

August 2025

Chino Valley United Methodist Church Chimes Newsletter

Our Mission 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.



"Do not be conformed to this world,
but be transformed by the renewal of your mind,
that by testing you may discern
what is the will of God, what is good, acceptable and perfect.
Romans 12:2

In a world full of distractions, this verse reminds us to focus on spiritual growth. August can be a time for reflection and renewal, allowing God's Word to transform our thoughts and actions in alignment with His will.

Sunday Worship 10 am
Livestreamed—view on Facebook/CVUMC2, Website, & YouTube



A Word from Pastor Kevin

Hello, friends!

Last week, my family and I went to go see a new movie at the local theater: "The Fantastic Four" - it's a new movie based on a superhero team that was created by Marvel Comics in the 1960's. Back then, one of the things that made The Fantastic Four so interesting to readers was that they were not just a team of heroes - they were also a family. They lived together and worked together - and this made them such a great team - combining their skills and powers together made it possible of them to save the Earth from threats too big for any hero to face alone.

In the movie, there is a moment where the new cosmic threat is too big even for the Fantastic Four to handle - so, there is a wonderful scene where they give a call to the whole world, asking for their help, inspiring them to work together, and mobilizing every person to give and serve to help save the world. It was beautiful to see the Superheroes calling all people to become heroes alongside them.

One of the things I love most about church, is that we are called to an amazing mission - to join God in saving the cosmos by making disciples of Jesus and transforming our world in love. It's a mission so important, and yet, so big, that God knows we can't do it alone, so Jesus is always calling His followers to band together, making teams that combine our "powers" to do life-changing ministry in our communities.

I am thankful to be with all of you on our Super Team at Chino Valley UMC. God has empowered each of us to become partners in saving the world around us - I believe we each bring something special and important to the team, and I am thankful for how you all give, share, serve, and care each week. Let's keep going! If we continue to come together, working as a team, we will see God's Spirit move through our action - I bet it'll be pretty fantastic!

See you Sunday, heroes! Pastor Kevin



Chino Valley United Methodist Church Leadership Board

Anita MacFadden

Our Leadership Board met on July 27. We got through a lot of business items but ran out of time to continue discussion on future vision. Here are a few things that were accomplished:

The Leadership Board approved and updated version of our Safe Sanctuary Policy. It now includes guidelines related to social media and a Congregational Covenant. During the review we made sure to include not only children and youth, but also vulnerable people. We felt this was important because we are currently working on guidelines to establish a Care Team. If you are interested in a copy of the updated policy, contact Sandy or Karen, while filling in for Sandy.

The Employee Policy Guide was also reviewed with minor updates made. Updated copies will be provided to our employees and are available upon request for members.

Several months back I mentioned that we had met with an insurance adjuster hired by the conference. It has taken them longer than expected to get back to us. They believe we have several areas damaged by wind, hail and rain that we should make a claim on. The Board have agreed to proceed with the claim. If any monies are obtained, we will meet with the Building Maintenance team to determine the best use of the monies. Stay tuned.

The Leadership Board has set our meetings for the remainder of the year. Our meeting dates are after church on the following Sundays – August 17, September 21, October 19, November 16, and December 21.

I'd like to leave you with this prayer for the community:

God, help us open our doors even wider for those who do not yet know you.

Help each of us remember that we're on mission
in this community—whether we're in the grocery store or at work.

Give us eyes to see the needs of our community and make our hearts
and hands ready to meet them.

Help us prepare a place in our church for our
community to meet Jesus and to discover a place to belong.



2025 Love Offerings Chino Valley United Methodist Church

"Loving God & Serving Our Community"

	Organization	n Donations for	
January	CV Education Foundation	CV Homeless Children	\$445.00
February	YC CV Campus Scholarship	Chino Valley Resident	\$660.00
March	Horses with Heart	Feed	\$1,724.00
April	CVUMC—General Fund	\$2,590.00	
May	Polara Health – Vision / Blind Impairment	n / Blind General	
June	UMCOR	Administration	\$635.00
July	CV School Programs	Culinary Arts	
August	YC VA Stand Down Male & Female Vets	New & gently used clothing, Hygiene items	
September	Yavapai County Regional Transit	Bus Maintenance	
October	CV Meals on Wheels	Holiday Meals	
November	Chino Valley People Who Care	Fundraiser for Neighbors	
December	CV First Responders	Police & Fire	

Missions Team meetings are scheduled for the **second** <u>Wednesday of each month at</u> <u>11:00 am.</u> Anyone is invited to attend.

Ongoing Love Offerings. Drop off items in the narthex for distribution to:

- Chino Valley Food Bank
- Chino Valley Homeless Kids

Galatians 6:9.

"And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up."

September Love Offering



An annual collaborative one-day event that links homeless veterans in Yavapai County with housing, food, clothing, health screenings, legal assistance, and additional services from the community needed to regain self sufficiency.

We need new or gently used clothing and shoes for our Stand Down event. Thank you for your support!

Please have your donated items into the church narthex by the end of August so we can make arrangements with the organization for pickup.

Thank you!



Bowls of Love

The Chino Valley Food Bank is important to us and our community.

Donations from past car shows, coordinated by the Mission Team, went directly to the Chino Valley Food Bank.

Since we have not scheduled a car show in 2025, we are suggesting that you save your change for "Bowls of Love."

The change will go directly to the Chino Valley Food Bank.

Bowls are available in the Narthex for you to take home and fill with your loose change.

Take as many bowls as you would like!

Please bring bowls back to the church on or before Sunday September 28 when we enjoy a soup / chili potluck, have a bit of fellowship and give thanks to God for our giving to those in need.

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FREE ART WORKSHOP!

~imagine...create...discover~

Saturday, August 9 10:30AM – 12:30PM Chino Valley Library, Community Room



Come join us where you can use your imagination, discover, and create

with lots of different kinds of art materials including drawing, clay, collage, weaving, music and more!

August 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3 <u>Worship</u> 10:00 am	<u>4</u>	5]	6	<u>7</u>	<u>8</u>	91
10 <u>Worship</u> 10:00 am	<u>11</u>	5:00 pm Aroma's	11 am Missions	<u>14</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>16</u>
Worship 10:00 am Leadership	<u>18</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>23</u>
<u>Worship</u> 10:00 am	<u>25</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>27</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>29</u>	30 Territorial Days
31 <u>Worship</u> 10:00 am	September 1	September 2	September 3	September 4	September 5	September 6

Remember—August 2025 Love Offering supports the Yavapai County Stand Down—n.

August 2025

Scriptures & Messages

Sunday, August 3 8th Sunday after Pentecost

"Revelation: Bowls and Babel"
Revelation 15

Pastor Kevin Lester

Sunday, August 10
9th Sunday after Pentecost

"Radical Lamb: Francis"
Matthew 10

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Sunday August 17 10th Sunday after Pentecost

"Revelation:
Another Final Battle"
Revelation 19

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Sunday, August 24 11th Sunday after Pentecost

"Revelation:
A Funeral for Death"
Revelation 20

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Sunday August 31
12th Sunday after
Pentecost

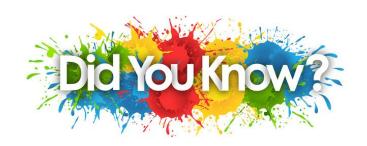
"Revelation:
A Tour of Heaven"
Revelation 21

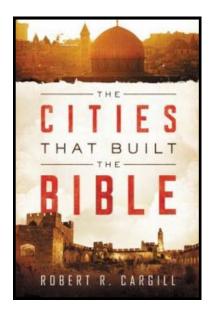
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Please inform the office of any changes to the birthday and anniversary list.

Thank you!





Upcoming Fall Adult Study Class

The 12-week study class

"The Cities That Built the Bible"

by Robert Cargill

will begin 10 am Tuesday, September 9, 2025

Book cost—\$15.00.

Books have arrived and are available for purchase from the Office.

Annual Charge Conference

The Chino Valley Methodist Church Annual Charge Conference is scheduled for **5 pm Saturday**, **October 4**, **2025**. Mark your calendars to attend and see what our church has accomplished and our mission and vision for our church Our next District Superintendent Rev. Timote Piukala will be in attendance.



Kairos Prison Ministry International

For women who have been impacted by incarceration.

Either they themselves have served time
or their family / friends are serving time.

Kairos Inside Perryville Women's Prison in Arizona

will have a weekend event in October 2025.

This has not been available since Covid.

The Arizona Department of Corrections
Wardens and Chaplains
are very welcoming and supportive of this program.

All these events are financed solely by donations.

For more information or questions Contact Donna Norris or Gail Hayson



Free Medical Equipment Gently Used

Donations are welcome!

100% of donations go directly to
People Who Care.

Your donation will help provide essential services for those in your community.

Contact Lynn Bernardo
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Office Hours

Monday—Thursday 8:00 am—1:00 pm Appointments are available.

Sunday

Worship

10:00 am in person Live streaming Facebook, Website & YouTube

Sunday School

Adult Study

Tuesday—10:00 am

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



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