



# Sun Lakes United Methodist Church

Sun Lakes, Arizona

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## **We Are A Thriving United Methodist Church**

Friends,

As we prepare for Thanksgiving day this year, I write to express my appreciation for the many things which continue to bless my life. As a person of faith, I am grateful to God for the blessing of life, family, and friends. These relationships continue to inform and make a difference in my life.



I am grateful for the opportunity I have to serve in ministry with you here at Sun Lakes. It was a moving experience to walk into Lindsay Hall this morning and see all the bags of food which you donated to make a difference for 80 families this year. Your generosity in response to giving opportunities through the year is a gift which touches many lives. You demonstrated that through the pandemic as you continued to support our ministries by giving your tithes and offerings. I was moved by the 143 envelopes placed on the altar Sunday morning as we consecrated our financial commitments for 2022 to God. I am encouraged by your words of affirmation. Thank you so much for being a congregation that truly makes a difference!

Not moving through Advent and Christmas together last year was a painful and difficult time. So, this season has crept up on us this year. We planned to have a church-wide study again but due to missed communication, we will not have the books and leader guides in time to adequately prepare. I regret that we will not have this experience this year.

It also means we are rushing to catch up in decorating for Christmas. We have scheduled November 30 at 10:00 am for hanging the greens in our buildings. You are invited to come help as you can.

Please continue to pray for our church, its ministry, and each other.

May you experience a meaningful Thanksgiving day as we prepare to move into the Advent and Christmas season.

Marvin

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## UNISON PRAYER

Gracious and loving God, we thank you for the fruits of the earth and those who harvest them for our consumption. Inspire us to receive your gifts with grateful hearts in every season of our lives. Fill our hearts and minds with awareness and appreciation for the opportunity to freely and openly worship you. We come together as a community of faith to offer you our praise and thanksgiving. Grant us to be faithful stewards of your bounty. Save us wasting resources you have provided as we share what you provide with others. We pray with Charles Wesley, *"Finish then thy new creation, pure, and spotless let us be. Let us see thy great salvation perfectly restored in thee; changed from glory into glory, till in heaven we take our place, till we cast our crowns before thee, lost in wonder, love, and praise."* Amen.



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## MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION



**Become  
Part of  
Our  
Church  
Family**

If you are interested in joining Sun Lakes United Methodist Church next time we receive members, please stop and visit Pastor Marvin or call the church office at (480) 895-8766.

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## STUDENT DAY!

**November 28 is United Methodist Student Day**  
Help United Methodist students achieve their educational calling!  
**Make donations payable to SLUMC and  
designate STUDENT DAY.**

*Thank You!*



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**MEMORY LOSS 101 - RESERVATIONS REQUIRED**

# Memory Loss 101 - Is This Normal Aging?

Don't miss this opportunity to find out what's normal and what isn't when we think about memory loss. Whether you may be noticing a change or shift in memory with yourself, a friend or loved one, or just want to get some facts - Please join us to get some answers.

**WHEN:** Tuesday, November 30, 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.  
Presentation 1 - 2:15 p.m.  
Open Forum Question and Answers 2:15 — 3:00 p.m.

**WHERE:** Sun Lakes Country Club, 25601 E. Sun Lakes Blvd N, Sun Lakes  
Limited Seating. Reserve your spot today.  
Email or call now: [admin@slcep.org](mailto:admin@slcep.org) or 480-203-8548



*Need a break to attend this class? Complimentary Engagement at The Perfect Place Adult Day Program (23914 S. Alma School Rd, Sun Lakes) if you have a loved one who can't be left alone. You'll still be able to attend and get the information you need. Limited Availability - CALL NOW.*

**Presenter:** Elaine Poker-Yount, CDP, PACO Certified Dementia Trainer, Successful Aging Contributor to the Arizona Republic, Aging Advocate, Family Care Coach, Director of Care Management at Visiting Angels East Valley, Chair, Creative Engagement Partners.



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## SINGLES SOCIALS RETURN!

Mark your calendars!

The Singles Socials begin Tuesday, November 30, from 9:30 am to 11:00 am in Room 1 and will meet on the 4th Tuesday of each month!

Come mix and mingle while you share coffee, donuts, and bagels! We will take this time to welcome our new congregation members, get updates for group activities, and enjoy some great face-to-face fellowship!



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## UNITED METHODIST WOMEN CHRISTMAS LUNCH

Get your tickets!

The United Methodist Women's Christmas luncheon, catered by



Flordino's, will be held on Wednesday, December 15, at 12:00 pm in Lindsay Hall.

Tickets (\$15) go on sale Sunday, November 28 after the worship service and will be sold each Sunday. You may also purchase tickets in the Church Office. Only

**80** tickets will be sold for this event.

*Hands of Joy*, a sign language choir, will provide the program for this event. They have signed all over the state of Arizona performing at the Phoenix MLK Celebration, opened Diamondback baseball games with the National Anthem, and have taped several segments for Sign Out, a TV show produced by KAET for the deaf community.

We look forward to seeing you on December 15<sup>th</sup>.

## ALTAR FLOWERS

### Altar Flowers were provided on November 21 by:

- Dennis and Barbara McMullen in celebration of their 63rd wedding anniversary.
- Ken and Judy Schimpf in celebration of their 59th wedding anniversary.



## LOVE AND SYMPATHY



...to the family and friends of Art Brown who died on Saturday, November 6. A memorial service will be held on Thursday, December 16, at 11:00 am for both Art and Kathleen Brown.

...to Nadine Vogel, family, and friends on the death of her husband Dick Vogel. Memorial service information is pending.

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