

The Leadership Board met for their first meeting of 2026. Jenny Cowan was reelected as the Board Chairperson and Andrew Akmenkalns was voted in as our new Chandler United Methodist Church Treasure. We welcomed our new members, Bonnie Britton and Jennifer Lazbin and returning member Scott Sossaman. We want to thank Lynd Stringer and Jim Later for their service on the board over the last couple of years and know that they are still using their gifts and talents in other ministries in the church.

## Leadership Update



The board affirmed our three goals for this year, Discipleship, Community Engagement, Building and Property Optimization and look forward to supporting our various ministry teams as they work towards meeting the goals.

As a board, we are using the Methodist Book of Daily Prayer to strengthen our faith and our spiritual habits. If you are interested in this book, you can find copies in the Church Gift Shop.

Mark your calendars for our first Town Hall will be on February 15th following 2nd service. We are excited about this year and looking forward to seeing you at church events such as Wonder Wednesdays and all of our amazing small group opportunities (check out the [Church calendar](#) for up-to-date events).

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### Beat the Heat Campout



Come join us in the pines for a fun filled campout. August 14th - 16th, Woods Canyon Lake Group - Loop A - Near Payson. This area can accommodate tent campers and RVs (dry camping only). We will have some planned group activities and also time to relax in the cooler temps. Space is limited so reserve your site today. \$50 for two nights of camping. [Sign-up Here](#)

## Bible Readings: February 1st-7th

- 1 ☐ Ex. 30-32; Acts 8
- 2 ☐ Ex. 33,34; Ps. 16; Acts 9
- 3 ☐ Ex. 35,36; Acts 10
- 4 ☐ Ex. 37,38; Ps. 19; Acts 11
- 5 ☐ Ex. 39,40; Ps. 15; Acts 12
- 6 ☐ Lev. 1-3; Acts 13
- 7 ☐ Lev. 4-6; Acts 14
- 8 ☐ Lev. 7-9; Acts 15



### Prayer Requests:

- Becca Khuu requests prayer for Tonya Carr McBride. Prayers for peace and love as she navigates the path of loss of both parents.
- Shannon Hofmann requests prayer for Edgar Williams. Prayers for comfort and healing.
- Bob Lindsey requests prayer for Sandy Yoder. Sandy was diagnosed with kidney problems and has surgery Feb 4th.
- Jim and Linda Latter request prayer for the family of Collins Ezeanyin. Collins passed away this week, he was 45 years old.
- Paula Wirth requests prayer for the families of Renee Good and Alex Pretti and residents of Minneapolis. Prayers for support for families of those who lost their lives. Prayers for peace and love for all of us.



February: Desert Mission UMC, Scottsdale, AZ, East District Korean Ministry, First UMC, Gilbert, AZ

### Pizza and Purge

There are lots of exciting ways we connect people here at CUMC. Since we don't have unlimited space for "stuff" it is time to do some cleaning out and organizing. Please join us on **February 15th** to clean out, repurpose, and organize our spaces. We will meet after the Town Hall meeting, about 12:30, enjoy some pizza and get to work! Many hands make light work, so come join us!



### Women of the Word (WOW)

February 10, 2026

12:00 noon – Room 104-105

Women of the Word (WOW) meets the second Tuesday of each month at 12 noon. We have a potluck luncheon, business meeting, and program. This month's hostesses are Suzi LeGrand and Denise Sapp. Our opening prayer will be given by Chandra Toy. The program will be "Chandra Toy's Faith Journey and Connect Our Kids 501


(c)(3)," All women of the church are invited to come and enjoy fellowship together. We welcome newcomers!


Contact Deanna Story (480)251-2826 or Julie Chrislip (203)522-3476




Our communion offering this week will be given to Habitat for Humanity. Building a home requires a lot of resources, but as Jimmy Carter once said: "I can't go home when my neighbor doesn't have one." Join us in making a home for a new neighbor.

# Build a Home






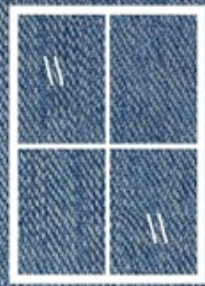
Flooring - \$1,250




Cabinets - \$1,000




Doors - \$750




Windows - \$500




Lighting - \$250




Lumber - \$100



Outdoor Plants - \$75



Bucket of Paint - \$50



Box of Nails - \$25

Please note that purchasing these items serves as a donation to help “Build a Home” and further support our organization’s mission. There is no exchange of tangible items for this purchase.



## Wonder Wednesdays—First Wednesday Potlucks @ 5:00

Bring a side dish to share. Water and lemonade provided.

February 4th - Spaghetti, March 4th - Soups & Stews, April 1st - Breakfast for Dinner, May 6th - Grilling Burgers & Dogs

Small Groups 6:00-7:00—Monthly Musing (meets weekly):

January & February - Leadership Study, different topics each week

February 18th - Ash Wednesday - Movie: The Way

February & March - Lenten Study



Weekly discussions connecting to The Way and the weekly sermons.

- The Maker's Makers (meets monthly after the potluck): Different crafting projects, something for everyone. No experience needed, we will teach you everything!
- His Hands and Feet Sewing - Make kits or sew pillow cases and tote bags for foster kids. These will be donated to Helen's Hope Chest.
- Warm Hearts and Heads - Crochet or knit hats for kids and homeless veterans in northern Arizona. These will support the Mission work done by White Mountain UMC and Shepard of the Pines.
- Grace and Greetings: Color cards and write messages for our Shut-Ins.

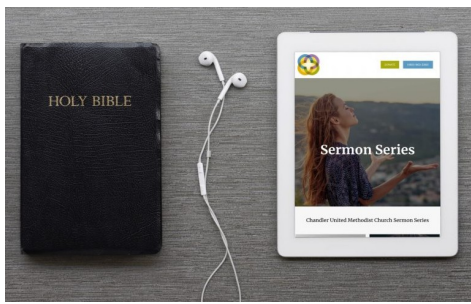
# Men's Breakfast

Where: Black Bear Diner

When: Friday, Feb 6th @ 7:00 AM

If you are interested, please RSVP to  
Jim Latter @ [jimandlinlat67@gmail.com](mailto:jimandlinlat67@gmail.com)





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<https://chandlermethodist.org/>

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

Donate Online:  
<https://chandlermethodist.org/donate/> or scan the QR code



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 this weekend:*

Scripture:  
"Matthew 5:1-12"

Sermon: "Creativity"

Webpage: <https://chandlermethodist.org/the-changemakers/>



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*Mission:* To grow disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

*Vision:* We are a **community** of grace, joyfully growing together in our **connection** with God, **collaboratively** serving, and **celebrating** living the light of Christ.