

BELOVED COMMUNITY - As I write this, it is raining outside and I am reminded of the end of June. I am reminded of this because after spending a week at camp singing Johnny Appleseed, and praying for the rain, the monsoons began to come. Do you know and/or remember the song:

*♪♪ Oh, the Lord is good to me
And so I thank the Lord,
for giving me the things I need,
the sun and the rain and the Appleseed,
the Lord is good to me! Amen, Amen, Amen. ♪♪*



After singing this song (several times!), I started to notice the rain intermingling with the sunny, warm days and I have been left chuckling to myself every time it rained because of my former mixed emotions about this natural occurrence. When I was younger, I used to hate the rain. The rain would come and I felt like the sky was crying. When it would rain, all I wanted to do was bundle up and mourn with the sky, with God. I laugh at the thought of my younger self because I now find myself singing, to everyone, a song that is notorious for bringing rain. I laugh because, even though I still have moments when I want to grieve with the sky, rain symbolizes many things: life, destruction, blessing, cleansing...it is water from the sky that floods and feeds the earth. I have now seen rain as a sign of opportunity and not only sorrow.

As we enter the month of August, I am not certain it will rain for much longer but, I do find comfort in the rain that once left me mourning for the absence of the sun. I find comfort in the rain because even when the rain floods, it always feeds the earth with the life it desperately needs and it is always what comes before the rainbow, a sign of God's redeeming grace and promise.

I felt compelled to share this reflection for August because we have experienced many ups and downs within our church family over the past couple of months and, regardless of



MISSION -

Building relationships with C.A.R.E.

VISION -

Compassionate Community

Attentive Hospitality

Responsive Outreach

Engaging Spiritual

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more this month, I am hopeful for the aftermath. I am not optimistic about the weather blues that can come with the rain, I am hopeful for the life that will inevitably sprout and, even, the rainbow that follows. My prayer for this month is that we can begin to see the fruits of the sky crying. I look forward to witnessing God's grace for this new month of our year!
 Blessings,
 Pastor Amanda

*"Again he prayed, and the heavens gave rain, and the earth produced its crops."
 James 5:18*

ADULT BIBLE STUDY

John: The Gospel of Light
 John, the Gospel of the Word that becomes Flesh and reveals the Light of God's Truth and Salvation!

Join our Pastor Emeritus, Rev. Gary Simons, on Sundays at 9:00am in the Adult Sunday School Room next to the Pastor's Study (please contact the office if you would like a map!)

Worship Schedule

August 11th

Scripture: Ephesians 4:25-5:2
 Sermon: The Body of Christ

August 18th

Scripture: Ephesians 5:15-20
 Sermon: Making the Most of the Time

August 25th

Scripture: Ephesians 6:10-20
 Sermon: Armor of God

SEPTEMBER SERIES:

Wisdom Literature

September 1st

Scripture: Song of Solomon 2:8-13
 Sermon: Loving Wisdom

September 8th

Scripture: Proverbs 22:1-2,8-9, 22-23
 Sermon: Living Wisdom



CARE & NURTURE

WOULD YOU LIKE A VISIT, A CARE CALL, &/OR A PRAYER?

We would love to walk alongside you and offer you care!
Let us know how we can care for you in presence and /or prayer
by contacting us in one of the following ways:

Call- (928)772-6366

Email- prescottvalleyumc@gmail.com

Text us- (833)234-2119 *(this is a system that will forward the messages directly to Pastor Amanda and our office email)*

Visit our Website Homepage- prescottvalleyumc.org



Dear friends,
We are taking this opportunity to advise you that the acronym for Stroke Warning Signs has been updated. Most of us know the F.A.S.T. acronym, but now you need to be aware of:

B- for Balance & E- for Eyes

A member of our family recently lost vision in an eye, but we did not realize it could be a sign of a stroke. Hopefully, this article will not be necessary in your life, but it is important to be aware.

We have printed the above photo onto cardstock, and placed them on the Resource Table in Fellowship Hall. Please take one and put it on your refrigerator door !)

Bless you all,
Gary & Jeannie Ward

DID YOU KNOW...BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Our wonderful Care & Nurture team is responsible for the coordination of mailing out birthday and anniversary card to our church family, BUT only if we have the correct dates on our records. If you are not receiving a celebration from us, we would love to make sure we do! As we continue to update our information, please reach out to us to share yours! Call our office at (928)772-6366 or email us at prescottvalleyumc@gmail.com

MISSIONS & EVENTS



This month, our missional focus is supporting our sister church, Haven United Methodist Church, in Jerome. This church has a rich history and is now known as “The little church with a big heart.” Their main ministry is their Food Pantry that serves over 200 people on Wednesdays and

For this mission, we are collecting monetary donations that will be sent to Haven

To learn more about Haven, you can visit their website: <https://havenchurchjerome.com>



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY: MO PACKS with Manzanita Outreach



On July 30th, Prescott Valley UMC join Manzanita Outreach’s effort by delivering MO PACKS to our school partner, Bradshaw Mountain Middle School! Pastor Amanda joined Larry Griffin, and many others (including our PV Vice Mayor, Lori Hunt!), to deliver boxes filled with snacks to be shared with the teachers and students of Humboldt Unified School District.

We are looking forward to our continued support of this program by offering our support for their monthly deliveries!

For those of you who would like to learn more about Manzanita Outreach and/or would like to join the delivery rotation through PV UMC, please contact the office! We have all the information ready for you!

Connectionalism (please add the following info to the DSC info Jeannie shared)

LEADERSHIP AND LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES



The Clergy and Lay Leadership Development team will host this leadership talk via Zoom featuring *Mr. Bill Mowry*, on **Monday, August 12, 2024, at 7 pm (MST)**. *Bill Mowry* serves with Navigators Church Ministries in Columbus, Ohio. His passion is to help leaders build Great Commission cultures marked by intentionality, relationships, creativity, and generations of disciplemakers. In “The Ways of the Leader”, he unpacks four competencies for everyday leaders in churches, ministries, communities, and businesses.

Resource suggestion: “The Ways of the Leader”, author: Bill Mowry
ISBN: 978-1-64158-669-6

Register at: <https://dscumc.org/event/leadership-talk-the-ways-of-leaders-august-12-2024/>



The West District of the Southwest Desert Conference of the United Methodist Church is pleased to announce it will be offering the Lay Servant Ministries Course:

Lay Servant Ministries course:

The Introduction to Lay Ministries, The Basic Course.

WHEN: Friday, August 23, 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm

Saturday, August 24, 9:00 am – 4:30 pm

WHERE: Prescott Valley UMC

8944 E. Sommer Dr, PV, AZ 86314

This course is foundational for all courses in Lay Servant Ministries. Participants are encouraged to discover and employ personal spiritual gifts as God intended and to consider the importance of exercising servant leadership, developing future leaders, remaining rooted in consistent spiritual practices, and being part of a group that holds members accountable in their discipleship. The participants’ text *The Introduction to Lay Ministry: The BASIC Course* by Sandy Zeigler Jackson and Brian Jackson is required reading for this program. You are required to have read the text prior to the course starting. The cost for this course is **\$15** and is payable upon registration. You can register and pay online. If paying by cash or check, bring it to the class and give it to the instructor. Once you register for this course, you will receive a confirmation email with a link to the book and other information.

LSM Introduction to Lay Ministries: the Basic Course at Prescott Valley UMC, August 23-24, 2024

Register at:
<https://dscumc.org/event/lsm-introduction-to-lay-ministries-the-basic-course-at-prescott-valley-umc-august-23-24-2024/>

CONNECTIONS

Sedona
United
Methodist
Church



open hearts open minds open doors



**West District Celebration
of Music Ministry**

Sunday, August 18th at 2pm
Sedona United Methodist Church
110 Indian Cliffs Road, Sedona AZ 86336

United Methodist West District Superintendent
Rev. Javier Olivares, Rev. Elizabeth LeMaster & Sedona
UMC invite you to a concert celebrating music in
ministry! All are welcome to enjoy an afternoon featuring
musical groups & choirs from the West District.

Fellowship & refreshments to follow.

Learn more about the mission & vision of SUMC
www.sedonaumc.org
facebook + instagram @sedonaumcaz
928.282.1780

CONNECTIONS

Save the Date!: West District Celebration of Music Ministry

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Save the date!

West District Celebration of Music Ministry

Date: **Sunday, August 18, 2024**, at 2:00 pm

Place: **Sedona United Methodist Church**

110 Indian Cliffs Rd.

Sedona, AZ. 86336

West District Superintendent *Rev. Javier Olivares*, *Rev. Elizabeth LeMaster*, and **Sedona UMC** would like to invite your church to participate in a celebration of music ministry being held at **Sedona UMC on Sunday, August 18th, at 2:00 PM.**

Space is limited. If you have a choir, band, or anyone musically gifted that is interested in participating, please email jmarinoni@dscumc.org with the following information by no later than August 9, 2024 with the following information:

Participant Type: Choir, band, or musically gifted

Name(s) of participant(s):

Email Address:


Phone Number:

Please note, transportation costs to and from the event will be the responsibility of the participants and are not eligible for reimbursement through the District Office.

Participants and guests are invited to gather after the performance for refreshments and a time of fellowship.

Sent on behalf of *Rev. Javier Olivares*

West District Superintendent & Missional Strategist

WINGS  - Soar with us as a congregation and community lifting each other through connections, relationships and programs giving air and breath to all we do showing God's love and grace.



CHURCH INFORMATION:

 **Prescott Valley United Methodist Church**

**8944 East Sommer Drive
Prescott Valley, AZ 86314-8334**

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Email: prescottvalleyumc@gmail.com
Website: www.prescottvalleyumc.org

**Pastor Amanda Corella
prescottvalleyumcpastor@gmail.com**

 Find us on **Facebook** @ Prescott Valley UMC

 **YouTube** @ Prescott Valley UMC

Office Hours:
Tuesday - Thursday 2 p.m. - 5 p.m.

Sunday Online Service Information

To join our worship online, you are invited to visit our **YouTube Channel, Prescott Valley UMC**. We stream live at 10:10 a.m.

If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Amanda directly at prescottvalleyumcpastor@gmail.com

2024

AUGUST

CALENDAR YEAR

CALENDAR MONTH

SUNDAY

FIRST DAY OF WEEK

COMMUNION
SUNDAY FIRST
SUNDAY OF THE

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday								
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Adult Bible Study 9 a.m. In-House/LIVE Worship 10:15 a.m. COMMUNION SUNDAY Coffee Fellowship 11:30 a.m.	CLLD Leadership Talk 7 p.m.		Church Cleaning 8 a.m. Caring Stitchers 10 a.m. Faith-Based Meeting 12:30 p.m.	Church Cleaning 8 a.m. Caring Stitchers 10 a.m.		IRIS CV Event 10:30 a.m. Celebration of Life for Vern McGill 11 a.m.								
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18	19	20	21	22	23	24								
Adult Bible Study 9 am In-House/LIVE Worship 10:15 am. Coffee Fellowship 11:30 a.m. Celebration of Music (Sedona UMC) 2 p.m.		NEWSLETTER ARTICLE DEADLINE Missions & Events Meeting 10 a.m.		Church Cleaning 8 a.m. Caring Stitchers 10 a.m.	Lay Servant Ministries Basic Course	Lay Servant Ministries Basic Course								
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Sunday Worship Times

9:00am Adult Sunday School

9:00am Choir Rehearsal

10:15am. Worship Service

Leadership

Bishop Bishop Carlo A. Rapanut

Dist. Supt. Rev. Javier Olivares

Dist. Lay Leader Jeannie Ward

Pastor Rev. Amanda Corella

Pastor Emeritus Rev. Gary Simons

Lay Leader Elton Anderson & Jerry Cotner

