



**Gold Canyon  
United Methodist Church**  
*"Following Jesus, Serving Others"*



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**From The Pastor:  
"A Deliberate Act of Violence"**

In one of his sermons, Rev. Mark Trotter spoke about how Madeline L'Engle wrote about a cabin retreat that she and her husband built up in the mountains. They lived in New York City, and they wanted this retreat so they could get out of the city from time to time. They called their retreat Crosswicks. Crosswicks was a world apart from the city, the confusion of noise and increasing violence that characterizes all of the cities of this nation. It was different up at Crosswicks. It was calm, peaceful, and safe. Their daughter had given them



an icon as a gift, a picture of Mary and the baby Jesus. Madeline L'Engle nailed it to a tree down by the stream, where she liked to sit and meditate and pray.

One visit to Crosswicks, they opened up the cabin, then immediately she went down to the stream. As soon as she saw the icon tree, she saw what happened. Someone had shot the icon. It lay in pieces on the ground, a bullet hole through the face of the baby Jesus. The act had been deliberate. She was enraged. She had to walk around the woods for a while to calm down before she went back into the cabin and told her husband what had happened.

The next morning they went to the spot and pulled the nail from the tree. They picked up the pieces of the icon from the ground and gave them to the stream in a kind of ritualistic act.

Later she reflected on that incident. She called what happened evil. That impersonal, faceless violence that lashes out destructively, especially on the innocent. She felt what all of us feel, an impotence in the face of evil. There is nothing you can do. Out of that feeling of impotence comes fear. With fear we try to remove ourselves. We try to protect our loved ones. But at some

time, evil, either as violence, or tragedy, or suffering, or illness, will touch all of our lives, and destroy what is beautiful, good and precious to us. That is why there is a cross in this world, because there is evil in this world.

This year on Easter morning we will again reflect on God's response to evil. God's response is an act of grace and love that gives us hope for the future. I hope you will be able to join me as we celebrate Easter this year. We will offer services for Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter morning.

See you on Sunday

Grace and peace,

*Fred*

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April 21 - Maundy Thursday Service - 7:00 pm  
April 22 - Good Friday Service - 7:00 pm

*Labyrinth available every day*

**He is Risen! He is Risen, Indeed!**  
**Please join us at an Easter Sunday Service**  
**April 24:**

Sunrise - 6:00 am - Outdoors  
Traditional - 8:00 am & 9:30 am  
Praise - 10:50 am  
Country Western - 5:00 pm

**Donations for Student Financial Assistance**

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



If you shop for groceries at either Bashas' or Fry's (gas, too, at Fry's), we ask you to consider using one of their gift cards *bought from the church* to pay for your purchases. They can be purchased for as little as \$20. If your purchases will cost more than the amount on the card you can reload it at checkout for up to \$500 using your favorite credit card, a check or cash. You get miles on your card and the church earns 6% from Bashas' and 3% from Fry's every time you reload the card. *Best of all, it costs you nothing* to participate. Stop by the Information Desk in the east narthex to find out how you can help us save toward purchasing an additional bus in the near future. Our current bus, which is used to bring people to church and transport the youth to summer work camps and retreats, was obtained through this program which is easy to use and so valuable to the church. Thank you for being a part of this program which brings in \$500 to \$1,500 a month.

Betty Rolley



**ONLINE GIVING AVAILABLE!**

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



**Current UMCOR Emergencies**

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

Pacific Emergency  
Earthquake & Tsunami  
UMCOR Advance #3021317

U.S. Disaster Response  
Spring Storms  
UMCOR Advance #901670

Liberia Emergency  
UMCOR Advance #150300

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



**DONATIONS AND ATTENDANCE**

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

February	2009		2010		2011		2010	2011
	Gen.	Build.	Gen.	Build.	Gen.	Build.	Worship All	Worship All
<b>1st</b>	\$27233	\$11220	\$26239	\$11021	\$32864	\$11858	1729	1798
<b>2nd</b>	18878	5042	19406	6367	18646	4324	1812	1878
<b>3rd</b>	19961	7193	19716	7478	23288	10140	1904	1686
<b>4th</b>	18498	13667	18131	11755	23947	8139	2150	1841
<b>5th</b>	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Total</b>	\$84570	\$37121	\$83492	\$36621	\$98745	\$34461	7595	7203

Update on Habitat for Humanity – Winter 2011 Project

We, along with several other churches in the east valley Superstition Coalition, will soon be starting our build of a new home for the Stults family in Apache Junction . Karen Stults and her 5 children currently live in a small 3 bedroom apartment in a high-crime, noisy neighborhood. She is very excited to have the opportunity to offer her children a safe and stable place to live. Karen currently attends school as a full time student as well as working part time to support her family. Her children Zachary (14), Cameryn, (13), Nathan (10), Adelina, (4) and Isabella (1) are doing well in school and daycare and looking forward to their new home.

Gold Canyon will be working on building her house on April 16<sup>th</sup>, teamed with another church. We need more volunteers for that day both to help build and to help serve lunch to the work crew. No experience is necessary, tools are provided, and the volunteer house leaders will teach you what you need to know. It's fun and rewarding, so please consider joining us.

Joe and Maureen Morton  
602-284-2826  
MoandJoeM@aol.com



*Easter Lilies*

Easter is just around the corner. Now is the time to order lilies for this year.

If you wish to order an Easter lily or lilies, please complete the order blank below and include the \$10.00 payment for each flower ordered. The form, along with payment, may be mailed to Gary Stemple, 8295 E. Sweet Acacia Dr, Gold Canyon, AZ 85118; placed in the offering plate; or dropped off at the office. Please make all checks payable to the church and note "Easter lily" in the memo section. The Easter Lilies will be placed in the Sanctuary and the Koinonia Room for your enjoyment on Easter Sunday. You may take your lilies home after the Sunday services.

Please order an Easter lily in Memory of

\_\_\_\_\_

Please order an Easter lily in Honor of

\_\_\_\_\_

Total amount attached: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**Last date to order is April 10.**

**Leadership Summit Webcast**

The Council of Bishops and the Connectional Table invite you to participate in a United Methodist Leadership Summit on April 6, 2011 from 9:00 am until noon. The conversation of this summit will address the adaptive challenges the church is facing in the U.S. and the changes needed to serve Christ in this new day and age.

You can attend the summit held at one of the following sites:

- First UMC Yuma, Trinity Heights UMC, Flagstaff, Shepherd of the Pines UMC, Heber,
- Green Valley UMC, Las Vegas, St. Francis UMC, Tucson, St. Matthews UMC, Mesa, Shepherd of the Hills UMC, Sun City, or First UMC, Phoenix.

If you are unable to go to a site, you may log on to <http://umcleadershipsommit.org> on April 6.

**Giving Made Easy with Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT)!**

For your convenience, you can make donations to Gold Canyon UMC via electronic transfer. Your authorization for a specified amount of money is automatically transferred from your checking or savings account directly into the church account. You may also specify how frequently you want the money to be transferred (i.e. weekly, every two weeks, once a month) and there is no cost to you for this transaction! The church will issue a donation statement for your records and your bank statements will provide you with a record of transfer as additional verification of your contribution. The EFT program yields many significant benefits for our church and makes life much easier for you...and it gives you the satisfaction of giving to God first. We encourage you to consider making your gifts by Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT). Forms are available in the church office.



## Christian Education

By Alexandra Houseman

*“Our mission is to bring the love of Christ and His teachings to learners of all ages on their spiritual journey, that they be transformed and thus positively affect our local and global communities.”*

Brian Combs is a United Methodist pastor in Asheville, North Carolina. His church serves a very large homeless population and works to bridge the gap between privilege and poverty. He has this to say about the church, “[*This church*] reflects their understanding of Jesus which is a savior with radical hospitality, inclusive love, extending grace in every direction and always inviting the circle to be widened.”<sup>1</sup> Learning about this man and the ministry of his church has challenged me to consider how I can do the same in my own life. How can I truly live as an example of the love of Jesus Christ? It is a difficult and yet awesomely rewarding task to undertake. In this Easter season, may we always remember the amazing and powerful love of Jesus Christ: that He gave his life to save us from sin.

### Special Events

**GCUMC will be holding a Community Easter “Egg-Stravaganza” Party** on April 23rd at noon. All families with children infant through 6<sup>th</sup> grade are welcome to attend. We will be having games, crafts, an egg hunt and more. Lunch will be provided. If you would like to volunteer to help out during this fun event contact Alex Houseman in the church office. A big thank you goes out to all those who donated party supplies.

VBS will take place June 13<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup>. The theme this year is ***Shake it Up Café – Where Kids Carry Out God’s Recipes***. Jesus calls us to “shake up” our lives and become his followers. The Bible gives us the recipe: be ready for God’s call, give happily to God and to others, believe fully in Jesus as God’s Son, remember Jesus’ life and teaching, and celebrate God forever. *Shake it Up Café* introduces your children to stories of biblical festivals that reveal these ingredients and link the Old Testament and the New Testament to our lives today. Registration will begin this month. You can find out more information or sign up to volunteer at the Education Table between services.

### Adults

New home based small group Bible studies continue to be formed. If you are interested in joining a group of eight to ten individuals exploring and strengthening your faith, contact Alex Houseman in the church office. We are currently studying the *Live Like You Were Dying* series and will soon be forming groups to study *The 5 Love Languages* by Gray Chapman. Studies last between four and six weeks.

### Youth and Children:

**Summer Camp at Mingus Mountain** – This year’s theme is GOT SPIRIT? Campers will explore and learn to find God wherever they look! If you would like to donate to the campership fund contact Alex Houseman in the church office. Registration packets can be downloaded from [desertsouthwestconference.org](http://desertsouthwestconference.org) on the Camping and Retreat Ministries page or picked up in the church office. Early registration ends May 14. All children are encouraged to attend.

Elementary Camp for youth entering grades 3-6: June 6-11  
Deans: Katherine Keller and Rhonda Walkocz

Senior High Camp for youth entering grades 9-12: July 4-9  
Dean: Stephen Govett

Junior High Camp for youth entering grades 7-9: July 11-16  
Dean: Don Campbell

**U-Can and B.E.A.R.S Club** meets Wednesday at 4:30 pm in the Education Building. All youth ages 5-12 are welcome to attend. Please encourage any child you know to attend this fun evening where they are able to learn of God’s love outside of the traditional Sunday church setting. Contact Linda Walker for more information.

**Sidewalk Ministries:** Please be in prayer that Sidewalk Ministries find a new location for the fall. What an amazing blessing this is to many, many children and families throughout the east valley. If you are interested in serving this amazing program in any way, please contact June Welker or Sandra Caldwell.

<sup>1</sup> Brian Combs-Love for Modern-day Lepers, <http://www.umc.org/site/apps/nlnet/content3.aspx?c=1wL4KnN1LtH&b=1735229&ct=8988853&undefined>





# Gold Canyon UMC



Wendy Moore, Youth Director

Our Focus of the Month is the **Youth Mission Trip!**  
(We will recognize our Superstar of the Month next month)

Mission to Navajo Mountain, Utah, July 10-16. We will be serving a small impoverished Native American tribe by providing construction services to improve their lives. In doing this, we will put into practice the act of Charity (Love) for our neighbors. Our youth will be given the opportunity to give of themselves and in the process, be transformed. This site is one of the most remote sites that Group Work Camps has ever gone to.

Those who were lucky enough to hear the Youth Sunday sermons will know how important the mission trips are in the lives of our youth.

Shares (the cost to send a single youth) are \$400 each. Thank you to our shareholders past, present and future. Your contributions change lives. We could not do this without you.

## Upcoming Events

April 3 Youth Group  
April 9 Spring Fling  
April 10 No Youth Group  
April 15 JJ Heller in Concert  
April 17 Youth Group  
April 24 Youth Group



## NEWS:

Congratulations to the Gold Canyon UMC youth who participated in Youth Sunday. Nathaniel Gingrich, Christian Ordway, Nick Saathoff, and Kaylea Payne each gave outstanding sermons. Other youth who participated in the services were: David Moore, Charlie Olsen, Kathryn Moore, Richelle Heinauer, Alyssa Houseman, and the Youth Bell choir. We have received numerous messages of thanks for the excellent services. Each one of you share in the success of our youth.

Thank you to all who supported the All-Church Baseball Game on March 12. Home Plate Umpire Hu Rhymes made several (undisputed) close calls, and made a bunch of other remarks that had little to do with the game, but were hugely popular with the crowd. Thank you to Pete and Marilyn Peterson who graciously volunteered to set up the Sidewalk Ministries van for our sound system; Terry Parsons (color commentary announcer); Jed Moore (sang the National Anthem); the aerobic flyover team (Diane, Jody, and Angie); all the players, and all the volunteers who helped provide hot dogs, peanuts, cold drinks and smiles!

Come enjoy and/or help us with the Spring Fling. Enjoy Live Music, Bouncy House, Food, Car Show, Dunk Tank, Fun, etc. April 9 12:00 to 3:00 pm. We'll see you there! Contact Wendy Moore 480-459-1809 to help.

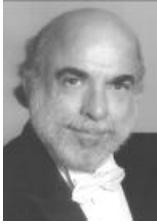
The youth enjoyed a hike to Hieroglyphics Springs on March 20.

Linda Mestek – We love you.

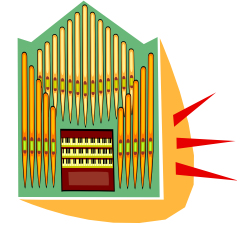
## **Perspectives:**

No matter what age you are, or what your circumstances might be, you are special, and you still have something unique to offer. Your life, because of who you are, has meaning.

- Barbara de Angelis



## Music Notes



April is here with a promise of growth, beautiful wildflowers, and new things. This is good, because our Music Ministries are doing just that – new things in a lot of respects.

As I mentioned last month, we are beginning a new instrumental ensemble including strings, brass and woodwinds. If you currently play an instrument and are in 6<sup>th</sup> grade or older (no upper age limit!), or have played one in the past and would like to dust it off and get back in shape, bring your instrument and yourself on Wednesdays at 7:00 pm to the Music Room, north side of the Sanctuary. I am very much looking forward to presenting the Gold Canyon United Methodist Church Philharmonic Orchestra (until we come up with a better name!) in the hopefully not too distant future! Come, have fun making instrumental music!

Our *Performing Arts Series* is offering something we have never offered before – a major Contemporary Christian Artist: **JJ Heller** who has two major hits on the airwaves. We will present her in concert on Friday, April 15 at 7:30 pm in the Sanctuary! Her first hit, "**Your Hands**", was included on the playlist of many national FM stations, including K-LOVE, the largest Christian radio network in the US. In the span of a few months, JJ's music was reaching several million listeners, and made it on Billboard Magazine's Christian Songs' chart for 24 weeks and peaked at #13. In the following months, JJ saw her music placed on the ABC family show "**Make It Or Break It**" and CW's "**One Tree Hill**". Last August, JJ's second radio single, "**What Love Really Means**" began to find its way into the hearts of a new audience and surpassed the success of "**Your Hands**". Scott Smith, K-LOVE Asst. Program Director/Music Director says, "Listening to JJ Heller's '**What Love Really Means**' brings me to tears!" High praise from an industry insider! Her first music video was posted to YouTube and was viewed over 100,000 times in the first 48 hours! She has recorded four full-length albums. You can read more about JJ Heller on her website, [www.jjheller.com](http://www.jjheller.com). Watch your bulletin, as we may have a surprise for you at that concert! There is no charge; a freewill offering will be received. Please remember to bring at least one non-perishable food item for the GCUMC Food Bank. Get here early! I have received many requests for tickets already – even though there are none! I know the Sanctuary will fill up quickly!

As most of you know by now, we have begun fund-raising for 12 ranks (sets) totaling nearly 700 actual wind-blown pipes to be added to our organ. These are the real things! This is a vision I have had for our church since we moved into our Sanctuary in 2005! Over the past several years, we have seen several different renderings of possible pipe additions, including a very gothic, old European looking wooden case (so NOT our

church!), three little sets of pipes visible, the rest hidden – not very interesting. Recently, the Rodgers dealership has been taken over by Heritage Church Organs, Rodgers largest dealer, and a representative for Fratelli Ruffatti Pipe Organ Builders of Padua, Italy. Mark Anderson, whom I introduced at the Isabelle Demers concert, is the owner of Heritage Church Organs and has completely revoiced our organ into what Isabelle Demers said at her concert, "this is the finest digital organ I have played or heard." Very high praise indeed, from one of the finest organists in the world!

David Bagley, the Ruffatti representative for Heritage Church Organs, has designed a very stunning looking, and functional pipe package for our consideration. We have included a picture of what the pipes would look like in our Sanctuary in this newsletter. Ruffatti, by the way, is the builder of the huge organ in the Crystal Cathedral in California, St. Mary's Cathedral in San Francisco, Choral Ridge Presbyterian Church, Florida, and all over the world. Check them online at [www.ruffatti.com](http://www.ruffatti.com). You can see how the pipes are made, how the air gets to the pipes, etc. I hope you find it as fascinating as I did!

Currently, while the organ sounds great, the biggest problem is that the speakers are in a fairly adequate chamber, but the opening is very, very tiny (the three-level, grill clothed opening above the Choir area). Consequently, the sound is incredibly focused, like speaking into the wrong end of a megaphone, and focused into the beams of the Sanctuary. This creates "hot spots" acoustically in the Sanctuary, causing the organ to sound "too loud" in some places.

What David Bagley would like to do is remove all the speakers from the current chamber and place them within the pipes, spread out over the entire width, behind the Choir area. Included in this is an actual "Swell Box", an enclosed wood chamber with louvers on one side that would open and close to create gradual loudness/softness, just like Organ Stop Pizza. This chamber would house all the speakers from the Swell Division of the organ (the top keyboard) and the pipes for that division, so both the electronics and the pipes act together, as they should. The rest of the pipes and speakers would be placed behind the façade pipes, which are functional, actual wind-blown pipes. Please understand the addition of pipes to our organ will not make it louder, it will make the sound fuller, and provide another "wow" factor in terms of beauty to the Sanctuary.

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If we were to have a pipe organ the size of our current Rodgers (approximately 128 ranks or sets of pipes – each rank/set having 61 pipes for the manual keyboards and 32 pipes for the pedalboard, played by the feet), we would spend in the neighborhood of 4-5 million dollars. For the twelve ranks of pipes, including everything, the cost is \$350,000. This price is good until May 15, 2011. Ruffatti has just informed Heritage Church Organs that the price of tin (the façade pipes are 95% tin) has recently gone up 53%, which is why they cannot guarantee beyond May.

As an incentive for us to place the order by May 15, Heritage Church Organs are offering to replace our console with a brand new 3-manual Rodgers console (ours was built in 2003) with nearly twice as many resources and all the current technology for which Rodgers is famous, complete with a new 10-yr warrantee on parts and labor – all at no charge to us, *about a \$75,000 gift to our church!* Heritage Church Organs would very much like our instrument to be *the* instrument they would bring potential church, school and community clients to see as an installation of a combination digital/pipe instrument that they

designed and installed, to showcase their work. We will see where we are on May 10 and go from there.

Obviously, this is a very substantial investment in our church. If you have any questions, or would like to make a substantial gift towards this project, please feel free to call me or Pastor Fred. I know that if God wants this to happen now, He will move people's hearts to give and it will happen. If we can't purchase the pipes at this time, it just means it will happen sometime in the future. I am very excited about this project and I hope you are too! I pray it happens sooner rather than later, but, of course, all things in God's time!

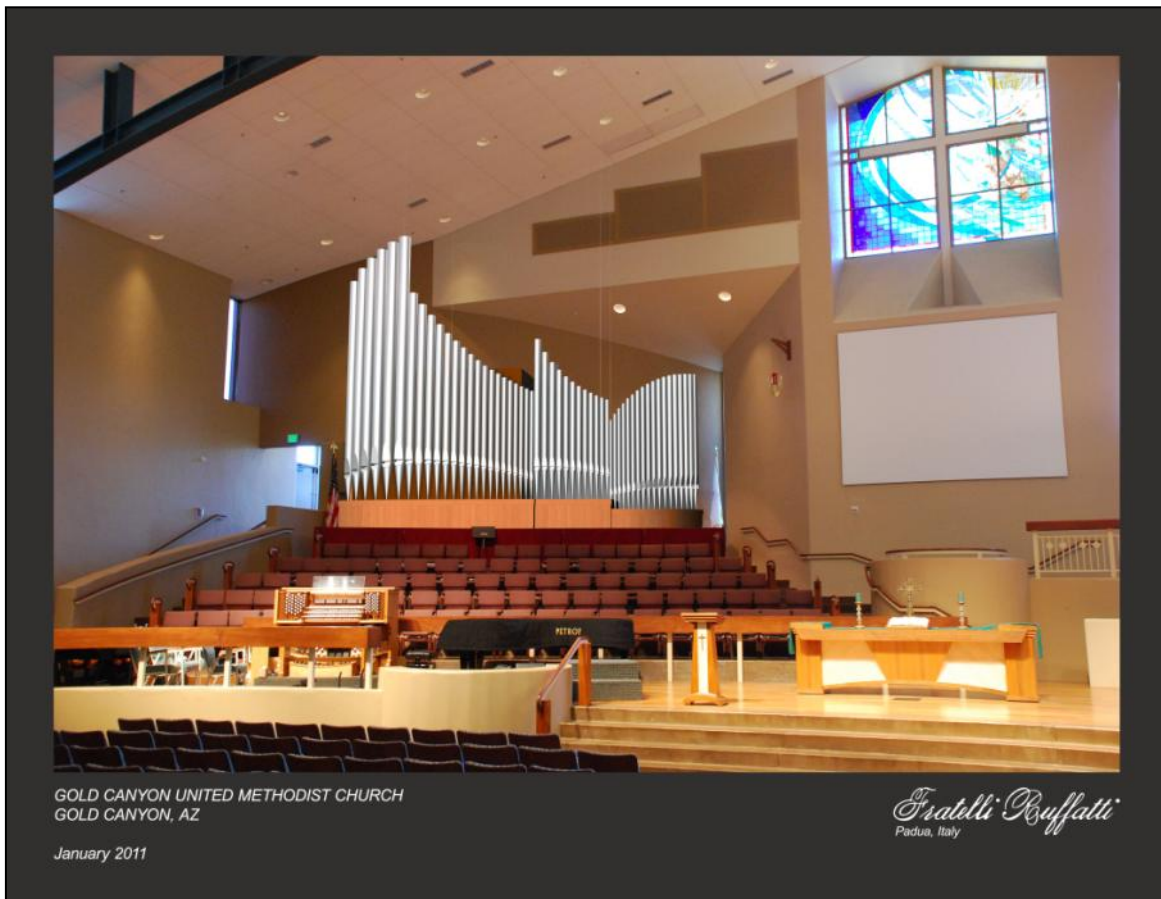
Blessings to all,

*Doug*

Douglas J. Benton

Director of Music Ministries

If you wish to see a stunning full-color picture of the proposed new organ pipes, go to our website at [www.goldcanyonumc.org](http://www.goldcanyonumc.org), then click on Roadrunner and then click on April 2011 Newsletter



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GOLD CANYON, AZ

January 2011

*Fratelli Ruffatti*  
Padua, Italy

## WITHIN THE CHURCH FAMILY



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

**JUST A REMINDER:** Please let the Rhymes know or call the office if you are having surgery or are in the hospital, if you wish a visit, or want to be on the Sunday Prayer List. For OUR NEW E-MAIL ADDRESS check the Sunday Bulletin or call the church office.

### FROM THE SADIE RHYMES MEMORIAL CORNER

**A big thank you to all the volunteers who have worked in the food bank and given many hours to helping folks, dogs and cats with food. Of course there wouldn't be a Food Bank without all of you and the community who donate so much. Thank you to Jeff Downing, Dan Gray and Rush Tucker who head up this project.**

It has been another big month for pet food. Again thanks to our veterinarian, Dr. Munion for donating Pet Food this month. Her clients are so happy they can give pet food. Also, thanks to all of you who have donated PET FOOD/\$\$ this month. As mentioned last month the Disciple IV Class donated pet food and money for pet food to start a "Pet Food Ministry", another "Sadie Mission" added to the existing Food Bank in Rev. Rosemary Anderson's church, Primera Iglesia UMC in Phoenix. Rosemary wants us to THANK all of you who have volunteered and helped them and also donated funds to PIUMC. She and the church are very grateful.



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

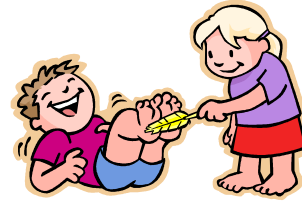
**JOY:** Many of you have asked about LYNN REVIS. She is living with her son, Rich & family in Tucson. They have a separate apartment attached to their home for Lynn. She has a wonderful caregiver, Bernice. Lynn is now able to walk with a 4 pronged cane. She speaks a few words. We visited with her on Friday, March 4<sup>th</sup>. She was so happy to see the 3 of us who visited with her. Rich has set up an e-mail address for her. If you would like to write her, please contact us.

**Sympathies:** Karen Chandler, upon the death of her husband, Bob; The family of Jerry Haas, upon his death; Arline Hacker & girls, upon the death of her husband & their father, Ross; The family of Tom Kale, upon his death; The family of Larry Keiselhorst, upon his death; Carolyn Potter, upon the death of her husband; Ed & Rosemary Reid, upon the death of their son; Peggy Rein, upon the death of her husband, Jim; Jim & Marcia Ritenour & Rhonda's husband upon the death of their daughter, Rhonda Dropik; Catherine Sullivan, upon the death of her daughter, Donna Woffler; Lillian & Bill Thomas, upon the death of Frank Schnieringer, Lillian's brother & Bill's uncle; Marge Van Dusseldorp, upon the death of her husband, Wilbur; The family of Artis Mae Viviani, upon her death; The Jim Wallace family, upon the death of a sister and the families & friends of the above.

**Concerns and/or Continued Prayers:** Andy Allan, Leslie Anzelmo, Miriam Beck, Jason Beufer, Chris Bisted, Goldie Boleyn (Bev Toppin's mother), Randy & Vickie Bowman, Stuart Buck, Sandy Campbell, Channan Cassella, Michelle Cassella, Donna Coker, Dave Coomes (Viviani's son-in-law), Cris Criswell, Carol Crosswhite, Harriette Downing, Joyce Geger, Sharron Gingrich, Beth Hayes (Jeff Hayes' mother), Darrell Hiller, Dee Hobbs, Rhonda Huffman, Helen Hurley, Scott Jakeway, Darrel & Betty Janes, Shirley Jennings, Bob Johnson, Joan Jorgensen, Billie Kern, Harlan (Gus) Madsen, Jacob McMahan (grandson of Mike & Shirley McMahan), Michael Melchor, Chris Michael (Sharron Gingrich's cousin), Brian Moore (Dick & Nellie Moore's son), Barbara Morgan, Ron Morrissette, Bonny Nielsen, Ramona Orr (Kris Laux's mother), Joan Pautvein, Jessica Payne (granddaughter of Herb & Jane Hesterly), Muriel Reif, Haley Rodenborg (Heather's sister), Rose Rosenberg, Jerry Sauda, Barbara Sawyer, Don Schaefer, Mikey Sheridan (Val & Michael's son), Barb Sires, Annie Smith, Donella Sparks, Leslie Stanley, Alan Stewart, Jim Toppin, Sam Twa, Jay Viviani (Jack Viviani's son), Breanna West & her twin daughters, Hailey & Riley, LoRetha Willhite, Hailey Willis (Gloria Willis' granddaughter), Gail Wilson, Sandra Wilson, Amy Witt, Brad Woody (Sue & Dave Flitsch's brother-

in-law), Marge Wright, Loren Young, Pat Zirjacks and PRAYERS for the families (CAREGIVERS) of the above. PRAYERS for requests in the "CONFIDENTIAL PRAYER" boxes & UNSPOKEN REQUESTS. Also, those FOOD BANK CLIENTS who have requested prayer. PRAYERS for our MILITARY personnel (Alejandro Gonzales, Matthew Jacobson & A.J. Skabelund), and their families & those who are in NEED OF EMPLOYMENT. PRAYERS for our SIDEWALK MINISTRIES families.

**Still in Need of Prayers:** Charlie & Joan Acker, Charles Adams (Betty), John & Doris Adamson, Dick & Eleanor Armstrong, Tom & Dee Ashe, Bob & Ruth Bennett, Nancy Binting (Kris Laux's friend), Marvin Boles & Ginny Ohnstad, Kay Bottomley (Mike Vagnier's mother), Lyle Brewer, Dr. Brad & Arlaine Bryant, Jim Burden & Marilyn Horkey, Jim & Carolyn Burt, Grace Byers (Monty & Gary Gingrich's mother), Shirley & Frank Campbell, Don & Arlene Catt, Karen Chandler, Bill & Joyce Curtis, Rev. Bob & June Deits, Chuck Dickinson, Darrell & Laura Dinges, Rev. Jim & Eve Dinkel, Adelyne Douglass, Elaine Finck, Danna & Andy Gharavi, Ardeena Gillette, Patti Girardi, Bill & Louise Green, Arline Hacker, Jim & Kyle Hoggatt (Jim & Carolyn Burt's son-in-law/grandson), Rich Haraldson, Ro Heinauer (Diane Heinauer's mother-in-law), Wade & Cindy Hoff, Neil & Melva Houtcooper, Ginny & Joe Johnson, Noel Jones (Linda & Morgan Jones' grandson), Gladys Kay (Jane Hayes' Mom), Bob Kell (Ron Walker's cousin), Mel & Mary Kilbo, Emil & Myrtle Krecji, Jane Lambert, Cheryl Lang, Thelma Lang (Pete 'n Kay Johnson's mother), Bob & Juana Mahlandt, Sue & Michael Malloy, Bryan McGann (Jeanette Lunstead's son), Larry & Pat McMann, Wilbur McMann, Hedy Moore (Jed Moore's mother), Don & Diane Parker, Eileen Petticrew (Keith Petticrew's mother), Pete & Shirley Plakos, Lois Poteet (Barb Oldham's sister), Calvin Quinn, Lynn Revis, Paul & Eleanor Rhymes (Hu Rhymes' brother-THANKS FOR ALL YOUR PRAYERS), Marv Richter, Jim & Marcia Ritenour, David & Judy Robertson, Brian Sanders (Brenda Rahaneotis' nephew), Virgil & Rose Scantlin, Sandy & Richard Schutt (Wendy Rhymes' sister & brother-in-law), Connie & Dave Snyder, Rick & Sue Sutter, Sharon Szymanski (Victor & Lorraine Phillips' daughter), Bobbie Talbot, Marilyn Thomas, Lillian Thomas (Bill & Mary Thomas' mother), Bev & Jim Toppin, Gordon & Patty Truckle, Marven & Wanda Tufte, Don Van Buskirk, Jim & Charlene Van Slooten & Floy Kilbourn-their daughter, Ray and Nancy Villeneuve, Jack & Nancy Virden, Rita & Michael Vitalich, Mary Gay Wenger (Diane Heinauer's mother), Delza Wilson (Jayne Urbach's mother), Dorothy Wolter, Chong Ho Yi (Friend of Lovena Warren), Betty Young, Don & Pat Zirjacks and the families of the above.



## "LAUGH A LITTLE" with Hu

YOU DON'T STOP LAUGHING BECAUSE YOU  
GROW OLD  
YOU GROW OLD BECAUSE YOU STOP  
LAUGHING

### LESSON IN FINANCE

Reverend Martin, settled in his parsonage study, sorts through the mail and comes upon an envelope from the bank. "Well, the bank returned the last check you wrote."

To which his wife replies, "Oh good. What shall we buy with it this time."

### LAP TOP

Mrs. Reverend George Martin wanted to surprise her husband with a computer for his birthday. When the salesman suggested a lap top, Mrs. Martin burst into laughter. "What's so funny about that?" the salesman asked.

"Sir, my husband hasn't had a lap for twenty years."

### Memorials

ROSS HACKER- Hospice of Arizona, Zion UMC of Forest Junction, WI, GCUMC bus fund, or Sunshine Acres

RHONDA DROPIK - Gold Canyon United Methodist Church, St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital in Memphis, TN, or Hospice of the Valley



# SISTER SEMINARIANS



**By Heather Rodenburg**

Hello All,

Well, seminary keeps chugging along! This semester has been as crazy as the last. Things are starting to pick-up. I just finished midterms and am in the middle of writing many papers. I am looking forward to next year more and more. Mostly because I will only have four classes to take instead of five. I have greatly enjoyed all of my classes.

The one class I really enjoyed this semester has been my word and worship class. I wasn't sure what to expect when we started but it's been a great experience. We have been learning about different types of worship services ranging from African worship to Taize. It has been fun experiencing the different ways in which God can be worshipped. I have to say, I rather enjoyed the African worship the most. We sang and danced in chapel while praising God. We all walked away feeling revived and filled with the Holy Spirit.



One of the other things that I am really looking forward to in April is the celebration of Easter. The school is in the process of organizing an Easter Vigil at Highland Park UMC. The Vigils take place at sunset Holy Saturday and sunrise on Easter Sunday. There are baptisms that take place and Holy Communion is served. Hopefully they are able to organize this for us to experience.

Until next time, may the peace of Christ be with you.

Heather

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**By Jody Topping**

Another school quarter has come and gone! As I write this article, I'm looking forward to a much-needed Spring Break, followed by the beginning of a brand new school quarter, during which I'll take classes on United Methodist Polity (that's a fancy word for "administrative regulations"), Evangelism, and Spiritual Preaching.

At Iliff School of Theology, I'm one of 20 students in the Journey Program - a very special group of students who do most of our coursework online. My experience as an online student is very different from Heather's experience as a residential student at Perkins, and Suzanne's as a commuter student at Claremont. Instead of physically being in class, I spend most of my "class time" in my family room listening to audio files, reading books and journal articles on my laptop or Kindle, or posting responses to questions posted by my professor using an online application called Moodle. Sometimes I even "attend" class in my pajamas, or if I don't have time to get to my assignments during the day, I do

them at night before I go to bed! Pretty awesome, huh!!

Being an online student isn't all fun and games, though. Doing my work online means I have to log-in almost every day, otherwise I might miss something my classmates have posted or a question from my professor that needs to be answered. It also requires just as much discipline as residential students - if I decide not to go online several times a week, it's a lot like missing class...I miss a lot!! So just like Heather and Suzanne, I'm responsible for "attending" class, keeping up with the reading assignments, and turning in my papers on time...I just do it long distance!!

Not all of my coursework can be done online, which is why I fly to Denver, CO at least once a quarter for Gathering Days and two weeks during the summer for Journey Days. That's when I get to see all the other Journey Program students and we have a great time learning and engaging in fellowship together. Over the last 9 months, we have all grown very close, keeping in touch through our classes, and also on Facebook!

Oh, and there's another reason I like being an online seminary student: I get to work at Gold Canyon UMC as your Administrative Associate AND Pastoral Intern! God is so good!

Blessings, Jody

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**By Suzanne Jacobson**

*"Anyone who serves as a minister of the church knows this. People show up at your doorstep expecting the church to be the church, the holy site where divine mercy and strength can be obtained and where human kindness can be counted on. Your job is to keep the sanctuary open and to tend the sacred ground." ~Rebecca Ann Parker, "Proverbs of Ashes"*

The month of April brings showers, they say. While it may be literally true at times, it is certainly figuratively true for many of us who attend school. As the semester's end begins to draw near, we become inundated with papers to write and presentations to prepare. I will be jumping into April's puddles right away with a speaking engagement for the Desert Southwest Conference's 2nd Domestic Violence Conference, sponsored by the Commission on Status and Role of Women in the Church (COSROW) on April 2nd. It will be a difficult speech to give, but an important one that I am looking forward to. It is a privilege to be invited to share some of my own story with church leaders in our Conference.

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*Sister Seminarians, cont.*

Too many domestic violence victims stay with their abusers for too long. The decision to leave the person one has made a commitment to “for better or worse” is a difficult one. Such a decision cannot be made lightly, and the quandary a victim is in cannot be taken lightly. Many victims live in isolation. They don’t know who they can talk to without repercussions. If they live a distance from their birth families, they may only know the same people their significant other knows. There is little solace in confiding in those whose loyalties lie with



the abuser. Domestic violence victims are not always “out there” somewhere. They are among us, next to us in our seat on Sunday morning or at the local PTA meeting. They are standing beside us in the grocery line, walking near us in the park or sitting nearby in the local fast food restaurant. Wherever they are, they are waiting. They are praying for help; crying out for friendship. They are hoping beyond hope to find someone they can trust. Where better to seek such trust than in the church?

The church was once so much more than a place one went on Sunday morning – it was the central home for community, sanctuary from a harsh and unforgiving world. It was a place to find friends, family and support. At its best, the church has been an institutional representative of Christ on earth. At its best, the local church is Holy Ground. At its best, the church is in the world, offering sanctuary wherever it can. John Wesley famously declared, “The world is my parish,” and he set out to make it so. It is my prayer that by sharing my story, I might, like Rev. Wesley, bring the church to the world as an earthly manifestation of God’s active love in the world.

The quote at the beginning of this article describes the core of my call. I want to open the doors of the church and invite everyone into Sanctuary. When those who seek refuge enter, I want them to find me, my feet dusty from the road of life, my hands rough with the soil of God’s garden, and my heart bursting from the joy of working side-by-side with Christ, creating a home for the weary soul.

<sup>4</sup>*Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God’s sight, and <sup>5</sup>like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. ~ 1 Peter 2:4-5*

**COSROW "Words that Heal" Award**

The Commission on the Status and Role of Women of the DSC (COSROW) will be awarding the "Words that Heal" Award to both a lay person and a clergy person from the Annual Conference. The award is a way to honor those in the Annual Conference that have exemplified the criteria set in place by COSROW. Each year the two winners receive an original painting done by Rev. Steve Marshall.

To nominate a clergy or lay person, fill out a nomination form and return to Rev. Mary Lou Adame by April 15, 2011. Because of timing constraints, this due date must be strictly adhered to. The flyer, nomination form, and additional information can be found at: <http://desertsouthwestconference.org/annualconference>.

If you have questions, contact Rev. Adame at 602-956-3710.

**Domestic Violence Response Conference 2011**  
**Sun Lakes United Methodist Church**  
**Saturday, April 2, 2011 8:30 - 3:00**

On Saturday, April 2nd,  
 voices will no longer be silent.

On Saturday, April 2nd,  
 your heart will be touched, your knowledge will expand.

On Saturday, April 2nd,  
 everything changes...

Please join us for the 2nd Domestic Violence  
 Response Conference

Featured Topics Include:  
 Victim Testimony

Cultural Awareness & Response Among Ethnic Groups  
 Verbal Abuse

Other Forms of Abuse

Church Response to Victims & Perpetrators  
 Cultural Awareness Panel Discussion & Q&A

Cost: \$20 - covers lunch & materials

Register Online at:

[www.desertsouthwestconference.org/dvconference](http://www.desertsouthwestconference.org/dvconference)

Location:

Sun Lakes United Methodist Church

9248 E. Riggs Road

Sun Lakes, AZ 85248

480-895-8766

Questions?

[billie@desertsw.org](mailto:billie@desertsw.org) 602-266-6956 X221

**Our own Suzanne Jacobson will be a featured speaker**

# Healthy Living

## What is a Parish Nurse?

Parish nursing has become increasingly prevalent in the past few years. It is not a new idea. Deaconesses served this function in the early New Testament church. Later Pastor Fliedner established a school for deaconesses in 1836 in Germany. One of his best-known students there was Florence Nightingale. He trained the deaconesses to treat both the physical and spiritual needs of parishioners as part of the church's ministry.

The modern parish nurse movement was started by Rev. Granger Westberg. He had been a church pastor in Bloomington, IL and became a hospital chaplain in Chicago. In 1952 he was appointed jointly to the University of Chicago Divinity and Medical Schools. Through his work and many writings he influenced the parish nurse movement as we know it. He originally thought that parish nursing would be a partnership between health care systems and congregations – and it would link resources to the faith community. A nurse on staff at a church would provide a unique forum for health promotion and disease prevention. Church members would have someone to discuss a health concern with before it became a chronic or serious condition. Those partnerships continue where hospital systems contract nursing staff to churches, but many churches now have their own volunteer or paid parish nurses. This movement has grown far beyond what he originally thought. Gold Canyon UMC has three volunteer parish nurses - Sue Malloy, Monica Ortega-Watters, and myself.

The current health care crisis has created a great need for assisting people in navigating the many and varied systems that are encountered when there is need. The tremendous expense of health care makes health promotion and disease prevention even more valuable to our country. Longer life expectancy is both good and problematic, as people are aging and have more health problems. It has been said that if we do not encourage prevention of illness we will not be able to afford to care for the sick.

### How can a parish nurse help?

- The training and experience of a nursing background enables a parish nurse to identify signs and symptoms of disease.
- Parish nurses know the local resources that can help if a need is identified.
- Parish nurses understand medical terminology and can help persons interpret medical information to determine what this information means.
- Parish nurses can counsel when there are difficult health decisions to be made.

- Parish nurses are actively involved in health teaching and can provide opportunities to help members learn good health practices.
- Parish nurses assess the needs of individual congregations and plan programs that respond to identified needs.
- Parish nursing incorporates spiritual care along with medical treatments. Medical care alone does not always meet the needs, and parish nursing treats body, mind and spirit.
- Parish nurses consider what the church should provide for emergency care, and see that this is available.

These are some thoughts I have had about parish nursing. I completed an intensive PN certification course at Concordia University-WI, and authored a for-credit course in Parish Nursing for the college where I work. Sue Malloy established the program here at GCUMC and has worked very hard to make it a reality. It is an opportunity to assist the Body of Christ in a very real way.

Judith Watters, RN, MSN



### **Church Bus Drivers Needed**

Drivers and Assistant Drivers for the GCUMC church bus are needed for Sunday mornings. If you are interested in helping transport those who are unable to drive so they can attend worship on Sunday mornings, contact John Paddison.



## International Missions

"The world is my parish." – John Wesley

Would you consider making a Lenten/Easter gift to this mission in gratitude for God's blessings to you?

**Lisa needs**  
**\$5000!**

**You can help** GCUMC meet our goal  
of supporting Lisa's  
and Fellowman International's work in Honduras  
by

**Buying fair trade coffee** between worship services  
**Writing a check** to GCUMC designated for FMI  
**Making donations** in the coffee sales table jar



GCUMC supports Lisa Armstrong and the work of Fellowman International as our primary International Missions Project.

More information is available at the coffee sale table.

Would you consider making a Lenten/Easter gift to this mission in gratitude for God's blessings to you?

*"...We will strive to be a church that serves our community and the world, realizing and sharing the satisfying and abundant life Christ brings to all people."*



The Grief Support Group meets Wednesdays at 9:00 am in the Sea of Galilee Room. Please contact Laurie Christy at 480-518-3786 or Lchristy20@yahoo.com for more information

**Cancer Support Group**

.....meets each Wednesday at 10:00 am in Room 101-102. This active group provides spiritual support, love, friendship and a helping hand to cancer patients, caregivers and their families. For further information, contact Tom or Dee Ashe at 480-924-5483 or 480-650-6765 (cell) or by email at dee.ashe@yahoo.com



**FROM THE MAILBAG**

A heartfelt "Thank you" for the prayers, calls, cards, and other expressions of condolence over the past year as our family has suffered the loss of loved ones. We are so blessed to be a part of such a caring, loving church.

May God be with you always,

In Christian Love,  
Jerry and Ruth Ann Thacker



To: All at GCUMC:

Thank you for all of your loving acts of kindness.

Lovingly,  
Ardeena Gillette

**MIND MENDERS SUPPORT GROUP**

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



**STEPHEN  
MINISTRY®**

**DEALING WITH HOSPITALIZATION**

Depending on the reason you find yourself in the hospital, you may be fearing death, you may be angry, you may be depressed, you may be making a deal with God - you may be experiencing all or a combination of these challenges along with the very real element of pain.

A Stephen Minister will enter your hurt and will fully reflect your concerns and your pain. He or she will encourage you to verbalize your feelings, will encourage you to keep asking questions about your condition until you fully understand your prognosis, can refer you to a patient advocacy service in order to secure any available information about treatment you may need or want. A Stephen Minister will pray, with you or without you!

A Stephen Minister can provide - and will provide - a caring, comforting, listening presence to help you deal with the ever present stresses of hospitalization. Just call the Church office or visit with our Pastor for a referral.

Caregiving is not just a two person relationship, but a three person one. There's the one you care for, there's you, and there's Jesus.

Ken Haugk, in  
*Don't Sing Songs to a Heavy Heart:  
How to Relate to Those Who Are Suffering*

## W.O.W. Corner



**Mark your calendars for *SPRING FLING*** .....this third annual spring event at the Gold Canyon United Methodist Church is scheduled for **April 9<sup>th</sup> from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm** throughout the church campus. There will be fun opportunities for the whole family so bring everyone. Events include a 5-man rock wall, clowns and face painting, hot dogs, snow cones and popcorn, a Toy Story and obstacle course bouncy houses, balloon art, a petting zoo and a blessing of the animals. Booths and displays by groups such as Superstition Search & Rescue, Classic Car Club and other community organizations will be set up to share information and demonstrate what our community has available. Entertainment by local artists will be ongoing throughout the day.

The event is free of charge; donations are gladly accepted. Bring your family and friends for a fun filled spring afternoon at your church! ***See you there!!!***



A big country western “thanks partners” to all of the winter residents who have attended the 5 pm Country Western service during the winter months!

You are all a vital part of our church family. We hope you will have a great summer and come see us again when you return in the fall.

For those of you who are here year-round, the Country Western service will continue weekly through the end of June, then monthly on the last Sunday of July, August and September.

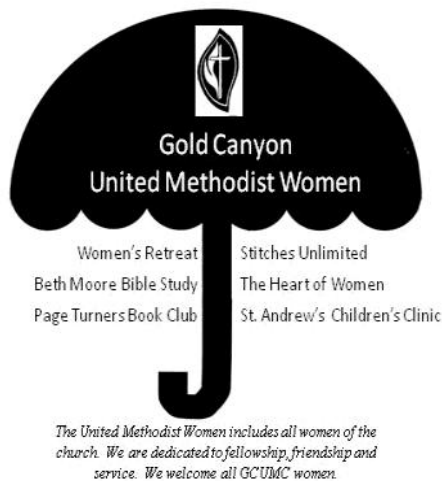
We look forward to giving you a big “Howdy!” And, remember, bring friends any time.

Bob Deits and David Ballard



### Winter Residents!

Bob and David have given us a good reminder that it might be time to change your address for the summer. If you will be returning to a “cooler climate” for the summer, don’t forget to call the office to let us know. That way, you can continue receiving statements, other church announcements and especially your copy of the *Roadrunner!* Also, if you’d like to read your *Roadrunner* online, just give us your email address and we will inform you when it is on the website each month.



The Gold Canyon United Methodist Women's group would like to invite you to attend a Mother/Daughter/Friend Luncheon "Women Helping Women" on Saturday, April 16th at 11:30 am in the Koinonia Room. Tickets will be available in the narthex after church services on March 27, April 3 and April 10. Ticket prices are: Adult \$8.00, Children 12 and under \$5.00.

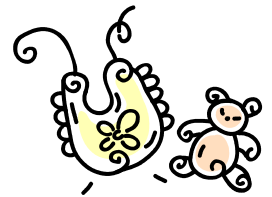
Terry Smith and Mitzi Wisely will be speaking to us about Hope Women's Center located in Apache Junction. We are accepting donations of personal items that the four thousand client recipients could use such as: shampoo, razors, soap, lotion, laundry detergent and toilet paper. Lists of suggested items for donation to Hope Women's Center are posted on the bulletin boards in the narthex of each building.



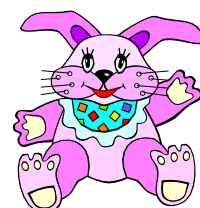
## YOU DID IT! YOU HELPED US HELP THEM!

Thanks to all of you for your generous donations to St. Andrew's Children's Clinic. The following are the results of much giving - from Church, Friends, Parks, Community, Canadians and friends who have moved away, but still remember our Ministry. Ten of us made the trip on a beautiful March day. Remember, we go again in the fall. Until then, again our sincere thanks.

72 containers of infant formula  
 2 boxes of baby vitamins  
 5 - 6 packs of Pediatric Drink  
 8 bottles of Pediatric Electrolyte  
 1 - 6 pack of prune juice  
 6 - 6 packs of Nutritional Supplement  
 2 boxes of baby wipes  
 86 quilts  
 9 knitted neck wraps  
 7 knitted baby stocking caps  
 6 pairs baby socks  
 3 baby blankets  
 2 baby blanket sleepers  
 6 flannel baby blankets  
 12 knitted baby sweaters  
 9 knitted scarves  
 4 bibs  
 24 wash cloths  
 10 knitted wash cloths  
 5 "Izzy" dolls  
 1 bag new baby clothes  
 18 boxes colored pencils & crayons  
 17 lap robes  
 7 rag quilts  
 1 throw  
 1 blender  
 1 juicer  
 1 domino game  
 3 boxes toothbrushes  
 5 receiving blankets  
 Many small stuffed animals  
 176 toiletry kits



Alyce Ancell  
 Gail Crawford  
 Phyllis Gray



# April Birthdays



Peggy Epler	1	William Hick	8	Lucas Manbeck	18	Mickie Rosenstein	24
Jo Glasgow	1	Nancy Johnson	9	Lynn Revis	18	Richard Schlager	24
Betty Lundberg	1	Carl Madzey	9	Ruthmary Shull	18	Dean Taylor	24
Rev. Fred Steinberg	1	Lily Mogharbel	9	Beverly Svoboda	18	John Anderson	25
Taylor Lee Wehle	2	Dr. Brad Bryant	11	April Owen	19	Deborah Primeau	25
Herschuel Howell	3	Nedra Erskine	11	Jim Tambke	19	Carly Reid	25
Casaea Mogharbel	3	Glenn Hardesty	11	Uni Kincaid	20	Sara Russell-Kukuk	25
Helen Morris	3	Bo Bohannon	12	Joey Baker	21	Collette Bos	26
Bill Ramer	3	Doris Stichter	12	Karen Brown	21	Dave Robertson	26
Jody Topping	3	Carol Warkenthien	12	Linda Crane	21	Anne Anderson	27
Daniel Gray	4	Ruth DeWinter	14	Debbie Freitas	21	Duri Arquisch	27
Elizabeth Kinder	4	Gary Gingrich	14	Carmean Bargman	22	Sharyn Bennett	27
Laurie Logan	4	Joe Kincaid	14	Heidi Crane	22	Gracie Fitzgerald	27
Lorna Marifjeren	4	Jed Moore	14	Jeannette Hardman	22	Jan Helquist	27
Bob KostECKA	5	Ruth Steinkruger	14	Harry Warren	22	David Kidwell	27
Vern Rolf	5	Ardis Larson	15	Norman Wilke	22	Michelle Krstyen	28
Marian Denton	6	Pat Cady	16	Gene Kruschek	23	Lewis Stichter	28
Phyllis Hrehovcsik	6	Sean Swails	16	Scott Moore	23	Peter Wehle	28
Joyce Page	6	John Coules	17	Jerry Muratore	23	Jeff Downing	29
Nicholas Wood	6	Amy Olson	17	Sue Sutter	23	Muriel Mercer	29
Thomas Mullins	7	Rick Reichert	17	Gale Adair	24	Len Sams	29
Erica Ballard	8	Arlaine Bryant	18	Jean Graham	24	Bonnie Weaver	29
Frank Ebnetter	8	Paul Cecil	18	Judy Hanshaw	24	Melva Houtcooper	30
Gen Friesen	8	Crystal Copeland	18	Bob Holst	24	Sharon Johnson	30



# April Anniversaries

Trudy & Bill Ramer	3	Barbara & Norman Wilke	15	Mickie & Robert Rosenstein	24
Trudy & Tim Carpenter	7	Amy & Erik Olson	17	Janet & Brad Daniels	27
Hazel & Len Sams	11	Susan & Chris Fitzgerald	18	Tracy & Dwight Callahan	29
Bette & Tom Wiff	11	Clare & Clara Goodman	18	Joyce & Bill Curtis	30
Bonnie & Arne Eisentraut	15	Susan & Michael Malloy	23	Monica & Scott Watters	30
Sara & Paul Vara	15	Barbara & David Osborn	24	Ruth Ann & Jerry Thacker	30

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



# Volunteer Services

**VOLUNTEERS DO MAKE A DIFFERENCE**

*Jane Hayes, Volunteer Coordinator  
982-3776*

### Inspirational Values

I am always impressed when I see our daily foodbank volunteers. Even when they are completely overwhelmed with 8 or more clients arriving at once, they take their yoga breath and move out those carts! True **Humility** is their inspirational value on my list.

**Ingenuity** was also on display when our **Nathaniel Gingrich, Christian Ordiway, Kaylea Payne, and Nick Saathoff** gave their messages on Youth Sunday! Thanks so much for your wise words. You will represent our world well in the future as you continue to use the process of applying ideas to solve problems or meet challenges.

### Inspirational

**Katee Sharp**, soloist, also represented the music artist JJ Keller on Youth Sunday. Should you want to listen a second time or more you will find her name and be able to listen again to JJ Keller/music and select **Your Hands** written and arranged by JJ Keller and Katherine Herzig.

### Holy Week Volunteers:

If you are interested in serving as one of our many greeters, etc. please call the office should you be available at 982-3776.

### Thank YOU!!

I will miss the willingness of many of our winter residents to serve while you were here this season. You are a wonderful part of our church family.



Do you have the time? No, I don't mean your watch! Please look over this list of volunteer needs. If you can assist with one or more of the following, **complete and place this form in the collection plate, at the Information Desk or church office.**

<u>Job</u>	<u>Mins. per week</u>
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Hospitality/Coffee Server	30+
Shut in Meals	75
Transportation to doctor	90
Sound Booth	90
Greeter	40
Bake cookies	60

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_



### COOKIE LOVERS!



Our Hospitality Team is in need of cookies, breads or fruit to continue serving after the 8:00 and 9:30 services. We will accept cookies anytime during the week in the office or on Sunday in the kitchen. OR, we will do the shopping for you. With \$5 donations we can purchase baked goods in quantity to have on hand. You can contribute by donating funds on Sunday at the tables on the patio or adding a check designated "Kitchen Fund" to the collection plate. Thank you!

### Roadrunner Email

Would you mind receiving your *Roadrunner* and event announcements by email? If so, please fill out the information below, tear it off and drop it in the collection plate or send it in to the church office. **PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY**

Name (s): \_\_\_\_\_

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Do you wish to continue to receive hard copy Roadrunners as well?  Yes  No

## GCUMC Calendar April 2011

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Pastor Fred's Birthday Women's Retreat 10 am GC Mom's Club- 101/102 5:30 pm AA-SofG	2 Women's Retreat 8 am Men's Breakfast @ Red Sage 10 am Sidewalk Sunday School @ Desert Chapel
3—Women's Retreat 8 am Adult Sun. School-SofG 8 am Traditional-Sanc. 9:30 am Traditional-Sanc. 10:50 am Praise-K Rm 5 pm Country Worship -K Rm 5:30 pm Confirmation Class—Youth Rm. 5:30 pm Disciple 2—Feather's 6:30 pm Youth—Ed Bldg.	4 8:30 am Stephen Min Tng—Rm 101/102 1 pm Disciple 1—Rm 101/102 3:00 pm Stephen Min.—SofG Rm 6 pm WOW Meeting—K Rm 6 pm Yoga—Sanc. Narthex 6:30 pm Boy Scouts - Rm 106 7 pm Al-Anon - Rm 105	5 9 am Yoga—K Rm 10 am Community Grounds - Rm 101/102 10:15 Yoga—K Rm 6 pm One in the Spirit Rehearsal-K Rm 6:30 pm Chancel Ringers 7 pm Men's Study-Rm 101/102	6 9 am Grief Support - SofG Rm 10 am Cancer Support - Room 101/102 4:30 pm U-Can & Bears Clubs- Ed. Bldg. 5:30 pm Angel Choir—K Rm 6 pm Youth Handbells-Sanc. 6 pm Disciple 1-K Rm. 6 pm Yoga—Sanc. Narthex	7 9 am Yoga—K Rm 9:30 am Lenten Study—Music Rm. 10 am Prayer Shawl Ministry- Rm 101/102 10 am Men Seeking Brotherhood - Rm 106 10:15 am Yoga—K Rm 7 pm Lenten Study—K Rm 7 pm Chancel Choir—Sanctuary	8 10 am Mindmenders - Rm 101/102 5:30 pm AA-SofG	9 9 am BUS to Sidewalk Sunday School @ Desert Chapel 12 pm SPRING FLING
10 8 am Adult Sun. School-SofG 8 am Traditional-Sanc. 9:30 am Traditional-Sanc. 10:50 am Praise-K Rm 3 pm San Tan Choir Concert 5 pm Country Worship -K Rm 5:30 pm Confirmation Class—Youth Rm. 5:30 pm Disciple 2—Feather's 6:30 pm Youth—Ed Bldg.	11 8:30 am Stephen Min Tng—Rm 101/102 6 pm Yoga—Sanc. Narthex 6:30 pm Coffee with the Pastor—Choir Rm. 6:30 pm Boy Scouts - Rm 106 7 pm Al-Anon - Rm 105	12 9 am Yoga—K Rm 10 am Community Grounds - Rm 101/102 10:15 Yoga—K Rm 6 pm One in the Spirit Rehearsal-K Rm 6:30 pm Chancel Ringers 7 pm Men's Study-Rm 101/102	13 9 am Grief Support - SofG Rm. 10 am Cancer Support - Room 101/102 4:30 pm U-Can & Bears Clubs- Ed. Bldg. 5:30 pm Angel Choir—K Rm 6 pm Youth Handbells-Sanc. 6 pm Disciple 1-K Rm. 6 pm Yoga—Sanc. Narthex	14 9 am Yoga—K Rm 9 am Stitches Unlimited- Rm 101/102 9:30 am Lenten Study—Choir Rm 10 am Men Seeking Brotherhood - Rm 106 10:15 am Yoga—K Rm 7 pm Chancel Choir—Sanctuary 7 pm Lenten Study—K Rm	15 5:30 pm AA-SofG 7:30 pm JJ Heller In Concert (FREE) - Sanc.	16 9 am BUS to Sidewalk Sunday School @ Desert Chapel 10 am UMW "Mother Daughter Friend Luncheon"
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24—EASTER SUNDAY 6 am Sunrise Service—N. Pkg Lot 8 am Adult Sun. School-SofG 8 am Traditional-Sanc. 9:30 am Traditional-Sanc. 10:50 am Praise-K Rm 5 pm Country Worship -K Rm 5:30 pm Confirmation Class—Youth Rm. 5:30 pm Disciple 2—Feather's 6:30 pm Youth—Ed Bldg.	25 8:30 am Stephen Min Tng—Rm 101/102 1 pm Disciple 1—Rm 101/102 6 pm Yoga—Sanc. Narthex 6:30 pm Administrative Council Meeting—Choir Room 6:30 pm Boy Scouts - Rm 106 7 pm Al-Anon - Rm 105	26 9 am Yoga—K Rm 10 am Community Grounds - Rm 101/102 10:15 Yoga—K Rm 1:15 Disciple 3-Rm 101/102 5:30 pm Houser Gang Rehearsal-K Rm 7 pm Men's Study-Rm 101/102	27 9 am Grief Support - SofG Rm 10 am Cancer Support - Room 101/102 4:30 pm U-Can & Bears Clubs- Ed. Bldg. 5:30 pm Angel Choir—K Rm 6 pm Youth Handbells-Sanc. 6 pm Disciple 1-K Rm. 6 pm Yoga—Sanc. Narthex	28 9 am Yoga—K Rm 9 am Stitches Unlimited- Rm 101/102 10 am Men Seeking Brotherhood—Rm 106 10:15 am Yoga—K Rm 7 pm Chancel Choir—Sanctuary	29 5:30 pm AA-SofG	30 9 am BUS to Sidewalk Sunday School @ Desert Chapel



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**WORSHIP SCHEDULE**

**\*8:00 AM—Traditional Worship**

**\*9:30 AM—Traditional Worship  
 In the Sanctuary**

**\*10:50 AM—PRAISE Service  
 In the Koinonia Room  
 Music led by *Uncommon Grace***

*\*Childcare Provided*

**5:00 PM—Country Western Service**

**SUNDAY SCHOOL  
 SCHEDULE**

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

- ✝ 8:00 AM ~ Adult Sunday School  
Meets in Room 101/102
- ✝ 9:30 AM ~ Children's Sunday School  
Pick up in Room 101/102
- ✝ 9:30 AM ~ Youth Sunday School
- ✝ 9:30 AM ~ Adult Study
- ✝ 10:50 AM ~ Children's Sunday School
- ✝ 11:00 AM ~ Adult Sunday School

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