



February 2024

**Chino Valley
United Methodist Church
Chimes Newsletter**

Our Mission is Loving God and Serving Our Community.

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



Sunday Worship

10:00 am
in church
Livestreaming
Facebook/CVUMC2
and Website

Sunday School

Adult
9:00 am

Children
10:00 am
(during worship)

Adult Study
Tuesday
10:00 am

Office Hours
8:00 am - 1:00 pm
Monday -Thursday

Appointments
Available



A Word from Pastor Elizabeth

“The Season of Lent”

It's hard to believe that Ash Wednesday and the beginning of Lent is just two short weeks away!

Ash Wednesday (February 14) is about refocusing and realigning ourselves in relationship to God and one another. We must encounter our sinfulness and frailty not with shame and blame but with honesty and truth, trusting that God receives our confession.

The Season of Lent, the time between Ash Wednesday and Easter, is a time of self-reflection, of spiritual examination. While that is a healthy and necessary exercise, we don't examine ourselves in isolation. Instead, we are invited to lay our lives alongside the life of Jesus. It is a sobering exercise to say the least. And yet, what we discover in this examination of his life and ours, is not condemnation or recrimination. Instead, we are overwhelmed, the farther we go on this journey with him, by the depths of love he has for all of us. Lent is a time for getting our spiritual house in order, that is true. But above all, it is an invitation to once again commit to love like Christ loves.

I hope you will join us for our sermon series “Depths of Love” where we will journey together to grow our faith and learn to live more like Jesus.

Blessings,
Pastor Elizabeth



Chino Valley United Methodist Church

Leadership Board

Pastor Elizabeth LeMaster

Anita MacFadden – Chair

Carrie Cattabriga

Pat Clingman

Terry Colucci

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Roger Harlow

Mike Knittle

Jeff Nelson

Chris Ward

Leadership Board Expectations

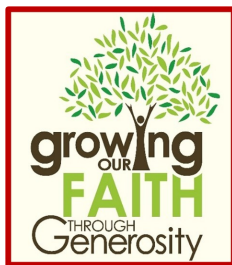
As members of the Leadership Board of Chino Valley United Methodist Church, we serve a primary role in living out our mission to Love God and Serve Our Community. We also lead the way in guiding the church to discern and live our God's vision for us.

Being a leader means being a personal example of what it means to be a follower of Jesus Christ, which looks like:

- Practicing the two greatest commandments of loving God and loving neighbor.
- Being faithful to our membership vows of supporting the church through our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service, and our witness.
- Spending time in prayer—both together as a Board and individually—to discern God's vision for the people of CVUMC.
- Working to grow our own faith by attending worship and participating in small groups and Bible study.
- Helping others grow their faith and live out their call to discipleship, and mentoring future church leaders.
- Being positive and encouraging, building up the body of Christ, and supporting the vision and leadership of the church.
- Modeling a desire to learn by participating in leadership training, workshops, and events from time to time.
- Working to connect the church with the community.
- Resolving conflicts quickly using the framework of Matthew 18:15-17.

Stewardship – Biblical Generosity

Anita MacFadden



(Paraphrased from Forgotten Children Worldwide – What Does Biblical Generosity Look Like?)

Being generous is much more than financial giving. When you look at what the Bible says about being giving it provides us with a much richer and deeper meaning of generosity.

Biblical generosity is tangible.

Matthew 25: 34-26 (CEB)

Then the king will say to those on his right, 'Come, you will receive good things from my Father. Inherit the kingdom that was prepared for you before the world began. I was hungry and you gave me food to eat. I was thirsty and you gave me a drink. I was a stranger and you welcomed me. I was naked and you gave me clothes to wear. I was sick and you took care of me. I was in prison and you visited me.'

In Matthew 25 Jesus mentions food, water, clothes and love without ever mentioning money. Sometimes money is the easy thing to give, or the only things you can give. But tangible, sustainable gifts are may be the most important thing someone else needs, so look for those opportunities to volunteer of your time and resources in place of your finances.

Biblical generosity is cheerful.

2 Corinthians 9:7 (CEB)

Everyone should give whatever they have decided in their heart. They shouldn't give with hesitation or because of pressure. God loves a cheerful giver.

God doesn't want gifts motivated by a sense of duty or obligation. He wants us to give out of joy and compassion. Our generosity should be founded in love, not duty.

Biblical generosity is indiscriminate.

In the parable of the Good Samaritan (Luke 10) we learn that the world is our neighbor. It does not matter what someone looks like or where they came from. We have the opportunity to reflect God's love to people who may not have felt it before—and that's exactly what God has called us to do.

Biblical generosity is communal.

In 1 Chronicles 29, we learn about community-centric giving. King David gives of the national reserves and from his own wealth, motivating others to do the same. Giving in community can inspire others' generosity, and the ripple effect is endless.

I invite you to contemplate, pray and look for the opportunities that God provides you to be generous to others.



2024 Emmaus Walks

Lakeview UMC, Sun City, AZ

Men—February 15-18, 2024

Women—February 29—March 3, 2024

Trinity Heights UMC, Flagstaff, AZ

Men—July 18—21, 2024

Women—July 25—28, 2024

Sign-up and register Pilgrims

by mail to:

The Arizona Walk to Emmaus

P. O. Box 86309

Phoenix, AZ 85080-6309

or by email to:

Registrar.azwalk2emmaus@gmail.com



FREE TAX PREPARATION
FREE E-FILE SERVICE

Chino Valley Library:
February 1st until April 4th
1020 W Palomino Rd

Open Thursdays 9AM to 4PM

FOR ASSISTANCE WITH TAX QUESTIONS OR TO SCHEDULE AN
APPOINTMENT

EMAIL taxaided3@gmail.com or call 928-277-1560 or
928-237-5413

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ASSISTANCE IS AVAILABLE TO MOST
INDIVIDUAL & JOINT TAX FILERS

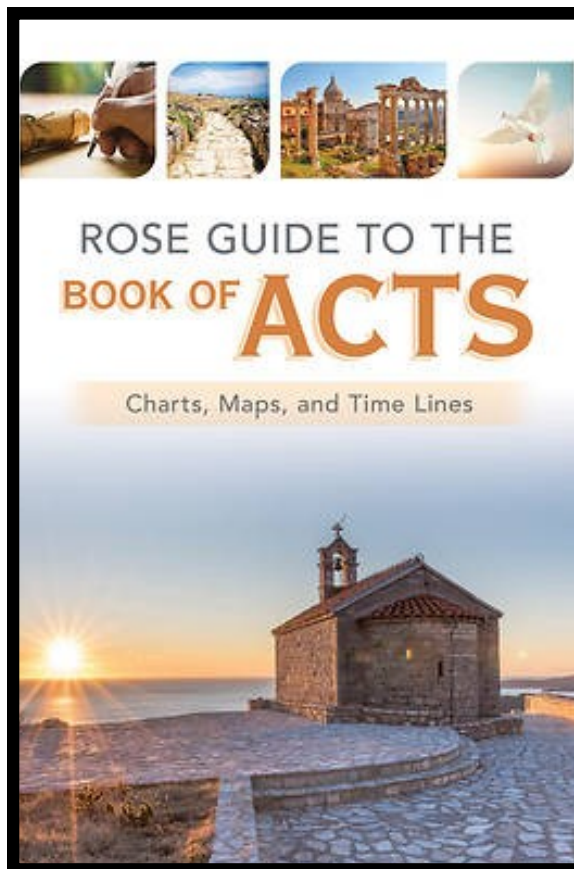
NO AGE RESTRICTIONS
FEDERAL AND STATE TAX RETURNS PREPARED & E- FILED

Adult Study Class

Roger Harlow, Certified Lay Minister and Lay Leader will be leading the study group on the “Rose Guide to the Book of Acts.” With pictures, charts, maps, time lines, and a clear and outlined format, this introduction to the Book of Acts helps explore the key people, places and stories of the first Christians and Early Church. Covered will be life and missionary journeys of the apostle Paul; A to Z guide of who’s who in the book of Acts’ maps for Paul’s journeys, Philip’s travels, the world of the first Christians and more’ Timeline of the early church: AD 1-100; the Holy Spirit in the life of the Early Church; and more.

The book is \$14.00. Call or email the office to reserve your book.

Tuesday February 13, 2024 at 10:00 am





2024 Love Offerings

We do love God and we do love and serve our community!

Anyone is invited to attend the Missions Team meetings scheduled for the second Wednesday of each month at 10:00 am.

	Organization	Donations for
January	CV Education Foundation	CV Homeless Children
February	UMCOR	Administration
March	Horses with Heart	Feed
April	CVUMC	Gen Fund - A/C Units
May	Polara Health – Vision / Blind Impairment	(Contact Polara)
June	YC CV Campus Scholarship	Male or Female Chino Valley Resident
July	CV School Programs	Tech—music, culinary, art, woodshop
August	YC VA Stand Down	Clothing
September	CV Transit	Bus Maintenance
October	CV Meals on Wheels	Holiday Meals
November	People Who Care	Fundraiser for Neighbors
December	CV First Responders	(Contact PD)

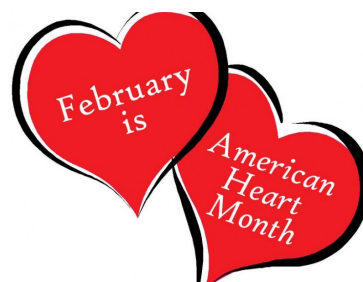
Ongoing Love Offerings:

- Chino Valley Food Bank
- Chino Valley Homeless Kids



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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<u>4</u> Worship 10 am	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>7</u> 10 am Missions	<u>8</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>10</u> 2 pm George Stoecker Celebration of Life
<u>11</u> Worship 10 am	<u>12</u>	<u>13</u> 10 am Adult Study 5:30 pm Aroma's Night Out	<u>14</u> Ash Wednesday	<u>15</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>27</u>
<u>18</u> Worship 10 am	<u>19</u>	<u>20</u> 10 am Adult Study	<u>21</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>24</u>
<u>25</u> Worship 10 am	<u>26</u>	<u>27</u> 10 am Adult Study	<u>28</u>	<u>29</u>	<u>March 1</u>	<u>March 2</u>

Remember—February 2024 Love Offering is UMC—UMCOR



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Scriptures & Messages

<p><u>Sunday, February 4</u> 5th Sunday after the Epiphany</p> <p>Isaiah 40:28-31 Psalm 147: 1-11</p> <p>Pastor Elizabeth Mark 1: 29-39 “With Wings Like Eagles”</p>	<p><u>Sunday, February 11</u> Transfiguration Sunday</p> <p>2 Kings 2:1-12 Psalm 50:1-6</p> <p>Pastor Elizabeth Matthew 17:1-9, Mark 9:2-9 “Finding the Mountaintop in the Valley”</p>
<p><u>Sunday February 18</u> 1st Sunday in Lent</p> <p>Genesis 9:8-17 1 Peter 3: 18-22</p> <p>Roger Harlow Mark 1:9-15 “Symbols of Hope”</p>	<p><u>Sunday, February 25</u> 2nd Sunday in Lent</p> <p>Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16 Psalm 22:23-26</p> <p>Pastor Elizabeth Mark 8:31-38 “For the Sake of the Gospel”</p>

Birthdays & Anniversaries

<u>Birthdays</u>	<u>Anniversaries</u>
February 1 Anita MacFadden	February 3 Sue & Bill Mitchell
February 2 Bart Cookus	February 13 Gayle & Ted Wise
February 6 Jean Henry	February 14 Cynthia & John Giles
February 8 Gail Stoecker	February 26 Jamie & Mike Knittle
February 20 Pete Mensing	
February 21 Cindy Myers	
February 21 Tina Rodriguez	
February 22 Kevin MacFadden	
February 26 Don Warren	
February 28 Dan Flanagan	

Please inform the office of any changes to the birthday and anniversary list.
Thank you!

Church Information

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...and So Do We!***



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