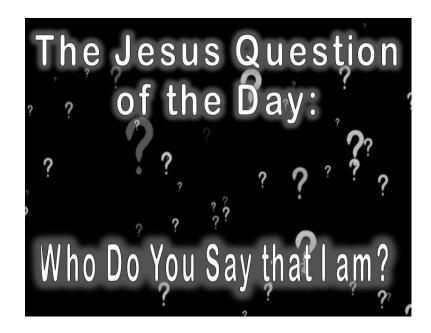
## The Gathering at St. John's United Methodist Church Welcome we're so glad you are here and will come back



### May 11, 2025 9:00 a.m. Modern Praise

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! 1730 Kino Avenue – Kingman, Arizona 86409-3083 (928) 692-8828 ~ Fax: (928) 692-8799

Website: www.stjohnsumc.com

\* Please stand as you are able

Announcements

\* Music to Praise God

Made New

Awesome God

Surely the Presence of the Lord

#### Children's Message

#### Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

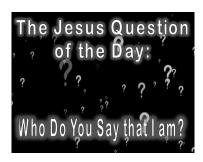
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom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

Gift of Music

God's Holy Word

Luke 9:18-27 NRSVUE

The Message



Pastor Amy Kalm

## Sermon Song Jesus Messiah

#### Offering/\* Modern Doxology



Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

United Methodist Hymnal # 95

Our Giving To The Work Of The Church

- \* Offertory Prayer
- \* Music For The Journey

  / Will Call Upon the Lord



#### **PRAYERS FOR HEALING**

The following people have health concerns:

- → Hudson (Judy Rose's grandson)
- **☆** Roger Anders—COPD
- **♥** Keverne Anders—cancer
- ₱ Fred Grigg

- ♣ Sophia—stroke

- 骨 Bob D
- ⊕ Curt Laumann
- <sup>↑</sup> Cheyanne B.
- <sup>↑</sup> Jane—cancer

- → Helen Huston
- ☆ Karen—bone cancer
- ⊕ Sarah Sprague

- Ron (Tracy Sheehy's father)
- ☆ Greg Jensen—broken hip
- Ruth Angle
- ☆ Carol King's Mom
- 🕆 Bruce Bowman (Sandy Salmon's brother) blood clots

- 廿 Bobby L.
- Dee Hudson
- **⊕** Beverly Johnson
- **†** Dennis Cornwall
- ☆ Marai R.

#### **PRAYERS FOR SYMPATHY**

**☆** LeAnn & Warren Bard—hospice

#### **PRAYERS FOR GUIDANCE & OTHER CONCERNS**

- ☆ Ashley
- ☆ Hunter R.—employment



# Sunday Worship On Thursday

Can't make it to Church on Sunday?
Well we have the answer...
Sunday Worship on Thursday

Thursdays at 5:30 p.m.
we have a 'Sunday'
Worship Service here at St. John's UMC

**EVERYONE IS INVITED TO JOIN US!** 



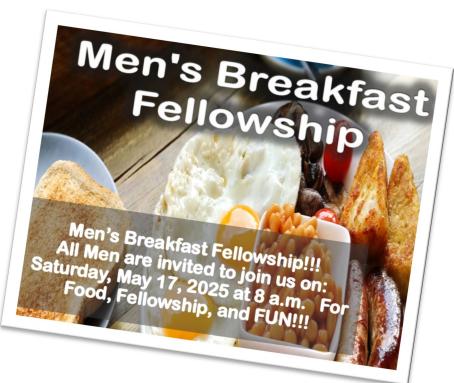
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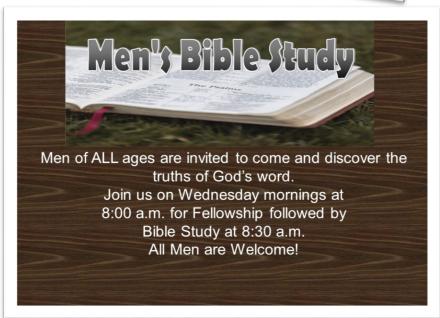
## OPEN FRIDAYS FROM 9 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

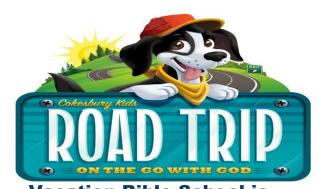
St. John's UMC also has a small clothing closet that is open on Fridays during our Food Box distributions

#### **DONATIONS NEEDED:**

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







Vacation Bible School is
Coming to St. John's UMC
June 23 thru June 26
9 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.
All Children Ages 3 thru finishing 5th Grade
are invited to join us!
Please use the QR Code below to Register.





Please click the 'Menu' tab at the top of the page to Register

For more information, please visit our Road Trip VBS website at: https://st-john-s-united-methodist-church--kingman-az.mycokesburyvbs.com/

To Volunteer, please visit our Road Trip VBS volunteer registration at: https://st-john-s-united-methodist-church--kingman-az.mycokesburyvbs.com/register-volunteer

# Wednesday Night Potluck & Bible Study

The Wednesday Night Potluck &
Bible Study is studying
the Book of Acts
5:30 p.m. Potluck followed by
Study at 6:00 p.m.







Amy Odyssey – Vacation Edition
Instead of my usual recap of the prior week, I thought
you all might like to know a bit about the shenanigans
that was my vacation after Easter. We will look at what
happened that Wednesday – Sunday.

Wednesday Apr. 23<sup>rd</sup>: After spending Monday and Tuesday in dr. appointments and getting ready for my trip, the day arrived! I picked up my travel companion, Barb Parker. Barb would be visiting her daughter Melissa, while I spent time with my friends. Yippee for me! I had someone to share the driving! And Barb kindly helped with gas. Our first destination was Yuma. In Yuma we'd pick up my other seminary friend, Michelle Olivares. Michelle has been serving at the church in Ajo, AZ and this coming year will be adding First Yuma. More about the friendship between Michelle, Artcel, and me later. But first, the journey to Yuma. It started out well enough. Smooth even. I-40 to Hwy 95. Pass through Lake Havasu City and Parker. Made a few stops on the way for stretches. I even found a sweet new wallet. Pink! We made a stop outside of Parker. Our arrival in Yuma was to be around 1:15. It only took the few minutes of that stop to change all of that. Back in the car, map pulled up. Suddenly we were looking at a 4:00 arrival time. Say what? As we started driving, we were offered a route that would get us into Yuma by 3:00. Better than nothing so we took it. If you want me to recap the way we went forget about it. I think Barb and I saw more of the Colorado River Tribe reservation than we ever wanted to. (No offense tribe members!) It was pretty. We saw lots of different types of crops growing along the way. We only traveled on dirt roads once or twice. By and by we ended up just shy of the California border. Thankfully we made our way to I-10 and found ourselves back on Hwy 95 at Quartzite. Now on to Yuma where we met up with our friends. I got to say a guick hello to her family. Efrain is the pastor who discerned my call and their daughter Michaela is not as little as when I first met her at the age of 3. She's becoming guite the charming young lady. The three of us now headed to San Diego. We all agreed that Barb should be the one to drive us to her daughter's house in Bonita. Wow, was I glad she agreed. We got to experience San Diego traffic first hand! After dropping off Barb and a quick meeting with her daughter, it was off to our destination. Melanie, a friend of Artcel's, was going to let us rent her house for the next few days. Her house has a gorgeous view of the Pacific. When we arrived, one of Melanie's roommates kindly helped carry our luggage in. We got the tour of the house and then she left us to figure out dinner. Michelle and I both agreed that Door Dash was the ticket. Soon, delicious Indian food arrived and boy were we hungry! We were also exhausted, so it didn't take much convincing to agree that it was bedtime.

**Thursday – Apr. 24<sup>th</sup>:** Artcel had work to do until 3 that day, so Michelle and I were on our own. We decided to head over to Balboa Park, which is a large and gorgeous park with an inconceivable number of things to do, including the Zoo. We chose the Botanical Garden and the Timkin Art Gallery. (Both free) Just walking around and looking at all the different types of artwork and plants would be satisfying though. But the two exhibits we chose were an added treat. The art gallery had an exhibit of early Russian Christian art that was fascinating. After this we headed over to Artcel's church in Mission Hills. Artcel gave us a full tour. What a gorgeous old church. The current building is over 100 yrs old. After this Artcel took us to see Old Town, the original part of San Diego. Originally it was occupied by the Kumeyaay tribe, Spanish explorer Juan Rodriguez Cabrillo landed there in 1542. There were many historic buildings, including the Catholic church. Old Town is even home to allegedly America's most haunted house, the Whaley house. Sadly, no time to tour it. We had a lovely dinner at one of the many Mexican restaurants there. Tamales are my go-to when at a new Mexican restaurant. That's the true test of how good they are. The Tamales were delicious! After that it was back to Melanie's house just in time for the sunset. It was a bit cloudy at the horizon, so while beautiful disappeared once it hit the clouds. Darn, no green flash! wyHw



Friday – Apr 25<sup>th</sup>: A quiet morning for Michelle and I, which meant coffee while looking out the window at the ocean. We met up with Artcel at her church and she took us to her favorite pizza place close by her church. Chicago style even! And it was delicious! Next, we headed to Torrey Pines. Not the golf course, we walked on the beach there. It was a rare moment when the beach was fairly quiet. So what a treat to walk along there,

smelling the ocean breeze, hearing the waves, and feeling the crunch of the sand under our shoes. It was cold and a bit misty, but we managed to walk a couple of miles and headed back and helped Artcel change out a bulletin board that belongs to Children and Family ministries. The kids had made a gorgeous mosaic of the resurrection story out of scraps of construction paper. After that Artcel had a kids event that evening. So Michelle headed to find a place for one of our favorite foods ever, SUSHI! In San Diego it had to be good. We went to a highly rated place in Ocean Beach, which was close to the house where we were staying. The place was pretty good, but after having Sushi in Hawaii I'm not sure it's easy to top that. We made it home just in time to watch the most beautiful sunset yet. Melanie's porch gave us a fantastic view. It was fun to see the dozens of boats that were out there surely just to catch the sunset. While it was the best of our trip, there were still enough clouds on the horizon so, no green flash.

As I come to the end of this page, I realize this is a lot and I still have so much to cover for Saturday. I will ask for your grace in taking 2 weeks to cover the vacation edition. The stunning conclusion next week! Don't you love cliff hangers?

#### St. John's UMC Weekly Calendar May 11, 2025 thru May 17, 2025

Sunday ~ May 11

Mother's Day

8:30 AM Pastries & Fellowship

9:00 AM Modern Praise

10:00 AM Pastries & Fellowship

10:30 AM Traditional Worship

Monday ~ May 12

5:30 PM Monday Big Book Study

Tuesday ~ May 13
12:00 PM

**Bulletin/Connection Deadline** 

Wednesday ~ May 14

8:00 AM Men's Bible Study 10:00 AM Cerbat Garden Club

10:00 AM Preschool Graduation

5:30 PM Potluck

6:00 PM Bible Study

Thursday ~ May 15

Cornerstone Pick-Up

9:00 AM Morning Glories

5:30 PM Thursday Worship

7:00 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Friday ~ May 16

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

9:00 AM Mission 'Food Boxes'

1:00 PM Council Leadership Retreat

Saturday ~ May 17

10:00 AM NA Meeting

2:00 PM NA Event

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!