

# May 2024

## Shepherd's Voice



### Happy Birthday!

John O	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Sandee M	14 <sup>th</sup>	John and Lynn	3 <sup>rd</sup>
Margaret D	5 <sup>th</sup>	Peter A	15 <sup>th</sup>	Roy and Joyce	16 <sup>th</sup>
Gina C	10 <sup>th</sup>	Len P	17 <sup>th</sup>		

### Happy Anniversary

If you would like to be recognized, and your name isn't listed, please contact the office or Karen B. We'd love to include you in our Celebration of your life!



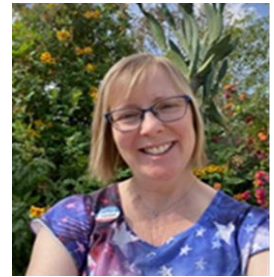
- **May Prayer Focus for the Desert Southwest Conference Churches**



First UMC, Yuma.  
 Fort Yuma UMC  
 Gila Mountain UMC, Yuma

- **Update: Phase Two of AC Mission Project Announced: The Inn**

The first part of the year's Annual Conference Mission Project is monetary donations to support the Asylum Aid and Border Ministries Fund. This fund provides financial support to our churches who are engaged in asylum and boarder mission work, helping people who come from all over the world to the United States, seeking asylum and safety from human predators.



<https://dscumc.org/blog/2024/04/02/phase-two-of-ac-mission-project-announced-the-inn/>

The Inn has been selected to receive item donations. The ministry provides care for migrants passing through the U.S./Mexico border.

They are requesting items in this part of the mission. There is a list of requested items including gift cards (Walmart, Amazon, or Visa) in the narthex. Please bring your donations to the church by the end of May.

Refer to the enclosed website for more information.

Thank you in advance. You have been very generous in the past. Let's Celebrate this very worthy mission!

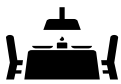
### **Action Steps:**



Please submit items for the newsletter to Karen or Trina by the **17<sup>th</sup>** of the month.



The Chosen study, **Thursdays at 6pm**. We are exploring the series, The Chosen, season 1 in the sanctuary. This is a TV series about the life and ministry of Jesus.



Fun Friday Night on **May 3<sup>rd</sup> at 5pm to 9pm at Jason's Deli Metro Center**. Show the enclosed flyer to cashier to get the 15% donation for the church



**Breakfast Bunch will meet May 11<sup>th</sup> at 8:00am**. Denny's at 43<sup>rd</sup> and Peoria. No host meal. Everyone is invited.



Martha Circle No Host Luncheon **May 18<sup>th</sup> at 11:30am at Olive Garden Metro Center**.



Cactus book club **May 22<sup>nd</sup> at 6pm in Room 2**. They will be reading The Lost and Found Bookshop by Susan Wiggs.



It's graduation season. We will be honoring our graduates on Sunday May 19<sup>th</sup>. If you have someone close to you graduating at any level this year (from pre-school to Graduate School) and you would like to recognize them, please share their first name, their relationship to you, and what level of education they have achieved. Please send the info. to Trina in the office by Sunday May 12<sup>th</sup>. If you are able to provide a photo, we'd love to show it, but photos are optional.

**Key** **We are updating our lists.** We would like to know which member has keys to the church and buildings, please contact Karen or through the church office for your name to be verified on our list. If you have found that your role in the church has changed and you no longer need to have a key to any of the church buildings, or if you have a code/key and no longer need access to the church or music building when it's unoccupied, please return your key to Karen and your code will be removed. Thank you.

If you need to borrow a key to access any of the buildings, the checkout keys are in the church office. Please fill out on the checklist as to which key you borrowed.



15% of sales benefit  
**Shepherd of the Valley United Methodist Church**

**May 3, 2024 at 5:00 pm to 9:00 pm MST**

Mention this fundraiser to your cashier when dining in to make sure your organization gets credit for your purchase. We appreciate you using Jason's Deli to support your fundraising needs.



Jason's Deli, 10217 N Metro Center Pkwy.



**GIVE YOURSELF**

A Joyful 'toon by Mike Waters



And they exceeded our expectations: They gave themselves first of all to the Lord, and then by the will of God also to us.

- 2 CORINTHIANS 8:5 NIV

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The Clergy and Lay Leadership Development team will host this leadership talk via Zoom featuring

**Reverend Carl Peterson** on Monday, May 13, 2024 at 7 P.M. – 8:30 P.M.(MST).

**Rev. Peterson** is an Elder in Full Connection in the Desert Southwest Annual Conference. He served for 10 years in the US Air Force as a Cryptologic Linguist. After separating from the Air Force, he worked for 20 years in the information systems-technology services industry at various levels, from field engineering to senior management. He led corporate strategic planning and business development for a \$2.2 billion division of a major defense contractor for eight years. He graduated from Asbury Theological Seminary in 2015 and was ordained in 2018. He is currently serving the Sierra Vista United Methodist Church.

**Rev. Carl** is married to Bonnie, and they have three adult children.

Register @:

<https://dscumc.org/event/leadership-talk-charting-a-course-forward-strategic-planning-and-thinking/>

## Special Offering Sundays for 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter of the Year

5/26/24 Peace with Justice Sunday

Church Envelopes are available on the Welcome Wagon in the Narthex.

### Financial Information



	March	Feb – March
Income:	\$10,552.28	\$29,640.91
Expense:	\$11,658.01	\$32,573.68
Total:	\$(1,105.73)	\$(2,932.77)



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**Grants do not need to be repaid.**  
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May 27<sup>th</sup>. This is the Day we honor and mourn the U.S. military personnel who died while serving in the United States Armed Forces. God Bless America!



# May 2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
28	29	30	1	2	3	4
			Office Open 12:00 - 4:00 pm Prayer Group 1:30 pm zoom	Office Open 12:00 - 4:00 pm The Chosen Study 6:00pm Sanctuary Men's AA 7:30 pm, FH	Fun Friday at Jason's Deli 5pm - 9pm	
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Worship 10:30 am Worship On-Line Any Time SPRC 12:00			Office Open 12:00 - 4:00 pm Prayer Group 1:30 pm zoom I-Help 6PM FH	Office Open 12:00 - 4:00 pm The Chosen Study 6:00pm Sanctuary Women's AA 6:00 pm Fellowship Hall & kids Rm 1 Men's AA 7:30 pm, FH		Breakfast Bunch 8am Denny's 43rd & Peoria Jewelry Making with Sandee, rm 1 noon - 4 pm
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Happy Mother's Day!  Worship 10:30 am Worship On-Line Any Time	Girl Scouts 5:30p	Lake Biltmore BlockWatch 6:30 pm fellowship hall	Office Open 12:00 - 4:00 pm Prayer Group 1:30 pm zoom CPCA	Office Open 12:00 - 4:00 pm The Chosen Study 6:00pm Sanctuary Women's AA 6:00 pm Fellowship Hall & kids Rm 1 Men's AA 7:30 pm, FH		Martha Circle Luncheon 11:30am Jewelry Making with Sandee, rm 1 noon - 4 pm
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
Worship 10:30 am Worship On-Line Any Time Board 12:00 pm Erik Kid's Concert 12:30 pm	HOA		Office Open 12:00 - 4:00 pm Prayer Group 1:30 pm zoom Cactus Book Club 6pm rm1	Office Open 12:00 - 4:00 pm The Chosen Study 6:00pm Sanctuary Women's AA 6:00 pm Fellowship Hall & kids Rm 1 Men's AA 7:30 pm, FH		Jewelry Making with Sandee, rm 1 noon - 4 pm
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2 3 **NOTES**

Worship 10:30 am  
Worship On-Line  
Any Time

Worship is available In-Person and On our YouTube channel SOVUMC.  
Masks are Encouraged, but not Required unless trends change.  
Enjoy coffee and snacks after the worship service.

## Leadership Team Members

Chair	Suzanne	Finance	Don	SPRC	Femi
Fac/Sec	Suzanne	Finance Secty	Wanda	Member	Betty
Member	Jack	Member	Vonnie	Lay Leader	Randal
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