

February 02, 2025

9:00 AM

**FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY**

HYMN: "I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me" TFWS #2153

BENEDICTION

MUSICAL AMEN

POSTLUDE



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## ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE

WELCOME/OPENING WORDS

PASSING OF THE PEACE

OPENING MUSIC: “Come, Christians, Join to Sing” UMH #158

CALL TO WORSHIP:

Liturgist: If God is for us, who is against us?

**People: He who gave us his son, now gives us the Spirit in power!**

Liturgist: The Holy One is in our midst:

**People: equipping us for life in the service of Christ.**

Liturgist: In Christ we are more than conquerors,

**People: for nothing in creation can separate us from the love of God!**

Liturgist: May the all surpassing grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

**People: And the unshakable love of God be with you.**

Liturgist: The joyous communion of the Holy Spirit be with you.

**People: And also with you!**

HYMN: “All Creatures of Our God and King” (v. 1, 2, 4) UMH #62

OLD TESTAMENT READING: Psalm 102

NEW TESTAMENT READING: Romans 8:26-39

Pastor: This is the Word of God for the people of God.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

SPECIAL MUSIC: “Open the Eyes of My Heart” Choir

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

MESSAGE: “Love is Stronger than Death” Rev. Joshua Warner

HYMN: “Amazing Grace” (v. 1, 2) UMH #378

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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**Fellowship:** Join us after the worship service in Bowe Center for refreshments TODAY. We have some delicious snacks for you to enjoy.

**Souper Bowl:** Last year the San Francisco Giants may have lost to the Kansas City Chiefs at Super Bowl LVIII, but the 49ers beat the Chiefs in SUMC's Souper Bowl contest raising \$65.40 to the Chief's \$62. Unfortunately for the boys, Taylor Swift beat them both raising \$105. All \$232.40 went to support our Homeless Meals at the East Valley Men's Center. We will be collecting on Sunday, February 2, after worship.

Who will win the 2025 SUMC Souper Bowl Contest? Eagles, Commanders, Bills, Chiefs, Taylor Swift or J.D. Vance in the LIX Super Bowl? Missions Commission

**Grief Share Support: Please join us on Wednesdays starting on February 12 from 11:00-12:00 pm in Bowe Center for a 6 week grief sharing support group. This is not a book study group, just people like you who want to share in a confidential surrounding with others. Pauline Schaffer will be facilitating the group. We hope you will find this helpful in sharing with others at the church. There is no time limit on grief so everyone is welcome.**

**The office will be closed on  
Monday, February 17 in  
observation of Presidents' Day**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **Parking Events VOLUNTEERS WANTED!**

We need volunteers to help. All are invited to help so PLEASE sign up. All parking for Spring Baseball games is for day games that start at 1:05 pm so we will be setting up at 10:30 AM. We usually complete around 1:30 pm for late arrivals. We don't park for night games and weather delays. If you have any questions, please feel free to call Chris Alter 602-206-1520 (cell).

We are looking forward to a successful parking season for the Church.

#### Spring Baseball Dates

2/23 Sunday SF vs Cin Reds	2/26 Wednesday SF vs Cubs
2/28 Friday SF vs Mil Brewers	3/2 Sunday SF vs LA Angels
3/6 Thursday SF vs Ch White Sox	3/8 Saturday SF vs KC Royals
3/9 Sunday SF vs SD Padres	3/13 Thursday SF vs Tex Rangers
3/15 Saturday SF vs Sea Mariners	3/16 Sunday SF vs Athletics
3/21 Friday SF vs Cle Guardians	3/22 Saturday SF vs AZ Diamondbacks

**February Fieldtrip and Lunch:** On Saturday, February 15, we will go to the Arizona Railway Museum at 330 E. Ryan Rd., Chandler, followed by lunch at BKD's Backyard Joint at 980 E. Pecos Rd. Unit 5, Chandler. The museum is dedicated to the railroads of Arizona and the Southwestern United States. It has an extensive collection of railroad rolling stock and artifacts. Two of the items on display are listed in the National Register of Historic Places. They are the "Southern Pacific Railroad Locomotive No. SP 2562, Tender No. 8365" and the "Railroad Steam Wrecking Crane and Tool Car". The cost for this event is \$15 general admission. For those who want to carpool, we will meet at the church at 9:30 am to arrive at Chandler Railway around 10:00 am. We will then go to BKD's Backyard Joint for lunch at 11:30 am. There is a sign-up sheet for this event.

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**UWF:** This year, gifts to A Call to Prayer and Self-Denial will support UWF International work. Funds will aid the work of UM conference women's teams leading projects to help women internationally. If you wish to donate, please note it on your donation.

**Centennial Photographs:** We will have a table with photographs that were on display last year for the centennial available for you to take home with you. Please feel free to help yourself to them. They will be in chronological order in the loggia.

**Updated Postcards:** We have updated our postcards from the church. The picture of the sanctuary building cross and airplane stream is of particular historical value. The picture was taken by Jim Laird about 1964. The postcards will be used to connect with others in the congregation along with the prayer pads and new directories. On February 2, everyone who attends church will get three postcards to be mailed to someone you haven't seen in a while. A simple hello and thinking of you as a message is all that is needed. If you don't have a new directory, copies will be available for you. To make it extra easy, one postcard in each stack will already have postage. If you want more post cards, just call the office or pick up them on Sunday morning.

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**Food, Faith, Friends:** Please join us for Food, Faith, Friends on Tuesday, February 4, from 11:15-1:30 pm. We will be having pizza, salad, popcorn, and dessert. Please arrive by 11:15 am to get your food and seat so we can start the movie at 11:30 am. We will be showing the movie "Still; A Michael J. Fox Movie". *Still; A Michael J. Fox Movie* is a 95-minute documentary about Michael Fox's life and career. The film, which premiered at the Sundance Film Festival in January 2023, promises an intimate, inspiring and often humorous look at Fox's extraordinary life, which has been drastically impacted by Parkinson's disease. A suggested donation for food is \$5.00. There is a sign-up sheet for the movie or contact the church office at 480-946-5301. **THIS MOVIE IS RATED R BECAUSE OF STRONG LANGUAGE.**

**Food, Faith, Friends:** Please join us for Food, Faith, Friends on Tuesday, February 18, from 11:15-1:30 pm. We will be having pizza, salad, popcorn, and dessert. Please arrive by 11:15 am to get your food and seat so we can start the movie at 11:30 am. We will be showing the movie "The Best Christmas Pageant Ever". The Herdmans are absolutely the worst kids in the history of the world. They lie, they steal, they bully... and now they've hijacked the town Christmas pageant. Directed by Dallas Jenkins ("The Chosen") and based on the international bestseller by Barbara Robinson, THE BEST CHRISTMAS PAGEANT EVER follows six siblings who sneak into church searching for snacks and walk away with the lead roles in the town pageant. Grace (Judy Greer) is directing the performance for the very first time; she and her daughter Beth (Molly Belle Wright) and husband Bob (Pete Holmes) are in over their heads, especially against a town that wants them to kick the Herdmans out. But the play's mischievous stars might unwittingly teach a community the true meaning of Christmas. A suggested donation for food is \$5.00. There is a sign-up sheet for the movie or contact the church office at 480-946-5301.