broaden our understanding of the world! -Submitted by Carol Johnson

August Calendar:

- The **Culinary Circle**: "N'awlins is coming to Gold Canyon!" Clara Knight is hosting a lunch at noon on Thur., 8/24, at her home. Featured will be foods of New Orleans and a little history thrown in. For more info and/or to RSVP (by 8/17 please), contact Clara at (705) 501-4524 or knight.clara40@gmail.com.

FOOD BANK



The Food Bank continues to see increases in the number of families needing food assistance, and is experiencing a time of reduced canned goods inventory. Please see weekly worship bulletin for specific needs.

Many thanks for you continued support and prayers.



GENESIS
PROJECT

Serving the Hungry and Homeless

3rd Annual Mad Hatter Benefit Tea Party

Saturday October 28th - 11a

What better way to spend a Saturday afternoon than at a tea party with 5 of your friends, all while raising money to feed, clothe and hydrate the hungry and homeless?!

Sponsor your table today for only \$240

As a table sponsor, you will decorate your table in any color scheme or theme you choose, provide tea cups for each of your guests and create a lovely centerpiece that will be auctioned off as part of our fundraising efforts!

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Contact Trinity Frey at trinity_frey@outlook.com



AUGUST CHURCH CALENDAR

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

Tue Aug 1	5pm	Gospel Band Rehearsal (KR)	9am	UG Rehearsal (KR)
	6pm	MTG: Gold Canyon Community, Inc (MC-E)	9:30am	Children's Sunday School (EB)
Wed Aug 2	7:45am	MTG: Dinosaur Mtn Networking (MC-E)	9:30am	Traditional Worship (S)
	10am	MTG: Superstition Mtn Astronomical (MC-M)	10:30am	Organ Mini-Concert Series (S)
	10am	UWF Book Club (MC-B/Patio)	11am	Children's Sunday School (EB)
	11am	Healing & Prayer Time (ONLINE)	11am	Praise Worship (KR)
	5:30pm	Praise Band Rehearsal (KR)	3pm	Gospel Band Rehearsal (KR)
Thu Aug 3	7pm	AA (MC-B)	4pm	Gospel Worship (KR)
Fri Aug 4	11am	CareGivers Support Group (ER)	Mon Aug 14	— —
	5:30pm	AA (MC-E)	Tue Aug 15	10am MTG: UWF (MC-TBD)
Sun Aug 6	8am	Traditional Worship (S)	5pm	Gospel Band Rehearsal (KR)
	9am	UG Rehearsal (KR)	Wed Aug 16	7:45am MTG: Dinosaur Mtn Networking (MC-E)
	9:30am	Children's Sunday School (EB)	10am	MTG: Superstition Mtn Astronomical (MC-M)
	9:30am	Traditional Worship (S)	11am	Healing & Prayer Time (ONLINE)
	11am	Children's Sunday School (EB)	5:30pm	Praise Band Rehearsal (KR)
	11am	Praise Worship (KR)	Thu Aug 17	7pm AA (MC-B)
	3pm	Gospel Band Rehearsal (KR)	Fri Aug 18	11am CareGivers Support Group (ER)
	4pm	Gospel Worship (KR)	5:30pm	AA (MC-E)
	6:30pm	SPRC Mtg (MC-B)	Sat Aug 19	10am MTG: UWF (MC-B/Zoom)
Mon Aug 7	—	—	Sun Aug 20	8am Traditional Worship (S)
Tue Aug 8	9am	Stitches Unlimited (MC-B&Patio)	9am	UG Rehearsal (KR)
	1pm	GriefGroup Re-Connect (ER)	9:30am	Children's Sunday School (EB)
	5pm	Gospel Band Rehearsal (KR)	9:30am	Traditional Worship (S)
Wed Aug 9	7:45am	MTG: Dinosaur Mtn Networking (MC-E)	11am	Children's Sunday School (EB)
	10am	MTG: Superstition Mtn Astronomical (MC-M)	11am	Praise Worship (KR)
	11am	Healing & Prayer Time (ONLINE)		
	5:30pm	Praise Band Rehearsal (KR)		
Thu Aug 10	7pm	AA (MC-B)		
Fri Aug 11	8am	GC Produce Co-op (S Parking Lot)		
	11am	CareGivers Support Group (ER)		
	5:30pm	AA (MC-E)		
Sun Aug 13	8am	Traditional Worship (S)		

MAIN CAMPUS

EB = Education Bldg
ER = Emmaus Rm
K = Kitchen
KR = Koinonia Rm
MR = Music Rm
NAR = Noah's Ark Rm
P = Patio
S = Sanctuary
SoGR = Sea of Galilee Rm
WR = Wesley Rm
YR = Youth Rm

MISSIONS CENTER

MC-B = Barnabas
MC-E = Esther
MC-M = Martha
MC-S = Stephen

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GOLD CANYON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

	3pm	Gospel Band Rehearsal (KR)		4pm	Gospel Worship (KR)
	4pm	Gospel Worship (KR)	Mon Aug 28	—	—
Mon Aug 21	—	—		6:30pm	Admin Council Mtg (MC-B)
Tue Aug 22	9am	Stitches Unlimited (MC-B)	Tue Aug 29	5pm	Gospel Band Rehearsal (KR)
	5pm	Gospel Band Rehearsal (KR)	Wed Aug 30	7:45am	MTG: Dinosaur Mtn Networking (MC-E)
Wed Aug 23	7:45am	MTG: Dinosaur Mtn Networking (MC-E)		10am	MTG: Superstition Mtn Astronomical (MC-M)
	10am	MTG: Superstition Mtn Astronomical (MC-M)		11am	Healing & Prayer Time (ONLINE)
	11am	Healing & Prayer Time (ONLINE)		5:30pm	Praise Band Rehearsal (KR)
	5:30pm	Praise Band Rehearsal (KR)	Thu Aug 31	7pm	AA (MC-B)
Thu Aug 24	9am	Girls Matter. (MC-B)			
	7pm	AA (MC-B)			
Fri Aug 25	8am	GC Produce Co-op (S Parking Lot)			
	11am	CareGivers Support Group (ER)			
	5:30pm	AA (MC-E)			
Sun Aug 27	8am	Traditional Worship (S)			
	9am	UG Rehearsal (KR)			
	9:30am	Children's Sunday School (EB)			
	9:30am	Traditional Worship (S)			
	11am	Children's Sunday School (EB)			
	11am	Praise Worship (KR)			
	3pm	Gospel Band Rehearsal (KR)			

ROADRUNNER & BULLETIN DEADLINES

Please send content for the
SEPTEMBER Roadrunner
 via email to ChurchOffice@GoldCanyonUMC.org
NO LATER THAN 8am on Monday, 8/14/2023
Weekly Bulletin & Flower Orders
 12:00pm on the Wednesday prior to the Sunday Service

Church Calendar



AUGUST 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 Anniversary!

Luse, Carol & Bob 08/01
Larson, Craig & Sharon 08/03
Petticrew, Keith & Nancy 08/04
Tabor, Lynn & Ilene 08/05
Walker, Rob & Rhine-Walker, Jen 08/06
Gray, Dan & Phyllis 08/08
Graham, Claudia & Rich 08/09
Kies, Dave & Sherry 08/10
Nelimark, Sue & Bob 08/10
Ralston, Riechia & Tim 08/11
Digerness, & Nancy 08/12
Sandness, Patty & Paul 08/12
Quanstrom, Fay & Wally 08/14
Togstad, Keith & Pamela 08/14
Johnson, Jerry & Kathy 08/16
Picek, Char & Tom 08/16
Mulhair, Bob & Delna 08/17
Hollingsworth, Carol & Glen 08/18
Tollefson, Dan & Kathy 08/18
Graba, Joe & Sylvia 08/19
Brendel, Cathy & Don 08/21
Miller, David & Nancy 08/21
Wilson, Don & Peg 08/21
Burzlaff, David & Julie 08/22
Hall, Cheryl & Rick 08/23
Svoboda, Bev & Dick 08/23
Parsons, Phil & Jean 08/25
Robison, Marty & Tom 08/25
Seebaum, Bernie & Sally 08/25
Confer, Lynne & Terry 08/26
Ancell, Alyce & Bob 08/27
Corey, Bernie & Fred 08/27
Hick, Adrian & Ryan-Hick, Pam 08/27
Behan, Connie & Jack 08/28
Kresge, Betty & Willard 08/28
McGinness, Anne & Pat 08/29
Moorberg, Deb & Mike 08/29
Storbakken, Linda & Terry 08/29
Beebe, Kathy & Bill 08/31
Fisher, Judy & Steve 08/31
Jameson, Jim & Suzanne 08/31

Happy Birthday!

Arquisch, Rosemary 08/01
Ballard, David 08/01
Barber, Larry 08/01
Corey, Berneice (Bernie) 08/01
Crosswhite, Carol 08/01
Nuss, Kathy 08/01
Tufte, Wanda 08/01
Klaers, Mary 08/02
Luhrs, Otto (Otto) 08/03
Snyder, Marlow (Toby) 08/03
Tollefson, Daniel (Dan) 08/03
Fast, Jim 08/04
Ofstedahl, Sherrill (Sherrie) 08/04
Walker, Linda 08/04
Fuerherm, Roy 08/05
Little, Margaret (Margie) 08/05
Nelimark, Susan (Sue) 08/05
Nelimark, MD, Robert (Bob) 08/05
Pullen, Ed 08/05
Nelson, Jack 08/06
Storley, LeRoy 08/06
Fitzgerald, Ashton 08/07
Klaers, Nicholas (Nick) 08/07
Mintert, Frank 08/07
Laich, Evelyn (Flossie) 08/09
Burzlaff, David 08/12
Hayes, Jane 08/12
Kies, David (Dave) 08/12
Mintert, Zenith 08/12
O'Donnell, Cheryl (Cherry) 08/12
Rewerts, Jerry 08/12
Seebaum, Sally 08/12
Wasserfort, Joan 08/12
Sandness, Patty 08/13
Wiff, Tom 08/13
Adams, Markee 08/14
French, Jerri 08/14
Wilson, Denise 08/14
Miller, Roger 08/15
Lindaman, Don 08/16
Turner, Joyce 08/16
Wever, Shar 08/16
Atkinson, Judy 08/17
Butterbrodt, Sandra (Sandy) 08/17

Luther, Jeff 08/17
Vander Stoep, Karen 08/17
Edwards, William (Bill) 08/18
Hick, Adrian 08/18
Johnson, Gerald (Jerry) 08/18
Hall, Richard (Rick) 08/19
McClure, Robert (Bob) 08/19
Nuss, John 08/19
Fitzgerald, Chris 08/20
Jones, Tara 08/20
Lunder, Wayne 08/21
DeVries, Deanna 08/22
Linton, John 08/22
Welker, June 08/22
Witucky, Micah 08/22
Braathen, Florence (Flo) 08/23
Hahn, Jan 08/23
Osborn, Barbara 08/23
Taylor, C James (Jim) 08/23
Adamski, Carol 08/24
Brigham, Christian 08/24
Brogren, Ann 08/24
Rasmussen, Diane 08/24
Sunderland, Lois 08/24
Toole, Donna 08/24
Fuerherm, Donna 08/25
Johnson, Mark 08/25
LeRoy, Debbie 08/25
Sheridan, Robert (Bob) 08/25
Kingsley, Dick (James) 08/26
Wiff, Bette 08/26
Blank, Julie 08/27
Svoboda, Ronald (Ron) 08/27
Winkler, Donald (Don) 08/27
Burt, Carolyn 08/29
Creel, Cherie 08/29
Sauerbrunn, Gary 08/29
Bentley, Ann-Marie 08/30
Fast, Shirley 08/30
Fendley, Penny 08/30
Rowley, Roger 08/30
Capozzi, Carol 08/31
Jacobsen, Robert (Bob) 08/31
Tambke, Norma 08/31



CONTRIBUTIONS & ATTENDANCE

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

- Romans 13:8 (NIV)

June	2020			2021			2022			2023		
	General Fund	Building Fund	Worship All	General Fund	Building Fund	Worship All	General Fund	Building Fund	Worship All	General Fund	Fellowship Hall	Worship All
	85903	26660	8859	85965	15691	9699	91692	28004	5045	98248	15395	3594

"Please note when requesting IRA donations be sent directly to the church from your financial institution, please be sure to request they include your name either on the check or on the stub. We often receive checks with no identification and due to privacy laws, we are unable to ascertain who should be provided an acknowledgement."



To give to Gold Canyon UMC 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:

- Fellowship Hall (\$3 Million needed; \$961,634 raised)
- Pipe Organ (\$171,067 raised)
- Artificial Grass Play Area (\$35,000; completed)
- Building Fund Loan (Paid off 2022)
- Stain Glass for upper Sanctuary windows (Completed 2022)
- Loop Hearing Assist System \$48,000 (Completed 2022)



Electronic giving is a great way to make contributions, including recurring 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, a secure site.
- ✚ **TEXT** your gift by sending "goldcanyonumc" to 73256 and follow screen instructions.



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

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WORSHIP SERVICES

- ✠ 8am & 9:30am TRADITIONAL (Sanctuary)
- ✠ 11am PRAISE (Koinonia Room)
- ✠ 4pm COUNTRY (Koinonia Room)

(Childcare available at 8am, 9:30am and 11am services)

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Children's Sunday School classes are held in the Education Building. Please bring your child(ren) to church with you, where they will be escorted to Sunday School, and you can pick them up after the church service.

- 9:30am Children Sunday School (Education Building)
- 9:30am Youth Sunday School (Education Building)
- 11:00am Children Sunday School (Education Building)

Addressee or Current Resident