



CHANDLER
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

March 10th, 2022



Friends and Members of Chandler UMC,

For a long time it has felt as though our advancement as a church was hindered, first by an overwhelming mortgage and then, right as we refinanced and made the mortgage manageable, COVID arrived. The way this church survived these trials was by your steadfast generosity over and above your tithes and offerings!

As we move carefully out of COVID restrictions things are trending in the direction of normal. Online worship attendance is holding steady. In-person worship attendance has been increasing each week. We are also seeing an increase in the number of families with children in attendance. We have celebrated three baptisms since January 1 and have two more coming up! We welcome new visitors each week and are seeing some return to become regular attenders and new members. All of which is to say the church is feeling closer to normal again!

You may have noticed one of the projectors in worship has ceased working. It is original to the building construction in 2008 and needs to be replaced. We are seeing this as an opportunity to upgrade our worship presentation equipment. We are also seeing an opportunity to affirm our online presence through the addition of cameras and equipment necessary to make worship streaming possible.

We are establishing an Above and Beyond Capital Improvement Wish List which will be maintained and administered by our trustees. Financial gifts may be designated to each of these, and when each is fully funded it will be put in place.

Here is the current Above and Beyond Capital Item wish list:

1. Worship Improvements.

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| A. | Replacement / Upgrade of presentation equipment | \$22,500 |
| B. | Addition of cameras & equipment for online streaming | \$15,756 |

2. Trustee Emergency Fund \$75,000

3. Monument / Electronic Streetside sign \$85,000

Nan Williams - Trustee Chair
Rodger Page - Treasurer
Rev. Jonathan

PRAYER REQUESTS –

- Prayer is requested for Jeannine Reynolds. She is currently in Mercy Gilbert Hospital.



March– Crossroads UMC (Phoenix), Cross in the Desert UMC (Phoenix), Chandler UMC



A child booster seat and Coscto car seat has been donated to the church. Both are in like-new condition. If you know someone who can use it please call the office.

Spring Break is
March 14th-25th

THE CHURCH OFFICE HOURS
WILL BE LIMITED DURING THIS
TIME. IF YOU NEED
ASSISTANCE, PLEASE CALL
480-963-3360

Help Fight Hunger!



In March, the Missions Team is supporting AZCEND (Azcend.org) with a food drive. We will be handing out brown paper bags with labels attached indicating the most needed items.

Our church helped found AZCEND over 50 years ago when it opened its doors as Chandler Christian Community Center. We have continued that relationship with food drives twice a year and our monthly volunteer day at AZCEND.

Or you can donate money for AZCEND by using the church web portal, just note AZCEND in the note section.

As always, thank you for your kind and generous support of the missions of CUMC.

The most needed items:

- *Canned Meat: Tuna, Chicken, etc.*
- *Pasta and Pasta Sauce*
- *Mac & Cheese*
- *Cereal*
- *Rice*
- *Canned Vegetables, Beans & Fruit*
- *Soup*
- *Peanut Butter & Jelly*



Chandler I-HELP (Interfaith Emergency Lodging Program): March 14th

What: We set up tables, serve dinner and make bag lunches for our I-HELP guests. (Guests arrive at 5:30 PM and dinner is served at 5:45 PM) We open our doors to assist 10-20 I-HELP guests. The assistance includes an evening meal, bag lunches and breakfast for the guests. **We need student and adult volunteers to assist with the host night tasks.**

Time: 5:00 - 5:30 PM - Setup and food drop-off

5:45 PM - Dinner for I-HELP guests (Self service of food due to COVID restrictions)

Where: Chandler United Methodist Church

Why: Face-to-face way for us to live out Matthew 25:35

For more information contact Steve Gregory @ steve.chandlerumc@gmail.com or 480-236-3817

Music Ministry Moment:



This past week, we've transitioned into the season of Lent. It's a time of reflection, but also a time of anticipation into the darkness of what is to come in a few weeks. For me, I like to sing different arrangements of an old liturgical song title "Kyrie" (Key-ree-eh). The song originates around the fourth or fifth centuries as a litany in the Roman Catholic Rite of the Mass, and then eventually inserted into the Ordinary of the Mass in the middle ages. What's interesting about the "Kyrie" text is that it's Greek instead of Latin like the rest of the Ordinary of the Mass is. The text is translated as follows:

Kyrie eleison, (Lord, have mercy,
Christe eleison, Christ, have mercy,
Kyrie eleison. (Lord, have mercy.)

As a choral student, I've been able to sing many arrangements and original compositions of "Kyrie." All have been absolutely mesmerizing. The arrangement that the Chancel Choir will sing as an anthem on Sunday is beautiful. It's music supports the lyrics by giving a flowing melody and accompaniment.

I originally chose this anthem as prayer to help guide us through the season of Lent, but it also relates now with what is happening in Ukraine. My hope is that as the choir sings this text on Sunday, you take this prayer to heart and say it with us...whether it be for something in your life, or if it's for the people of Ukraine and Russia, or simply both. My constant prayer is that you and your family remain safe and healthy from the remainder of the pandemic.

With the Spirit of Mercy,
Adam

Support the humanitarian response in Ukraine [Give Now](#)

United Methodists and others wishing to provide humanitarian assistance to the Ukrainian people in the wake of the Russian invasion of their country may contribute to Advance #982450, UMCOR International Disaster Response and Recovery. This fund will provide direct assistance to those in Ukraine as well as assistance to Ukrainians fleeing to neighboring countries.

Gifts to support the people of Ukraine can be made in the following ways:

Online at <https://umcmmission.org/advance-project/982450>

- By toll-free telephone: 888-252-6174
- By check made out to Global Ministries/UMCOR with "Advance #982450-Ukraine" written on the memo line, either mailed and addressed to Global Ministries/UMCOR, GPO, P.O. Box 9068, New York, NY, 10087-9068 or given at or through any United Methodist Church.

[How to assist the Ukrainian people - Global Ministries \(umcmmission.org\)](https://umcmmission.org)



Do you know everything our website has to offer? It is a great place to download our weekly newsletter, view Rev. Jonathan's sermon series, and read Music Ministry Moments from Adam. These are just a few things our website offers to keep you informed and connected. *Here are some important links to help get you started:*

Our website:

<https://chandlermethodist.org/>

Church Calendar:

<https://57617618.view-events.com/calendar/57617618/>

Music Ministries:

<https://chandlermethodist.org/ministries/music/>

Sermon Series Page:

<https://chandlermethodist.org/sermon-series/>



We will also be updating our Facebook page regularly. If you like our page it will show up in your feed. Search for **Chandler United Methodist Church**

Join us online or in person this weekend:

Scripture: Job 38:4-7, Colossians 1:15-17

Sermon: 2 of 10 Finding God's Way: Disregard or Marvel?

Webpage: <https://chandlermethodist.org/finding-gods-way/>



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Making and Deploying Disciples
for over 100 years

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Tuesday & Wednesday
9 AM - 1 PM