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**From The Pastor:  
 "Gem of 70 faces"**

Ever marvel over a multifaceted diamond? As the gem stone is turned in the sunlight, it sparkles and glints as the light reveals its character. Diamonds are useful in this world. They are worn on fingers as a sign of a long lasting marriage. They are also attached to drill bits to cut through the hardest ground to find oil or water.

Rev. Rob Bell points out that rabbis at times have spoken of the scriptures being a gem with seventy faces and each time you turn the gem, the light refracts differently, giving you a reflection you haven't seen before.

I have certainly found this to be true. Early in my ministry I taught a Disciple I Bible Study each year for seven years. And every year I discovered new thoughts in the scriptures and new thoughts about myself. The teachings I learned came from the situation I was in that year. Every year the same scriptures impacted me in a different way.

At the end of September we will be launching our new Disciple Bible Study classes. In Disciple I you will read 80% of the Bible in just 34 weeks. While this level of reading is possible on your own, the weekly gathering will help you to fully understand what you have read and put it into the context of what was happening in the culture at that time. This Bible Study is so effective most people attend higher level Disciple classes until they finish all of them.

I would highly encourage you to commit to participating in Bible Study for the 2011-2012 year. We will publish the time and dates of our new classes in the bulletin.

Grace and peace,

*Fred*

**Church Wish List**

Want to give back to Gold Canyon United Methodist Church beyond your pledge to the General Budget or the Building Fund. Listed below are some items requested by staff and laity that will better enable us to fulfill our mission as a church.

- Pave the North Parking Lot - \$200,000
- Religious Statue for South Exterior Alcove of Sanctuary Building
- Pipes for the Electronic Organ
- Stain Glass for upper Sanctuary windows - \$105,000 (\$3,000 per panel)
- Playground Equipment



**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.



**MOTHER-DAUGHTER RETREAT**

The Desert Southwest Conference is sponsoring the 2011 Mother & Daughter Retreat "Beautiful You.....Designed By God" on September 16 - 18, at Mingus Mountain Camp (8500 W Forest Service Road 104, Prescott Valley, AZ 86315). This retreat will be intergenerational, including mothers and daughters from ages 10 on up. It will be a time of discovering your outer and inner beauty, and appreciating the bond between mother and daughter in a relaxed and beautiful setting. The weekend will be filled with fun, discussion time, devotions, crafts, hiking and other outdoor activities. Cost is \$100 for adults, \$50 for daughters (\$25 for each additional daughter). For brochure and online registration go to <http://desertsouthwestconference.org/mingus>.

For questions please contact Verna Yazzi at 602-266-6956 or email [verna@desertsw.org](mailto:verna@desertsw.org).

**IT'S "YEE HAW" TIME AGAIN**

The Country Western Service goes weekly again, starting Sunday, September 25 at 5 PM.

We will kick off the new season with the **Houser's** providing the music and a potluck following the service. This would be a great time to bring a guest and introduce them to Gold Canyon United Methodist Church.

Beginning, October 2, the format will be similar to last year, with **One In the Spirit** providing the music on the first three or four Sundays and the **Houser's** playing and singing on the last Sunday. As always, Communion will be served on the first Sunday of the month.

The season will have some specials—like the Fall-O-Ween outdoor event and concerts by the Houser's and One In the Spirit.

We look forward to greeting you with a big "Howdy, Partners!"



Bob Deits & David Ballard

**DONATIONS AND ATTENDANCE**

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

June	2009		2010		2011		2010	2011
	General	Building	General	Building	General	Building	Worship All	Worship All
<b>1st</b>	12975	4725	9452	4707	13857	6275	420	399
<b>2nd</b>	9827	5629	12674	6043	8520	3168	427	403
<b>3rd</b>	6370	4535	6884	2592	9395	6528	421	419
<b>4th</b>	7241	12972	12806	3266	8164	3023	515	386
<b>5th</b>	—	—	—	—	7912	2078	—	518
<b>Total</b>	36413	27861	41816	16608	<b>47848</b>	<b>21072</b>	1783	2125

**Donations for Student Financial Assistance**

Have you ever considered financially helping a student to advance his or her 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.

**ONLINE GIVING AVAILABLE!**

You may 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!





## 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.”*

*Welcome to September! As we prepare for cooler weather let us also prepare for the work God has in store for us. As you know it takes a team to run a church, from the custodian to the nursery attendant, to the liturgist to the pastor, each person has their duty and all are important. As you know I will be leaving my position as Education Director in the next month and I want to thank each and every one of you for making me and my family welcome at Gold Canyon UMC. You have made my job so much easier by your support and love. I ask that you now look at your own life and listen closely for the still, small voice telling you which path you are to choose. May you feel the same joy working the children, youth, families and adults in this church that I have and may you continue to support one another and build one another up in Christ. I pray that you will be immensely blessed by being a part of this church.*

### Classes and Up Coming Events

**Sidewalk Ministries** A new year of Sidewalk Sunday School in Apache Junction is fast approaching. We have secured a new location at Avalon Elementary. We are anticipating the program will start Oct 15 and will be held every Saturday, 10am till noon through the month of April 2011. The children we minister to are from a variety of religious and economic backgrounds. Some have church backgrounds but many do not. This becomes a wonderful opportunity to tell the stories of the Bible and share the gospel with them. Each week the program needs 18-25 adult helpers to make this a stable and meaningful project. If you are interested in a local mission work with children this is your opportunity. The first planning meeting will be held on Thursday, August 25 at 1:00pm. If you would like more information please contact June Welker, 480-986-0129, Joan Wilder-Siersma, 325-456-2336, or Bev Stout, 480-926-6479.

### Teachers Needed

The preschool/kindergarten class at the 9:30am service and the all ages Sunday School at the 10:50am service and still in need of teachers. The children of this church are very important and they needed dedicated adults to teach them the love of God each week. If God places it upon your heart to lead either of these classes full time or part time please let contact Alex Houseman.

DISCIPLE is a program of disciplined Bible study aimed at developing strong Christian leaders. It focuses on the disciple as learner, believer, follower, proclaimer, and servant while providing the fellowship of a small group for study, prayer, preparation, support, and servanthood.

If you are interested in taking this step in your faith journey, please register between services at the Education table or with Alex Houseman in the church office. We will be forming new groups to start in the fall.

### Adult Bible Study

The new quarter for Adult Bible Study begins in September. We would love to see this class fill up with new and returning students eager to study the Bible. ADULT BIBLE STUDIES and Daily Bible Study are used by almost 500,000 students and teachers each week. They are Bible-based, Christ-focused, United Methodist-approved curriculum for use in adult Sunday school classes, mid-week Bible study, and small-group based studies. (The United Methodist Publishing House)

The class will meet in The Sea of Galilee room of the Education Building at 8:00am. The class is facilitated by a different member each week. However, if you are interested in facilitating this class or any other class, please contact Alex Houseman in the church office.

### Men's Renewal Weekend 2011

The Desert Southwest Conference United Methodist Men is putting on a men's weekend retreat September 30 – October 2. The theme is Can You Walk Like a D.S.? (District Superintendent) There will be many guest speakers including Bishop Minerva Carcano, Rev. Candace Lansberry, Rev. Dr. Roberts Burns, Rev. Gary Kennedy and Rev. Michael Pearson. The retreat will be held at the United Christian Youth Camp in Prescott. You can pick a registration form in the church office or contact Albert Brown for more information. You can also find information at [www.desertsouthwestconference.org/umm](http://www.desertsouthwestconference.org/umm).

### Arizona Five-Day Academy for Spiritual Formation

The Upper Room and The Boards of Discipleship and Ordained Ministry of the Desert Southwest Conference present “Seeds of Hope: A Desert Journey”. This theme seeks to describe both the grounding and growth of our hope to better know and experience the presence of God in our daily lives. This year's Academy will be held at the Redeemptorist Renewal Center of Picture Rocks, near Tucson. We will gather in the evening of Sunday, October 23, and close with lunch on Friday, October 28. Cost for the 5 Day Academy is \$525 (\$600 for a Private Room). For more information please visit [www.as5dayacademy.com](http://www.as5dayacademy.com).

**DISCIPLE**



# Gold Canyon UMC Youth



Wendy Moore, Youth Director

Our Superstar of the Month is **The Youth Group Volleyball Team!**

This year the Gold Canyon UMC Youth Group volleyball team had its highest tournament finish ever, finishing 3<sup>rd</sup> place out of 13 church teams! Our youth played hard, and always kept their Christian values – representing our church family well to the local Christian community.

Likes: long walks on the court, chance encounters at the net, dinners at DQ under fluorescent lights, and sunset drives in a Ford 450 church bus.

Accomplishments: 3<sup>rd</sup> place out of 13 teams in the DCYM Summer Volleyball League

Favorite Food: Dairy Queen – again!

They are our Superstars of the Month!

**Congratulations Team!**



## News:

Gold Canyon UMC has started a brand new Young Adult group for high school graduates. It is our desire to provide continued support for our youth as they transition into adult life. We will share fellowship through fun activities such as camping, skiing, pool parties, and trips. During the school year, through long distance technology, we will provide a safe and open environment for sharing challenges, and discussing our faith in order to strengthen our relationships with Jesus and each other. We will support each other during the tough times and celebrate with each other during the good times. If you are a high school graduate and are interested in our new group please contact Jey Moore at [jeymoore@gmail.com](mailto:jeymoore@gmail.com).

## Leadership Opportunities for Young Adults

Relevance Ministries, the official young adult ministry of the Desert Southwest Conference, is seeking young people to share their gifts by joining the leadership team, which is composed of young adults with various backgrounds and experiences, and who reside in the in the different geographical locations that make up the Conference. Eligible participants are any young adults that have graduated high school through 30 years old.

To express interest in joining the team, go to <http://relevanceonline.com/connect-with-us/our-leadership> and either complete the online application or download the PDF form and follow the instructions. Applications are accepted on an ongoing basis.

For questions, please contact Glen Simpson at [glensimpson@gmail.com](mailto:glensimpson@gmail.com).

## Perspectives:

"Suppose a nation in some distant Region should take the Bible for their only law Book, and every member should regulate his conduct by the precepts there exhibited! Every member would be obliged in conscience, to temperance, frugality, and industry; to justice, kindness, and charity towards his fellow men; and to piety, love, and reverence toward Almighty God ... What a Eutopia, what a Paradise would this region be."

**John Adams**

2nd U.S. President and Signer of the Declaration of Independence

"Resistance to tyranny becomes the Christian and social duty of each individual. ... Continue steadfast and, with a proper sense of your dependence on God, nobly defend those rights which heaven gave, and no man ought to take from us."

**John Hancock**

1st Signer of the Declaration of Independence

"Cursed be all that learning that is contrary to the cross of Christ."

**James Madison**

4th U.S. President



## Music Notes

September is here with the promise of a new season of exciting new friends, experiences and opportunities for growth. "School is in session" is for more than just kids. All of us continue to be educated in one way or another, by choice or circumstance. Open your heart and soul. Life is good and continues to be fulfilling when we allow it to be.

We are renewing all of our music activities this month. Here's the schedule:

**Chancel Choir** (high school age through senior adult) We meet on Thursday evenings at 6:50pm in the Music Room. The Choir is open to all who love to sing, can sing on pitch, and can read music, at least a little. Contact Doug Benton with questions. Our first rehearsal will be on **Thursday, Sept. 1. WE WANT YOU!!!**

**Chancel Ringers Handbell Choir** (Adult) We meet on Tuesdays evenings from 7:00-8:30pm in the Chancel of the Sanctuary. Experience much preferred. Contact Doug Benton with questions. We ring 5 octaves of Malmark handbells and 6 octaves of Malmark Choirchimes. Our first rehearsal will be on **Tuesday, Sept. 13.**

**Childrens Choir** (grades 4-8) We meet on Wednesday afternoons from 5:30-6:15pm in the Music Room, after *Bear's Club*. We really have a great time learning about music and making music together. This group is directed by Kathy Nuss. Our first rehearsal will be **Wednesday, Sept. 13.**

**Youth Handbell Team** (Junior and Senior High youth) We meet on Wednesday evenings after the Children's Choir from 6:15-7:00pm in the Chancel of the Sanctuary. Experience is helpful but not necessary. Our first rehearsal will be **Wednesday, Sept. 14.** *Come find out what all the fun is about!*

**The GCUMC Orchestra** (6<sup>th</sup> grade through senior adult) Yes, indeed, we do have an orchestra! We began last spring and we hope to make this group a special part of our worship in the future. We rehearse on Wednesday evenings from 7:00-8:00 in the Music Room. Dust off your "axe", get your embouchure in shape and join us for this unique musical expression! This group is not for beginners, but if you have any experience on your instrument, we want you! Contact Doug Benton with questions. Our first rehearsal will be on **Wednesday, Sept. 21.** If you are interested in our great Praise Team, **Uncommon**

**Grace**, contact David Ballard. David also directs the Country/Western group, **One in the Spirit** which will begin rehearsing again next month. Call David with any questions.

As you see, we have lots of opportunities to make music for our Lord and His people. I sincerely hope you (and your kids!) will consider joining one of more of these groups, if you are able.

I found a couple of mistakes in the Events and Performances Schedule printed the past two months. The one in this issue is correct.

A special thanks for those who sang in August while the Choir took a hiatus: Alexandra Houseman, Gary Ackerson, Gary Stemple and Jody Topping.

Finally, on a personal note, I visited my brand new, first time, great granddaughter last month! I ask your patience with me as I over indulge in this new experience!!!

Blessings to all,

*Doug*

Douglas J. Benton  
Director of Music Ministries

**See Page 15 for this year's Event Calendar!**

### Roadrunner Email

Would you consider 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:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email address:** \_\_\_\_\_

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

## WITHIN THE CHURCH FAMILY

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



**CHANGE IN E-MAIL:** Please go back to our old e-mail [whsadier@earthlink.net](mailto:whsadier@earthlink.net)

**JUST A REMINDER:** Please let the Rhymes know or call the church office if you **WANT A NAME REMOVED FROM THE ROADRUNNER or SUNDAY PRAYER LIST** or are having surgery or are in the hospital, if you wish a visit or want to be on

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### FROM THE SADIE RHYMES' MISSION 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.**

Thanks to Jolene & Michael Agnew again. They are purchasing and bagging dog food once a month. THANKS to others who have donated money for Pet food or PET FOOD. Sadie thanks you bunches and we do also. WE ARE IN NEED OF FOLKS WHO CAN HELP **BAG** PET FOOD. THIS CAN BE DONE AT HOME. A BIG THANKS to Margaret & Robert Baker & Les & Marlene Kimball for helping bag food. PLEASE call the office or let the Rhymes know if you can help us with bagging.



### WITHIN THE CHURCH FAMILY

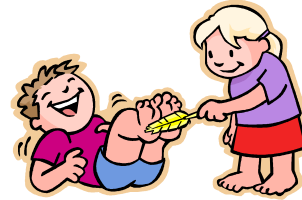
**Sympathies:** Sandy Schutt & Hu & Wendy Rhymes, upon the death of Sandy's husband, Richard (Hu and Wendy's brother-in-law); The Quinn family, upon the death of loved ones and the families & friends of the above.

**Concerns and/or Continued Prayers:** Ed Adamski, Pat Alsup, Johnnie Anderson (Paula Tucker's uncle), Joey Baker, Lenden Bartlett, Marge Bos (Dave Bos' mother), Jim Bradford, Elroy Brogren (Neil Brogren's brother), Denise Brotman & family, Bob & Joann Clark, Carol Crosswhite, Kay Droste, Dale & Inge Fitzpatrick, Maisie Fuller, Toni Renee Gomaiez, Linda Granger, Gail Harshburg, Rita Hawkins, Alan Helquist, Bob Johnson, Chloe Leibowitz, Donna Liles, Earl Marifjeren, Larry McMann, Carol Melius, Briana Morgan, Jean Ogilvie, Ramona Orr (Kris Laux's mother), Jennie Oukada, Catarina Pascual, Mary Lou Peden, Rose Pino, Heather, Theah & Lucah Porritt (daughter & grandchildren of Rosemary Schulz), Peter Ritsch; Ari Shreffler, Donella Sparks, Beth Steinberg, Catherine Sullivan, Patty Truckle, Monica Ortega-Watters, Mickey Wenzel, Ron Whistler, Harold Wright 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 prayers. PRAYERS for our MILITARY personnel (Alejandro Gonzales & Matthew Jacobson), those in harm's way & those suffering from PTSD & other maladies as a result of their military service & their families. Also, those who are POOR & in NEED OF EMPLOYMENT. PRAYERS for the families of SIDEWALK MINISTRY. ALL FOLKS AFFECTED by the recent storms & heat everywhere. CONCERN for Lisa Buscher in Maryknoll Mission Center in Bolivia (Daughter of Jeff/Jane Hayes).

**Still in Need of Prayers:** John & Doris Adamson, Andy & Pat Allan, Richard & Eleanor Armstrong, Tom & Dee Ashe, Dorothy Baker & family, Bob & Ruth Bennett, Doug & Martha Benton, Irene Blake (Paul Fillion's sister), Goldie Boleyn (Bev Toppin's mother), Kay Bottomley (Mike Vagnier's mother), Lyle Brewer, Dr. Brad & Arlaine Bryant & Julie Bryant-Holver, Martha Burkshaw, Jim & Carolyn Burt, Sandy Campbell, Don & Arlene Catt, Karen Chandler, Joyce Curtis, Rev. Bob & June Deits, Chuck Dickinson, Laura Dinges, Rev. Jim & Eve Dinkel, Adelyne Douglass, Janet Fillion (Paul &

Joyce Fillion's daughter-in-law), Peter Fillion (Paul Fillion's brother), Elaine Finck, Danna & Andy Gharavi, Ardeena Gillette, Patti Girardi, Bill & Louise Green, Arline Hacker, Michael & Debbie Hale, Miriam Hanson (Brenda Rahaneotis' sister), Olive & Gaylord Hart & their kids, Kathy & Paul, Kerby Harms (Roger & Shirley Coad's grandson), Beth Hayes (Jeff Hayes' mother), Jim & Kyle Hoggatt (Jim & Carolyn Burt's son-in-law/grandson), Rich Haraldson, Ro Heinauer (Diane Heinauer's mother-in-law), Gary & Sara Hinman, Wade & Cindy Hoff, Neil & Melva Houtcooper, Ginny & Joe Johnson, Noel Jones (Linda & Morgan Jones' grandson), Gladys Kay (Jane Hayes' Mom), Mel & Mary Kilbo, Steve & Peggy Kinder, Amy Konecek (Dorothy Baker's granddaughter), Cheryl Lang, Thelma Lang (Pete 'n Kay Johnson's mother), Bob & Juana Mahlandt, Sue & Michael Malloy, Earl & Lorna Marifjeren, Bryan McGann (Jeanette Lunstead's son), Corine McGinley (Diane Kissner's sister), Larry & Pat McMann, Wilbur McMann, Linda & Mike Mestek, Dale Moffatt (Freda Moffatt's son), Judy Monk, Hedy Moore (Jed Moore's mother), Ron Morrissette, Mary Nelson, Don & Diane Parker, Eileen Petticrew (Keith Petticrew's mother), Shirley Plakos, Calvin Quinn, Lynn Revis, Eleanor Rhymes (Hu Rhymes' sister-in-law), Marv Richter, Jim & Marcia Ritenour, David & Judy Robertson, Brian Sanders (Brenda Rahaneotis' nephew), Virgil & Rose Scantlin, Sandy Schutt (Wendy Rhymes' sister & brother-in-law), Rick & Sue Sutter, Bobbie Talbot, Marilyn Thomas, Lillian Thomas (Bill & Mary Thomas' mother), Kenneth Tippie (Jerry & Peggy Tippie's son), Gordon & Patty Truckle, Marven & Wanda Tufte, 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), Doug Wilder (Joan Wilder-Siersma's father), Delza Wilson (Jayne Urbach's mother), Chong Ho Yi (Friend of Lovena Warren), Betty Young, Don & Pat Zirjacks and the families of the above.



**“LAUGH A LITTLE” with Hu**

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*YOU DON'T STOP LAUGHING BECAUSE YOU GROW OLD,  
 YOU GROW OLD BECAUSE YOU STOP LAUGHING.*

**WHAT I LEARNED IN SUNDAY SCHOOL**

1. The Egyptians were all drowned in the desert.
  2. Moses went up on Mt. Cyanide to get the 10 amendments.
  3. Moses died before he ever reached Canada.
  4. Solomon, one of David's sons, had 300 wives and 700 porcupines.
  5. Jesus was born because Mary had an immaculate contraption.
  6. Jesus enunciated the Golden Rule, which says to do one to others before they do one to you.
- St. Paul cavorted to Christianity. He preached holy acrimony, which is another name for marriage.

**MEMORY VERSE**

Sunday School Teacher: “Do you remember your memory verse, Charlie?”

Charlie: “I sure do. I even remember the zip code...John 3:16”

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Grief Support Meetings for the summer are on call as needed. Please call or email Laurie Christy for information. Lchristy20@yahoo.com or 480-518-3786.

**Cancer Support Group**

.....meets each Wednesday at 11:00 am in Room 101-102. This active group provides spiritual support, love, friendship and a helping hand to cancer patients, caregivers and their families. For further information, contact Tom or Dee Ashe at 480-924-5483 or 480-650-6765 (cell) or by email at deeashe7580@gmail.com.

# Healthy Living

News from the Health and Wellness Ministry of  
Monica Ortega-Watters and Susan Malloy, Parish Nurses

## Greetings from the Health & Wellness Ministry

Wow! Where did the Summer go? Here we are with the Fall Season approaching. Over the next few months we will be talking about EYE Health. Most of us Adults, go and get our eyes checked either regularly or somewhat regularly by an Optometrist or Ophthalmologist. But did you know that Newborns, Infants, and Preschoolers need to have eye exams, as well as during the School years?

“Good vision is the key to a child’s physical development, success in school, and overall wellbeing.” The vision system is not fully developed in infants and younger children. This intricate system requires equal input from both eyes’ for normal development. If clear images cannot be obtained by the vision center the child’s ability to see may become diminished to such a point that it cannot be corrected as they grow into adulthood. However, visual problems caught early on can be treated and corrected effectively.

During the School age years, a child should have an eye exam to assure proper visual acuity to read and interpret what they see in the school setting and outside. Poor vision can play havoc on grades, social skills, and physical activity. Nearsightedness (myopia) is the most common refractive error in this age group. Thankfully, it can be corrected with eyeglasses. If other eye problems are suspected, they should have a comprehensive exam by and Eye M.D. As a child enters junior high and high school additional concerns may exist. Encouraging your tween/teenager to develop a healthy lifestyle can be frustrating, as their ability to project themselves as future adults with long healthy lives just isn’t in their “here and now” mentality. Along with the idea that they are” invincible”, gives parents concern for their well being. SO it’s important to encourage them to be healthy by eating right and exercising so that good blood circulation and oxygen intake can benefit not only their bodies but their eye health as well. Diabetes, in our youth today, is growing at a rampant rate and this sets the stage for many additional serious health problems including diabetic retinopathy.

Teens need to be encouraged, preferably at an earlier age, to guard their eyes from the sun by wearing sunglasses and protective eye wear when mowing the lawn, trimming weeds, using power tools, and during sports and other recreational activities like baseball and paintballing. According to the American Academy of Ophthalmology “Protective eye wear prevents 90 % of all eye injuries.” It has been recorded that

“Nearly 2.5 million Americans suffer eye injuries each year and half of them occur at home.” This careless disregard for our precious eye sight can leave our unprotected eyes with a resultant permanent vision loss or worse- blindness.

Unfortunately, another area in which we must be diligent to encourage our youth and ourselves is the avoidance of smoking or quitting, as it is truly one of BEST investments you can make in your long term health. Smoking as a teenager can increase their risk for cataracts and can increase their risk for cardiovascular disease that can then indirectly affect their eye health.

Until next time .....Here is to your Good health,

Susan Malloy RN BSN

*The information in the article, and the quotation was obtained from The Foundation of the American Academy of Ophthalmology website.*

## 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.



## Lost & Found

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



## International Missions

"The world is my parish." – John Wesley

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

### Have you prayed for your missionary (any missionary) today?

GCUMC has connections through the Methodist system with hundreds of missionaries serving the cause of Christ around the world. These servants of Jesus Christ depend on our prayers as well as our financial support.

How to pray for a missionary:

Ministry—wisdom and strength

Cultural adjustment—all aspects of everyday life

Transportation—safety and reliability of transport

Budget—income and expenses are often out of balance; inflation and

currency devaluation increase the challenge

Health—good health and medical care

Relationships—family, social group, community, local church

Homesickness and loneliness—parents, children, grandchildren away

Family Pressures—same as ours!

The Work—that God's work will be done in spite of human weakness

GCUMC-connected missionaries and mission work include:

Becky Harrell in Costa Rica (formerly in Chile)

Lisa Armstrong in Honduras

Wangshi, China Church for which we've helped buy pews

After the Wave (care for orphans of the tsunami in Thailand)

*"More things are wrought by prayer than this world dreams of."*

### SIDEWALK MINISTRIES

#### Come Find Your Niche

Whether you are a sports enthusiast, a storyteller, or just want to make a difference in a child's life, there is a place for you in Sidewalk Ministries. Better yet, your commitment can be anywhere from one to four Saturday mornings a month beginning in mid-October. It's your call. And whatever talent you have, it will be greatly appreciated by the children of Sidewalk Ministries. Sidewalk Ministries is an exciting program which brings the Gospel message to children on Saturday mornings at our new location at Avalon Elementary School, 1045 S. San Marcos Drive, Apache Junction. It is much more than Bible stories or shooting hoops, it is a place where kids feel safe and loved by those who give of their time and talents for them. The program needs 18-25 adult helpers serving as shepherds in the following areas: arts and crafts, transportation, storytellers, song leaders, kitchen team, prayer team, and visitation. For more information, please call June Welker, 480-986-0129, Joan Wilder-Siersma, 325-456-2336, or Bev Stout, 480-926-6479.

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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.

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### Commemorative Mugs!!!!

Wouldn't you like to enjoy your morning coffee or tea or perhaps hot chocolate in an attractive Gold Canyon United Methodist Church Commemorative Mug? Stop by the Information Desk or the office and pick one up for only \$5.00 each. They also make great gifts!

Your **W.O.W.** team designed the mugs and proceeds will be used to support their outreach mission.



**STEPHEN  
MINISTRY®**

When we experience the death of a loved one, we begin a journey through pain and grief. This journey can lead to an abatement of the pain, to recovery and healing, or sadly to an even greater and continued brokenness.

Along the way, we feel the initial shock of our loss, then recoil from the loss and respond in a compelling variety of way to our grief. In our attempt to make sense of the tragedy in our lives, we may blame ourselves, others (including medical personnel, and even GOD). Going to someone with whom we can talk, with whom we can share our journey, with whom we can talk about our anger towards God can lead to both healing and reconciliation.

Expressing our feelings and the debilitating facts of our grief is the surest way to conclude the journey in hope and renewal. A Stephen Minister is trained and ready to travel with you during all the various ages of your grief and help you move toward greater wholeness.

To ease the pain of your grief journey, call the office for a referral to a Stephen Minister.

*Every Christian is constantly invited to overcome his neighbor's fear by entering into it with him, and to find in the fellowship of suffering the way to freedom.*

*Henri J. M. Nouwen*

### A Note from our Pastoral Intern

*I will be offering the following Adult Education opportunities as part of my internship. Please sign up for one or more!*

**This We Believe: The Core of Wesleyan Faith and Practice** - This is an 8-10 week adult small-group study with the purpose of providing participants with information about our Methodist beliefs so we can live more faithfully as disciples of Jesus Christ. The study is designed to give guidance for interpreting the Scriptures within a Methodist/Wesleyan framework. Each study group meeting will be no more than 90 minutes long and scheduling is flexible (i.e. either Sunday morning, on a weekday afternoon or evening).

**Meeting God in Scripture: Understanding Spiritual Gifts** - This is a 6-8 week adult small-group study in which participants will identify their spiritual gifts and consider how God wants them to be used. Within a small group and as you read the Bible at home, you will be guided to respond personally to short scripture passages. This study can open new doors in your spiritual formation as you discover how the selected Bible passages relate to your life. Each study group meeting will be no more than 90 minutes long and scheduling is flexible (i.e. either Sunday morning, on a weekday afternoon or evening).

**Introduction to World Religions** - This adult small-group study is in the process of being developed. It will include a brief introduction to various world religions, such as Buddhism, Hinduism, Judaism, and Islam to name a few. Participants will explore the basic beliefs of these and other world religions in an effort to gain a better understanding of these faith traditions and how they intersect with Christianity. Each study group meeting will be no more than 90 minutes long and scheduling is flexible (i.e. either Sunday morning, on a weekday afternoon or evening).

Anyone interested in signing up for any of these studies is invited to drop by the Education Table on Sunday mornings between worship services or contact Pastoral Intern Jody Topping in the church office during the week. Jody can also be reached by email at [jody@goldcanyonumc.org](mailto:jody@goldcanyonumc.org) or [jody@hypercreations.com](mailto:jody@hypercreations.com)



## Sister Seminarians Return to School



### JODY TOPPING

During the first two weeks in August, I was in Denver attending Journey Days at Iliff School of Theology—a time when those of us in the Journey program meet for 10 days of intensive coursework toward our Masters of Divinity degree. Last year at this time I and the rest of my cohort—20 of us in all—were just beginning this Journey toward completing our MDiv degrees and moving into a life of ministry. This year, only 16 of us made the trip to Denver—one transferred midyear to another seminary, another was unable to attend because of medical issues, and the other two couldn't make the trip because of work obligations—so while it was fun being with my “Journey friends” we all felt as if our group was not complete. Being together, sharing our classes, commiserating about homework, and enjoying each other's company was awesome...but it was still bittersweet because our group was not complete.

I think many of us at Gold Canyon UMC feel the same way, especially when our winter visitors start moving back to their “other” homes, and so many of us go on extended vacations to places in far off lands that some of us only dream about. It's nice being able to find a parking spot on Sunday mornings that is closer to the sanctuary building, and it's great having so many seats in the sanctuary and Koinonia room to choose from before worship—but we're just not complete. We need our friends with us to feel like our church family is whole again.

I wonder if the Disciples felt the same way after Jesus' betrayal, death, and resurrection. You all know how the story goes: Judas Iscariot made a deal with the authorities to lead them to Jesus so he could be arrested. Judas betrayed Jesus with a kiss, and then, according to the Gospel of Matthew, hung himself. Now, if we instead rely on Chapter 1 in Acts, Judas' body bursts open and his intestines spill out. Either way, Judas is dead, and the cohort of disciples is incomplete. As we continue reading in Acts, we learn that Matthias is chosen to replace Judas, but the fact of the matter is, their group is still incomplete—that is, until the day of Pentecost when they are filled with the Holy Spirit of God and inspired to preach the good news to others. Once the Holy Spirit is with them, as Jesus promised, they are once again complete and inspired to preach the good news.

Being complete is important to us. Generally speaking, most of us feel better and happier when we are together with our families and friends. I would also venture a

guess that most of you who have been attending GCUMC for quite some time feel more complete when our winter visitors start returning to the Valley of the Sun. My group of Journey students didn't feel complete when we learned that four of our friends wouldn't be with us in Denver last month—but the truth is, we persevered through our intense classes and mountains of homework. We enjoyed the time we had with the people who were there, and we mourned the loss of those who were not—but we kept on going.

I share these thoughts with you now, at the beginning of September, as a way of reminding you all that even though our winter visitors leave us when the weather gets hot, our congregation continues to be in ministry during the summer. Our Education work area offered an awesome week of Vacation Bible School for more than 40 children, and our Youth Fellowship not only participated in a successful mission/service project on Navajo Mountain, but also competed in the District Volleyball tournament and took 3<sup>rd</sup> place—congratulations to them! And despite a decrease in the number of volunteers and donations, the Food Bank has continued to provide much needed food, dog food, and personal care items to those in the community in need. Unlike the disciples, we continue to be in ministry even though we are not complete. Now, that doesn't mean our winter visitor friends and family aren't important to our ministries in Arizona—quite to the contrary! We need you to continue being in ministry with us, even though you aren't physically among us. We need you to keep us in prayer, and to join us in worship on the web. And we also need you to come back to us—your Arizona church family—so we can once again be complete.

Those of you who are winter visitors: we are so looking forward to having you back with us again in the coming months! We know that once you have made that journey back to Arizona, we will once again be complete. We wish you all safe travels as you return to your winter homes—and we will welcome you with open arms and love in our hearts!

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**HEATHER RODENBORG**

Hello All,

Well I can't believe it but its already been a year. As I write this, it was one year ago today that I started on my journey out to Perkins in Dallas. When I got up this morning and realized the date, it brought back memories. I

remember at this time last year I had no idea what I was getting into. I have to be honest, I was scared as I took the journey out to school. The first couple of months of seminary were very trying for me. There were days I would wake up and want to quit because of feeling homesick and overwhelmed. Now, however, this has changed. I am looking forward to my second year. I have 31 credit hours under my belts and twice as many to complete. But, I am very much looking forward to it.

This last year I have learned so much and grown so much both personally and spiritually. Not only have I been learning about God, but I have also been learning about how to be with God. This has been very transformational in my walk with Christ and my ministry. My call has been strengthened because of this. I very much looking forward to the day that I can be in ministry full-time.

Now, I have a request for you all. As a second year student at Perkins, we are required to write our credo in the spring. Our credo is what believe about God, Christ, the Church, etc. Basically it's a super big paper about what we believe. Over the next year we have been told that are faith will be tested in many different ways. My request is that during this next year you keep me in your prayers. Pray that I am open to the movement of God within me through what I am learning. Please also pray that I have the strength to continue to move forward through the multiple 30 page papers, midterms, sermons, and finals. Between working, school, and life in general, things can get a little overwhelming when doing this all on your own. Thank you ahead of time for all your prayers and support.

Until next time, may you feel the peace, presence, and love of your Creator God.

*Peace,  
Heather*

**SUZANNE JACOBSON**

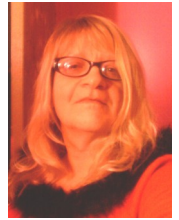
Greetings! I returned to my weekly commute during the first week of September. This is my final year at Claremont, and boy will things be different! I am now only 1/2 time as your Office Manager, and my duties are shared with Jody Topping. Just as Jody is also your Pastoral Intern, I am doing an Internship with Rev. Rosemary Anderson at Primera Iglesia in Phoenix. I'm am looking forward to a wonderful year of new experiences and learning. As a matter of fact, this month heralds a whole new way of life for me. For those of you who don't know it, I will be changing my name mid-month.

Yes...I am getting married! I am certain this will come as a surprise to many who left here for the summer knowing me as a perpetually single mom. Since you left, I have reconnected with an old friend. We discovered that we are truly best friends and are certain that God has brought us together. I have known Bill for twenty years. We never dated before, but have been close friends through good times and bad. For a long while, our friendship was maintained long-distance, over the internet. When he came home to Arizona in early June, Bill and I met over a cold soda...and, as they say, "the rest is history."

You are all invited to our wedding. Just below this article, you will find a copy of our wedding invitation. If you have arrived back in town by September 17, I hope you'll be there!

*Many Blessings,  
Suzanne Jacobson*

(soon to be Suzanne Cherry)



You are Invited to a Wedding  
Suzanne Jacobson & William Cherry  
Invite You to Celebrate with Them as  
They Join In Holy Matrimony

September 17, 2011

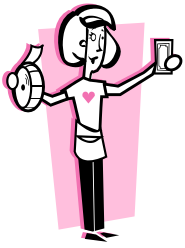
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Gold Canyon United Methodist Church  
Sanctuary

God has brought Suzy and Bill together in friendship time and again over the past twenty years. In the fullness of time, they have realized that this is much more than friendship. You are cordially invited to join Suzy and Bill as they celebrate their love and commitment to one another by becoming husband and wife. While gifts are not necessary, Bill and Suzy would like to encourage those who wish to bring donations for the food bank, the pet food bank or clothing for the Primera Iglesia clothing bank to do so. You may mark food and pet food donations for Gold Canyon UMC or Primera Iglesia, as you wish. We sure hope you can be there!

Jane Hayes, Volunteer Coordinator  
982-3776

# VOLUNTEERS DO MAKE A DIFFERENCE



**September**



## Inspirational Values

### Loyalty

I have included a couple of quotes for thought:

Here is a quote from Elbert Hubbard; Philosopher, Author, Publisher “If you work for a man, in heaven’s name work for him! If he pays you wages that supply you your bread and butter, work for him—speak well of him, think well of him, stand by the institution he represents. I think if I worked for a man I would work for him. I would not work for him a part of the time, and the rest of the time work against him. I would give an undivided service or none. If put to the pinch, an ounce of loyalty is worth a pound of cleverness.”

Another quote from J.K. Rowling, author of the Harry Potter series: “Most important in a friendship? Tolerance and loyalty.”

Last quote is from Lawrence Peter “Yogi” Berra: “When you’re part of a team, you stand up for your teammates. Your loyalty is to them. You protect them through good and bad,

because they’d do the same for you.”

### Making a Difference

Dr. Oz, well known medical expert, agrees with others that the health benefits of kindness are very real and incorporating regular acts of kindness into a life routine can improve a person’s overall wellbeing in many ways. The difficulty is in staying committed to such a routine.

One way to make a difference is by Using Your Words. Writing letters of appreciation to friends, classmates, co-workers with your thoughts on their strengths is one simple way.

Play “10 Good Things” by saying ten good things about someone. Words are powerful. Tell someone they are special and another person that you love them!



### Coupon clippers

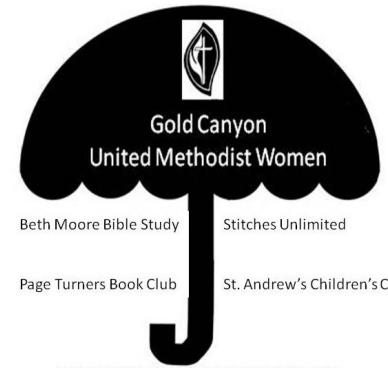
Thanks to our anonymous donations, I have been able to add extra foodbank items due to the coupons donated.

Drop them by the Information Table.



### John Wesley’s Three Simple Rules

Do No Harm  
Do Good  
Stay in love with God



Beth Moore Bible Study      Stitches Unlimited  
Page Turners Book Club      St. Andrew’s Children’s Clinic

The United Methodist Women includes all women of the church. We are dedicated to fellowship, friendship and service. We welcome all GCUMC women.

## St. Andrew’s Caravan

Come join us! Be a part of our fall visit to St. Andrew’s Children’s Clinic on Thursday, October 6. We are getting the needed Wish List items together this month. If you would like to contribute, they need diapers, Enfamil, small cans of prune juice, toiletry kit supplies and Pediasure. Sign-up sheets and containers are in both buildings. Hope to see you!

Alyce Ancell 480-983-2510  
Gail Crawford 480-268-0918  
Phyllis Gray 480-671-1551



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>
Hospitality/Coffee Server	30+
Shut in Meals	75
Transportation to doctor	90
Greeter	40
Bake cookies	60

Name \_\_\_\_\_

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# September Birthdays

1	Michelle Cassella	11	Janeane Miller	21	Patrick McGinness
1	Donna Gale	12	Bob Bills	21	Jeanette (Jenny) Ohnstad
1	James Serrine	12	Margaret Crites	21	Tristan Williams
1	Renee Storley	12	Harriette Downing	21	Alexandra Houseman
1	Ashley Williams	13	Jan Hegna	22	Sherry Blankenship
2	Ginny Johnson	14	Bob Ingram	22	Stephen (Steve) Lukas
2	Ronald Jurgens	14	Douglas Richardson	22	Patricia McGinnis
2	Mary Ann Kinnison	14	Scott Watters	22	Nancy Miller
2	Diana Linton	14	Leora Lahti	22	Robert Pappalardo
2	Lowell Matthews	15	Jessica Aguilar	22	Reta Wilson
2	Iona Grills	15	Veronica Griffith	22	Bonny Nielsen
2	William (Bill) Wilson	16	Herb Kingery	23	Gretchen Anderson
3	Curtis Johnson	16	Bob Parke	23	Brenda (Dee) Keyser
4	Wendy Christian	16	Jerry Pierce	23	Robert (Carter) Olson
4	Rick Zieglowsky	16	Joe Rosenberg	23	Rev. Hu Rhymes
5	Jean Brown	17	Heather Rodenborg	24	Dr. Jeffrey Brown
5	Norma Gaulke	17	Ron Trout	24	Bob Flint
5	Darrell Mitchell	18	Sandy Billeter	24	Jayne Rolf
5	Christina Pappalardo	18	Kimberly Kenyon	25	Jack Donovan
5	Mary Johnson	18	Cynthia Reichert	25	Mary (Torchy) Doschadis
6	Pamela Ingram	18	James Van Slooten	25	Mike Morris
6	James (Ira) Kenyon	19	David Bos	25	Grover Wallace
6	Peter Miller	19	Laura Parsons	26	Edmunds (Bud) Rolley
6	Daniel Petticrew	19	Philip (Phil) Rowland	27	Conrad Schmidt
6	Marilyn Rogers	19	Paul Vara	28	Leo Gerst
7	Jerrydean Mercer	19	Randy Seabright	28	Richelle Heinauer
8	Michael (Mike) O'Donnell	20	Terry Confer	28	Bruce Mercer
8	Betty Jacobsen	20	Randene (Randi) Olson	28	Barbara Oldham
8	Kim Shroyer	20	Ray Villeneuve	29	Rich Manbeck
9	Rodger Burris	20	Nyla Mansdorfer	29	Shirley Plakos
9	James Jameson	21	Dee Ashe	29	Tom Robison
9	Riley Kate Jones	21	Mary Berg	30	Noah Gingrich
10	Frank Grannis IV	21	Wes Hodges	30	Beverly Hart
11	Richard (Dick) Leet	21	Donald (Don) Kinnison	30	Shane Steenbock
				30	Jill Sutter
				30	Bonnie Eisentraut

# September Anniversaries

Larry & Patsy Arehart	1	Steve & Teri Lukas	9	Joan & Paul Butler	20
Norman & Ritchie Eriksen	1	William & Sharyn Bennett	12	Andy & Janice Anderson	20
Jerry & Ellen Pierce	1	Don & Mary Ann Kinnison	12	Jeff & Harriette Downing	23
Margie & Mark Bird	2	Pete & Marilyn Peterson	14	Lyle & Bobbie Asheim	23
Alan & Lisa Kinzel	4	Conrad & Judy Schmidt	14	Arthur & Jayne Urbach	23
John & Bonnie Lane	4	Darwin & Joyce Mixer	16	Ron & Chris Houser	27
Bob & Sue Mott	5	Gary & Faye Nord	16	Susan & Herb Galliard	27
Carroll & Carol Dage	5	Kevin & Lee Druding	16	Peter & Brenda Rahaneotis	28
Shane & Elizabeth Steenbock	6	Roy & Marilyn Pearson	16	Jim & Marcia Ritenour	29
Doug & Carol Korver	8	Tom & Dee Ashe	17	Steve & Peggy Kinder	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.*

**2011 – 2012 Events and Performances  
at Gold Canyon United Methodist Church**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>DAY</b>	<b>TIME</b>	<b>EVENT</b>
10/30/11	Sun	3 - 6 pm	<b>Fall-O-Ween</b> , our annual Fall Community event
11/6/11	Sun	3:00 pm	<b>Celebration of Veterans</b>
11/18/11	Fri	7:30 pm *	<b>Mask Messenger</b> return engagement
12/10/11	Sat	3:00 pm	<b>10<sup>th</sup> Annual Choral Christmas Concert</b>
12/10/11	Sat	6:30 pm	<b>10<sup>th</sup> Annual Choral Christmas Concert</b>
12/18/11	Sun	3:00 pm *	<b>Tucson Boys Chorus!</b>
12/24/11	Fri	4:00 pm	<b>Christmas Eve Family Candlelight Service</b>
12/24/11	Fri	6 & 8 pm	<b>Christmas Eve Candlelight Services with Choir</b>
12/24/11	Fri	11:00 pm	<b>Christmas Eve Communion Candlelight Service</b>
1/13/12	Fri	7:30 pm	<b>George Dyer</b> , Tenor soloist from Branson, MO
1/14/12	Sat	3:00 pm	<b>George Dyer</b> , Tenor soloist from Branson, MO
1/20/12	Fri	7:30 pm *	<b>Jeffrey Siegel</b> , pianist: <i>Keyboard Conversations</i>
1/21/12	Sat	5:00 pm	<b>Uncommon Grace</b> our Praise Team (Koinonia Rm)
1/28/12	Sat	9:00-4:00	<b>Canyon Arts Festival</b> Arts, crafts, music and food
1/29/12	Sun	3:00 pm	<b>Legacy Quartet</b> , men's southern gospel quartet
2/12/12	Sun	3:00 pm	<b>Thomas Sheeley</b> , Classical Guitar (NAU)
2/24/12	Fri	7:30 pm *	<b>Borealis Wind Quintet</b>
2/26/12	Sun	5:00 pm	<b>The Houser Gang</b> , Country/Western Concert
3/4/12	Sun	3:00 pm	<b>Spring Concert</b>
3/9/12	Fri	7:30 pm *	<b>American Chamber Players</b>
3/18/12	Sun	3:00 pm	<b>Isabelle Demers</b> , Organist, return engagement!
4/5/12	Thu	7:00 pm	<b>Mauudy Thursday Service</b> with Communion
4/6/12	Fri	7:00 pm	<b>Good Friday Service</b> with Choir
4/8/12	Sun	6:00 am	<b>Easter Sunrise Service</b> w/Communion
4/8/12	Sun	8:00, 9:30	<b>Easter Festival Services</b> w/Choir, Bells, Brass
4/14/12	Sat	12-3 pm	<b>Spring Fling</b> , our annual Spring Community event
4/15/12	Sun	5:00 pm	<b>One in the Spirit</b> (Koinonia Room)
4/22/12	Sun	3:00 pm	<b>Svyati Duo</b> : Organ and Cello from Great Britain
4/29/11	Sun	3:00 pm	<b>Gold Canyon Community Choral Festival</b>
5/20/12	Sun	3:00 pm *	<b>San Tan Choral &amp; Orchestra</b>

\* Indicates a ticketed event for a fee, sponsored by the Gold Canyon Arts Council, *Canyon Sounds* or the *San Tan Chorale*. All other concerts are sponsored by Gold Canyon United Methodist Church *Performing Arts Series* and are open to the public at no charge though a free will offering will be received. We ask that everyone please bring at least one non-perishable food item per person for the Gold Canyon United Methodist Church Food Bank.

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**Addressee or Current Resident**

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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**  
**On the Last Sunday of the month ONLY**

**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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