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## Pastor Mike and Pastor Sheryl Campbell

The last worship service before Rev. Mike and Rev. Sheryl Campbell retire is Sunday April 7, 2024, 10am in the Sanctuary. They each will be preaching part of the message. Kevin De Yager will play the organ. The choir will sing, with Pastor Sheryl directing and Pastor Mike at the piano.

If you have any questions about the catered luncheon after worship they are \$10 a ticket contact Ann Kennaly, 208-792-1080 or email amkennaly@lewiston.com.

The Campbells shared a nice letter to all in the March Mustard Seed newsletter. The May Mustard Seed will contain photos from the Campbells' last day, plus much more information about Faith's new Transitional Pastor who will begin in May. We have great messages and music planned for the weeks in-between--don't miss any if you don't have to!

Rev. Mike and Rev. Sheryl do not plan to move--they will continue to live in Sun City. However in keeping with traditional Presbyterian ethics and respect, they will worship in other churches, not Faith Presbyterian, for some time to come.



# Announcement

Transitional Pastor has been selected for Faith Church

Pastors Mike and Sheryl are delighted that a Transitional Pastor has been chosen for Faith Church. Following procedures established by the Presbytery of the Grand Canyon, an Interim Search Team of four Session members was designated by Session. For the last six weeks, the Search Team has worked to find the right person for our mission, strategic plan, and caring congregation.

The Search Team, along with Session, is pleased to announce that Greg Emery from Brownsville, Tennessee has accepted our invitation to be the Transitional Pastor at Faith Presbyterian Church.

The formal process is still underway with the Commission on Ministry. Once the process is finalized, information about Pastor Greg and his start date will be communicated to you. At our pastors' last Session meeting, Pastor Mike said that Greg Emery is a very blessed man to join the Faith Family. Your Search Team agrees.

Search Team and Session



### Lilies given to the glory of God



#### Name

Bob and Gloria Hatcher Gerri Crothers Annette Murphy Reno and Karen Walker Ken and Kathy Schaller Marcia Billington Laurie Cathey Carole Bentley

Steve Fribley Judy Collins **Diana** Pomeroy Evie Guthrie Dana Kovach Ann and Gary Kennaly Pat Duncan Jean Flower Theresa and Drew Forgione Sang Lee Iris DePasquale Steve Kalber Mary Autio PJ and Bill Pawlowski Patti Boys Susan Benson Barbara Harris

#### In Honor or Memory of

All who have served In memory of my loving husband Bill In loving memory of my sister Diane In memory of Karen's son Bill Piggott, Jr. In memory of Loman Horton and Linda Humphrey My family, Necessary and Billington My children Drew, Kerrie, and Danyelle Memory of Alexander Bentley and memory of Debra Bentley Genabith In memory of Sue Belle Fribley and Stephen Robert Fribley In loving memory of Jim Collins **Our Pastors** In memory of 'Mike' Mikelson In honor of Lisa In memory of our parents In memory of Budd Duncan In loving memory of Alan Flowers In memory of Anthony and Josephine Forgione In memory of Sang's Mother and Father In memory of loved ones For Easter In honor of Susan Arnold In memory of Joan and Bill In memory of her parents In memory of Winston Benson In loving memory of the Brown family In loving memory of the Silkenat Family

## Woman of the Year 2024



Award presented by past recipient, Mary Autio and pin presented by Anne Daughters



Woman of the Year, Pastor Sheryl and PW Moderator Anne Daughters



Gerri Crothers prayer

## **Presbyterian Women**



Glenn Henriksen, organist arranged a special song for the occasion.

Anne Daughters, Fran Rechedy and Barbara Burnett

## Celebrate the Gifts of Women Sunday March 10, 2024





Diana Pomeroy - Greeter

Annette Murphy PW tickets

April 2024

**Mustard Seed** 

# New Member Sunday

March 17, 2024







Karen Bulawa



# **Retirement from Faith - Jane Coughlin**

Our caterer Jane Coughlin, is retiring on April 25. Jane has been serving Faith Church for over 16 years and have made many friends and shared so many special occasions with us all.

Jane will be missed by all of us here at Faith.

We'd like to honor her with a card shower & flowers that night. Help us by getting a card and writing something to Jane to say thank you for all the wonderful meals she has prepared for us.

We will have a box at the Office Reception Desk to drop your card off by 3:00pm March 25, 2024.



Lunch and Learn

#### **Mission Statement**

We are called to partner in faith with those who have gone before us and to offer the best we have to give to those who follow.

#### Lunch and Learn Programs

Four Lunch and Learn events will be provided throughout the year. Each session will focus on a special topic that is relevant to the Faith Foundation. Learn about the Foundation's history, purpose, long-term sustainability, and investment for the future. Find out how to support the Foundation and how to get involved.

Lunch and Learn for April 7 will be rescheduled for a different date so stay tuned

To include your group or committee on the calendar and/or in the bulletin, we ask the chair/leader to submit the time, date, location with an email to **MaryJo at** <u>office@scfaith.org</u> **by no later than the Wednesday before at 10 a.m.** to be put on the calendar or included in the Thursday emails and/or Sunday bulletin. Thank you!

unch

Learn

#### Transportation

### Finding a ride to Church can be a struggle

#### for seniors who no longer can drive.

The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) is a federal civil rights law that prohibits discrimination against people with disabilities in everyday activities.

ADA Paratransit is a way to help you get where you want to go. You do need to fill out forms and share with your family what it is all about.

Esther McKinney member at Faith Church has used this service for six years and would love to answer any questions that is on your mind after you obtain the applications

which are available at Church at the reception desk.

## HABITAT FOR HUMANITY



Lot # 41040, Peoria, AZ 85345

West Valley Presbyterian Coalition

Built in Partnership with: City of Peoria HOME Investment Partnership Program

"Having a home would allow me to demonstrate to my children that with hard work and love, you can achieve anything in life."

-Jesus Gabriela Rendon Madero



#### Meet the future Habitat homeowners:

Gabriela was born in Mexico and her family moved to Arizona when she was 2 years old. She works at a local organization as a Refugee Cash Assistant Supervisor where she aids refugees in receiving support from state benefits. "The most rewarding part of my job is providing refugees with assistance so they can have a better situation in the USA."

The family of five currently live in a mobile home that has inadequate heating and cooling along with many maintenance issues. While the family enjoys living in a large Hispanic community and usually feel safe, a recent incident next door has increased Gabriela's concerns about their safety. She learned about Habitat for Humanity Central Arizona from her manager when, while sharing about the lack of heat in her home one winter, her manager suggested she look at Habitat. "Owning a Habitat home would transform the lives of me and my four boys."

The family is very close and attend church together every Sunday, enjoy music and playing instruments, puzzles, and in their free time enjoy going to Mexico and Rocky Point on short trips. The children are doing well in school with two of them serving on the school counsel where they love to share their thoughts and ideas. Their new home will be a blessing as the boys will be able to find stability and keep friends.



## **News from** The Christian Education Ministry (CEM) ....

The Phoenix Summer heat is quickly coming upon us. We have wonderful learning and educational opportunities still popping up at Faith as some of our snowbirds begin their journeys elsewhere. Always check the Sunday Announcement sheet for the absolute latest developments, but here is what we know for April 2024.

**Tuesday** (a) 10 program has concluded its incredible series by Dr. Jodi Magness on "Jesus and His Jewish Influences." We have begun the video series "Great Figures of the New Testament" by highly acclaimed Professor Amy-Jill Levine This study will share with us insights about some of the New Testament Bible Figures that will be new and impactful to even the most to help homeless and low-income women maintain their digknowledgeable Bible scholar. All are welcome to sample this learning opportunity, joining us in cookies, refreshments, fellowship, and meaningful discussions.

The Book Club continues to bring wonderful books for Discussion. For April 8, we are discussing the Ann Patchett book "Tom Lake". Sure hope you can come in and enjoy this review and discussion.

Always feel welcome to check out wonderful books and materials during the week and on Sunday in our LIBRARY.

Additionally, other groups and church committees offer learning and support options:

- Ladies, please come for the spring series of the
  - Presbyterian Women's Bible study which is the FIRST Thursday of each month. (Yes, men are welcome also.)

Sun Health plans to hold a program entitled: "How Do We Ensure Safe Driver Skills While Aging?" on Monday, April 29, 2024 at 1:30 p.m. -2:30 p.m. in Illingworth. Check out their website for other enriching topics elsewhere in the West Valley.

FPC also supports The Low Vision Support Group meeting once a month.

Finally, if you have a great learning opportunity you would like to help bring to fruition, consider joining us on the CEM! Contact Dana Kovach for how to get involved in this wonderful ministry!

Don't forget to schedule your A/C check up – the Phoenix heat without a well-functioning air conditioner is a serious matter. Blessings and stay cool!

## Presbyterian Women (PW) **Priscilla Hoskins-Publicity It's Our BIRTHDAY!**

Faith Presbyterian Ladies we look forward in seeing you on Thursday, April 18, 2024 to Celebrate the **Presbyterian Women Offering Birthday!** 

#### "So, my challenge to you is to offer a penny for every year you have lived, and if that is a secret, bring a dollar and place in the Birthday Offering Envelope!" AND Celebrating Everyone's Birthday

In April we gather to celebrate the passing of the gavel to the newly elected Moderator P.J. Pawlowski and other elected and appointed ladies who have accepted positions to help make our Presbyterian Group Grow. We will be celebrating the Presbyterian Women's Birthday and all members birthday for the year!

Our speaker is from a local non-profit organization called "Women4Women" with Jo Grant, Director. This mission is nity, self-respect and health by distributing feminine hygiene products. So, bring your donations of Sanitizing Wipes, Panty Liners, Tampons, Pads and etc. They are then distributed to Homeless Shelters, Eve's Place, and even the City of Surprise Police Department.

Tickets go on sale for the April 18 Thursday Gathering Sunday April 7 in the Narthex and after the service in Illingworth Hall for \$9.00. (You can also purchase tickets at the front desk in the church office if you miss getting your tickets on Sunday mornings.) Cutoff date is noon Monday, April 15, 2024. We look forward in having you join us for this grand celebration! This is the final Gathering of the season and we will install the new officers.

Here at Faith, we are so blessed to have so many women who participate in serving the Lord. Special thanks to you who participated in the worship service on Women's Sunday, March 10, 2024. Again, congratulations to Rev. Sheryl Campbell, who received the Presbyterian Women Honorary Life Membership Award. Your dedication for faithful service to the women's organization and to the church is and has been greatly appreciated.

Ladies do not forget our Bible Study on Thursday, April 4. 2024 at 10:00AM. Our lesson will be from the Scripture: Acts 16:11-15. Lydia Encounters Jesus in Worship. Learn how the Lord opened her heart. We only have one more month to go May so come early and enjoy the coffee/tea, cookies and fellowship with one another.

Thanks again Ron Bonneau for speaking at our last gathering on "911". I never realized how many people are there to serve us on a 24 hour a day. I am sure we will all feel more safe and secure when we make that "911" call for help.

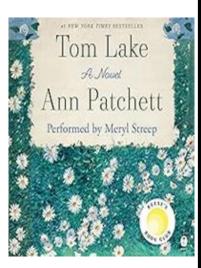
This is our last gathering before we each go our separate ways for the summer. So let get together and make sure we have each other's information so we can keep in touch throughout these next few months.

# **BEST LIBRARY EVER**

# BOOK CLUB SELECTIONS Faith Church/Calvin Library 2<sup>ND</sup> Mondays at 10:30 a.m.

# April 8, 2024 Tom Lake Ann Patchett (F/Pat)

In the spring of 2020, Lara's three daughters return to the family's orchard in Northern Michigan. While picking cherries, they beg their mother to tell them the story of Peter Duke, a famous actor with whom she shared both a stage and a romance years before at a theater com-



pany called Tom Lake. As Lara recalls the past, her daughters examine their own lives and relationship with their mother, and are forced to reconsider the world and everything they thought they knew.

Tom Lake is a meditation on youthful love, married love, and the lives parents have led before their children were born. Both hopeful and elegiac, it explores what it means to be happy even when the world is falling apart. As in all of her novels, Ann Patchett combines compelling narrative artistry with piercing insights into family dynamics. The result is a rich and luminous story, told with profound intelligence and emotional subtlety, that demonstrates once again why she is one of the most revered and acclaimed literary talents working today.

Dottie Oliver, librarian



## VALLEY VIEW COMMUNITY FOOD BANK

You did it again! You filled our Food Bank table with 157 pounds this month! I have to admit, I was a little worried. Would the Blanket Drive reduce items from our Food Drive? For awhile, it did look like it might. But you came through with thirty beautiful, clean blankets and throws plus a full table of food! We still have a week left so there may be more blankets coming. April and May project is collecting anything for babies and new moms. We all love shopping for baby so this should be fun! Keep up your giving heart! You touch many lives with your kindness. Food Bank Committee

Maggie Bergene Peace/Justice/Mission Committee Ministry





April and May project is collecting anything for babies and new moms.

# Thursdays@Faith

# Thursday, April 11, 2024 Willow Creek Band



Enjoy the sounds of new and classic country music with guitar, bass and banjo for an evening of fun with Willow Creek Band.

Dinner 6:00pm \$12 / Program 6:30pm

Cut-off ticket sales at noon on Monday, April 8

There is no charge for the concert without a meal. Freewill donations are accepted.

# Thursday, April 25, 2024 Sun City Ukulele Club



"Larry's Ukuladies" from the Sun City Ukulele Club will entertain us with music from the Island and more. Hau'oli ka ao.

Enjoy the evening!

Dinner 6:00pm \$12 / Program 6:30pm

Cut-off ticket sales at noon

on Monday, April 22

There is no charge for the concert without a meal. Freewill donations are accepted.

# Faith's Favorite Wins Award

Willow Creek Band won the West Valley Country Music Association **"Band of the Year Award"** on Thursday, March 7. The band is a Faith favorite, playing at our Chamber EXPO event, the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Car Show, Cowboy/Cowgirl Sunday, and Thursdays at Faith events. Band members are Jerry Dunaway and three members who sing in the Faith Church Choir: Karen Harris, John Harris and Fred Rothert. Congratulations to Faith's Favorite - Willow Creek Band.



## Artwork/craftsmanship at Faith

Faith Presbyterian Church has received two very special pieces of artwork/craftsmanship which have been put on display this past month. In Illingworth Hall we see a stained glass work by Faith member Susan Benson. It is a sailboat, made several years ago with many different pieces of multicolored quality glass in a 37 1/2" x 35 1/2" hardwood frame. Recently Susan herself donated the work of a craftsman who had agreed to build and install a light box which made display of this beautiful work possible.

In the Fran Park Chapel we see another piece--a crocheted depiction of The Lord's Supper made by Karin Walker McClain, the daughter of Faith's late members Allan and Shirley Walker. After taking four years to create the 49 1/2" X 54" piece, she had it professionally framed and presented it to Pastors Mike and Sheryl.

We thank Susan and Karin for giving these items to Faith. We greatly appreciate your sharing. Note that the receiving of both the lighted stained glass and the framed crochet were approved by Session, and the Property Committee worked out where they should be installed-- important steps whenever someone is considering an in-kind gift.





FAITH DOES ALL OF THIS FOR ME Please bring your Cents-Ability cans to church A church whose music is on the sunny side, either on Easter Sunday or the 7th of April. We are A church whose music makes the toes to dance. collecting the cans and taking a vacation from this ministry during the rest of the spring and summer. A church whose friendliness makes one feel included, More info to come in the fall. Thanks for your A church whose friendliness lightens the day. support of this effort. Becky & Paul Epperson A church whose attitudes bring on laughter, Peace/Justice/Mission Committee Ministry A church whose attitudes bring us fun for life. A church whose teachings reach the heart, A church whose teachings let us touch our Lord! Burney Donges - Faith Member Did you see our exquisite Beware of Scams.....Please be advised that if you receive a text or email that seems to be coming **Welcoming Team Greeters** from Pastor Mike asking if you could help with for Palm Sunday? something but not by phone, only by text or email, **Ben Glassley and Diana Pomeroy** or to buy gift cards, it is a scam and you should not respond in any way. Sadly, this is an issue happening to many pastors and churches. Please continue to be watchful for this deceitful scam. Pastor Mike **Men's Fellowship** The Men's Fellowship group has been hard-at-play providing activities for men to participate. Mondays from 1:30 to 3 pm from Bocce Ball, Billiards to Darts and much more we have a great time. On Thursdays we bring it down a notch and play dominoes from 1:30 to 3 pm at the

church office. All men of Faith are invited, we encourage guests.



If you are not receiving the Faith Church emails and would like weekly information, send an email to MaryJo at: office@scfaith.org

Deadline for Mustard Seed newsletter is the 20th of each month. Send your information to MaryJo at office@scfaith.org.

Mahjongg - Iona Room - Tuesdays at Noon

Contact Judie Ives at (616) 446-2735 because of the evolving schedule.

#### HERE'S THE DEAL!!



Bridge players start bidding their hands at 12:30 p.m. on the

first Wednesday of the month in the Iona Room. We hope you can join us on April 3! Call Ann Kennaly, 208-792-1080 to indicate your interest.

Hand and Foot players shuffle the cards starting at noon on the second Wednesday of the month.

Again, call Ann Kennaly at 208-792-1080 if you have any questions!

## Prayer Warriors 2nd & 4th Saturday of Every Month

We will meet by phone on April 13 & 27, 2024 at 11:00 a.m. conference number is 774-267-7989. Call the office with your permission, these prayer requests and praises will be shared with the prayer team phone conference. If you are interested contact Gerri for information on participating.

# Low Vision Support Group

The Low Vision Support Group—Midwestern University Therapy—Charlie Wilson. **Monday**, **April 8, 1-2pm** in Illingworth Hall. For more information contact Dr. Mary Ann by email at makhoss777@gmail.com.



MCSO NON-EMERGENCY: 602-876-1011 • EMERGENCIES: 911

# R.U. OK

The Maricopa County Sheriff's Office (MCSO) offers a FREE automated telephone service to help keep Sun City senior residents safe. Through the RUOK program, which stands for "are you okay?" participants receive phone calls from MCSO at a designated time each day to check on their status. If no one answers the phone after several tries, MCSO deputies drive to the home to check on the resident. This program is limited to residents of Maricopa County and those living within the boundaries of Sun City.

#### Enrolling

Participants can enroll by picking up forms available at:

Sun City Posse 10861 Sundland Drive Sun City, AZ 85351

Or go online to SunCityPosse.org

If you are not able to join Sunday worship in person, please join us Livestream

Sunday morning or view recordings on other days: www.scfaith.org/video-center

If you miss us in the morning, check back Sunday afternoon, or any day following, to play the video recording on your computer.

# Happy Birthday to ALL celebrating a birthday in **April**

	Birthdate
Gary Kennaly	3
Barb Clubb	3
Jo Gilmore	5
Joe Trovato	6
Miriam Bedwell	7
Christina Asakwa	12
Barbara Leyh	15
Anne Bertch	16
Sandy Hart	17
Olivia Iteinjoh-Ungiekum	21
Bill Pawlowski	25
Stephanie Murphy	26
Linda Trovato	28
Tal Rice	29
Ed Preston	29





How Do We Ensure Safe Driver Skills While Aging? Monday, April 29, 2024 – Illingworth Hall 1:30 – 2:30 p.m.

Driving requires sharp cognition and vision for any driver. The typical effects of aging may affect driving safety and therefore community independence. Our discussion will provide information on the skills needed to continue to drive safely as well as self-assessment of ones driving, or potential cues family members may identify regarding their loved ones driving. Please join Jenny Nordine, OTR/L, CDRS as she talks about the signs of when to stop driving and important conversations to make the transition from driver to passenger if needed.

#### Faith Presbyterian E-mail Addresses

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Building Superintendent Peter Bugilan ......pbugilan@scfaith.org

#### Pastor Contact Numbers

If you know of a member or friend of the church who is in the hospital or needs special attention, we ask that you call the church office at 623-974-3611 or one of the Pastors cell phones. We appreciate your help in obtaining this information.

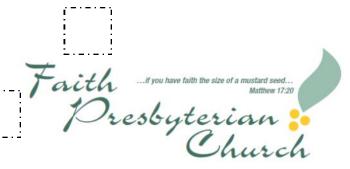
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Sheryl Campbell	ext.106

Thank you for your generous giving to all good causes as the Spirit of God guides you. Faith Church offerings may be sent by mail, or use the drop-off mail slot at the south door. Visit our website and click on the Donate button on the Home Page with your charge card, debit card, or PayPal.

#### **CALENDAR INSTRUCTIONS**

To get the most up-to-date calendar of church events go to www.scfaith.org. On the right hand side of the "home page" you will see the following information:





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#### Mustard Seed

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# April 2024

Please remember Faith Church as a Beneficiary in your Will, Trust or IRA.

#### Please call the office:623-974-3611.

- ➤ When you or a member of your family is admitted to the hospital or is otherwise injured or seriously ill.
- When a new family moves into your neighborhood.
- When your class or group plans to meet so that a room can be reserved for you and placed on the church calendar.
- ➤ When your home address, or phone number, or email changes so the church records can be amended.
- When you are planning to move either out of town or locally.
- When you feel the church can assist you in any way.



# A Memorial Fund Reminder

When you lose a loved one, you grieve that loss in many ways. You want to remember each person with special memories of your lives together.

The Faith Church Memorial Fund is a prayerful way to honor loved ones. Donations can be made to the church in such areas as music, library, or worship - some area your loved one enjoyed. You can also let the Memorial Committee choose where your donation will most help the church.

The Committee meets regularly to review the funds and needs of the church.

Contact Barbara Benson or Office Administrator, MaryJo for more information. Your generosity in memory of your loved one can be part of your grieving, showing your love for Faith Church.

Faith Presbyterian Church is an inclusive, welcoming, caring community, committed to serving Jesus Christ, who calls us to love God and to love one another. We worship, study and grow in understanding as we work for justice and peace in the world, inspired by the transforming power of the Holy Spirit. If you have faith the size of a mustard seed, great things are possible. (From Matthew 17:20)