



*April 2023*

**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.

**Palm Sunday**  
**Sunday April 2 10:00 am**

**Holy Thursday**  
**Thursday April 6 6:00 pm**

**Good Friday**  
**Friday April 7 6:00 pm**

**Easter Sunrise**  
**Sunday April 9 6:30 am**  
**Outside**

**Easter**  
**Sunday April 9 10:00 am**

**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**  
**6:00 pm**

**Office Hours**

**8:00 am - 1:00 pm**  
**Monday -Thursday**

**Appointments**  
**Available**





## **A Word from Pastor Bob**

### ***“Give Thanks”***

#### Psalm 136

Give thanks to the LORD because he is good. God’s faithful love lasts forever! Give thanks to the God of all gods— God’s faithful love lasts forever. Give thanks to the Lord of all lords— God’s faithful love lasts forever. Give thanks to the only one who makes great wonders— God’s faithful love lasts forever.

As we peer into the great expanse of our universe, and even farther beyond our current knowledge, I am constantly in awe of how science intersects with what we would call our theological knowledge. We are recently told that there are more galaxies than we could imagine as our telescopes gaze farther and farther. This new found knowledge has already begun to challenge some of our long held beliefs about the “Big Bang” theory.

Now, for those of us that contemplate the theological knowledge of Gods existence we have to eventually come to Psalm 136. We are told “God’s faithful love lasts forever.” For me this means God’s love was as far in the past as I can conceive and then it goes even farther back. It is also present with us now. It is here now. Then God’s love projects into the future farther than I can even begin to imagine. In other words, no matter where science guides as to the boundaries or lack of boundaries in our knowledge of the physical world, God Was, Is, and Will be. Always. Pretty heavy stuff. May we all be blessed and be a blessing to all throughout this season of Lent, Holy Week and the great celebration of Easter.

May God’s Grace and Peace be abundant to all,  
Pastor Bob



## *Lay Leader*

April showers bring May flowers... I think with all the moisture we have had over the past few months we will have an abundance of flowers and those pesky weeds.

Thinking about the Lent and Advent seasons and the importance of each and how it plays such a major role in our faith, I wonder about the people in those times and how they felt.

Specifically I wonder about Mary—the Mother of Jesus. The joy of carrying child knowing He would be our Lord and Savior. Then the agony of seeing her son beaten and crucified on the cross, slowly dying, people denying Him. We focus on the crucifixion and its meaning for mankind. But what of Mary who lost a son and those who lost a friend and mentor?

Ash Wednesday, Palm Sunday, Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter. We experience and travel through time, feeling the dark, the haunting and the pain. Then joy — HE IS RISEN! HE'S ALIVE!

I really do feel the joyousness the risen Christ, but I still feel haunting journey that leads up to the glory.

I hope that all of us can take time from our busy daily “look at me” and “it’s about me” lives and reflect on our faith.

*Blessings this month  
Stay safe, healthy and happy ...  
Sandy*

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### **Life Line Screening**

If you plan on participating in the Life Line Screening Thursday April 20, 2023 at the church, call **1-800-640-6307** for reservations.

### **Vitalant Blood Drive**

If you plan on participating in the Vitalant Blood Drive Friday April 21, 2023 at the church, call **1-877-258-4825** for reservations.

# **Trustees**

Greetings from the Trustees.

The latest order of 18 engraved bricks for the Reflection Garden will be shipped in the near future. The Trustees have a committee working on a design for placing the engraved bricks. In addition to installing the bricks, the committee is also looking at purchasing and installing metal benches on this patio.

The dedication of the Reflection Garden is tentatively scheduled for Sunday, May 21, 2023 after church service.

We are currently taking orders for engraved bricks. Contact the Office for more information.

Lifeline Screening is scheduled Thursday, April 20, and Vitalant Blood Drive is scheduled Friday, April 21. The Trustees currently have enough help to do the set-up and take-down for these events.

The Craft and Bake Sale is scheduled for April 28 and 29. The set-up for the Craft and Bake Sale will be on Wednesday, April 26 at 9:00 am. The take-down will be on Saturday, April 29, at 3:00 pm. If you are interested in helping with the set-up and take-down for this event, there will be a sign-up sheet in the Narthex.

Trustees meetings are scheduled the third Wednesday of the month and are open to all church members and visitors. If you have any ideas you would like to share with the Trustees, please come to one of our meetings or contact one of the Trustees.

Deryl Jevons  
Trustees Chairman

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## **Adult Study Class**

Roger Harlow, Certified Lay Minister will lead Rev. Adam Hamilton's book "The Way." The class begins Tuesday April 11, 2023 at 10:00 am and concludes May 30, 2023. Books are available at \$11.00 per book. Call or email the office to reserve.

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## Finance

Hello to all our Church members,

I would like to say that the church is doing financially well. We are slightly ahead of last year's financial standings. However, there have been several larger or unexpected expenses over the last 3 months, but they have been paid. And, I would like to thank all the church members for their continual givings to the church.

This year we have more people and families givings now through eGiving, electronic giving. By using eGiving you do not have to think or remember your check, it's all automatic once setup. Through eGiving you can donate using a checking, debt, or credit card account. Check our Church web site: <https://chinovalleyumc.org> it's easy.

The finance committee is also developing plans for more active Stewardship reminders year around. More to come.

Spring is approaching and I'm sure we all looking for warmer weather, and be ready for more church activities...

We thank the Lord for our life he has given us, and we pray for good health to all.

Ray Benny  
Chair

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## Stewardship

Stewardship of Time

1 Peter 4:10

And serve each other according to the gift each person has received,  
as good managers of God's diverse gifts.

Time stewardship - the careful, wise, and Godly use of the time God gives us. We need to accept the time given to us and decide what we will fill it with.

Time Can be Budgeted - We are all busy, but not all of that busy time is well-spent. We may need to say no to certain demands on our time, opening our schedule to God's prompting. We can live each day anticipating the opportunities he places in our path to offer our gift of time.

Time is a trust: Are we treasuring it the way God intended for us to use or are we wasting our time? God wants us to use our time in different ways to minister to our church, families, and neighbors.

Here are two ways that you can use your time wisely through devotion in support of God's ministry:

**Prayer** - Everyone can pray. Take time out of your busy day to pray for those in need. Remember, Prayer is important for our wellbeing as it is for the ones we pray for.

**Volunteer** - Look for those opportunities where you can give of your time to represent God's love through action.

Remember - Just as we budget our financial resources to reflect our priorities, we can re-set our allocation of time in a manner pleasing to God.



## Nerdy Notes

When I was a college professor in the early 2000s, I wrote articles for the faculty newsletter about IT topics, and one of the subjects I kept revisiting was “How to Avoid the Bad Guys/Scammers/Virus Spreaders/Etc.” At the time, it seemed there was always a new way of tricking users into giving out their credit card or bank account numbers, letting a hacker log into their computer, or otherwise unwittingly invite a cyber thief into their formerly secure world. Everyone in IT was going through the same desperate steps to try to encourage users to protect themselves, at least until we could come up with security solutions that would help to make users safer. It’s twenty-some years later, and guess what: all the security solutions we’ve come up with have been foiled by the bad guys, and it doesn’t look like they’re going to stop anytime soon. Throughout the years, I have continued to write articles in various newspapers, newsletters, and the like about users learning to protect their valuable information from the bad actors that are everywhere on the Internet, and all of them have boiled down to three basic rules:

1. There is a 99.9% chance that no person or company will EVER call you or tell you to call them to solve a problem with your computer.
2. The more exciting, mysterious, unbelievable and/or gossipy an article sounds, the more vulnerable you are if you click on the link to the article.
3. Your email SPAM filter can be very valuable, if and only if you use it correctly.

I’m going to talk about rule 1 this month. If someone calls you and says they are with the FBI and your computer has been compromised, get their name, badge number, office designator, address, and phone number, terminate the call, and look them up. This tactic will work for anyone that calls and says you have a problem with your computer: get all the information you can, hang up, and look them up. They will probably hang up themselves once they realize you are skeptical; if not, I guarantee they are not from the FBI, the IRS, Apple, Yahoo!, Microsoft, or any other legitimate entity. Hanging up on them might release some of your frustrations!

If a message pops up on your screen saying your computer is infected and instructing you to call Microsoft (or some other company, usually one most people would trust) to remove the infection, press CTRL-ALT-DEL, click on Task Manager, and end the browser task. Don’t go to that site again, and you should be fine. If you get some kind of message that you must call someone and you can’t get the message to go away, press the power button and hold it until your computer powers down. Then call me or another technician you trust and tell them what happened. If you’re already a customer, I usually won’t even charge to make sure your computer is not compromised. It should only take a few minutes.

To reiterate, those unsolicited calls and pop-ups are never legitimate – or so close to never that it won’t hurt to treat them all as bogus. Do not give out any information in response to a scam like these, as they are the most common and most successful exploits that I have seen for at least the past year or two. Don’t call anyone except a technician you know and trust, don’t install any software or let anyone log into your computer, don’t give out any financial information, don’t allow yourself to be bullied – **DON’T BE A VICTIM!**

Your nerdy friend,  
Lisa Hendricks

## 2023

### January

Human Relations  
"Undies Under the Tree"  
Undies Drive  
**Lots of Undies and  
\$481.00 to the  
Chino Valley  
Education Foundation**

### February

Horses with Heart  
**\$801.00**

### March

CV First Responders

### April

UMCOR Admin  
&  
Disaster Relief

### May

Services for  
Vision Impaired  
Senior Peer Program with  
Polara Health

### June

People Who Care

## Missions

Many people are blessed  
by our Love Offerings.

### April

In April we will dedicate  
our offerings to UMCOR  
(United Methodist  
Committee on Relief).

The Desert SW Annual  
Conference Mission  
Projects are UMCOR  
Disaster Relief for Syria  
and Turkey Earthquake  
Relief, Ukraine UMC  
Support.

All donations are  
requested to be into the  
conference by June 5,  
2023.

### May

In May we will dedicate  
our offerings to the  
Senior Peer Program  
with Polara Health—  
Vision Impaired Services.  
We will have a  
representative speak at  
our church service on  
Sunday April 16.

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Next  
Missions Team Meeting  
is Wednesday  
April 12, 2023,  
10:00 am.

All are welcome  
to attend.

Jacki Flanagan  
Chair

## 2023

### July

Chino Valley Teachers

### August

Yavapai County  
Veterans  
Standdown "Undies Drive"

### September

CCJ Paloma Village

### October

Chino Valley  
Food Bank

### November

Chino Valley  
Meals on Wheels

### December

Yavapai College  
Chino Valley Campus  
Scholarships

# April 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						<u>1</u> 1 pm Leadership Board
<u>2</u> Sunday School 9 am Adult 10 am Children  Palm Sunday Worship 10:00 am	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u> 9 am SPR  2 pm Choir	<u>6</u> 9 am Prayer Group  Maundy Thursday 6:00 pm	<u>7</u> Christian Education  Good Friday 6:00 pm	
<u>9</u> Sunday School 9 am Adult 10 am Children  Easter Worship 6:30 am 10:00 am	<u>10</u>	<u>11</u> 10: am Adult Study  5:30 pm Aroma's	<u>12</u> 10 am Missions  2 pm Choir	<u>13</u> 9 am Prayer Group	<u>14</u>	<u>15</u>
<u>16</u> Sunday School 9 am Adult 10 am Children  Worship 10 am  Pioneer's Home	<u>17</u>	<u>18</u> 10: am Adult Study	<u>19</u> 9 am Trustees  2 pm Choir	<u>20</u> 8 am Life Line Screening  9 am Prayer Group	<u>21</u> 8 am Vitalant Blood Drive	<u>22</u> 9 am—2 pm Team Chairs & Staff Retreat
<u>23</u> Sunday School 9 am Adult 10 am Children  Worship 10 am	<u>24</u>	<u>25</u> 10: am Adult Study	<u>26</u> 2 pm Choir	<u>27</u> 9 am Prayer Group	<u>28</u> Craft & Bake Sale 9—3	<u>29</u> Craft & Bake Sale 9—2
<u>30</u> Sunday School 9 am Adult 10 am Children  Worship 10 am	<u>May 1</u>	<u>May 2</u> 10: am Adult Study	<u>May 3</u>	<u>May 4</u>	<u>May 5</u>	<u>May 6</u>



# April 2023

## Scriptures & Messages

<u><b>Sunday, April 2</b></u> Palm Sunday Isaiah 50:4-9a Philippians 2:5-11 Pastor Bob Mark 11:7-20 Hosanna	<u><b>Thursday, April 6</b></u> Maundy Thursday Exodus 12:1-14 Psalm 116 John 13:1-17 Pastor Bob "Be In Paradise"	<u><b>Sunday, April 7</b></u> Good Friday  Tenebrae Service
<u><b>Sunday April 9</b></u> Easter Sunrise  Pastor Bob Mark 16:1-8 "Journey to Hope"	<u><b>Sunday, April 9</b></u> Easter  Psalm 118 Acts 10:34-43 Colossians 3:1-4  Pastor Bob Mark 16:1-8 Journey to Hope / Where Did They Put Jesus"	
<u><b>Sunday, April 16</b></u> 2nd Sunday after Easter  Psalm 16 Acts 2:14a, 22-32 1 Peter 1:3-9  Pastor Bob Revelation 2:1-7 "Jesus and the Seven Churches—Ephesus"	<u><b>Sunday April 23</b></u> 3rd Sunday after Easter Psalm 116:1-7 Acts 2:14a, 36-41 1 Peter 1:17-23  Pastor Bob 1 Corinthians 13:3 "All You Need Is Love"	<u><b>Sunday, April 30</b></u> 4th Sunday after Easter  Roger Harlow

## Birthdays & Anniversaries

<u><b>Birthdays</b></u>  April 5 Karen Mensing April 10 John Giles April 10 Cynthia Giles April 19 Don Niedermeyer April 23 Anna Houston April 27 John Dean	<u><b>Anniversaries</b></u>  April 19 Anita & Kevin MacFadden April 21 Rita & Bob Haslett April 25 Karen & Pete Mensing
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Please let the office know of any changes to the birthday and anniversary list.  
Thank you!

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### **Office Hours**

Monday—Thursday  
8:00 am—1:00 pm  
Appointments available after hours

### **Sunday Worship**

10:00 am in person  
Live streaming  
Facebook and Website

### **Sunday School**

Adult—9:00 am  
Children—during 10:00 am service

### **Adult Study**

Tuesday  
10:00 am and 6:00 pm

***Remember...  
God Loves You...  
...and So Do We!***



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Return Service Requested

PLEASE  
PLACE  
STAMP  
HERE