

# The Chatter – 04-21-2022

*Word's of wisdom by Pastor David:*

## *Many Different Gifts*

*4 Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; 5 and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord (I Corinthians 12:4-5, NRSV)*

Earlier today, a group of church volunteers and myself, sat around a table and rolled coins. The coins that we rolled had been accumulating for a few years and they have been designated for *Relay for Life*, a program which takes place in Yuma, Arizona, on April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2022. Fourteen volunteers gave their time, effort, and service for about two hours.

Some people rolled pennies, some rolled quarters, some rolled dimes, and others rolled nickels. We each had our different methods and strategies for rolling coins into paper tubes. But in the end, we all had a common goal of getting the coins from plastic bowls into these paper rolls, in order to forward this money to the bank.

Paul discusses the many different gifts that many people bring to the church. We all have God-given gifts and graces, which are inherent within the way that God created us. Some have the gift of teaching and others have the gift of faith. Some have the gift of preaching and others have the gift of administration. Some have the gift of giving and others have the gift of mercy.

Everyone's gifts are needed in the life of Gila Mountain United Methodist Church! Some have the gift of hospitality, some are involved in outreach, still others, enjoy teaching. We need each other and we need each other's spiritual gifts in this church. What is most important is that you serve in a way which allows you to use your God-given gifts and graces. By serving one another in a Christ-like manner, we serve the Lord through our gifts and graces. By serving the Lord with your God-given gifts and graces, you bring glory to the Lord's name! A special thanks goes out to all that served in the Lord's name earlier today by counting coins. A special thanks also goes out to everyone who serves in the Lord's name by offering your gifts and graces to our church and our community.

*---David J. Harriss*

*(FYI) from Marilyn: Grief is not a switch you turn on or off. It takes many years to get over it and some people never get over their loss. For anyone in the grief process, please be patient with yourself and understanding of people who are dealing with the loss of a loved one.*

## **Announcements:**

### **Shredding Event will be April 23<sup>rd</sup>:**

Thanks for all your support and help with the shredding event last Saturday.  
We made a profit of \$776.00.

### **Relay for Life, April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2022: This Saturday**

If you would like to join **Yuma Relay for Life**, google Yuma Relay or go to:

[https://secure.acsevents.org/site/STR?pg=entry&fr\\_id=101810](https://secure.acsevents.org/site/STR?pg=entry&fr_id=101810)

CLICK on "join team" if you'd like to join. Our team's name is **Cure Seekers**.

OR CLICK on "donate" and pick our team: Cure Seekers.

The money raised goes to the American Cancer Society. Some of the funds stay in Yuma to help locals battling cancer.

If you would like to make or have a luminary made for you, **please contact Wendy Urquidez at: 623-523-4583**. She will have samples of luminaries at church on Sunday.

Feel free to ask Wendy any questions about this event.

*On April 2<sup>nd</sup> Wendy will be in the church narthex to make luminaries between 10 am & noon. You are invited to join her in making Luminaries for a loved one or just with making for others. Normally a donation of \$5.00 or more is asked for Relay for Life for each luminary you want made.*

**Bring your loose change to the church. There is a 5-gallon bottle next to the podium in the Sanctuary for Relay for Life which the Sunday school children started.**

### **Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Ministry is well underway.**

Thank-you for all your support of this outreach ministry!

May this momentum continue for our April Games & Books Drive Items like;

\*Slinkys\*card games\*pop ball catchers\*travel sized board games\*dice \*sticky hands\*spinning tops\*puzzles\*small etch a sketch\*marbles \*recorder\*harmonica\*small guitar\*puzzle books\*coloring books\*yo-yo \*jump ropes\*Rubik's cube\*fidget toys\*small books, please make sure larger books are paperback so they can bend to fit in shoeboxes

Any help is greatly appreciated! We look forward to watching the tree fill with all the goodies. Any questions or if you want the kids to do the shopping, please call Stephanie 541-409-6492.

### **Tuesday and Thursday Bible Studies:**

#### **Tuesday Bible Study:**

Starts May 10 at 12 Noon with Pastor David.

#### **New book will be: Mysteries of the Messiah**

**When:** Study begins Tuesday, May 10<sup>th</sup>, and runs through July 19<sup>th</sup>, 2022 (10 weeks, 1 week off for Ann. Conference).

**Book Cost:** \$15.00

**Instructor:** David J. Harriss

**Time:** Every Tuesday at 12 p.m. Bring your lunch in at 11:30 in order to chat and chew. Instruction will begin at noon.

**Thursday Bible Study:**

Starts April 14 at 9 AM with Sandy Kerr on Second Corinthians.

**UMF – United Women in Faith: (Formally United Methodist Women)**

Meets the first Thursday of every month. The next meeting is May 5th at 9:30 am.

**Wrapped In Love:**

Will meet Saturday May 7th at 10:00 am in the narthex. We are excited to have you join on Saturday to make hat, scarfs, lap throws & more. If you do not know how to crochet or knit and want to learn please join the group and learn.

**Prickly Pairs & Singles:** Did you realize there is a Prickly Pair who has kissed the Blarney Stone? Another regular attendee lived 4 years in Spain. I know a guy who fathered 4 children between Washington DC, Germany, France, and Alaska. Come share your globetrotting stories. I promise: YOU WILL NOT BE DISAPPOINTED. Next Meal: April 20 at Bernardo's at 4 pm. It is located on Fortuna Drive and P.S.: Best pizza in town!!! Please make reservation with Carolyn Lodge by calling 928-257-2064.

**Building Maintenance Needed:**

Maintenance projects are  $\frac{3}{4}$  finish, but we are still accepting donations.

They are:

1. Walk-in cooler - Completed
2. Converting outside & parking lot lights to LED's - Completed
3. Security system upgrade with cameras on all outside doors & video.
4. Callaway Hall new flooring – To be done in June.

The total cost for these projects is: \$29,760.90

If you can help by donating to the building maintenance fund for any of these, the church and governance board will be grateful.

**GriefShare**

GriefShare is a friendly, caring group of people who will walk alongside you through one of life's most difficult experiences, grief. You do not have to go through the grieving process alone. GriefShare seminars and support groups are led by people who understand what you are going through because they have gone through grief themselves and want to help you. You'll gain access to valuable GriefShare resources to help you recover from your loss and look

forward to rebuilding your life. You can join at any time during the program. For more questions you can go to <https://www.griefshare.org/healing> The group will has started, but you are welcome to join at any time at 2:00 pm in room 8. The workbooks will be available for \$25.00 each. The class will have a 45-minute video, a break, and then a time of discussion. For more information, please talk or call to Mary Klawuhn 928-580-4448 or Marilyn Hohnstein in the office 928-342-0345.

### **Church Mice needed:**

What is a church mouse? Church mice come in and do things when no one is looking. It is a way to serve in the life of the church.

This change will make it more acceptable to our gentlemen and we need their help just as much as we need as many ladies as we can get. In time we may be able to do dinners again and if you want, I will find some mice patches we can sew on our aprons & t-shirts.

For now, we need help with:

1. Setting up & clean up coffee & snacks for F.A.S.T.
2. Setting up & clean up coffee & snacks for fellowship time Sundays
3. Setting up & clean up Callaway Hall for Potluck Dinners (1<sup>st</sup> Sunday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>.)
4. Making sure there are pens, welcome cards & donations envelopes in the chair backs in the sanctuary.
5. Folding Sunday Bulletins for worship, usually done 10 am on Thursday's mornings

Toni Olsen

### **Contributions for 2022**

#### **Gila Mountain UMC tithes, donations & contributions:**

This month's tithes, donations and contributions are:

April 3 <sup>rd</sup>	\$ 8,256.00
April 10 <sup>th</sup>	\$ 7,272.00
April 17 <sup>th</sup>	\$ 3,438.00
April 24 <sup>th</sup>	\$ <u>1,179.00</u>
Total for March:	\$ 20,729.00

Total for January thru March 2022: \$ 65,535.29

If you are unable to join us for Sunday worship, please remember that you may still send in your tithes and offerings to:

Gila Mountain UMC  
12716 N. Frontage Road  
Yuma, AZ 85367

The Lord puts us first, we need to do our best to return his share back to him. Thank you for your gifts.

**Prayer Requests:** *You have asked that we please keep the following people wrapped in love & Prayers (All names with be removed after 2 weeks unless updated:* Densel & Colleen Spray; Beverly Bell; Manuela House; Manuela's Mom; Sue Bartlett; Urquidez Family; Fae Baker; Debbie Williams; Judy Barefoot; Ned Bauer; Polly Gailey; Debbie Williams; Ervin.\*\* Charlie & Maryann Tittle\*\* Odom family; Gary and Lana Gosage; Kim & Willie Brewster\*

***Travel Mercies:*** for all who may be traveling to & from Yuma.

***The following people are in Care Facilities:***

Ativo Senior Living - Elaine Gridley #220  
Ativo Senior Living - Fran Whiteman #119  
Copper Hills - Diann Fullerton - room 100  
Desert Rose - Bev Jepson - room 316  
Desert Rose - Lita Kalman - room 332  
Desert Rose - Anna Jane Crouse - room 220  
Emerald Springs - Gail Smit - room 127  
River Valley Estates - Clifford Updike - Room 234B

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**Recurring Small Group Calendar.**

You are welcome to attend all groups even if you don't attend church here.  
We do ask that you sign-in.

**Monday:**

**9:00 am - Rebecca's circle.**

**Tuesday:**

**8:00 am - Men's prayer group – Meet at McDonald's**

**9:00 am - Naomi circle, crafters, rm.9**

**Noon - Bible Study – Will resume May 10**

**2:00 pm - Healing Prayer level 1 - w/Marilyn, ends 5/10**

**Wednesday:**

**10:00 am - Caregiver's support group, rm.9**

**4:00 pm - Prickly Pairs & Singles at Various restaurants**

**6:00 pm - AA & Al-anon meetings**

**Thursday:**

**9:00 am - Thursday Bible – 2 Corinthians, Chapter 1**

**9:30 am - United Women in Faith – May 5th**

**2:00 pm - GriefShare - w/Mary, rm.8**

**Friday:**

**9:00 am - F.A.S.T. (Foothills Adult Social Time)**

**Office closed.**

**Saturday:**

**10:00 am - Wrapped in Love May 7th**

**Sunday:**

**9:30 am - Coffee & fellowship**

**10:30 am - Worship**

**10:30 am - Youth worship - Bible based w/Stephanie Kroll**

## **2022 Schedule**

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**Saturday, April 30<sup>th</sup>      Relay for Life Walk 10 am to 10 pm**  
**Sunday, May 1<sup>st</sup>            Worship 10:30 am**  
**Sunday, May 1<sup>st</sup>            Youth Worship 10:30 am**  
**Sunday, May 1<sup>st</sup>            Potluck 11 am – 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday every month**  
**Wednesday, May 4<sup>th</sup>      Prickly Pairs – Wheezy's**  
**Thursday, May 5<sup>th</sup>        United Women in Faith**

**Want to watch our recorded worship service:**

**To watch the recorded worship: copy & paste this link:**

<http://www.galacticchurch.org/GMUMC/video/Y2022/>

**It will take you to the page you need for the message on any Sunday message you may want to hear.**

## **Liturgist & Prayers**

### **May 1st**

Rose Moody - Liturgy

Patsy Schwope - Prayer

### **May 8<sup>th</sup>**

Al Mercer - Liturgy

David H. - Prayer

### **May 15<sup>th</sup>**

Joyce Kiser - Liturgy

Wilma Green - Prayer

### **May 22<sup>nd</sup>**

Elaine Kirby- Liturgy

Sandy Kerr - Prayer

**May 29th**

Toni Olson - Liturgy  
John Stilling - Prayer

**MAY 2022 USHER AND GREETERS SCHEDULE**

**Sunday, May 01, 2022**

Front Door Greeter      Bob Seikel & Del Gower  
Front Door Sign In Table      Fran Whiteman  
Door 1 (West Sanctuary) Door Closed  
Door 2 (Middle Sanctuary)      Linda Gower-offering row 1-2  
   Wilma Green -offering row 3  
Door 3 (East Sanctuary) Allan & Barbara Mercer  
East Entry Door      JoE Summers-offering row 5  
   Elaine Kirby-offering row 4  
**Blessing of offering      JoE Summers**

**Sunday, May 08, 2022**

Front Door Greeter      Bob Seikel & Del Gower  
Front Door Sign In Table      Fran Whiteman  
Door 1 (West Sanctuary) Door Closed  
Door 2 (Middle Sanctuary)      Linda Gower-offering row 1-2  
   Wilma Green -offering row 3  
Door 3 (East Sanctuary) Allan & Barbara Mercer  
East Entry Door      JoE Summers-offering row 5  
   Elaine Kirby-offering row 4  
**Blessing of offering basket      Wilma Green**

**Sunday, May 15, 2022**

Front Door Greeter      Bob Seikel & Del Gower  
Front Door Sign In Table      Fran Whiteman  
Door 1 (West Sanctuary) Door Closed  
Door 2 (Middle Sanctuary)      Linda Gower-offering row 1-2  
   Wilma Green -offering row 3  
Door 3 (East Sanctuary) Allan & Barbara Mercer  
East Entry Door      JoE Summers-offering row 5  
   Elaine Kirby-offering row 4  
**Blessing of offering basket      Linda Gower**

**Sunday, May 22, 2022**

Front Door Greeter      Bob Seikel & Del Gower  
Front Door Sign In Table      Fran Whiteman  
Door 1 (West Sanctuary) Door Closed  
Door 2 (Middle Sanctuary)      Linda Gower-offering row 1-2  
   Wilma Green -offering row 3  
Door 3 (East Sanctuary) Allan & Barbara Mercer  
East Entry Door      JoE Summers-offering row 5  
                                 Elaine Kirby-offering row 4  
**Blessing of offering basket      Elaine Kirby**

Sunday, May 29, 2022

Front Door Greeter      Bob Seikel & Del Gower  
Front Door Sign In Table      Fran Whiteman  
Door 1 (West Sanctuary) Door Closed  
Door 2 (Middle Sanctuary)      Linda Gower-offering row 1-2  
   Wilma Green -offering row 3  
Door 3 (East Sanctuary) Allan & Barbara Mercer  
East Entry Door      JoE Summers-offering row 5  
                                 Elaine Kirby-offering row 4  
**Blessing of offering basket      Rose Moodie**

**Back Ups:** Marilyn Hohnstein, Judy Zauner  
Judie Lindeman & Toni Olsen

**Yours in Grace & Peace,**  
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