



# Sun Lakes United Methodist Church

Sun Lakes, Arizona

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## We Are A Thriving United Methodist Church

Friends,

This past week I received an identical email from three different people.

The first one told me that the sender would be moving to the area soon and would be looking for a church home to help them grow closer to God. The person said *they had grown up in the church but had been a long time since they attended due to spending 10 years in jail for a felony they had committed. Would I be willing to meet with them?*



Through the years I have developed the habit of being careful in my response to letters and emails from people I don't know. I tuck the request or matter in my brain as I pray for wisdom in responding. I then write out my response and rewrite it until it seems to be what I should send.

Two days after receiving the first request, I received a second and third request identical to the first, from different senders. That told me it was a

scam, fishing (**phishing**) for my email. When I looked closely at the sender's email address it was one I had never seen before. But it took me the second look to realize it was different.

It was a good reminder that things are not always what they seem to be on the surface.

So, I invite you to join me in being extra careful in responding to various requests that come our way via email, social media, or phone calls.

Marvin

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## Worship Services



**August 15, 2021**



**August 8, 2021**



**August 1, 2021**

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## UNISON PRAYER

Eternal and loving God there are many claims on us in the wonderfully diverse world you created and made us a part of. Help us focus more intentionally on the important things in life. Guide us as we weed our minds of extraneous thoughts so we may discover deep and life-giving truth. May we never take your gifts for granted. Help us recognize the incredible gifts we have been given in life which are so easy to take for granted. Empower us to give thanks, not only in good times, but in all times because you are with us and have promised never to leave nor forsake us. We pray this in the name of the one who has become your greatest gift to us, Jesus Christ. Amen.



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## JOIN SLUMC!

If you are interested in joining Sun Lakes United Methodist Church, please stop and visit



**Become  
Part of  
Our  
Church  
Family**

with Pastor Marvin or call the Church Office  
(480) 895-8766.

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## CHAPEL HOURS

Beginning Monday, August 16 (yesterday) the Chapel is open for meditation from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm, Monday through Thursday.



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## WORSHIP SERVICE DISCUSSION WITH PASTOR MARVIN



I would like to try something different!

Persons interested in joining me for a conversation with comments, questions, or concerns regarding the sermon will meet in Room 4, beginning Sunday, August 22, at 10:15 am.

Let's share and grow together.

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## GRIEF SHARE BEGINS SEPTEMBER 8

GriefShare, begins Wednesday, September 8, 1:30 pm in Room 4, facilitated by Pastor David Holling.



You may register in Lindsay Hall or by calling the Church Office at (480) 895-8766. Workbooks (\$15) are available in the Church Office.



Sweet Life Cafe opens Thursday, September 9, at 12:00 pm, in Room 4!

Don't miss this 6-week discussion, facilitated by Cathy Smoot, on the different Christian denominations. As an aid for the class, a foldout comparison will be available for purchase.

Sign up in Lindsay Hall or call the Church Office to register (480) 895-

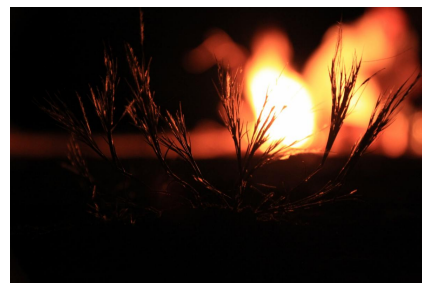


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## MISSIONS TEAM NEWS AND NEEDS

By now I am sure you have all heard of the devastating wildfires in Northern Arizona.

In Heber, Arizona they are starting a Mission Pantry to provide help to the many people living in the area who are in need of multiple resources.



The Missions Team decided to help support this effort and has received a list of needs from this group. If you are able, below is a list of requested items to help these people in dire circumstances.

- Canned meat such as tuna or chicken
- Canned chili or pasta meals
- Laundry soap
- All hygiene items including dry shampoo
- Sugar
- Flour
- Dog and cat food (they are God's sweet creatures who provide comfort to the families especially the children)

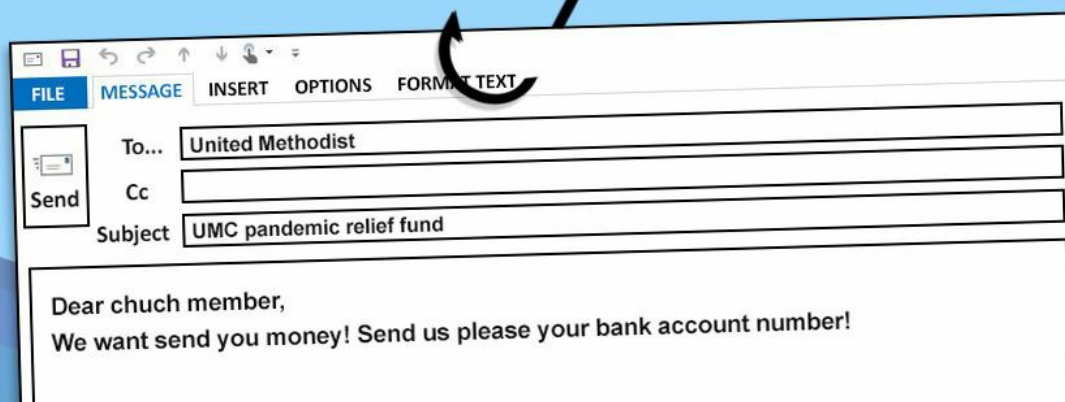
To donate, bring the items to the Church Office (during office hours) and place them in the red wagon OR you may place them in the gray tub in Lindsay Hall on Sunday.

Thank you in advance for your generous hearts!

Cheryl Gerblick for the Missions Team

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## PHISHING (PRONOUNCED FISHING)



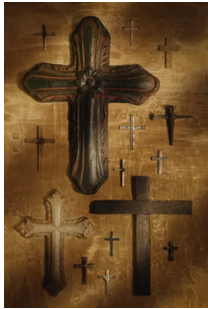
Phishing is the fraudulent practice of sending emails purporting to be from a reputable organization to plant computer viruses or induce people to reveal personal information. United Methodists are being warned to watch for fake emails targeting members of the church.

Read more about phishing **HERE**.

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## DAILY DEVOTIONS LIVE!



Did you know Pastor Jonathan Arnpriester records a live daily devotion available to anyone? Each devotion is based on a biblical principle with added commentary.

If you would like the video delivered to your email inbox each day, you may sign up **HERE**.

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## ALTAR FLOWERS

**Altar Flowers were provided on August 8 by:**

- Don Jones in memory of her husband, Ron Jones.
- Jack Slocum in memory of his wife, Sharon Slocum.



## S'MORES KRISPY TREAT



YIELDS:

20

PREP TIME:

0 HOURS 10 MINS

TOTAL TIME:

0 HOURS 45 MINS

## INGREDIENTS

3 tbsp. butter, plus more for pan  
1 (12-oz.) package mini marshmallows  
7 c. Golden Grahams cereal  
3 Hershey's milk chocolate bars, broken into pieces



## DIRECTIONS

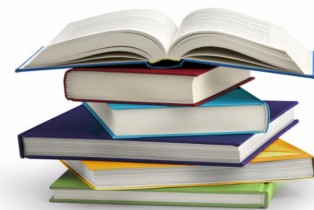
- 1 | Grease a 9"-x-13" pan with butter. In a large pot over medium-low heat, melt butter. Add all but 1 cup of mini marshmallows and stir until melted and smooth.
- 2 | Remove from heat and quickly stir in Golden Grahams until evenly coated. Press into pan and top with chocolate pieces and remaining 1 cup mini marshmallows.
- 3 | Heat broiler, and cook until marshmallows are toasted, about 2 minutes.
- 4 | Let set at least 30 minutes before slicing.

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## YOUR LIBRARY

Beat the humidity with a book from your Library!

- *A Lifetime of Wisdom: Embracing the Way God Heals You* by Joni Eareckson
- *After Jesus: The Triumph of Christianity* by the editors of Reader's Digest
- *City on a Hill: Before the Miracles, Before the Ministry, There was a Young Carpenter...* by Kenny Kemp
- *God the Bible and You* by R.A. Torrey
- *It's Not About Me* by Max Lucado
- *The Language and Imagery of the Bible* by G.B. Caird
- *A Mother's Rule of Life: How to Bring Order to your Home and Peace to Your Soul* by Holly Pierlot
- *The Present: The Gift that Makes You Happy and Successful at Work and in Life* by Spencer Johnson





Also available are Suduko, Crosswords, Word Search, and Adult Coloring books!

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## LOVE AND SYMPATHY



...to Craig Currie, family, and friends on the death of his wife, Carolyn Currie, who died on Thursday, August 12. A memorial service will be held in Oregon.

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AUGUST  
BIRTHDAYS

AUGUST  
ANNIVERSARIES

NEED  
PRAYER?

ELECTRONIC  
GIVING FORM

CALENDAR  
EVENT REQUEST

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