

Dayspring

United Methodist Church

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10:00am

WELCOME

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

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.

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

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THE CHURCH GATHERS TO CELEBRATE

Please check in at www.dayspringumc.org/bulletin

MUSIC FOR GATHERING AND CENTERING

Prelude and Fugue in D minor, BWV 554
J. S. Bach
Zachary Golden, organ

WELCOME

Pastors Michael Long
& Jeff Procter-Murphy

CHORAL INTROIT

"Goin' Up to the Mountain"
William Rose
Dayspring Celebration Chorale
Emily Gibson, soprano solo

CALL TO CELEBRATION

Alex Aragon

Come, Spirit of Christ

be with us in our longing;

Come!

stay with us in our needing;

Come!

be with us in our doing;

Come!

struggle with us in our searching;

Come!

rejoice with us in our loving.

Let us lift up our hearts with song

OPENING HYMN
"Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies"

Hymnal #173
vss. 1-2

OPENING PRAYER

**Spirit of God,
move among us and free us
to love and serve you and all people.
Refresh our spirits,
that we may not be weary in seeking your ways.
Whisper to us in a still small voice,
what you have for us to do.
Guide us to our truest selves and to those
with whom you call us to share
the labors of peace and justice;
through the grace of Jesus Christ. Amen.**

HYMN RESPONSE

vs. 3

**Visit then this soul of mine;
pierce the gloom of sin and grief;
fill me, Radiancy divine,
scatter all my unbelief;
more and more thyself display,
shining to the perfect day.**

PASSING OF THE PEACE

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

SPECIAL MUSIC

"Come, Christians, Join To Sing"
arr. H. Sorenson
Dayspring Children's Choir

A TIME FOR OUR CHILDREN

Katie Cathcart

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.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

submit prayers online at dayspringumc.org/prayer

SUNG CALL TO PRAYER

Lead us now, O God
(Fredna's Prayer)

PRAYER

Pastor Shirley Wells

THE LORD'S PRAYER

ANTHEM

"Crown Him with Many Crowns"
DIADEMATA, arr. Craig Courtney
Dayspring Celebration Chorale

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 9:28-36

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 Jeff Procter-Murphy

A Mountaintop Experience

OFFERING OF OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

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OFFERTORY

“Spirit Song”
John Wimber
arr. Cynthia Dobrinski
Dayspringers
Izzie Freeland, flute

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

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Pan de Vida

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING (in unison)

**O God, in memory and in hope,
we have come to your table, received your gifts,
and sensed again the miracle of bread and wine,
you and us, and what is possible.
Complete the work you have begun in us.
Release through us a flow of mercy and gentleness
that will bring water where there is desert,
healing where there is hurt,
peace where there is violence,
justice where there is brokenness,
and a sense of your kingdom everywhere.
Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN

“Swiftly Pass the Clouds of Glory”

FWS #2102
Tune: Hymnal #89

WORDS OF BLESSING

BENEDICTION RESPONSE

“The Lord Bless You and Keep You”
arr. John Rutter
Dayspring Youth Choir
Grace Templeton, piano

POSTLUDE

“Christ Arose”
arr. Larry Shackley
Robert Mills, piano

Acolyte: Roslyn Aragon

PRAYERS

The family and friends of Patty Stremsterfer, lifelong friend of Carolyn Lee, following her death on February 24; **Jack Black Feather**, hospitalized following a reaction to medication; **the family and friends of Denise McGuire**, aunt of Randy Miller, following her death in Ohio; **The Jarczyk family**, friends of Lindsay and Jason Olivarez, for peace and comfort following the unexpected passing of Craig; **Carrie**, wife of Harley Hiett, recovering following knee surgery on February 24; **Regina Walker**, healing at home following hospitalization and her wife, **Norma Carillo**, healing at home following hip surgery; **Mike and Kelly Murray**, as Mike is hospitalized with a serious neurological issue; **Baby Eleanor**, newborn of a friend of Sal and Jan Mele's daughter, still hospitalized in intensive care, but making good progress and moving and breathing on her own; continued prayers for peace in Haiti, Sudan, Yemen, the Middle East, and 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, and Joan Wheeler.

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

DAYSPRING MEDICAL TEAM: Our annual medical caravan is scheduled for April 22-29. We serve the community of Tochimizolco, Mexico with medical, dental, eyeglasses, and many other services. If you have a hearty spirit and a desire to join us, please reach out with any questions to Bill Chauvin at wjcrph@gmail.com or 270-723-7195. There is an interest meeting TODAY in Room 112 following the 10:00 service.

ASH WEDNESDAY is this Wednesday, March 5. Join us at our 6pm service as we begin the sacred season of Lent with prayer, reflection, and the imposition of ashes. This time of worship invites us to remember our human frailty and acknowledge our need for grace through God's unwavering love for us all.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL registration opens tomorrow! This year's theme is True North and it will run June 9-12 from 9:00am to noon. We will guide kids on the ultimate Alaskan adventure where northern lights glow over majestic mountains, racing rivers, and glistening glaciers. As kids trek the tundra, they'll explore how easy it is to lose sight of what's true in our wild world today. Pointing them toward Jesus, True North VBS shows them that he is a faithful friend we can always trust. He's our True North! VBS is for children ages 3 (by Jan. 1 of this year and must be potty trained) through entering 6th grade. Register online at dayspring-umc.org/vbs. Email andrea@dayspring-umc.org with questions or if you would like to volunteer.

LENT STUDY: *The Hardest Part, Hurt We Carry, Hope We Find* by Kate Bowler is a Lenten study that explores the fragile and complex nature of life—balancing joy and sorrow, love and loss. Lent is a time to acknowledge life's hardships rather than ignore them, reflecting on our struggles while seeking hope and grace. The study, beginning March 5, includes daily Scripture, reflections, and blessings. Virtual small group discussions will be held via Zoom on Wednesdays at 5:30pm (March 12–April 23) and Thursdays at 4:00pm (March 6–April 24). To participate, please register with Andrea (andrea@dayspring-umc.org) and visit katebowler.com/lent to download the study guide.

TRIVIA NIGHT: Tempe Leadership is holding a trivia fundraiser for Lost Our Home pet rescue on Friday, March 7, at 7pm at Boondocks (1024 E Broadway) and Dayspring is putting together a team! Tickets are \$15 in advance per person; \$20 per person at the door. Each ticket includes one adult beverage and snacks. Additional food and drink will be available for purchase. Email kris@dayspring-umc.org to join our team!

UWFAITH SHOES FOR MISSIONS: Are you thinking about spring cleaning? Dayspring United Women in Faith are collecting gently worn, used and new shoes to support services to the homeless, women and children in need. Collected shoes not only support our missions, but they will be reused and given a second life in developing countries. Donation boxes can be found in the narthex (lobby) through March 30.

PRESCHOOL VEHICLE DAY: Do you, your company, a neighbor, or a friend have a fun or interesting vehicle? Our preschool would love to include it at their 26th annual Vehicle Day on April 2. Please email info@dayspringpreschool.com.

STEPHEN MINISTERS are trained members of our congregation who listen, care, encourage, and provide emotional and spiritual support to people who are going through tough times. The Christ-centered care you'll receive is confidential, free, and very helpful. Please email stephenministers@dayspringumc.org for more information.

THIS WEEK AT DAYSPRING TEMPE

SUNDAY, MARCH 2

- 8:50am - Sacred Space, Sanctuary
- Child Care, Room 116
- 9:00am - Exploring Contemporary Issues, PV
- 10:00am - Worship, Sanctuary
- Nursery Care, Room 117
- Pre-K - Kindergarten Sunday School, 116
- 1st-3rd Grade Sunday School, Room 202
- 4th-6th Grade Sunday School, Room 201
- Youth Formation, Room 111
- 11:00am - Tochi Interest Meeting, Room 112
- 11:15am - Confirmation, Room 111
- Retired Clergy Luncheon, Palo Verde Room
- 11:30am - Lunch Bunch, Famous Dave's (Chandler Mall)
- 3:00pm - Youth/Children's Ministry, StarFighters Arcade

MONDAY, MARCH 3

- 10:30am - Memory Loss Caregivers' Support, Zoom
- 5:30pm - Saving Jesus, Palo Verde Room
- 6:00pm - TheoPub, Fate Brewery (Southern Ave.)
- 6:30pm - Cub Scouts, Rooms 201, 202, and 206
- Grief Support, Zoom
- 7:00pm - Scout Troop 172, Fellowship Hall
- Scout Troop 172 Committee, Palo Verde Room
- Tempe South Little League, Room 112

TUESDAY, MARCH 4

- 1:00pm - Prison Ministry Meeting, Room 112
- 2:00pm - Stephen Ministry Leadership, Dayspring Library
- 3:00pm - Praying Together, Zoom
- 4:30pm - GS Troop 07431, Room 110
- 5:00pm - Church & Society, Palo Verde Room
- 6:00pm - Dayspringers Rehearsal, Kelley Music Room
- Divine Feminine Planning, Room 112

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 5

- 6:00pm - Ash Wednesday Service, Sanctuary
- Children's Choir, Room 206
- 6:45pm - BeTween, Room 201
- Book Club, Room 112
- Youth Choir, Room 206
- 7:00pm - Dayspring Celebration Chorale, Music Room

THURSDAY, MARCH 6

- 10:30am - Chair Yoga, Fellowship Hall
- 4:00pm - Lent Devotional Discussion, Zoom
- 6:15pm - Cantilena Rehearsal, Music Room
- 6:30pm - NA, Room 112 and 110
- 7:00pm - Centering Prayer, Dayspring Library

FRIDAY, MARCH 7

- 10:30am - Opening to God, Zoom

SATURDAY, MARCH 8

SUNDAY, MARCH 9

SECOND SUNDAY

- 8:30am - Breakfast and Coffee, Fellowship Hall
- Self-Guided Labyrinth Walk, Patio
- 8:50am - Celebrating the Divine Feminine, Palo Verde Room
- Childcare, Room 116
- Sacred Space, Sanctuary
- 9:00am - Adult Sunday School, Room 112
- 9:20am - Communion and Prayer Corners, Sanctuary
- 10:00am - Worship, Sanctuary
- Kids' Church, Room 206
- 10:30am - Jr. & Sr. High Formation, Room 111
- 10:45am - Communion & Prayer, Sanctuary
- 11:15am - How to Protect Yourself from Common Scams, S
- Love Lessons, Palo Verde Room
- Yoga Nidra/Sound Healing, Room 112
- 11:30am - Lunch Bunch, Bisbee Breakfast Club (Ray/54th)

Has your mailing address, phone, or email changed?
Please let us know!

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