

PRAYER TIME

September 12, 2021

9:30AM

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

PASTORAL PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER:

OFFERINGS:

*DOXOLOGY Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow #94

*OFFERTORY PRAYER

WE VENTURE FORTH

*HYMN: Sent Forth by God's Blessing #664

*BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION SONG: Blest Be the Tie That Binds UMH #557, v. 1 and:

And as we leave this place
Into the world we're sent
To share this love with every face,
Amen, O God, Amen

*POSTLUDE:

¹ <https://www.umcdiscipleship.org/worship-planning/doers-of-the-word/fifteenth-sunday-after-pentecost-year-b-lectionary-planning-notes/fifteenth-sunday-after-pentecost-year-b-liturgical-resources>

ⁱⁱ Modified from Reading found at [Ministry Matters™ | Worship Connection: September 5, 2021.](#)

ⁱⁱⁱ <https://www.umc.org/en/content/our-social-creed>

Sixteenth Sunday After Pentecost

Community



Scottsdale United Methodist Church

...becoming a Christ-led community.

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Lay Leader	Bucky Bethancourt
Organist/Pianist	Jeanette Young
Liturgist	Barbara Marinoff

GATHERING

PRELUDE:

GATHERING AND GREETING

THRESHOLD MOMENT

Threshold Music: Rule of Life

*CALL TO WORSHIP: ⁱ

Liturgist: We can trust God.

People: God is like the mountain: rock solid.

Liturgist: God loves all the people:

People: the poor, the disabled, the outcast, the stranger.

Liturgist: We can depend on God.

People: God feeds the hungry, heals the sick, and restores relationships.

Liturgist: Praise our Loving God.

People: Hallelujah. Hallelujah. Hallelujah.

*HYMN: Gather Us In TFWS #2236

*OPENING PRAYER:

*PEACE

Pastor: The peace of the risen Christ is with you!

People: And also with you!

All are invited to greet those around you with smiles, waves, etc.

WE PROCLAIM

CHILDREN'S TIME: Jesus Loves Me This I Know (v. 1) #191

SCRIPTURE: James 2:1-10, 14-17

Liturgist: The word of God for the people of God

People: Thanks be to God.

(*Please rise in spirit or in body.)

HYMN: The Church of Christ, in Every Age (vs. 1-3) #589

MEDITATION: ⁱⁱ

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Pastor: Source of all wisdom and love, may the words of my mouth

People: and the meditations of all of our hearts, be acceptable in your sight, O Lord, our Rock and our Redeemer.

MESSAGE: "Active Faith, Constant Love" Rev. Ann Lyter

WE RESPOND

UNITED METHODIST SOCIAL CREED ⁱⁱⁱ

Pastor: Having heard our United Methodist Social Creed...calls us by grace

**People: to be renewed in the image of our Creator,
that we may be one
in divine love for the world.**

Liturgist: Today is the day...weeps at the plunder of earth's goodness.

People: And so shall we.

Pastor: Today is the day...favors solidarity transforming strangers into friends.

People: And so shall we.

Liturgist: Today is the day...demands justice for workers in the marketplace.

People: And so shall we.

Pastor: Today is the day...humbles the powerful and lifts up the lowly.

People: And so shall we.

Liturgist: Today is the day...exults when the wolf grazes with the lamb.

People: And so shall we.

**All: Today is the day
God brings good news to the poor,
proclaims release to the captives,
gives sight to the blind, and
sets the oppressed free.
And so shall we.**

Announcements

Wiggle Wednesdays: The idea is we gather at the church on Wednesdays at 10 am in Burgess Hall. We will have easy and fun things to do, like yoga or chair yoga, walking, or simple stretches. We will keep it simple enough for beginners with modifications for those who want to take it a step up or take a step back. We will try different things until we find something we want to focus on. When the weather suits, we may meet outside. Wear comfortable, supportive shoes, comfortable clothes you can move in. Please bring a water bottle, preferably a refillable one. Masks will be required.

Choir is back: Regular Wednesday rehearsals are at 7:00 pm. All are welcome to attend choir rehearsals! If you love to sing or just love music, there is a place for you in the SUMC Choir.

VBS is coming: Save the date for VBS October 11-15 from 9:00-11:30 AM. **Volunteers are needed as Group Leaders, or help with Crafts, Music, Storytelling, Science, Recreation and Snack time.** Contact Chris Alter at 602-206-1520.



Lunch with Pastor. September 21. Space is limited so sign up early. Vaccinations required. The meal will be sandwiches and homemade soup. Our theme will be based on James and so you are asked to bring non-perishable food to donate.

Announcements

SAVE THE DATE: All church conference for Scottsdale UMC is scheduled for November 2 at 6:30 pm am in AC1 for the purpose of conducting the business of the charge as required by the 2016 Book of Discipline. This is a charge conference, which means only members of the church council may vote. Members of the church are welcome to attend and speak but will not have vote.

LEADERSHIP MEETING on Tuesday, September 14 at 6:30 pm. Everyone is welcome to attend. We will be meeting by Zoom. If you are not on Leadership and would like to attend, please let the office know and we will send you the Zoom link.

MEN'S BREAKFAST! Calling all men. You are invited to breakfast at the church on Saturday, September 18, at 8:30 am. We will be serving a delicious meal for you to enjoy as you visit with your friends. We request you be vaccinated to protect yourself and those here. If you can RSVP to the office, 480-946-5301, by September 14 that would be great. You are welcome to come even if you have not RSVP.

BIBLE STUDY: Would you be interested in a more detailed study of the Book of James? Pastor Ann would like to lead a study, based on the book *James in the Suburbs* by April Love-Fordham. This study has 12 sessions which could be taught as a weekly study over 3 months (or every other week over 6 months). If we have 5 people who will commit to the study, Pastor Ann will begin the study the week of September 12 (exact day and time TBD).