

TOO HOT TO COOK AND/OR SHOP? Consider stopping by Banner Olive Branch Senior Center, Monday through Friday for a hearty and healthy meal, complete with milk as an optional beverage. Need home delivery? Give them a call to sign up. They are located at 13049 N 103rd Avenue, Sun City, AZ 85351 - Phone: 623-465-6000.



BREAKFAST - \$5.00 (6:30am—8:30am)
TO-GO MEAL - \$5.00 (11am—12pm)
LUNCH—\$5.00—Suggested donation for age 60 & older. (11am—12pm)
BROWN BAG LUNCH—\$5.00 (Sandwich, Chips and Fruit)
GUEST LUNCH - \$5.00 (Under age 60)

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WELCOME TO WORSHIP!
Sunday, May 10, 2026 at 9:30am



Mother's Day/Festival of the Christian Home

Hearing Assistance is available! Please ask a sound technician.
Orange Visitor Cards are available in the pew racks — drop in the offering plate or give to the Pastor.

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MUSIC FOR GATHERING

Mary Jo Meyer, Piano

WELCOME AND CHURCH NOTICES

Stewart Porter

PRELUDE

UNISON responses are in **CAPITAL BOLD** text

*indicates to please stand, in body or in spirit

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Mark Bakker, Liturgist

Leader: The God of heaven and earth calls us together:

PEOPLE: THERE IS SO MUCH THAT WE HAVE YET TO LEARN OF GOD’S MERCY AND TRUTH.

Leader: In God we live and move and have our being:

PEOPLE: ALL THAT WE HAVE AND ALL THAT WE ARE COMES FROM OUR CREATOR.

Leader: May Christ live today in us:

PEOPLE: IN OUR CARING, IN OUR GIVING, IN OUR SPEAKING, IN OUR DOING. HALLELUJAH!



AREA AGENCY ON AGING
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24 Hour Senior Help Line (602) 264-4357 PROGRAMS

Americorps Program, Caring Circles, provides social support to older adults such as transportation to medical appointments, grocery shopping, friendly visits, and help with technology.

Through the **Benefits Assistance Program**, certified Medicare Counselors and volunteers provide objective information about Medicare and other insurance benefits.

DOVES® helps survivors of late-life domestic violence, sexual assault and elder abuse, age 50 and older, overcome the unique challenges older victims face as they flee their abusers and work toward self-sufficiency.

ElderVention®, the Agency’s licensed Behavioral Health Program, helps older adults manage their mental and emotional health.

The **Family Caregiver Support Program** supports family members caring for loved ones by providing respite, case management, community education and support groups.

The **Health Promotion Program** offers a wide variety of evidence-based healthy living classes (both virtually and in person) to promote physical activity and wellness.

The **Senior Adult Independent Living (SAIL) Program** provides case management and in-home services to older adults and adults with disabilities who live in the community and need assistance with their activities of daily living.

This Week's Schedule

Sunday, May 10th	9:30am Worship in the Sanctuary 10:30am Fellowship in Swain Hall 10:45am Deacon's Meeting in the Fireside Room
Monday, May 11th	Office Closed All Day 9:00am SilverSneakers Classic Class in Swain Hall 1:00pm Genealogy Meeting in Swain Hall
Tuesday, May 12th	Office Open from 8:30am to 3:00pm 10:00am Admin. Mtg. in the Office Conf. Room 12:00pm HLAA Meeting in Annex 1 1:00pm Women's Bible Study in the Fireside Room
Wednesday, May 13th	Office Open from 8:30am to Noon 9:00am SilverSneakers Classic Class in Swain Hall 9:00am AA Serenity Meeting in Annex 1 10:00am Bible Study in the Office Conference Room 11:00am Cong. Care Mtg. in the Office Conf. Room
Thursday, May 14th	Office Open from 8:30am to 3:00pm
Friday, May 15th	Office Closed All Day 9:00am SilverSneakers Classic Class in Swain Hall
Sunday, May 17th	9:30am Worship in the Sanctuary 10:30am Fellowship in Swain Hall

***OPENING HYMN**

No. 229 (vs. 1&2)

From All That Dwell Below the Skies

From all that dwell below the skies
Let the Creator's praise arise:
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Let the Redeemer's name be sung
Through every land, in every tongue.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

In every land begin the song,
To every land the strains belong:
Alleluia! Alleluia!
In cheerful sound all voices raise
And fill the world with joyful praise.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!



PRAYER OF CONFESSION (UNISON)

Rev. Ann Utke

**O GOD, WE CONFESS THAT WE HAVE LOVED OUR OWN WAY
MORE THAN WE LOVE YOU. WE WANT TO TURN AWAY
FROM ALL THAT DIMINISHES THE ABUNDANT LIFE WHICH
YOU INTEND. FORGIVE US FOR THE WAYS WE HAVE
NEGLECTED THE GUIDANCE OF YOUR SPIRIT. . . .**
(SILENT PRAYER)

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ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Rev. Ann Utke

Lord of love, You do not leave us to struggle alone. Thank you for the guidance you offer, and open us to the grace which will not let us go. In Christ's name, we pray. Amen.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Mark Bakker, Liturgist

*Spirit of truth,
as You open Your word of life,
may we know Christ more fully
and follow You more faithfully. Amen.*



SCRIPTURE READING

Proverbs 3:13-22 p. 720

Liturgist: This is the Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: **THANKS BE TO GOD.**



SUNG RESPONSE

No. 333 (vs. 1&2)

Seek Ye First

Seek ye first the kingdom of God
And His righteousness,
And all these things shall be added unto you.
Allelu, Alleluia!



Announcements

As we enter into "summer mode" offerings may be placed in the *JOASH BOX*, which is located in the front of the sanctuary (below the pulpit).

To donate via mobile device, text FPCSunCity to 73256. You may text STOP to cancel or HELP for assistance.

Thank you for your gifts given for the glory of God and the support of Christian ministry of this congregation, our wider church family in the PC (USA) and ecumenical friends, as well as partners in outreach which work to relieve human suffering and promote justice with peace efforts.

Jerry Cowdrey, Lead Docent at the Heard Museum in Phoenix and the Sun City Museum, will be leading a lecture at the Royal Oaks Auditorium on Monday, May 18th, at 2:00pm. This is a free event open to the public. The topic is "The Community that Changed the Nation" which explores the visionary leadership of Del Webb in developing the Sun City retirement community concept. Jerry is an engaging and articulate speaker, and always presents an interesting program. Royal Oaks is located at 10015 W. Royal Oak Road, Sun City, AZ 85351. The Auditorium can be a bit tricky to find, so plan to ask for directions at the front desk.

***SONG OF SENDING FORTH**

No. 304 (alt. words)

Jesus Loves Me

Jesus loves me! This I know,
For the Bible tells me so;
Little ones to him belong;
They are weak, but He is strong.



Refrain:

**Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.**

Jesus loves me! Still today,
Walking with me on my way,
Wanting as a friend to give
Light and love to all who live. **[Refrain]**



***BENEDICTION**

Leader: For your love and goodness

PEOPLE: WE GIVE YOU THANKS, O GOD.

Leader: Give thanks to our God, who is gracious

PEOPLE: WHOSE MERCY ENDURES FOREVER.

***POSTLUDE**



Ask and it shall be given unto you,
Seek and ye shall find,
Knock and the door shall be opened unto you.
Allelu, Alleluia!



SCRIPTURE READING

John 14:18-19 (The Message)

“I will not leave you orphaned. I’m coming back. In just a little while the world will no longer see me, but you’re going to see me because I am alive and you’re about to come alive.”

SERMON

SUNG RESPONSE

No. 473 (alt. verses)

For The Beauty of the Earth

For the joy of human love,
Brother, sister, parent, child,
Friends on earth, and friends above,
For all gentle thoughts and mild,
Lord of all, to Thee we raise
This our hymn of grateful praise.



PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER (UNISON)

*Remember in your prayers the congregation of
Memorial, Phoenix (PCUSA); Prayer Shawls;
and First United Methodist Church.*



**OUR FATHER, WHO ART IN HEAVEN,
HALLOWED BE THY NAME.
THY KINGDOM COME, THY WILL BE DONE**



**ON EARTH AS IT IS IN HEAVEN.
GIVE US THIS DAY OUR DAILY BREAD,
AND FORGIVE US OUR DEBTS, AS WE FORGIVE OUR DEBTORS.
AND LEAD US NOT INTO TEMPTATION,
BUT DELIVER US FROM EVIL.
FOR THINE IS THE KINGDOM,
AND THE POWER, AND THE GLORY, FOREVER. AMEN.**

*Have a prayer request? Fill out the green pew card
and place in the offering plate or share with the Pastor.*



AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (UNISON)

(from the New Zealand Prayer Book)



**YOU, O GOD, ARE SUPREME AND HOLY.
YOU CREATE OUR WORLD AND GIVE US LIFE.
YOUR PURPOSE OVERARCHES EVERYTHING WE DO.
YOU HAVE ALWAYS BEEN WITH US.
YOU ARE GOD.**

**YOU, O GOD, ARE INFINITELY GENEROUS,
GOOD BEYOND ALL MEASURE.
YOU CAME TO US BEFORE WE CAME TO YOU.
YOU HAVE REVEALED AND PROVED
YOUR LOVE FOR US IN JESUS CHRIST,
WHO LIVED AND DIED AND ROSE AGAIN.
YOU ARE WITH US NOW.
YOU ARE GOD.**



**YOU, O GOD, ARE HOLY SPIRIT.
YOU EMPOWER US TO BE YOUR GOSPEL IN THE WORLD.
YOU RECONCILE AND HEAL; YOU OVERCOME DEATH.
YOU ARE OUR GOD. WE WORSHIP YOU.**

AMEN.