

May 2021

# Chimes Newsletter

## Chino Valley United Methodist Church

*Our Mission is to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world*

*Our Vision—Chino Valley United Methodist Church is a vibrant, Christ-Centered Church and a beacon of hope through our witness, service, and prayer.*

### Up-to-Date Office News

Our church members are very important to us and we take seriously your safety and health.

Pastor Bob and staff keep a close eye on our local virus statistics.

While the office is officially closed, phone messages and emails are checked daily.

### Lay Servant Ministry Classes

The West District is planning 3 Lay Servants Ministry classes. All will be via Zoom. The cost for each of the classes is only \$15. **Each Zoom class is limited to 12 participants**, so if you are interested, please contact the office to get further information. The classes and dates are:

#### **Basic Course**

Aug. 25, 26, 27, 8:30-noon or Aug 26, 27 5:30-9pm and Aug 28 8:30-noon.

#### **Leading Bible Study**

July 14, 15, 16 from 8:30-noon or 5:30-9pm

#### **Aging and Ministry**

October 6, 18, 20 (3 Wednesdays) from 8:30 to noon or 5:30 to 9pm.



### **Sunday Worship Services**

10:00 am Combined Service

10:00 am Live Stream

**Combined Service  
start for the  
summer on May 2.**

### **Adult Study**

10:00 am Monday  
Adult Study



## **A Word from Pastor Bob**

### ***Many Gifts, One Spirit***

1 Corinthians 12:4-7 “There are different spiritual gifts but the same Spirit; and there are different ministries and the same Lord; and there are different activities but the same God who produces all of them in everyone. A demonstration of the Spirit is given to each person for the common good.”

1 Peter 3:8-11 “Finally, all of you, be of one mind, sympathetic, lovers of your fellow believers, compassionate, and modest in your opinion of yourselves. Don’t pay back evil for evil or insult for insult. Instead, give blessing in return. You were called to do this so that you might inherit a blessing. For those who want to love life and see good days should keep their tongue from evil speaking and their lips from speaking lies. They should shun evil and do good; seek peace and chase after it.”

Matthew 5:23-24 “Therefore, if you bring your gift to the altar and when there remember that your brother or sister has something against you, leave your gift at the altar and go. First make things right with your brother or sister and then come back and offer your gift.”

So you might ask yourself what do these three Scriptures have in common besides good sound sense for our Christian walk? The theme for this year’s Annual Conference is “Many Gifts, One Spirit.” These Scriptures give us direction and insight to keep their guiding thoughts on our minds as we approach Annual Conference. Then you might say, “Isn’t it a little early to be thinking about Annual Conference? Not really. General Conference has been cancelled once again, Bishops, clergy and church workers are retiring in greater numbers than ever before so we need to keep focused on our mission and unity within the church. No easy task in these confusing times.

Blessings to all

Pastor Bob

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# **Open Hearts, Open Minds, Open Doors**

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## **Notes from the Lay Leader**

May – continuing the celebration of our risen Lord!

My head is still reeling at the thoughts of the crucifixion and the resurrection.

We know Easter is not just one day but 50 days.

The Easter season began at sunset on the eve of Easter Sunday and ends on Pentecost, May 23, the day we celebrate the gift of the Holy Spirit and the birth of the Church.

The season of Easter is more than just an extended celebration of the resurrection of Jesus. It gives us time to rejoice and experience what it means when we say Christ is risen. It's the season when we remember our baptisms and how, through this sacrament, we are "incorporated into Christ's mighty acts of salvation." We celebrate and consider the birth of the church and gifts of the Spirit - Pentecost, and we continue to reflect on how we are to live as faithful disciples of Christ.



So you see, as much pain and sorrow endured, the end result, so to speak, has given us our destiny. We are the true spirit of God.

Hoping May gives you peace and comfort.

Blessings to all.  
*Sandy*

There will be a new Adult Sunday School Class starting June 6th at 9:00 am.

We will be studying the Gospel of John, using the study guide, John, The Divinity of Christ, by Dr. David Jeremiah.

For more information contact Mary Taken.

## *Introducing the Leadership*



Donna Norris  
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Mary Taken  
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Deryl Jevons  
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Bob Bell  
928/830-3260

I would like to introduce you to your Leadership Board: Bob Bell, Deryl Jevons, Donna Norris, and Mary Taken. You know these people. You see them in and about the church regularly.

The members of the Leadership Board represent the whole church. This Board is a coordinating group designed to increase accountability and alignment for the whole church toward its holistic mission.

Our church's mission is to make disciples of Jesus Christ. It is our job to listen to the congregation and help to create connections between groups and individuals with common goals within the church.

The Leadership Board is always ready to listen to ideas and suggestions that will support the church's mission here in Chino Valley. Don't hesitate to stop us when you see us to talk about your ideas for the future of our church. We will then be able to connect you with others whose interests align with yours. Phone, email, written notes, and conversations are all welcome. Don't keep your ideas to yourself. They might spark ideas in others. Working together, we can move this church into a vibrant future.

## **May Scriptures & Messages**

<u><b>May 2</b></u>	<u><b>May 9</b></u>	<u><b>May 16</b></u>	<u><b>May 23</b></u>	<u><b>May 30</b></u>
Acts 8:26-40 Psalm 22:25-31 1 John 4:7-21 John 15:1-8	Acts 10:44-48 Psalm 98 1 John 5:1-6 John 15:9-17	Acts 1:15-17, 21-26 Psalm 1 1 John 5:9-13 John 17:6-19	Acts 2:1-21 Psalm 104:24 -34, 35b Romans 8:22- 27 John 15:25- 27; 16:4b-15	Isaiah 6:1-8 Psalm 29 Romans 8:12-17 John 3:1-17

### **May Events**

May 9 ~ Mothers' Day  
May 23 ~ Pentecost  
May 30 ~ Trinity Sunday

## **May Birthdays & Anniversaries**

### **BIRTHDAYS**

5/5 Ilona Dean  
5/5 Betsy Terry  
5/12 Jessica Benny  
5/26 Ann Moses  
5/27 Chris Botel  
5/31 Diane Judge  
5/31 Bill Mitchell

### **ANNIVERSARIES**

5/12 Don & Janet Greer-  
Warren  
5/16 Geoffrey & Nina Lam  
5/19 Kevin & Peggy Nelson

## 2021

### January

Sock/Slipper  
Collection  
**215 pairs  
packaged into 89  
bags along with  
wipes, small  
toiletry items**

### February

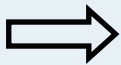
Chino Valley  
New Horizons  
Assisted Living  
**Magazines,  
toiletry items,  
cards,  
disposable  
undies**

### March

UMCOR  
Disaster  
Relief—Texas  
100% goes to this  
**We received  
\$600.00**

### April

Chino Valley  
Animal Shelter  
See writeup



### May

UMCOR  
Administrative

### June

DSC Student  
Hunger Project

## Missions

May Greetings!

Our May Love Offering is planned for UMCOR Administrative. Again, 100% of the donations goes directly to UMCOR.

Also, note a couple of changes to our monthly offerings.

Updates to prior month Love Offerings.

Your donations to our March Love Offering to UMCOR Disaster Relief—Texas provided \$600.00 in relief funds.

Our April Love Offering for the Chino Valley Animal Shelter managed to again exceed expectations in donations.

Financial donations along with items such as paper towels, dish soap, laundry soap, bleach and dryer sheets, collapsible wire kennels, toys, leashes, puppy and medium collars were donated. Volunteers are always needed at the shelter. Contact the shelter at 636-4223 ext. 7.

Our next Missions Team meeting is scheduled 11:00 am Wednesday, May 12.

## 2021

### July

Chino Valley  
American Legion

### August

Chino Valley  
Teachers

### September

TBD

### October

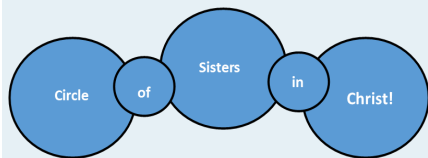
Car Show  
CV Food Bank

### November

TBD

### December

Christmas  
Dinner  
Donations TBD



The Circle of Sisters is anxiously awaiting warmer weather to gather and be together.

Maybe in a couple of months we can again meet, social distanced at Memory Park with a cup of coffee or cocoa sharing stories, laughing, and praying together.

## **Finance**

Your generosity makes it possible for our church to continue our mission.

Several options for financial donations are available for your convenience:

### **Donate by Mail**

Chino Valley United Methodist  
735 E Road 1 South  
Chino Valley, AZ 86323

### **Bill Pay**

Many banks offer a “*Bill Pay*” option. Check with your banks to see if they offer this customer service. If they do, the bank will send your gift directly to the church.

### **Online**

Contributions can automatically be debited online from your checking or savings account. When travel or other circumstances prevent you from attending worship, this program will allow your financial gifts to continue uninterrupted.

Contact Ray Benny, Finance Chair, for more information or questions.

## *Be informed...*



Do you see something that may need attention in our church or on the grounds?

Yes, reality is that we are all getting a bit older, but **together**, sharing the workload, our ideas and our talents is very much appreciated.

**Remember**  
**God's church is your church.**

Contact the office if you have suggestions or would like to help in any way.

### **Did You Know?**

- ⇒ Love Packages have been a part of our church for quite some time.
- ⇒ Nancy Mitchell, the church's liaison; religiously gathers donations such as Bibles, study materials, and other needed items which are shipped to their headquarters in Butler, Illinois for packaging and then on to countries such as Cameroon, India, Kenya, Jamaica, Mexico, the Philippines and Uganda.
- ⇒ We will again have the Love Box located in the narthex for donations. Thank you for making a difference in someone's life.
- ⇒ For more information contact Nancy Mitchell. Their website is [www.lovepackages.org](http://www.lovepackages.org).

### *Sanctuary and Church Displays*

Throughout the year displaying appropriate seasonal paraments and decorations is provided by many talented people whose creativity is astounding. Contact Terry Colucci if you have suggestions.





*In our thoughts and prayers this month:*

Our church, church family, Pastor Bob and youth.

Our country, President Biden, and leaders.

Our military men & women.

All first responders.

Chino Valley Police and Fire Departments

Personnel in hospitals, assisted living and nursing homes.

Home bound and Care Home residents:

Alma Holt, Bob Reese, Jack & Janis Heller, Jessica Benny, Janet Bailey, Barbara Starnes-Friesen.

Church members: Pastor Mike Keffer, Terry Braner, Deedee Studebaker, Ilona Dean, Dave and Kathy West, Dan Flanagan, John Magarrell. Beverly Sanchez and family at the loss of her husband Ernie, Bob and Rita Haslett and family at the loss of Caitlin.

Friends & family of members: Merle Houston, Chris Everidge, Alice Herod, Michael Ledbetter.

If you would like a name added or deleted from the prayer list, call or email the church office.

***Spiritual comfort is important.***

***Prayer requests, joys and concerns can be added to our knee mail at***

***[cvumckneemail@gmail.com](mailto:cvumckneemail@gmail.com)***



***And remember***

***God Loves You...***

***...and So Do I!***

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PLACE  
STAMP  
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