

# <u>March 2024</u>

#### Chino Valley United Methodist Church Chimes Newsletter

Our <u>Mission</u> is Loving God and Serving Our Community.

Our <u>Vision</u>—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** 

<u>Adult</u> 9:00 am

<u>Children</u> 10:00 am (during worship)

Adult Study Tuesday 10:00 am

<u>Office Hours</u> 8:00 am - 1:00 pm Monday -Thursday

> Appointments Available

no matter howlong the winter, spring is sure to follow

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# A Word from Pastor Elizabeth

## God's Vision for Chino Valley UMC

The mission of Chino Valley UMC is loving God and serving our community. And while that mission may remain consistent throughout the congregation's life, the vision will change as the church discerns how it will live out that mission in its current context.

On the first Saturday of March, our Leadership Board gathered discern how God is calling our congregation to make disciples and serve our community in the future. This is the primary work of the Board and we spent the day considering our core values, our strengths, and our growing edges.

The most important thing to remember is that we are shepherding God's vision. This means we need to stay connected to God – not just the pastor or members of the Leadership Board – the whole congregation needs to be praying and seeking God's guidance and God's plan for CVUMC.

Strategic planning is often seen as a technical and strategic discipline, but for us it is also a spiritual discipline so it's important that we seek and acknowledge the presence and movement of the Holy Spirit.

There are no quick answers! This will happen in God's time, not ours and planning takes much more time than we may think. But as we commit ourselves to deep prayer and discernment, God's call for our faith community will emerge.

Blessings, Pastor Elizabeth



# Chino Valley United Methodist Church Leadership Board

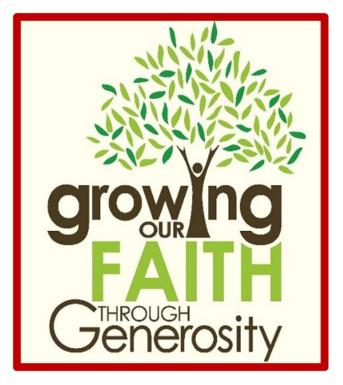
Pastor Elizabeth LeMaster Anita MacFadden – Chair Carrie Cattabriga Pat Clingman Terry Colucci Molly Schnieder Roger Harlow Mike Knittle Jeff Nelson Chris Ward

# 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.

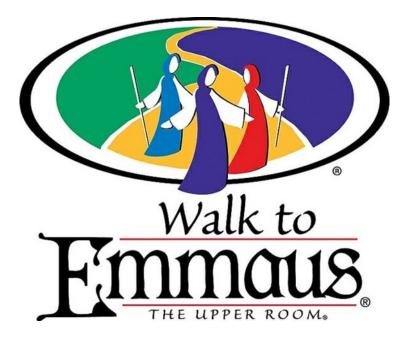


Are You Scared? By Anita MacFadden

Our last Leadership Board meeting was centered around finances. I opened the meeting by reading Matthew 25:24-27.

Now the one who had received one valuable coin came and said, 'Master, I knew that you are a hard man. You harvest grain where you have not sown. You gather crops where you haven't spread seed. So I was afraid. And I hid my valuable coin in the ground. Here, you have what is yours.' His master replied, 'You evil and lazy servant! You knew that I harvest grain where I haven't sown and that I gather crops where I haven't spread seed? In that case, you should have turned my money over to the bankers so that when I returned, you could give me what belonged to me with interest.

The servant given one coin to invest was scared. So scared that he was paralyzed and did nothing with what he was given. His fear kept him from recognizing that he could take the simple step of investing the money with the bank to accrue interest, ensuring that he would have a return on the investment. As a board, we are challenged to make the best decision we can with the resources that have been entrusted with us by the church membership. We cannot let fear of making a decision keep us from moving forward as a church. This is our challenge. As a church member, I ask you to think about what is scaring you. Is it holding you back, keeping you from making an important decision? Jesus challenges us to make a decision, to do something. The first step is the hardest. But, it gets us moving.



#### 2024 Emmaus Walks

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**

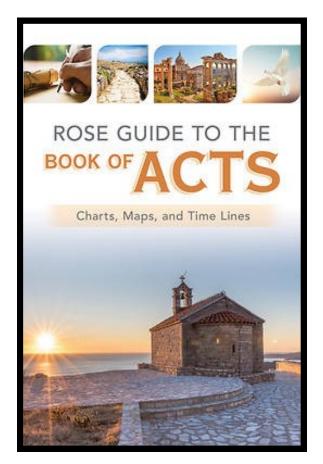
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#### Adult Study Class

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 10:00 am



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	
Мау	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



<u>Sunday</u>	<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>	<u>Saturday</u>
					1	2 Leadership Retreat
<u>3</u> <u>Worship</u> 10 am TrebleSong Concert—3 pm	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u> 10 am Adult Study	<u>6</u> 10 am Missions Choir 3:00 pm	Ζ	<u>8</u>	<u>9</u>
<u>10</u> <u>Girl Scout</u> <u>Sunday</u> <u>Worship</u> 10 am	<u>11</u>	12 10 am Adult Study 5:30 pm Aroma's Night Out	<u>13</u> Choir 3:00 pm	<u>14</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>16</u>
<u>17</u> Worship 10 am	<u>18</u>	<u>19</u> 10 am Adult Study	20 Choir 3:00 pm	<u>21</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>23</u>
24 Palm Sunday <u>Worship</u> 10 am	<u>25</u>	26 10 am Adult Study	27 Choir 3:00 pm	28 Maundy Thursday Vitalant Blood Drive	<u>29</u> Good Friday	<u>30</u>
31 Easter <u>Worship</u> 10 am	<u>April 1</u>	<u>April 2</u>	<u>April 3</u>	<u>April 4</u>	<u>April 5</u>	<u>April 6</u>

# <u>March 2024</u>

## Scriptures & Messages

<u>Sunday, March 10</u> 4th Sunday in Lent		
Numbers 21:4-9 Psalm 107 17-22		
Pastor Elizabeth "Loving the Light" John 3:14-21		
<u>Sunday, March_24</u> Palm Sunday		
Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29		
Pastor Elizabeth "Blessed is the One" Mark 11:1-11		
Sunday March 31 Easter Sunday		
Jeremiah 31:31-34		
Psalm 51:1-12		
Pastor Elizabeth		

## Birthdays & Anniversaries

<u>Birthdays</u>	Anniversaries		
March 4Maryls BennyMarch 6Irene RampleyMarch 9Deryl JevonsMarch 26Edith RieckMarch 27Steve TakenMarch 30Jacki FlanaganMarch 31Cherri Redd	March 24 Chuck & Donna Thompson		

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

#### **Church Information**

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