

Announcements

Desert Chameleon Community Band is proud to present an afternoon of Silver Screen and TV music for its **Fifth Annual Spring Concert at 3 p.m. TODAY** in the St. Mark's sanctuary. There will be a contest with prizes for naming the movie or TV show for each song. Don't miss out because you may actually win "A Brand New Car!" Join us outside in the courtyard where we'll have free munchies for all with a popcorn vendor while you enjoy our latest super fun show.

We are celebrating **Asian American Pacific Islander Heritage** today. Check out the decorations on the altar and backside of the Adult Spiritual Growth bulletin board in the courtyard. You can also pick up an AAPI devotion discussing the Korean connection with the UMC from the bulletin board. Sign up for our June 12 Zoom book discussion on "Almost American Girl" on the ASG side of the bulletin board. We hope you enjoyed our AAPI-themed interview with Margaret Hiratsuka in the May *Messenger*. - *Church and Society & Racial Equity Advocates*

We encourage anyone who enjoys singing to **come sing in the summer choir**, a "pickup" choir that meets at 8 a.m. and rehearses in the choir room for 25 minutes, prior to the 8:30 a.m. Sunday worship service. No weekday rehearsals. Summer choir will sing for both services every other Sunday starting June 4. Music can be found in the choir room and can be rehearsed at home! All levels are encouraged to sing!

It's **time to volunteer, donate, and sign up for Vacation Bible School!** "Twists and Turns" Vacation Bible School is June 5-9 and will include dinner each evening beginning at 5 p.m. with activities taking place from 6-8:15 p.m. Use the links below to sign up to volunteer or attend, or visit the "We Need You" table in the courtyard today. We need craft supplies and items for our mission project. **Twists & Turns™ is a fantastical celebration of games** of all kinds for EVERYONE 3 years old (and potty trained) through completion of fifth grade, and there's an adult program as well. We will learn and see how trusting and following Jesus will change the game entirely! **Volunteer link** - <https://tinyurl.com/VBSvolunteers2023>; **Registration link for children and adults** - https://stmarksumc.formstack.com/forms/vbs_form

The **Mark-a-ritas** – a group of midlife women who believe it's important to have girlfriends and church, too! – will gather at 6:30 p.m. this Tuesday, May 23, in the church library to plan our events for the upcoming year. Everyone is welcome and Carol Fouch will provide ice cream and homemade hot fudge topping for an ice cream social. We ask all others to bring a topping to contribute. So, think about what you would like to do this coming year and join us on Tuesday.

Cheri Schwartz is organizing a group to **place flags for Memorial Day at Evergreen Cemetery**, 3015 N. Oracle Road. She will be there at 8 a.m. Saturday, May 27 to place flags on veterans' gravestones, which are easily identifiable. Two-person teams place the flags. Parking is free at the mortuary office or in additional areas. Or, meet Cheri at 7:30 a.m. in the St. Mark's north parking lot to carpool. This is an outdoor project so please dress accordingly. For more information, contact Cheri Schwartz (see church directory).

Grace Templeton will present the **final concert in our 2022-2023 series** at 3 p.m. May 28 in the St. Mark's Sanctuary! This concert will benefit Grace's summer studies at Song-Fest, a collaborative summer education program where she will work with some of the leading pianists, singers, and composers in the classical field today. Her concert will feature classical piano music, as well as collaborations with other musicians.

Next week is **Pentecost! We welcome Rev. Dr. Evy McDonald** as she leads us in worship. Wear red to worship as we celebrate the Holy Spirit!



Welcome to Worship!

Ascension Sunday | Graduation Sunday

Sunday, May 21, 2023

8:30 and 10 a.m. Services



1431 W. Magee Rd., Tucson, AZ 85704 | 520-297-2062 | www.umcstmarks.org

Rev. Lynn Bartlow, Lead Pastor

Rev. Stuart Salvatierra, Associate Pastor | Kim Ogle, Pastor

PRELUDE *Christ Above All Glory Seated* Jane Anderson
Trad Dutch Melody, arr. James Mansfield
Pastorale
Arr. Patricia Lou Harris

WELCOME

INTROIT *Praise, Praise, Praise the Lord* Celebration Singers
Arr. Ralph M. Johnson

CALL TO WORSHIP* Liturgist

OPENING PRAYER* Liturgist

OPENING HYMN* *Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise* UMH #312

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

EPISTLE READING 1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11

GOSPEL READING Luke 24:44-53 Liturgist

MESSAGE Rev. Lynn Bartlow

SPECIAL MUSIC *You Raise Me Up* Celebration Singers
Lovland/Graham, arr. Fettke

PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

PRAYER RESPONSE *Alleluia* Celebration Singers
Jerry Sinclair

INVITATION TO OFFERING Liturgist

OFFERTORY *Leaning On the Everlasting Arms* Jane Anderson
Arr. Stephen L. Aber

DOXOLOGY* UMH #94

BLESSING* Liturgist

CLOSING HYMN* *I'll Fly Away* TFWS #2282

BENEDICTION

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POSTLUDE *Festiva* Jane Anderson
Keith Christopher

Liturgists:
8:30 a.m. Ainsley Legner 10 a.m. Carol Nadeau

Musicians:
Jane Anderson, accompanist
Celebration Singers, directed by Jane Anderson and
accompanied by Grace Templeton

**Designates when to stand in body or in spirit
Hearing assistive devices are available at the sound booth
or ask an usher.*

*Altar flowers are given by Curt and Pat Adams
in celebration of their four grandchildren
who are all receiving college degrees.*

Sign up for altar flowers: One of the ways our congregation serves the church is to provide altar flowers for Sunday worship. We have many openings over the next several weeks. If you wish to dedicate flowers for one or more Sundays, simply sign up on the board in the Sanctuary narthex. Please write your name and phone number next to the week(s) you wish to donate flowers. It is a great way to celebrate birthdays, anniversaries, and graduations or to honor loved ones. You may also sign up by calling the church office, 520-297-2062.

Welcome to Sunday School! Children and youth are welcome in worship, but we offer Sunday School classes during the 10 a.m. service as well. We offer adult classes for all ages; check the Adult Spiritual Growth board to see what short-term classes are meeting in addition to the ongoing classes in person on Sunday morning. No Sunday School on fifth Sundays (except Adult Bible Study).

Child Care	Rm 15
Preschool through kinder	Rm 3
1st, 2nd, 3rd grades	Rm 6/7
4th, 5th grades	Rm 8/9
Middle & High School	Wesley House
Adult Sunday School	Rm 17/18 or Zoom (@ 9:30)
Adult Bible Study	Rm 17/18 or Zoom (@ 11:15) Gospel of John. No meeting May 28.