



2022

Commit to Christ; Connect with Others; Care for Community

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The fruit of the Spirit passage in [Galatians 5:22-23](#) gives me tremendous hope for my own life. Scripture says, "But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law." When I read that list it's like I can see the person I long to be. I long to be a person full of love, joy, and peace. I long to have patience, kindness, and goodness. I long to be marked by faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. Who wouldn't? I see within those incredible characteristics the marks of a fully abundant life. I see Jesus.

At the same time, I see myself in light of these incredible fruits of the Spirit. I see all the ways in which my life doesn't line up with what the Holy Spirit desires to birth in me. How can we, in all our sin and brokenness, live a life marked by these characteristics? How can we be a people so full of the Spirit that our very being portrays the Spirit of God who dwells within us?

God longs to tell you and me today that by grace alone, a life marked by the fruit of the Spirit is entirely possible—but only by grace. In and of myself, I can produce none of these wonderful characteristics. In my own strength, I will only produce selfishness, laziness, and pride. "But with God all things are possible" ([Matthew 19:26](#)). The Bible calls these characteristics fruit for a reason. They are birthed out of the glorious working of God in us. They come entirely by God's grace.

So how do we allow the Holy Spirit to work at the core of our being and produce these wonderful fruits? How do we become children of God marked by the working of the Spirit in our lives? It comes from being connected to our source, that the Spirit might plant seeds that grow within us. As we spend time with God we live more fully into the Imago Dei, the image of God in us. In God's presence our heart transforms into a greater reflection of the Lord's glorious love. God can do incredible and miraculous things in us if we simply open our hearts and spend time abiding in the Lord. The more time we spend receiving God's love for us, the more areas of brokenness and sin become healed and transformed. If you want to bear the fruit of the Spirit—if you want to be a person marked by the working of God at your core—then you must spend time each day simply being loved by God.

There is no shortcut to holiness. There is no trick to godliness. Jesus has made a way for us to enter into the holy places and see the face of God. God will do magnificent things in you today if you will follow the path laid before you by Jesus and spend time resting in the presence of your Lord and Savior. Receive God's love. Allow the words God speaks over you to transform the way you view yourself and the world around you. Spend time in prayer meditating on God's word and allowing your heart to become more like Jesus' today.

Pastor Andrew

A Message from Our Lay Leader

Points to Ponder

As we move from Spring into Summer, I can't help but think of God's perfect timing as seen through nature and the changing of the seasons. Ecclesiastes 3:1 reminds us

"There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under the heavens..." When we look at the changing of seasons, we see another example of God's perfect timing. We are so used to the regularity of the hours, the days, sunrise followed by sunset, that we often forget about the power and majesty of the Creator who put all of this in motion and continues to keep every star and planet on their course. The spinning of the Earth on its axis and the tilting of the Earth at just the right angle so that the seasons change is a testament that our Creator is in control.

To some, this view of God might seem distant and overwhelming. After all, in the vastness of the Universe and the immensity of God, how can humanity, especially one individual, count for anything? The writer of Ecclesiastes struggled with this idea too. He wrote, *"He has made everything beautiful in its time. He has also set eternity in the human heart; yet no one can fathom what God has done from beginning to end."* (Ecclesiastes 3:11)

Jesus took on this idea during his time here on Earth. "God incarnate;" literally God in the Flesh. Even before his death and resurrection, Jesus was reminding the people about God's love for each of us. One of my mom's favorite hymns was "His Eye is on the Sparrow." The chorus goes, "I sing because I'm happy. I sing because I'm free. His eye is on the sparrow, and I know he watches me." This beautiful idea is taken from Scripture in the book of Matthew. There, Jesus is talking to his disciples whom he is sending out to preach and heal in his name. They obviously are overwhelmed by these responsibilities, so Jesus gives them all a pep talk. He says, *"Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground outside your Father's care. And even the very hairs of your head are all numbered. So, don't be afraid; you are worth more than many sparrows."* (Matthew 10:29-31)

In an article I recently read, the author summed this all up perfectly. "If God can take care of the birds, the flowers of the fields, and the winds, so can God take care of us. Your dream may not be visible, or your heart may be aching from a loss. Remember that the same God that ordains the sun to rise and set is the same God that has your heart in the palm of His hands. In God's timing, all is made right whether here on earth or in glory."

Thanks be to God!

Dave Kopecky
Lay Leader

A Message from Our Finance Director

Greetings Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

This month I am not going to bore you with numbers, instead I asked Karen Zeyouma if she would give her testimony about her experience with tithing. She and I have had many conversations about tithing over the past year, as she was trying to work up to tithing levels and I have been tithing for the past many years. Here is her testimony:

During the past six months, I have faced many trials and obstacles that I never imagined I would in my life. My faith has been tested time and time again and many areas of my life have felt unstable. I have spent many sleepless nights awake worrying about the many trials and obstacles that I have been experiencing. When I find myself wide awake at night I pray and talk to my Abba father. I have had a few conversations during the middle of the night about my financial situation. I tell my Abba and my Jesus how I am feeling and what I am thinking (even though he already knows before I speak it). It is comforting to know there is more than what I can see in this world and that my Lord is ALWAYS with me, holding me by the right hand.

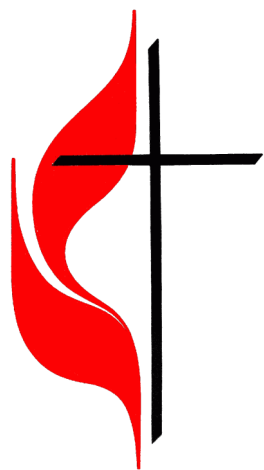
After many conversations with Tracy, I decided that I was going to start tithing at the beginning of 2022, even though I was feeling like I had a lack of finances and a lack of security. It was a scary decision, but I knew that I could trust Jesus to provide. After starting my tithe, more than once or twice in the last few months, I have wondered if I would be able to make my bills and there have been few times that my checks did not cover my bills. This is not something that I have experienced much over the years since I began my practice as a Speech Pathologist but has become more the norm lately for me. However, despite it all, I continued to faithfully give my 10%. I will admit, I was nervous about it at times, but when writing out my check I would smile and say to myself "OK Father, I know that you will provide, if I am giving my first fruits to you!" And he did! In fact, once when I was skeptical about writing my check of tithing and almost talked myself out of it, a long-awaited check for a retroactive raise came and covered all that I needed, and I was able to 'pay ahead' on some things. Another week that I almost chose not to tithe, but did, I received a check that was over and above what I expected! Tithing has increased my faith in Jesus, and it is comforting to know that his plans for me are better and bigger than what I can imagine and he will guide me, protect me and provide for me along the way, as long as I am faithful in following him. And because I have been faithful, so has He.

I pray for all of you, my sisters and brothers, that you will be strong in the faith and follow the will of God.

Your sister in Christ Jesus-

Karen Zeyouma

Tracy Sheehy
Finance Director



Commit to Christ

Sunday Worship Services
In-Person Worship at 10 a.m.
in the Worship Center

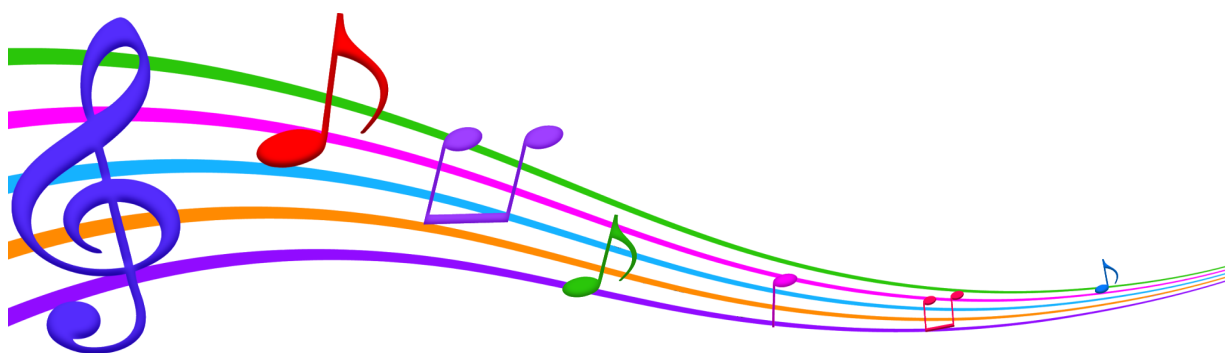
Sundays in June and Special Worship

June 5th What Do You Want to Be Like When You Grow Up? ~ Week 1
Theme: The Journey of Faith and the Fruit of the Spirit: Love and Joy
Scripture: Galatians 5:22-26

June 12th Annual Conference
Guest Speaker

June 19th What Do You Want to Be Like When You Grow Up? ~ Week 2
Theme: Peace, Kindness, and Gentleness
Scripture: Galatians 5:22-26

June 26th What Do You Want to Be Like When You Grow Up? ~ Week 3
Theme: Patience, Self-Control, and Faithfulness
Scripture: Galatians 5:22-26



PRAISE BAND AND CHOIR REHEARSALS

6:30 p.m. ~ Bell Choir—Mondays (September thru May)

5:15 p.m. ~ The Heart of Worship Praise Band—Thursdays

7:00 p.m. ~ Chancel Adult Choir—Thursdays (September thru May)

Connect with Others



ADULT BIBLE STUDIES

Men's Wednesday Morning Bible Study

All Men are invited to join us on Wednesday mornings at 8 a.m.

Adult Bible Study

Wednesday Potluck and Bible Study are taking a break for June and July
Will resume in August

Women's Thursday Morning Bible Study

Thursdays at 11 a.m. beginning June 2nd



Team Meetings Schedule

Administrative Team (combines the Finance & Trustees)

Meet the 4th Tuesday of each month at 5 p.m.

June meeting is: Tuesday, June 28, 2022 at 5 p.m.

Church Council ~ 4th Tuesday of each month at 5:30 p.m.

June meeting is: Tuesday, June 28, 2022 at 5:30 p.m.

Connect with Others



This is an invitation to ALL men of faith to come and join the
St. John's United Methodist Men for a
morning of faith, food, and fellowship!

2nd Saturday of each month at 9:00 a.m.

Gatherings Beginning again soon.

Grief Recovery Support Group

Tuesdays at 10 a.m.

St. John's United Methodist Church
1730 Kino Avenue, Kingman, AZ 86409
(928) 692-8828; www.stjohnsumc.com

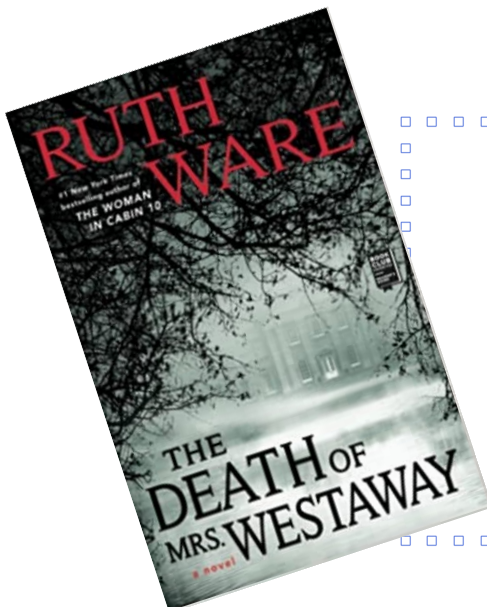


Social Distancing IS followed

*GriefShare is a network of 12,000 + churches worldwide equipped
to offer Grief Support Groups. The program is non-denominational
and features Biblical concepts for healing from your grief.*

This is a 13-week video seminar with workbook.

Cost of the workbook is \$20



COMMUNITY BOOK CLUB IS BACK!!!

***We meet the 2nd Tuesday of the
month at 4 p.m.***

Our next gathering is: June 14th

**St. John's United Methodist Church
Resource Room (formerly the Library)
1730 Kino Avenue**

ALL ARE WELCOME!!!

Connect with Others



Women's Bible Study
Thursdays at 11:00 a.m.
beginning June 2nd
ALL Women are invited to join us on
Thursdays at 11 a.m.
In the Stephen Ministry Room for
Bible Study

Women's Fellowship

Saturday, June 11, 2022 at 1 p.m.
in the St. John's UMC Chapel

Speaker: Melissa Dahmer

Jesus calls His followers to be
Salt and Light to the world

Please bring a salad to share



**ALL Youth Grades 6th thru 12th are
invited to join us for Youth Group !**

Sundays at 11:30 a.m.

Please contact our Youth Leader:
Ali Devereaux at:
sjumc.youthministry@gmail.com
for more information

Care for Community



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

If you know someone that is in need, please let them know about us.

If you are interested in being part of this ministry here at St. John's, please contact Heidi in the Church Office at: (928) 692-8828 or st.johns@citlink.net

***For June we are asking for donations of:
Oatmeal; Eggs; Large Canned Soup***

St. John's UMC Clothing Closet is currently NOT accepting any donations as we have truly been blessed and don't have space for any additional items.

Care for Community



Prayers for our North District Churches

As part of the United Methodist connection we pray to support one another in ministry. During the month of June please pray for these churches, ministries, pastors, congregations, and communities.

- 1) Journey UMC, Las Vegas, Nevada ~ Rev. Michael Higgs
- 2) Mesquite UMC, Mesquite, Nevada ~ Pastor Wendy Swanson
- 3) Potosi Pines Methodist Camp ~ Staff and Campers

Pray Every Day for our Military Members—

Devin Arrants, Brian Barnacle, Justin Bayles, John Belcher, Chris Bradley, Greg Brewer, Dan Brocklehurst, Stacie Brown, Brady Burr, Ryan Burr, Erik Burris, Lucas James Butler, Clint Caldwell, Bobby Carlson, Charles Carroll, Nathaniel Castor, Amber Caswell, Richard Cole, Anthony Costa, Jenny Dalton, Colin Dyer, Daniel Eagan, Karen Eagan, Anthony Elliot, Adam Ernesti, Austin Ernesti, Ben Ferrell, Christie Francis, Adam Georges, Ethan Granger, Holly Gibbons, Joey Gormany, Brenton Green, Micah Hamilton, George Hatchell Jr., Colin Arno Henry, Camerron Higbee, Jessica Huffer, Isaiah Huynh, Brian Illes, Jeremiah Johnson, Travis Johnson, David Kent, Jeffery Lederhouse, Tyrell Manakaja, Ryan Miller, Danny Morales, Jennifer Parker, Jonathan Parker, Katrina Powell, Tyler Radcliffe, Will Ray, William Ritchie, Juan Roman, Jamuel Ruiz, Bryson Salazar, Ben Schwartzfigure, Sean Schwartzfigure, Jared Shulpa, Matthew Simone, Troy Smith, Daniel Travis, Jeff Vicario, Ashley Caswell Walker, Andrew Weatherford, Jason Williams, Chad Wright, Dillon Zorn

Long Term Prayer List

To make changes to this list, please call the church office at (928) 692-8828 Monday thru Thursday from 8 a.m. —4 p.m. or email us at stjohnsprayerchain@citlink.net. We make every effort to keep the names on this list current, and we have a quarterly meeting to do so. Your help is appreciated so please do not hesitate to contact us.

Joe & Lois Baker; Louise Botts; Family of Lyndal Byram; Jennifer Casey; Kristen Coates; Sally Diehl; Joyce Dombroski; Debra Eberly; Gary Forde; Steven Frazine; Arno & Vera Gates; Patty George; Family of Marilyn Gibbs; Carol Halen; Family of Warren Heer; Paula Hupp; Julie Jensen; Ed Krause; Amy Lunsford; Renita McElhaney; Betty Mixon; Family of Louise Moran; Krista Nielson; Micah Rincon; Betty Rowe; Nandhini Sankar; Gert Schacht; Marc Schacht; Debbie Scott; Rodney Shutts; Karran Smith; Pam Smith; Rod Smith; Karen Spira; Jeremy Thomas; Don Waller; Lois Waller; John Walls; Pam Wally; Scott White

For Your Information

Publication Deadlines

Bulletin Announcements for church events are due to the church office by **Tuesdays at 2:00 PM.** Bulletins are printed on Wednesday mornings.

St. John's Connection for church events and happenings are due to the church office no later than **Tuesdays at 2 p.m.**

The Connection Email is sent out on Wednesday mornings.

NewsLetter
DEADLINE

The **July 2022 Newsletter** deadline is:
Wednesday, June 15, 2022 by 4:00 PM.

You can e-mail your submissions, with Bulletin, Newsletter, or Connection in the subject line to Heidi at **st.johns@citlink.net**.



Group meetings Saturday mornings at
10:30 a.m. in the
St. John's UMC Multi-Purpose Room

Other Groups that meet here at St. John's UMC

Friendship Sewing Group

Thursday mornings at 9 a.m.

Morning Glories

Third Thursday of the month at 9:30 a.m.

T.O.P.S. (Take Off Pounds Sensibly)

Friday mornings:

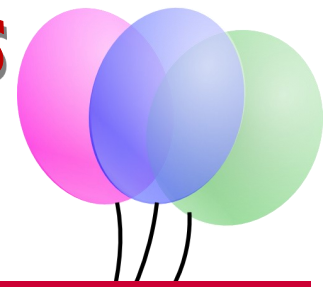
Weigh-In begins at 8 a.m.

Meetings begin at 9:30 a.m.

Cerbat Garden Club

Second Wednesday of the month at 10 a.m.

Bible Readings; Birthdays; Anniversaries



<i>June Daily Bible Readings</i>	
Wed—1	Psalm 66, 67; Matthew 10:17-24
Thu—2	Psalm 89; Matthew 8:5-17
Fri—3	Psalm 94, 95; Matthew 8:18-27
Sat—4	Psalm 101; Matthew 8:28-34
Sun—5	Psalm 105; Matthew 9:1-8
Mon—6	Psalm 107:1-32; Matthew 9:9-17
Tue—7	Psalm 108; Matthew 9:18-26
Wed—8	Psalm 118; John 4:19-26
Thu—9	Psalm 57, 58; Matthew 15:21-28
Fri—10	Psalm 61, 62; Matthew 15:29-39
Sat—11	Psalm 72; Matthew 16:1-12
Sun—12	Psalm 71, 74; Matthew 16:13-20
Mon—13	Psalm 73; Matthew 16:21-28
Tue—14	Psalm 75, 76; Matthew 17:1-13
Wed—15	Psalm 112, 113; John 1:29-34
Thu—16	Psalm 79, 80; Matthew 17:14-21
Fri—17	Psalm 78; Matthew 17:22-27
Sat—18	Psalm 81, 82; Matthew 18:1-9
Sun—19	Psalm 83, 85; Matthew 18:10-20
Mon—20	Psalm 88, 91; Matthew 18:21-35
Tue—21	Psalm 87, 90; Matthew 19:1-12
Wed—22	Psalm 19, 46; Luke 12:49-56
Thu—23	Psalm 89; Matthew 19:13-22
Fri—24	Psalm 94, 95; Matthew 19:23-30
Sat—25	Psalm 101, 109; Matthew 20:1-16
Sun—26	Psalm 105; Matthew 20:17-28
Mon—27	Psalm 102; Matthew 20:29-34
Tue—28	Psalm 108; Matthew 21:1-11
Wed—29	Psalm 118; Luke 13:10-17
Thu—30	Psalm 106; Matthew 21:12-22

June Birthdays

June 1—Mort Tucker

June 16—Dan Brownfield

June 18—Camille Larson

June 21—Jefferson Black

June 24—June Tuomi

June 29—Lee Brown

June 30—Sandy Heer



Camille & Scott Larson—6/11/2002 (20 yrs.)

Lorraine & Mort Tucker—6/14/1958 (64 yrs.)

Sujatha & Paul Kalanithi—6/17/1970 (52 yrs.)

Noreen & Robert Frisch—6/24/1978 (44 yrs.)

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Church Staff

Senior Pastor	Pastor Andrew Devereaux
Office Administrator	Heidi Heer
Treasurer	Tracy Sheehy
Traditional Music Director	Karin Kopecky
Contemporary Music Director	Chris Commisso
Youth Ministry	Ali Devereaux
Preschool Director	Mande Padilla

Connection Staff

District Superintendent	Rev. Dan Morley
Interim Resident Bishop	Bishop Grant J. Hagiya

Church Office Hours

Monday-Thursday 8:00 am-4:00 pm
Friday 8 am-3:30 pm
(928) 692-8828/Fax (928) 692-8799

Sundays at St. John's UMC

9:15 am Coffee Fellowship
10:00 am Worship

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