

*The Gathering at
St. John's United Methodist Church
Welcome we're so glad you are here
and will come back*



*October 25, 2026
10:30 a.m. Traditional Worship*

*To Welcome and affirm all people to experience the love of God,
Learn together to follow the example of Jesus, and
Work to be a blessing to our community and the world*

*PLEASE, as a courtesy to your fellow worshippers, 'silence'
Your cell phones before worship begins. Thank you!*
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** Please stand as you are able*

PRELUDE—Music for Gathering

WELCOME

Announcements

INTROIT ~ Congregation

Spirit of the Living God

United Methodist Hymnal # 393, once

*** INVITATION TO WORSHIP**

Liturgist: Our call to worship is from the hymn "Come Sunday" by Duke Ellington. Lord, dear Lord of love. God almighty, God above

Church Family: Please look down and see us through

Liturgist: God, dear God of love God almighty, God above

Church Family: Please look down and see us through

Liturgist: We believe the sun and moon will shine up in the sky

Church Family: When the day is gray, we know its clouds passing by

Liturgist: He'll give peace and comfort to every troubled mind

Church Family: Come Sunday, oh come Sunday, that's the day

Liturgist: Often, we'll feel weary, but he knows our every care.

Church Family: Let us go to God in secret who will hear our every prayer. He will hear your every prayer. Amen.

*** HYMN ~ Christ for the World We Sing**

United Methodist Hymnal # 568, v. 1, 2, 3, 4

*** UNISON PRAYER**

As Jesus sent the disciples out into the communities, so we are sent to proclaim that the Kingdom of Heaven has drawn near. We are eager to share your love, without expecting a reward. We realize will not always be made welcome. When that happens, let us move on because there are many more places that need to receive your grace. May your Spirit speak through us in truth. Lord Jesus, equip us for the journey, we pray. Amen.

HYMN ~ *My Tribute*

United Methodist Hymnal # 99, once

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

PASTORAL PRAYER

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever! Amen.

Congregational Prayer Response:

'Alleluia' *United Methodist Hymnal # 186, Once*

GIFT OF MUSIC

GOD'S HOLY WORD

Matthew 9:35-10:8 NRSVUE

THE MESSAGE ~ ***Seedy Stewards Sow Something Grand:
The Fruits We Harvest***

Rev. Amy Kalm

SERMON SONG ~ *Lord Speak to Me*

United Methodist Hymnal # 463, v. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5

OFFERING ~ Our Giving To The Work Of The Church
OUR GRATITUDE FOR GOD'S GIFTS

Doxology

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

United Methodist Hymnal # 94, once

* OFFERTORY PRAYER

* HYMN ~ *Sent Forth By God's Blessing*

United Methodist Hymnal # 664, v. 1, 2

* BENEDICTION





PRAYERS FOR HEALING

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| ✠ Taresa Elliott | ✠ Zack Larson (torn MCL) |
| ✠ Amanda Thurman | ✠ Larry (stroke) |
| ✠ Tyler Avila | ✠ A.P. (surgery) |
| ✠ Ollie (4 yrs. Old-leukemia) | ✠ Olivia Gebbart |
| ✠ Shannon Ugarte | ✠ Mac McAfee |
| ✠ Paisley Nicol | ✠ LeAnn Bard |
| ✠ Hannah Deering | ✠ Susyn Klein |
| ✠ Trudy Mixon | ✠ John Pool |
| ✠ Carol (Tracy's Mother in-Law) | ✠ Ginny Patterson |
| ✠ Teresa Acuna | ✠ Amanda Castro (lupus) |
| ✠ Bob Womack | ✠ Jean Kowall (leukemia) |
| ✠ Lee Saeugling | ✠ Ricardo (surgery) |
| ✠ Sue Snell (ICU) | ✠ Jax Harvey (4 mo.Old) |
| ✠ Hannah Wigginton | ✠ (heart surgery) |
| ✠ Baby Girl Remi N. | ✠ Gert Schacht (Heidi's dad) |
| ✠ Sandra Eisner—heart issues | ✠ Delilah Alvarado |
| ✠ Zack Larson-knee injury | ✠ Evelyn Dearborn |
| ✠ Andra Goldberg | ✠ Brita McDaniel |
| ✠ Amber Balk | ✠ Kathy Reimund |
| ✠ Laura | ✠ Nancy Shepard |
| ✠ Chris Hadley-possible Cancer | ✠ Paul Player |
| ✠ Nola (Friend of Ruth C.) | ✠ Judy Venenga (brain cancer) |
| ✠ Bob Tuomi | ✠ Jeannette Henderson |
| ✠ Rebecca Faris | ✠ (Lisa Brownfield's Mom) |
| ✠ Deb (friend of Linda Tucker) | ✠ Patti Cropper |
| ✠ Lincoln Smith—cancer | ✠ Debbie Lewis |
| ✠ Pat Cropper | ✠ Luke Thatcher |
| ✠ Rev. Nancy Cushman | ✠ Cheri Forsyth's sister Shelley |
| ✠ Dan V. | ✠ and her nephew Max |
| ✠ (Danny Valderain's son) | ✠ Nicole Castro daughter of |
| ✠ Lorelei Tuomi | ✠ Michaela Jefferies |
| ✠ Corey | ✠ Connie Jackson |
| ✠ Liz Stahulak | ✠ (friend of Lesa Vishon) |
| ✠ Jan Thill | ✠ Fred Grigg |
| ✠ Rick Gagnon | ✠ John Rose (kidney cancer) |
| ✠ Noni Dye –cancer | ✠ Sophia—stroke |
| ✠ Cyndy Aden | ✠ Chuck McKee |
| ✠ Paul Stahulak | ✠ Cheyanne B. |
| ✠ Peggy Connell | ✠ Jane—cancer |
| ✠ Laurene McKweon | ✠ John Shaorter |
| | ✠ Karen—bone cancer |
| | ✠ Sarah Sprague |



JOYS AND THANKSGIVING

- ✝ Birth of Lula Belle—Granddaughter of Kim & Kerry Deering!

PRAYERS FOR SYMPATHY

- ✝ Family & Friends of Ron (Tracy Sheehy's father) who passed away
- ✝ Family & Friends of Pat Heinze who passed away.
- ✝ Dorothy Sanderford—Hospice

PRAYERS FOR GUIDANCE & OTHER CONCERNS

- ✝ Abi & Toby—prayers for Safe Travel to Arizona
- ✝ Lisa & Haley—Guidance concerning Family Matters
- ✝ Amanda Thurman—prayers for Guidance & Travel Mercy
- ✝ Ichigo Milton (Mary Zina's son)
- ✝ Donald Ruger, Jr. & Family—prayers for Guidance & Hope.
- ✝ Aerielle Ruger—prayers for Guidance
- ✝ France A.—Prayers for her Grand-Daughters
- ✝ Karen (Friend of Sue Snell) - multiple issues





Christian Folk Worship

Thursdays at 5:30 p.m.
Christian Folk Worship here at
St. John's UMC

EVERYONE IS INVITED TO JOIN US!



Women Doing Life Together

This group will provide an opportunity for
Women to share with each other.

We will gather Every Tuesday at
9:15 a.m. at St. John's UMC

Please contact Barb Parker at:
(928) 530-2156

For More Information or with Questions.

OPEN TO ALL WOMEN!!!



Nana's Pantry located here at St. John's UMC is:

***OPEN FRIDAYS FROM
9 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.***

St. John's UMC also has a small clothing closet that is open on Fridays during our Food Box distributions

DONATIONS NEEDED:

***Canned Veggies; Canned Meat; Canned Beans;
Canned Fruit; Spaghetti Sauce; Dried Pasta
Rice; Cereal; Canned Soup; Mac & Cheese
Toilet Paper***

PLEASE NOTE:

**Our Clothing Closet is now Accepting
Fall and Winter Clothing for Men,
Women, and Children.**

**We are also in need of linens:
Bath Towels; Kitchen Towels;
Blankets; Sheets**

**ALL Items Must be Clean and
in good shape**

Veteran's Meal Planning Meeting
Sunday, November 8, 2026
at 11:30 a.m.
Everyone that is interested in
assisting with this very important
Ministry is invited to attend.

Average Weekly Attendance September 2026

Modern Praise	36
Traditional	40
Christian Folk	8
Christian Folk—Online	54
Sunday—Online	42
Monthly Average All Services	179

CHRISTMAS CARDS FOR SOLDIERS

Our goal is to send 1,500 cards to those serving overseas this holiday season with the help of the Havasu Military Moms and Dig it Kingman Community Garden.



PLEASE FOLLOW THE OUTLINE:

- 1 Dear Soldier
- 2 Simple message/positive thoughts/thank you for your service
- 3 Sign with your first name only, city, state

NO ENVELOPES

If you, your group, or class would like to participate, please make or fill out the cards

If you have any questions please text or call
Andrea at 928-715-4005.



DEADLINE TO POST IS

NOVEMBER 16

St. John's UMC

Pumpkin Patch Fundraiser

Open October 11th thru
October 31st

Mondays thru Saturdays:
9 a.m.—6 p.m.

Sundays: 10 a.m.—6 p.m.

1730 Kino Avenue



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*Please See Barb Parker or Pastor
Amy if you are interested in Signing
Up to help with this Missions Ministry*



Today we continue with how I decided on which seminary to attend. At this point I'm still working for Intuit. After my trip to Olathe and after the holidays, I would be gone for the whole month of January. The first half was in Wise, VA. It was a pretty place to be in the wintertime, with a few snowstorms to shroud the mountains. I also made a concerted effort to attend churches during my trips. As small as Wise was, they had 2 UMC churches. Each were adorable in their own ways. Small and quaint. Both very welcoming. The last half of January was spent in Deland, FL. This is a town between Orlando and the Atlantic seaboard. In my younger years, I would've picked Orlando and the parks. But for this trip it was the ocean that called. Deland felt especially good after spending 2 weeks in winter weather. I also attended 2 UMC churches here. Both presented diametrically opposed examples of welcoming. Both were in walking distance of my hotel. The first was a large church. The pastor was polished. The music was professional. Not one person said hi to me. Even during the passing of the peace. As I looked around, I could tell that there were people in my same situation who really needed a friendly hello. I prayed that I'd always serve a church that would be welcoming. The next week I attended another church. This one was much smaller than the one last week. I felt welcome from the moment I stepped in. One lady invited me to sit with her, another lady made sure I had the photocopied "hymn" book so I could follow along with the songs. I can't say that the pastor was as polished as the one last week. The music was adequate, but far from professional. But there was no question that love abounded there. They even invited me to join their "lunch bunch" that day. Yes this was the type of church I wanted to serve.



During these trips, I had time to start looking at seminaries. Only 2 really made sense. Illif, which was in Denver, CO and Claremont which has a complicated location story. It had been in Claremont, CA. This initially made it my first choice, because I knew it would be an easy drive from Tucson. Then I found out they were in the process of moving up to Salem, OR and becoming part of Willamette University. That changed my enthusiasm. Plus I quickly became annoyed with Claremont's application process. It was clunky and getting help from an admissions rep was really difficult. Illif, on the other hand, had a smooth as silk application process. Plus their admission rep went above and beyond to be helpful with all of my questions. I decided to attend an open house for Illif at the beginning of February. It was cold there! One morning it was -1. Denver itself is an impressive city. I arrived a day early so I could explore a bit. I visited the house of Molly Brown, a survivor of the Titanic. I also saw the art museum and ate at what was claimed to be the best Italian restaurant in Denver. I also walked past the original Chipotle. The open house was impressive, as was the campus. We had a worship service in their beautiful chapel. I wish I could remember the name of the woman who gave the keynote address. She was certainly a powerful speaker. We were able to attend a lecture from a class about Tupac. I walked away very impressed. Shortly after this open house, I received my acceptance letter from Illif. Yay! Now I was just waiting to see what financial aid looked like.



I'd all but written off Claremont because now I would need to fly to Salem for the hybrid (in-person) weeks. If I was going to fly somewhere, it might as well be a cool city like Denver.

My application to Claremont was finally submitted and I was waiting to hear if I was accepted there. While I was waiting, I got an email from them about an open house they were going to hold up at Willamette. I talked to Curt about whether I should go or not. It was actually a possible for me to go. I had vacation time at Intuit I had points and other perks to cover a lot of the cost. We decided that I needed to go to this open house before I completely made up my mind. It was possible to fly non-stop from Tucson to Portland. That was a plus. It was about an hour of driving to get to Salem. That wasn't bad at all. It sure was pretty there.

Again, I arrived a couple of days early and spent time driving down the pacific coast there. Was that gorgeous! I saw Cannon Beach and the rock where they filmed the movie "The Goonies". I also saw a place called the Devil's Punchbowl which is a fascinating rock and ocean formation. The surf punches up through the holes in the rocks.

Well I really liked Salem and Willamette campus. Gorgeous old western city and beautiful campus with sprawling lawns and a creek running through it. By this time I knew I'd also been accepted to Claremont. I was waiting on them for financial aid too.

The open house was not as elaborate as the one at Iliff, but wow did I feel a difference. One of the professors in attendance was Dr. Andy Dreiceter. It just felt so peaceful and warm to talk to him. The other staff in attendance were equally warm, inviting, and dare I say spiritual? I left there knowing where I was going for seminary. It was going to be Claremont. When I got back to my hotel, my financial aid packages were waiting from both schools. I opened up the Iliff one. They were going to help with \$5,000 each semester. Not bad. Then I opened up the Claremont package. They were going to fully cover half of my tuition each semester. How does God always work in such amazing ways! Next week we should be able to bring this call story home. (I think?)

Sermon Notes

- ✚ Between Matthew 9 and 10:2, Jesus followers go from disciples to apostles. How might your spiritual journey be able to make a shift from just consuming teaching to being sent?
- ✚ If our church's ministries are driven by anything other than true compassion for the broken, what do we risk becoming?
- ✚ Jesus calls the crowds "harassed and helpless," but immediately shifts to calling them a "plentiful harvest". How does changing our view of struggling people from "a problem to solve" to "a harvest to gather" change the way the church does outreach?
- ✚ When have you prayed for a need, only to realize God was calling *you* to be the solution?
- ✚ Jesus met people in their towns, villages, and local spaces. Where is your specific "village" this week?

St. John's UMC Weekly Calendar October 25, 2026 thru October 31, 2026

Sunday ~ October 25

12 PM ~ 6 PM Pumpkin Patch

8:30 AM Pastries & Fellowship

9:00 AM Modern Praise

10:00 AM Pastries & Fellowship

10:30 AM Traditional Worship

6:00 PM Trust in the Lord Service

Monday ~ October 26

9 AM ~ 6 PM Pumpkin Patch

Cornerstone Pick-Up

5:30 PM Monday Big Book Study

Tuesday ~ October 27

9 AM ~ 6 PM Pumpkin Patch

12:00 PM

Bulletin/Connection Deadline

9:15 AM Women Doing Life

11:00 AM Chair Yoga

4:30 PM Preschool Board Mtg.

5:00 PM Finance Team Mtg.

5:30 PM Church Council Mtg.

Wednesday ~ October 28

9 AM ~ 6 PM Pumpkin Patch

8:00 AM Men's Bible Study

4:00 PM Nurture Team Mtg.

5:30 PM Potluck

6:00 PM Bible Study

8:00 PM Trust in the Lord Service

Thursday ~ October 29

9 AM ~ 6 PM Pumpkin Patch

5:30 PM

Christian Folk Worship

Friday ~ October 30

9 AM ~ 6 PM Pumpkin Patch

8:00 AM T.O.P.S.

9:00 AM Missions 'Food Boxes'

12:30 PM Widow & Widowers

Saturday ~ October 31

9 AM ~ 6 PM Pumpkin Patch

9:00 AM St. Michael's Catholic

10:00 AM NA Meeting

**To the Parents of Our Young
Children, may we suggest...**

Relax! God put the wiggle in children; don't
feel you have to suppress it in God's house.
All are Welcome!