

Dayspring

United Methodist Church

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10:00am

WELCOME

Together we are on a mission to make God's world more peaceful, just, compassionate and inclusive.

Dayspring UMC is a Reconciling Congregation. All people, regardless of age, sex, race, color, ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender identity, economic status or ability are welcome into the full life of our congregation. Dayspring affirms the value and worth of all persons, recognizing that everyone is a child of God. We call all to live by and attest to gender equality and to observe Jesus' principles of love and non-violence in all our relationships.

We are committed to transforming the church and the world into a full expression of Christ's inclusive love.

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THE CHURCH GATHERS TO CELEBRATE FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

Please check in at www.dayspringumc.org/bulletin

MUSIC FOR GATHERING AND CENTERING

Robert Mills, piano

WELCOME

Pastor Michael Long

INTROIT

"In This Very Room"
Ron and Carol Harris
Dayspring Celebration Chorale

CALL TO CELEBRATION

Beth Cadman

*Life is a journey with others;
we travel as a people, on a winding road.*

**We share our lives, our experiences,
our hopes, our fears.**

*With joy and hope we welcome other travelers
to share our lives.*

We learn from each other.

We laugh and cry with each other.

We are home with each other.

And together we celebrate God's presentness

**As we are refreshed and made ready
for re-creation in our lives and our communities.**

OPENING HYMN

"Soli Deo Gloria"

vss. 1-5

O God of blessings, all praise to you!
Your love surrounds us our whole life through.
You are the freedom of those oppressed;
you are the comfort of all distressed.
Come now, O holy and welcome guest:
Soli Deo gloria! Soli Deo gloria!

All praise for wisdom, great gift sublime,
Through words and teachers of every time;
For stories ancient and knowledge new,
For coaches, mentors, and couns'ors true
Whose life of service brought us to you:
Soli Deo gloria! Soli Deo gloria!

All praise for prophets, through grace inspired
to preach and witness with hearts on fire.
Your Spirit chooses the weak and small
to sing the new reign where mighty fall;
with them may we live your gospel call:
Soli Deo gloria! Soli Deo gloria!

All praise for music, deep gift profound,
through hands and voices in holy sound;
the psalms of David, and Mary's praise,
in wordless splendor and lyric phrase,
with all creation one song we raise:
Soli Deo gloria! Soli Deo gloria!

All praise for Jesus, best gift divine
through word and witness, in bread and wine;
incarnate love song of boundless grace,
priest, teacher, prophet in time and space,
your steadfast kindness with human face:
Soli Deo gloria! Soli Deo gloria!

OPENING PRAYER (in unison)

**Christ be with me, Christ within me,
Christ behind me, Christ before me,
Christ beside me, Christ to win me,
Christ to comfort and restore me,
Christ beneath me, Christ above me,
Christ in quiet, Christ in danger,
Christ in hearts of all that love me,
Christ in mouth of friend and stranger.**

HYMN RESPONSE

verse 6

**A billion voices in one great song,
now soft and gentle, now deep and strong,
in ev'ry culture and style and key,
from hill and valley, with sky and sea,
with Christ we praise you eternally:
Soli Deo gloria! Soli Deo gloria!**

PASSING OF THE PEACE

(Please turn and greet one another as disciples of Jesus Christ!)

A TIME FOR OUR CHILDREN

Andrea Farley &
Tempe Community Action Agency

SONG

Hymnal #143

**"On Eagle's Wings"
And God will raise you up on eagle's wings
bear you on the breath of dawn,
make you to shine like the sun,
and hold you in the palm of God's hand.**

MISSION MOMENT

United Women in Faith

ANTHEM

**"How Great His Love"
words and music by Ruth Elaine Schram
Dayspring Celebration Chorale**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

submit prayers online at dayspringumc.org/prayer

MOMENTS FOR SILENT PRAYER

CHORAL CALL TO PRAYER

“Hear My Prayer”
Moses Hogan

PASTORAL PRAYER

Rev. Shirley Wells

THE LORD’S PRAYER

HYMN OF PREPARATION

FWS #2058

“Shepherd Me, O God”

SCRIPTURE READING

Ecclesiastes 3:1-8

RESPONSE

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

Thanks be to God!

PREPARATION

Let the words of my mouth,

and the meditation of my heart,

be acceptable in Thy sight,

O Lord, my Strength and my Redeemer.

MESSAGE

Pastor Michael Long

Right Timing is Everything

OFFERING OF OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

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OFFERTORY

“He Leadeth Me”

arr. Brian Buda

Robert Mills, piano

DOXOLOGY

Hymnal #94

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below;

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise God, the source of all our gifts!

Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!

Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

CLOSING HYMN

TUNE: Hymnal #95

“O Maker God, Your Fingers Trace”

O Maker God, your fingers trace

The bold designs of farthest space, alleluia.

Let sun and moon and stars and light

And what lies hidden praise your might, alleluia.

Infinite God, your hands uphold

Earth’s myst’ries known or yet untold, alleluia.

Let waters fragile blend with air,

Enabling life, proclaim your care, alleluia.

Merciful God, your arms embrace

All now oppressed for creed or race, alleluia.

Let peace, descending like a dove,

Make known on earth your healing love, alleluia.

In-dwelling God, your gospel claims

One family with a billion names, alleluia.

Let every life be touched by grace

Until we praise you face to face, alleluia.

WORDS OF BLESSING

POSTLUDE

“Holy, Holy, Holy”
arr. Brian Buda
Robert Mills, piano

The flowers on the table are given by Carolyn Lee in memory of her mother, Pauline Stringfield, and sister, Barbara Link, for their March birthdays.

The food basket is given by Becky Ashworth in celebration of her grandson, Ryan LaFave’s 16th birthday.

PRAYERS

The family and friends of Tom McKnight, father of Roger McKnight, following his death on March 9; **The family and friends of Jeannette Annunziato**, following her death on February 22; **Kat Barnes**, with multiple infections, while still continuing to recover from a car accident months ago; **Audrey**, 2.5-year-old daughter and granddaughter of dear friends of Bethany Lambrecht, who has just been diagnosed with a very rare form of cancer; **Ron Blake**, husband of Marcia Blake, recovering from kidney surgery on March 5; **Richard Spicer**, husband of Nancy Spicer, recovering following a stroke on March 5; **Betty Boesen**, recovering after surgery to install a pacemaker on March 8; **Stephanie Pelton**, friend of Mary Thielemeir, having heart procedures; continued prayers for peace in Palestine and Israel and in Ukraine; for refugees worldwide; for all the indigent people in our society who suffer through all the seasons of the year; for all who actively serve the public common good, including teachers, police, firefighters, healthcare workers, and our men and women in the military.

Ongoing Health Concerns

Kitty Moran, Gail Valenti, Stacey and Megan O’Rourke, Betty Brown, April Osborn, Ted Jung, Joan Wheeler, and Jane Baker.

Do you have a prayer concern you would like to submit? Please go to www.dayspringumc.org/prayer to share it with us. You may choose whether they can be shared publicly through email and during services or should be kept private within our prayer team and pastors.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MONTHLY TAIZÉ SERVICE: Our monthly Taizé Service will be this afternoon in the Palo Verde Room at 4pm. Gathered in the presence of Christ, this is a quiet time of meditative common prayer; truly a time for deep connection and restoration.

ASU CONCERT CHOIR: On Thursday, Mar 21 at 7:30pm, the ASU Concert Choir will share Durufle's famous Requiem setting with woven interpolations of modern dance, spoken word, and visual projections. The featured soloist is Dr. Stephanie Weiss. Please purchase tickets in advance. Guests who do not have a ticket at the door will be directed to purchase them online.

FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN: Children's and Youth Ministries are hosting a packing event at Feed My Starving Children on March 23 from 2:30-4:00. Please email Andrea at andrea@dayspring-umc.org if you are interested in signing up.

TOOTHBRUSH DRIVE: Our children are collecting toothbrushes to send along with the medical and dental mission trip to Tochimizolco, Mexico. Now through Palm Sunday, we are collecting new, individually wrapped toothbrushes, floss, and travel sized toothpaste. Children can bring their donations to Sunday school and there are collection boxes in the narthex.

HOLY WEEK & EASTER: Join us on *Palm Sunday*, March 24, for Sacred Space (8:50am) or our Traditional Service (10:00am) with choirs and handbells. Children's Ministry hosts a *Family Holy Week Experience* and Dinner on Wednesday, March 27 from 5:30-7:00. Our *Maundy Thursday* communion service, featuring handbells and cellist Alex Duke, is March 28 at 6:00pm. The solemn *Good Friday* service combines the Seven Last Words of Jesus with familiar spirituals at 6:00pm. Our *Easter morning* festival celebrations with organ, brass, and choir are at 8:30 and 10:00am.

GOOD FRIDAY LABYRINTH WALK: What must we allow to happen in ourselves to make space for Christ to rise within us? You are invited to contemplate this question while walking our labyrinth or using available handheld labyrinths. The labyrinth is open anytime our gates are open. Facilitators will be on hand Good Friday from noon-1pm to give a brief introduction to the labyrinth and walk with or otherwise support those on their labyrinth journey.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY: Our first build date is April 13. We will be asked to provide a team to help build with the Mighty Methodist Coalition. No previous construction experience is needed. There will be more opportunities through early June. Please email Mark at ruthandmarkboyle@gmail.com to volunteer or if you have any questions.

SUNDAY LUNCH BUNCH meets for lunch at 11:30 on Sunday mornings. A signup sheet and list of upcoming locations are available on the welcome table in the narthex. All are welcome! Email lunch@dayspringumc.org with questions.

THIS WEEK AT DAYSPRING TEMPE

SUNDAY, MARCH 17

- 8:50am - Sacred Space, Sanctuary
- Child Care, Room 116
- 9:00am - Adult Sunday School, Palo Verde Room
- 9:15am - Cherub Choir, Room 201
- 10:00am - Worship, Sanctuary
- Nursery Care, Room 117
- 2-3 Year Old Sunday School, Room 116
- Pre-K-Kindergarten Sunday School, Room 115
- 1st-3rd Grade Sunday School, Room 202
- 4th-6th Grade Sunday School, Room 201
- Youth Formation, Room 111
- 11:30am - Lunch Bunch, Chompie's (S of Chandler Mall)
- 4:00pm - Taizé Service, Palo Verde Room
- 5:00pm - Youth Group, Room 111

MONDAY, MARCH 18

- 9:00am - Maricopa County Elections, Fellowship Hall
- 10:30am - Memory Loss Caregivers' Support, Zoom
- 12:00pm - ASU Rehearsal, Sanctuary
- 6:30pm - Grief Support, Zoom
- 7:00pm - BS Troop 172, Room 206

TUESDAY, MARCH 19

ELECTION DAY

- 5:30am - Maricopa County Elections, Fellowship Hall
- 9:00am - Quilt Camp, Palo Verde Room
- 10:00am - Journeying with Jesus Lent Study, FVT
- 3:00pm - Praying Together, Zoom
- 5:00pm - GS Troop 07431, Room 201
- 6:00pm - DayspRingers, Music Room

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20

- 9:00am - Quilt Camp, Palo Verde Room
- 10:00am - Multiplying Love Lent Study, Room 112
- 12:00pm - ASU Rehearsal, Sanctuary
- 7:00pm - Celebration Chorale, Kelley Music Room

THURSDAY, MARCH 21

- 9:00am - Quilt Camp, Palo Verde Room
- 10:00am - Mary Oliver Lent Study, Zoom
- 10:30am - Chair Yoga, Room 112
- 12:00pm - ASU Rehearsal, Sanctuary
- 5:30pm - Cantilena Rehearsal, Fellowship Hall
- 6:30pm - NA, Room 112 and 110
- Stephen Ministry Training, Palo Verde Rm
- 7:00pm - Centering Prayer, Library
- Time to Wonder, Zoom
- 7:30pm - ASU Choir Concert, Sanctuary

FRIDAY, MARCH 22

- 10:30am - Opening to God, Zoom

SATURDAY, MARCH 23

- 9:00am - Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary
- 2:30pm - Feed My Starving Children, Mesa

SUNDAY, MARCH 24

PALM SUNDAY

- 8:50am - Sacred Space, Sanctuary
- Child Care, Room 116
- 9:00am - Adult Sunday School, Palo Verde Room
- 9:15am - Cherub Choir, Room 201
- 10:00am - Worship, Sanctuary
- Nursery Care, Room 117
- 2-3 Year Old Sunday School, Room 116
- Pre-K-Kindergarten Sunday School, Room 115
- 1st-3rd Grade Sunday School, Room 202
- 4th-6th Grade Sunday School, Room 201
- Youth Formation, Room 111
- 11:30am - Lunch Bunch, US Egg (Chandler/Gila Springs)

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Please let us know!

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