



Sun Lakes United Methodist Church

Sun Lakes, Arizona

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FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Sun Lakes Family,

I recently had the wonderful opportunity to share coffee and conversation with several of you during my first "Coffee with the Pastor" gathering. It was an enriching experience to hear your stories and learn what Sun Lakes means to each of you. Your warmth, openness, and the deep love you have for our church community are truly inspiring.



One of the valuable insights I gained from our time together is the importance of celebrating birthdays and anniversaries separately and on a weekly basis. I understand now that these individual recognitions hold significant meaning and joy for our community. I extend my heartfelt apologies to those who felt slighted by our recent practice of pushing these celebrations to the end of July. It was never my intention to overlook or diminish your special days.

I am deeply grateful for your grace and forgiveness as I learn my way around serving this wonderful congregation. Your patience and understanding mean the world to me. Please know that I pray for each of you daily, lifting up your joys, concerns, and hopes to our gracious and loving God.

Serving this church and getting to know your stories is an honor and a blessing. I look forward to many more conversations, celebrations, and opportunities to grow together in faith and fellowship.

With gratitude and love,

-Pastor Jen

MEMBERSHIP



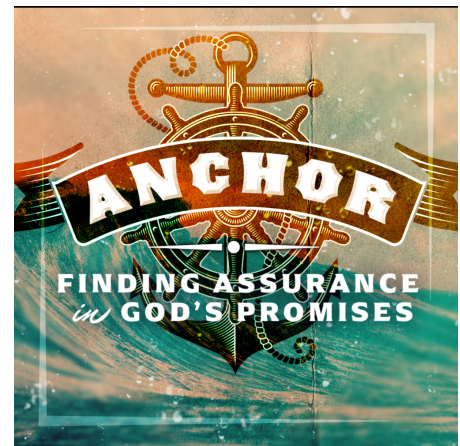
"Membership has its privileges," and at Sun Lakes United Methodist Church, we are blessed to have so many who call our church, "home."

Please contact the Church office to let us know you'd like to join, and we'll include you in this special day. We can't wait to officially welcome you into our church family!

The next New Member Sunday will be **September 22nd!**

AUGUST 2024 WORSHIP SERIES - ANCHOR

An anchor is an amazing invention, used by fishermen and sailors for hundreds, if not thousands, of years. An anchor is simple in its design, but so very powerful in its function. In Christ we find a firm and secure anchor for our souls. Through every trial and test that may come, we can rest assured that He will not bend or break.



8/4: Anchored by Hope – Matthew 14:25-31
Welcome new members and Communion
Sunday

8/11: What Are You Holding Onto? – Mark 10:17-23

8/18: When the Storm Comes – Acts 28:7-10

8/25: Remain – John 15:5-8

COOKIES FOR HOSPITALITY HOUR



People sure do love their cookies! We are looking for wonderful bakers who would volunteer to bake 2 - 3 dozen cookies for hospitality hour. There is a sign up sheet in Lindsay Hall on the easel past the foyer.

Please bring to the Church Office or Lindsay Hall no later than Thursdays at 3:00pm. Container Pick-Up will be on Sunday by the Kitchen.

TNT IN AUGUST



After taking a break in July, TNT would like to present *"Good time to be in the Mediterranean"* presented by Donna Jones on **August 13th**. A light meal will be offered for a free-will offering at 5:00pm; the presentation starts at 5:30pm.

Donna will share with us her trip traveling around the Mediterranean with pictures and stops from Israel to Ephesus. There was some intrigue!

Please RSVP in Lindsay Hall or by calling the Church Office (480) 895-8766.

UWF MEETING IN AUGUST

Dear Ladies,

Our next unit meeting will be held on **August 21st** at 1:00 p.m. in Lindsay Hall . We will be packing hygiene kits for "Women for Women". If you are in town, please come and help! The Leadership Team will be hosting this meeting.

There will be a planning meeting of the Leadership



DINNER GROUPS SOON TO BEGIN



Mark your calendars for the Dinner Groups that will begin in September and end in November. There will be a sign up sheet in Lindsay Hall (and the Church Office) to get your name in a group!

There will be 8 people per group and the dinners will vary between eating out and in. If you are open to host at your home, please let indicate that when signing up.

If you have any questions, please contact Jeanette Fletcher (641) 777-0284 or the Church Office (480) 895-8766.

NAME BADGES

We are still taking orders for new name badges! They are \$10 each to cover a part of the expense.

If you'd like to order a name badge, please contact the Church Office (480) 895-8766 and we will place an order for you!



DID YOU KNOW: SHELBY NEXT



ShelbyNext is a valuable tool for members of the Church.

It shows each member's:

- Name (accessible by first or last name)
- Picture (if available)
- Phone number
- Address
- A map to the address location is available if you click on the address
- Email address

If you are part of a group, the names of that group's member's will be displayed. Church calendar. Donations – Church donations can be made through this site.

The Church Office will load ShelbyNext on your phone.

Any updates to ShelbyNext, such as Directory updates, are automatically done through the Cloud.

If you are needing ShelbyNext downloaded, please contact the Church Office (480) 895 - 8766 and make an appointment to stop in!

COME JOIN OUR BIBLE STUDY

Every Sunday after service, there is an "Adult Sunday School" that is hosted in Room 1 of the Education Building that starts at 10:30.

Study books are available in class. We have a great time with our teachers!



BOOKS FROM OUR LIBRARY



- The Angel Book: A Handbook for Aspiring Angels by Karen Goldman
 - Their Mysterious Ways Too: More Amazing Stories About God's Animals and Us by The Editors of Guideposts
 - Our Methodist Heritage by Mack B. Stokes Help.
 - I Can't Stop Laughing Selected by Ann Spangler with Sheri McDonald
 - General Justice: How God's Grace Makes Us Just by Timothy Keller
 - Handbook for the Heart Edited by Richard Carlson and Benjamin Shield
 - Treasured Moments: Stories of Love Remembered Edited by Guideposts
 - Why Should Anyone Believe Anything At All? By James W. Sire
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UPCOMING OFFICE CLOSURE DATES

On Labor Day, we remember the work of those in the labor movement who fought hard for workers' rights. We also celebrate the essential role workers play in America's growth and development—recognition that some fought tirelessly for and that these Labor Day quotes



honor.

The Office will be closed on Monday, September 2nd in observance of Labor Day. We will open Tuesday, September 3rd at 9:00am.

"Before the reward there must be labor. You plant before you harvest. You sow in tears before you reap joy."

ALTAR FLOWERS DONATED ON JULY 28



-From Dawn Norfleet in Memory of her Mother, Mary Pollitt

-From Carlene Baldosser and Joe and Geneva Bland in Memory of Brothers, Dave, Denny, John and Terry

LOVE AND SYMPATHY

...to the family and friends of Gigi Anderson. A Memorial Service will take place at Valley of the Sun mortuary on Friday, August 23rd at 10:00 a.m.

...to the family and friends of Bob Stevenson who died Thursday, July 11. Memorial service is pending.



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