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CATALINA MONTHLY NEWS

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Celebrating life in Christ together • Encouraging one another • Nurturing spirituality

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Remodeling construction in our Sanctuary began July 30 and will possibly extend through September. We will worship at 10am in Fellowship Hall until further notice. There is ample parking in our east lot on Treat Ave. Please join us!



MESSAGE FROM PASTOR KELLI

Click below for Pastor Kelli's article...

[Read the article](#)

MISSIONS UPDATE from Doug Wingert, Chair

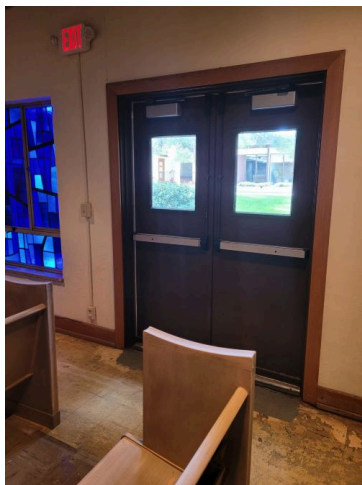
[Click Here](#) to read Doug's update on the many outreach programs for our Missions volunteers!



SANCTUARY REMODEL PROJECT

by Jeanne Manning

The sanctuary project is progressing. The carpet is installed, the pews are painted, the windows are in the doors and the register covers should be installed soon. Bids for new pew cushions are coming in and we hope to order them soon. When the project is complete, we will need volunteers to put hymnals/bibles and pew cards back in place and some furniture placed back in the narthex. Stay tuned for updates!

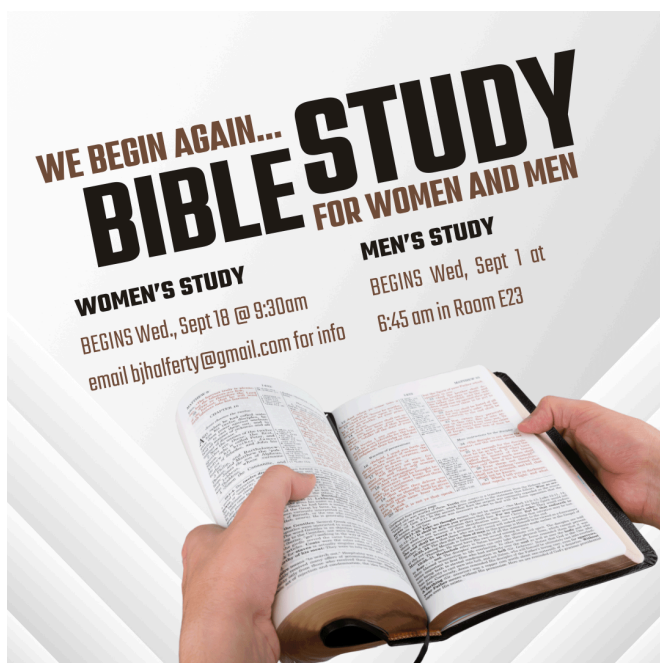
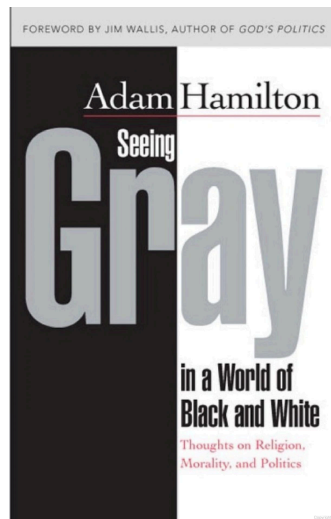


CHILDREN AND FAMILIES by
Paige Anderson

To view the September 5th flyer for Together
Tuesdays, [click here](#).

KOINONIA CLASSES BEGIN
AGAIN IN SEPTEMBER

After an eight-week break, THE KOINONIA CLASS FOR ADULTS of all ages will begin on Sunday, September 8, 9:00 am in Room E23. Rev Dr Kirk Reed will be our leader, as we discuss Adam Hamilton's excellent book, *Seeing Gray in a World of Black and White*. Topics: Sep 8: "Straining Gnats" and "If You Can't Say Anything Nice . . .," Sep 15: "Spiritual Maturity and Gray," Sep 22: "Finding the Sweet Spot" and "Shhh! Just Listen!," Sep 29: "Being Pentecostal Without Losing Your Mind" If you need a copy of the book, please let Rev Reed or the church office know.



BIBLE STUDY GROUPS BEGIN
AGAIN IN SEPTEMBER

Women's Bible Study: Wednesdays @ 9:30am

After an eight-week break, we will resume on Sept. 18 for our next women's Bible study: *Sermon on the Mount* by Jen Wilkin. We have enjoyed studies by Jen previously. The study is on Wednesdays from 9:30 to 11:30, Sept. 18-Nov. 13 in room H230. Hope to see you there. Invite a friend! Contact Brenda Halferty for more information and to sign up. 520-481-6993 or bhalferty@gmail.com

Men's Bible Study: Wednesdays @ 6:45am
ON HIATUS UNTIL SEPT. 4 when we will begin to meet weekly on Wednesday mornings in Room E23 at 6:45 am. For those whose schedules allow, we plan on going to breakfast at 8:00 am following Bible Study.

GREETINGS FROM STAFF PARISH
by Diana Hill

As Staff Parish begins to hold committee meetings beginning this month after a summer break, Diana has an update for you. [Click Here](#).





CUMC DAY SCHOOL by Carolyn Lovell

While the normal school session won't begin until August 5, our Day School has been busy this summer. To view the full report, [click here](#).

CHOIR REHEARSALS BEGIN AGAIN IN SEPTEMBER by Dr. Ben Hansen

The Music department is preparing for the fall with the Sanctuary Choir and Festival Ringers starting Thursday rehearsals on September 5th at 7pm. The Sanctuary Choir welcomes new soprano Elizabeth Pero, a vocal performance major from ASU, and has a new video it is sharing as it invites new members to join:

https://youtu.be/p7pTPegGfE8?si=WvyV_hhzRD41C21T

The Sanctus Choir will perform a "Spanish and English Christmas" December 15th, along with The Helios Ensemble.



SEPTEMBER OBSERVANCES OF MULTICULTURAL INTEREST from CUMC's Multicultural Committee

It's National Hispanic Heritage Month. To view the article, [click here](#).

UPCOMING EVENTS

Mark your calendar for these upcoming events:



The CUMC Choir Rehearsals Thursdays @ 7pm in the Choir Room

The Music department is preparing for the fall with the Sanctuary Choir and Festival Ringers. Come and sing with us! For more information, email Mariana at marianamvns@arizona.edu

Casa Maria Soup Kitchen Cooks, September 21, 6am-2:30pm

We make huge pots of homemade soup to serve approximately 200 people living with homelessness and hunger. We need three more volunteers for this event. Contact Doug Wingert at dougwingert@gmail.com if you are interested in helping. The final Casa Maria outreach of the year will be Saturday, November 16, 2024.

Primavera Men's Shelter Cooks, September 28, 2-6pm

We shop, cook, and serve a 5 course meal to the homeless men residing at the shelter. The menu is planned in advance and we need 3 or 4 volunteers. Contact Doug Wingert at dougwingert@gmail.com for more info. We do this on the 4th Saturday of every month.

Catalina Day School Open House September 26, 6pm

We are looking for volunteers to assist at this Open House event for parents on Thursday, September 26th at 6 PM, providing refreshments (cookies, water, fruit punch/lemonade) and welcome to families! We are also looking for volunteers to: Donate a total of 120 cookies, snacks, light beverages and 1-3 people to help staff the refreshment table. Help us support our day school and build connections with the staff, parents, and children who are a vital part of our community. Contact Pastor Kelli Knight (kelli@catalinamethodist.org).

Pride Parade and Festival

CUMC will march and be represented at the festival. Mark your calendars for: Pride Parade - Friday, Sept. 27, 2024, 6-9 pm <https://www.tucsonpride.org/pride-parade-2024>. Pride Festival - Sat., Sept. 28, 2024, 12-10 pm <https://www.tucsonpride.org/pride-festival-2024>
For questions, contact Kyle Hood at kyle@catalinamethodist.org

Blessing of the Animals: Friday, Oct 4, 4:30 -6 pm on the 1st St lawn

Bring your pets and join us on the lawn for fun and prizes! We are asking our members to bring animal snacks.

Trunk or Treat: Friday, Oct 18, 5-6:30 PM, West Parking Lot

We would love to see many car trunks decorated and handing out candy!. Contact Paige at paige@catalinamethodist.org if you will participate. There will be a competition for the best decorated trunk, voted on by the Trunk or Treaters! This will be held in the shaded area of the parking lot and is sure to be a blast! We also need allergy safe candy donations. Please no candies with tree nuts or peanuts. There will be a bin for candy donations in the Fellowship Hall.



PLEASE BE IN PRAYER FOR:

...St. James UMC, St. John's UMC and St Mark's UMC--all in Tucson

...An end to war, violence and suffering for all peoples in conflict.

Also of Note:

www.UMC.ORG/EN

Want to know more about the United Methodist Church? You'll find it on the website link shown above. Take a look. You'll be surprised!

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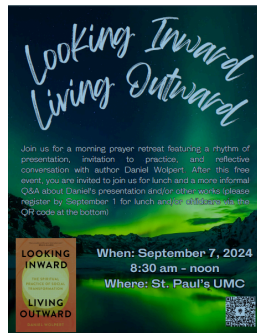
Are you on the email list? If not, [click here](#) and fill out the form. We'll add you to the list and you can stay "In the Know!" every Thursday afternoon!

Monthly Bible Verses

You can find them at the [Vanderbilt Lectionary Library](#). If you would like a copy in print, please contact the office.

DO YOU SHOP AT FRY'S?

Did you know that you can become a Fry's Community Partner and every time you swipe your Fry's card a percentage of your purchase can be donated to CUMC? Stop by their Customer Service desk and choose CUMC as your community partner!



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