



Sun Lakes United Methodist Church

Sun Lakes, Arizona

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Friends,

We all know someone for whom it is all about them. They have little concern for anyone else. Others are to be used and discarded when no longer needed. But Lent comes along and invites us to examine the love quotient of our relationship with God and others. A saying by an unknown author continues to challenge and inspire me:

The goal of the spiritual life is live an ordinary life with extra-ordinary love.



Join me in thanking God for those persons who model and live out **extra-ordinary love** in their lives each day. As we continue our Lenten journey this year, remember that God allows us as many U-turns as we need to live with **extra-ordinary love** each day of our life.

Marvin

UNISON PRAYER



Eternal God, your son fasted 40 days in the wilderness, was tempted as we are, yet he had no sin. We deal with the reality of sin every day in our lives. We struggle with weakness of will and self-centeredness. We wrestle with distrust and vindictiveness. We can never seem to get it right or all together yet we try, oh how hard we try. Open the eyes and ears of our understanding anew to your presence so we might enter anew into the joy of your salvation because we have experienced your power to save sinners like us. We pray this in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

MEMBERSHIP

If you are interested in joining Sun Lakes United Methodist Church, please stop and visit Pastor Marvin or call the Church Office at (480) 895-8766.



LENT AND EASTER SERVICES



We are pleased to share with you that Bishop Carlo Rapanut will join us for our Easter Sunday worship celebration on March 31 at 9:00 am. He will share the sermon as we join together declaring that Jesus Christ has been resurrected from the dead and is alive evermore. The Choir and Red Mountain Brass will also help us sing our praise to God for raising Jesus from the grave.

Mark your calendars for two special joint services with Chandler UM Church:

6:00 pm, March 28, Maundy Thursday Supper and Service at 450 E Chandler Heights Rd. Come and enjoy a Last Supper Meal, Communion and Handwashing.

6:30 pm, March 29, Good Friday Service at Sun Lakes UMC. A special musical program will be performed by Sun Lakes UMC Choir and Chandler UMC Choir!

SPRING CONCERT

Sun Lakes Chorale is hosting their annual Spring Concert on Thursday, **March 14** at 7:00pm. Doors will open at 6:30pm for seating.

Please purchase your tickets at the Church Office for \$10 each. Office hours are: Monday-Thursday 9:00am to 3:00pm.



SINGLE OR LIVING ALONE LUNCHEON



If you are single, or living alone, you are invited to join us on Friday, **March 15** at 11:30am for lunch at the Stone & Barrell in Oakwood.

Sign up sheets are in Lindsay Hall or call the Church Office **(480) 895-8766** by March 13.

If you're needing a ride, indicate on the sign up sheet and plan to meet at the Church at 11:15am.

We hope you can join us and meet new friends!

UWF UNIT MEETING

The March meeting of United Women in Faith will meet on Wednesday, **March 20**, in Lindsay Hall, at 12:00 p.m.

All members are asked to bring a salad for a pot luck luncheon and to invite their mothers and daughters to enjoy the meal together. The Leadership Team will be doing the hosting. Becky Sealey will be giving a talk on "Prayer and Self Denial". Our program is titled "Bucket List" which will be presented by Dian Capen, who will be visiting us from Gold Canyon United Women of Faith.



UWF BAKE SALE FUNDRAISER

UWF Bake Sale is coming up fast! We will be at Church on Sunday, March 17 with containers and a sign up sheet. Goodies for the bake sale can be brought on Thursday, March 21 from 10a-2p and Friday, March 22 from 9a-11 in Lindsay Hall.



Come enjoy freshly bakes goods on Saturday, **March 23** from 9:00am - 12:00pm. All proceeds will go to the UWF Mission fund.

EASTER IS EARLY THIS YEAR

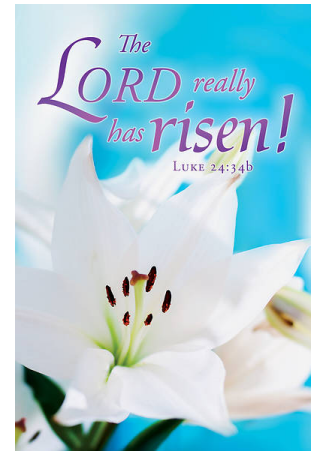
Easter is early this year! Join us for the Holy Week services below:

March 24: Palm Sunday 9:00am with Sun Bells

March 28: Maundy Thursday Supper and Service at Chandler UMC 6:00pm at Chandler United Methodist Church (450 E. Chandler Heights Rd, Chandler 85249)

March 29: Good Friday service at 6:30pm

March 31: Easter Sunday service 9:00am with Bishop Carlo Rapanut and The Red Mountain Brass



ORDER YOUR EASTER LILY



Order a lily flower to honor or remember a loved one and help beautify the Sanctuary for Easter!

The donation amount is **\$15** each. Please fill out an order form and return to the Office with payment by **Monday, March 23.**

The list of honorees and/or memorials will be printed and be available on Easter Sunday, March 31. The list will also be published in the Kairos after Easter. Order forms are available in the Narthex, Lindsay Hall, and the Church Office.

CELEBRATE PASTOR MARVIN

Join us in celebrating Pastor Marvin's 9 years of shepherding our flock! We are going to shower him with gratefulness, love and cards!

Sunday, **April 14** in Lindsay Hall following the 9:00am service.

Save the Date!!



SCAM ALERT



It was brought to our attention there is another scam going around involving the Church and its members. This specific scam is asking for gift cards, other funds or a favor and it looks like it is coming from Pastor Marvin.

Pastor Marvin and the Church will never send out individual emails or texts asking for gift cards, favors, etc. Be aware of such scams as it happens even with our family members names and information. The BEST thing you can do, call that person directly. DO NOT engage in responding until you know for 100% certain it is said person. DELETE DELETE DELETE!

MISSIONS TEAM IN MARCH

March will be **Athletic Socks Sundays!** Every hygiene kit contains a pair of athletic socks. In addition to the kits, socks are a much needed commodity for many of our charities. Both men and women wear them. Please bring the socks any time during March and leave them in the red wagon in the office or any of the Missions tubs located throughout the Church.

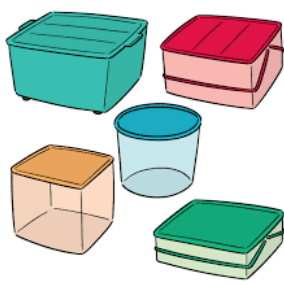


The Missions Team is always astounded by the generosity of this congregation and we are deeply grateful for your continued support!

CONTAINER PICK-UP

If you had previously blessed the congregation with homemade cookies and brought them in a container, please check Lindsay hall for them! They are by a table outside of the kitchen. Our wonderful volunteers clean

them and have them waiting for pick-up!



COME CHECK OUT OUR BOOKS

These are a few of the books which are on display in the library:



- Sabbath: Finding rest, renewal, and delight in our busy lives by Wayne Muller
- A second touch by Keith Miller
- The life you've always wanted by John Ortberg
- The return of the prodigal son: A story of homecoming by Henri J. M. Nouwen
- Lightposts for living: The art of choosing a joyful life by Thomas Kinkade
- The deeper journey: The spirituality of discovering your true self by M. Robert Mulholland Jr.
- God's greatest gifts: His word, His name, His blood by Joyce Meyer

-Kathi Strickland, Sun Lakes UMC librarian

LOVE AND SYMPATHY



...to the family and friends of Jerry Poe, who passed away Tuesday, December 26. Memorial service will be Saturday, April 27 at 10:30am in the Chapel. Reception to follow in Lindsay Hall.

...to the family and friends of Dick Ryan, who passed away Saturday, February 17.

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