

RESPONDING: CREATIVITY

This part of the service helps us to “wonder” in a different way. We invite a state of awe at the abundance of our lives by noticing the “rich” beauty around us, the presence of “treasured” people, and new and unexpected “gems” that cross our paths. We commit to engage our creativity to multiply good in the world.

THE WONDER OF IT ALL: PRAYERS

PRAYER SONG: “Thank You, Lord”

#84

PASTORAL PRAYER

LORD’S PRAYER

OFFERING:

OFFERING WITNESS

*DOXOLOGY: “Be Thou My Vision”

**Thanks to the Father and Jesus the Son,
Thanks to the Spirit who makes us all one,
Thou and thou only, first in my heart,
great God of Heaven, my treasure thou art. Amen.**

SENDING FORTH: COMMITMENT

Having walked with God in “looking” into our heart’s relationship to money, we commit to take the practices out into the world and our daily lives with renewed compassion, curiosity and creativity.

*CLOSING HYMN: “For the Fruits of This Creation” (insert)

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE:

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Lay Leader	Bucky Bethancourt
Music Director/Pianist	Jeanette Young
Liturgist	Anita Zastrow

November 14, 2021

9:30AM

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

A Wonder-Full Life: Looking With Gratitude



Scottsdale United Methodist Church

...becoming a Christ-led community.

**Infant and child care available during worship service.
Children's Sunday School at 9:30 am in Room 1.
Please feel free to ask one of the greeters for more information.**

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ORDER OF SERVICE

GATHERING: COMPASSION

As we open our eyes and come out of any avoidance we have regarding our feelings about money, we illumine a candle and ask God to be with us on this journey, giving us fresh perspectives that can shift any “disease” that holds us back from a courageous vision about our money paths. We have compassion for ourselves and each other because the systems of money we live in are not easy to navigate.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THRESHOLD MOMENT:

*MUSIC: Be Thou My Vision #451, v. 1

*CALL TO WORSHIP: ¹

Liturgist: We light this flame to affirm that where there is light,

People: there is understanding;

Liturgist: where there is understanding,

People: there is compassion;

Liturgist: where there is compassion,

People: there is possibility;

Liturgist: where there is possibility,

People: there is transformation.

Liturgist: Holy and Living God,
transform our fears into awe-inspired wonder.

**People: Open us to this light,
and to the rich possibilities that it brings us
for a “wonder-full” Life.**

*OPENING HYMN: “Love Divine, All Love’s Excelling” #384

*PEACE

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

(*Please rise in spirit or in body.)

CHILDREN’S TIME OF WONDER: A Wonder Full Life Song

Verse 1

Verse 2

**To be full of love,
To be full of grace,
To be full of peace
Is a wonder full life!**

**Giving others love
Giving others grace
Giving others peace
Is a wonder full life!**

PROCLAIMING: CURIOSITY

We become curious—full of “wonder-ing”—further transforming our tendencies of avoiding money issues into a desire to learn more, know more, about the systems of money and our own relationship to it. We explore what our faith story invites us to do about the systems of money in which we find ourselves.

THE WORD IN MUSIC: “Gratitude” Chancel Choir

SCRIPTURE: Acts 4:32-35 (CEB)

Musical Intro to Scripture: Be Thou My Vision # 451

**Be thou my vision, and thou my true Word; I ever with thee and thou
with me, Lord; Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
Still be my vision, O Ruler of all**

Liturgist: This is a Word of God for the people of God.

Response: Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE: Looking with Gratitude Rev. Ann Lyter

Pastor: May the words of my mouth,

**People: And the meditations of all of our hearts be acceptable to you,
O Lord, our rock and our redeemer. Amen.**

Announcements

WIGGLE WEDNESDAYS: The idea is to be out enjoying Scottsdale and that is the theme for Wiggle Wednesday in November. We will take our exercise OUTSIDE! Now that the weather is cooling off, we will walk the neighborhood and park. Meet under the Ramada a little before 10 am and join us. Wear comfortable walking shoes.

PASTOR'S LUNCH-- November 16 will be the next Pastor's Lunch at 12:00 pm. Seating is limited to 10 people so sign up on www.bookapew.com/app/az/sumc or contact the church office. We will be serving a delicious meal from Julio's for you to enjoy. All attendees must be fully vaccinated since we will not be masked and gathered around a table.

PLEDGE SUNDAY: November 21, 2021 will be our pledge Sunday when we pledge toward the 2022 budget. If you did not receive a copy of the budget and a pledge card, please contact the church office and we will be glad to send you one. As we move into 2022, our plan of ministry, born from our vision of "becoming a Christ-led community," focuses on four areas— Meaningful Worship, Building Community, Community Mission and Service, and Deepening Discipleship. Your Extravagant Generosity make ministry possible.

HELP DECORATE FOR ADVENT/CHRISTMAS:

We are looking for people to help us prepare our campus for the coming holidays. Help us transform our worship space into a place to focus on how we are "Housing the Holy," and our campus to be a welcoming space for our community during the holidays. We will be decorating on Saturday,

December 4, from 9:00 am to 11:30 am.



Announcements

JUSTA CENTER REVERSE ADVENT CALENDAR 2021

For the second year in a row, SUMC will be supporting this important work with a Reverse Advent Calendar. The way the Reverse Advent Calendar works is, place the calendar someplace you will see it, such as on your refrigerator, and then you gather the items each day that are listed on the calendar. There is something on every day from the first day of Advent, November 28th through Christmas Eve. After you have gathered everything, bring your donations to the church up until January 9, 2022. We will deliver all the donations the second week of January. A copy of the Reverse Advent Calendar was in the Prospector, or scan this QR code:



COAT DRIVE: Do you have winter coats and sweaters you don't use?

Are your closets bursting? Bring your coats and sweaters to the church now through 12/6.



IT'S TURKEY TIME: We are once again preparing meals for the East Valley Men's

Center of a New Leaf in Mesa beginning in January but NOW is the time for turkeys. Please bring your turkey donations to the church so we can continue this ministry and continue to feed the hungry.

CHOIR: The choir is always looking for new voices. Join us on Wednesdays at 7 pm in Activity Center 1. Must be vaccinated.



For the Fruits of This Creation

1. For the fruits of this cre - a - tion, thanks be to
 2. In the just re - ward of la - bor, God's will is
 3. For the har - vests of the Spir - it, thanks be to

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God; for good gifts to ev - ery na - tion,
 done; in the help we give our neigh - bor,
 God; for the good we all in - her - it,

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thanks be to God; for the plow - ing,
 God's will is done; in our world - wide
 thanks be to God; for the won - ders

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97b For the Fruits of This Creation

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sow - ing, reap - ing, si - lent growth while we are sleep - ing,
 task of car - ing for the hun - gry and de - spair - ing,
 that as - tound us, for the truths that still con - found us,

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fu - ture needs in earth's safe - keep - ing, thanks be to God.
 in the har - vests we are shar - ing, God's will is done.
 most of all, that love has found us, thanks be to God.