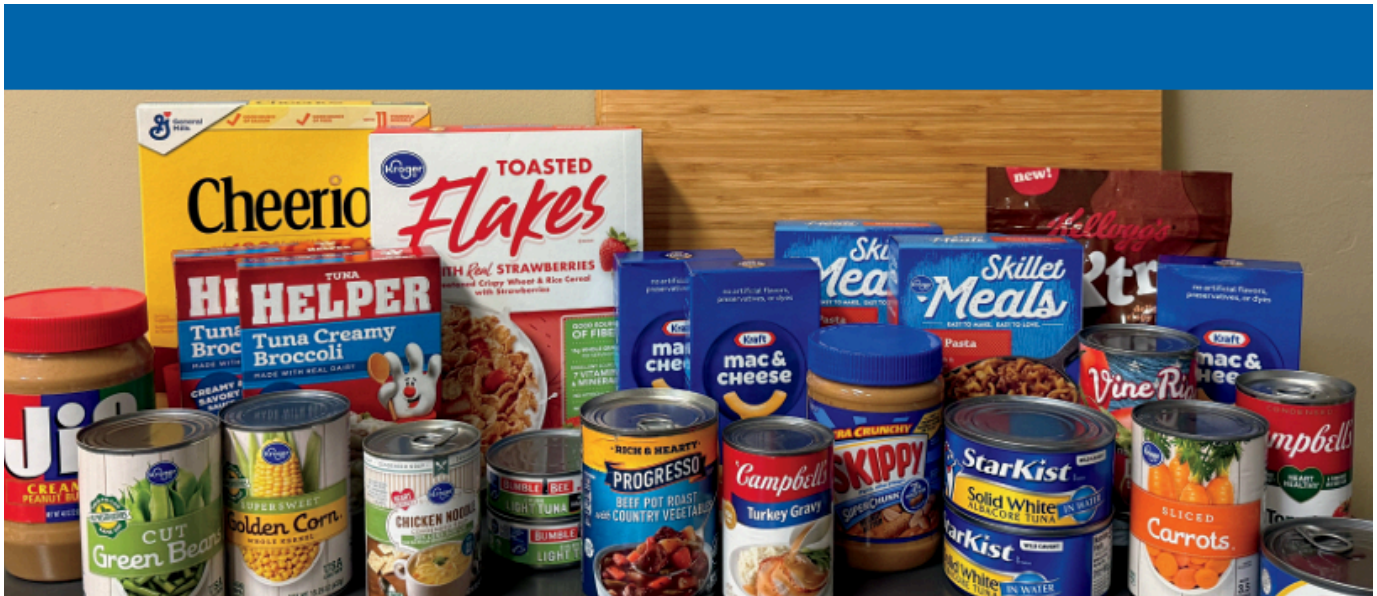




CHANDLER
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

October 1st, 2026



You make all the difference

Food drives bring help and hope to hungry neighbors in need.

Thanks to generous people like you, nearly 15,000 food boxes were distributed at AZCEND last year providing over 800,000 meals so that no one in our community goes to bed hungry.

Your donation makes all the difference to those who need it most.

Most needed food items year round

- Canned vegetables, rice and beans
- Soup
- Pasta & sauce
- Whole wheat cereal
- Shelf-stable milk & baby formula
- Peanut butter & canned protein
- Canned tuna
- Mac & cheese
- Hamburger Helper & Tuna Helper

Top holiday needs

Please deliver by Nov 13 for Thanksgiving

- Instant mashed potatoes
- Cranberry sauce
- Gravy
- Canned veggies
- Stuffing
- Canned yams
- Evaporated milk
- Cream of mushroom soup
- Cake mix & frosting
- Mac & cheese

Begin your food drive today

For more information or to schedule a food drive, contact Misty Sawyer
at volunteer@azcend.org or 480.963.1423 Ext 113



October 4th 2026 is World Communion Sunday

The first Sunday in October is World Communion Sunday. United Methodist congregations join many Christian churches across the globe for this celebration of unity among churches across denominations.

World Communion Sunday began at Shadyside Presbyterian Church in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania in 1933. The Rev. Hugh Thompson Kerr and his congregation sought to demonstrate the interconnectedness of Christian churches, regardless of denomination.

Rev. Kerr appropriately chose the sacrament of Holy Communion to symbolize this unity. In 1940, the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America, which included all of the predecessor denominations of The United Methodist Church, adopted World-Wide Communion Sunday.

Half of the offering benefits World Communion Scholarships for graduate students from the U.S. and other countries; the remainder assists Ethnic Scholarships for U.S. and international undergraduates studying in the U.S. and Ethnic In-Service Training.

United Methodist Special Sunday celebrations invest in servant leadership, community building and ministries of peace with justice. Concentrating our resources to support shared ministries equips us to step into a grace-filled new beginning with faithful determination.

What would it look like if the church today imitated Jesus' love and affirmation of all people—especially those who've historically been assigned to the world's margins? On World Communion Sunday your giving helps to provide scholarships for national and international graduate students whom God has gifted to learn and to serve.



WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY

- 50%** of your donation funds scholarships for undergraduate or graduate students of color pursuing ministry
- 35%** of your donation funds training grants for worldwide inclusion, diversity, equity and access
- 15%** of your donation funds leadership development grants in partner churches

Your support funds several significant educational initiatives

UNITED IN IMPACT



Chandler UMC First UMC Gilbert St. Matthew

**October's Connection Time at Chandler UMC
450 E. Chandler Heights Road Chandler, AZ 85249**

First Sunday - Chandler UMC on 10/4

Meeting with First Gilbert UMC and St. Matthew UMC

This fall we will be meeting once a month, on the first Sunday of each month. We will be gathering with youth from Chandler UMC and St. Matthew UMC in Mesa. The next meeting is at Chandler UMC located at 450 E. Chandler Heights Road Chandler, AZ 85249. Gathering time is 4pm-5:30pm Sunday 10/4. Dinner is included. Come in "work" clothes, we will be refurbishing picnic tables. Sixth grade to twelfth grade are all welcomed to attend.

Future plans include:

Sunday, 11/1 Meeting at St. Matthew UMC in Mesa. Dinner will be included and the youth will lead an agape communion.

Weekend of 12/5 Youth Trip to Canyon Coasters in Williams, AZ. More details to come.

Website link is here: <https://canyoncoasteradventurepark.com/>

Bible Readings: October 4th – 10th

- 4 ☐ Est. 1,2; Ps. 150; Lk. 17
- 5 ☐ Est. 3-8; Lk. 18
- 6 ☐ Est. 9,10; Lk. 19
- 7 ☐ Ezra 7,8; Lk. 20
- 8 ☐ Ezra 9,10; Ps. 131; Lk. 21
- 9 ☐ Neh. 1,2; Ps. 133,134; Lk. 22
- 10 ☐ Neh. 3,4; Lk. 23

Prayer Requests

- Wilma Ellis requests prayer for Marva Corbett. Prayers for health improvement.
- Velma Coombs request prayer. Also please pray for Michael Molina. His youngest tried to commit suicide.
- Becca Khuu requests prayer for Khana Khuu. Dan Khuu's father is in the hospital with congestive heart failure.
- Rich and Sonia Roland request prayer for LuAnn Miranda. She is having health issues.

October: Shepherd of the Valley UMC - Phoenix, AZ, Song of Life UMC - Queen Creek, AZ, St. Matthew UMC - Mesa, AZ, Sunrise UMC - Phoenix, AZ

MEN'S BREAKFAST

Where: Black Bear Diner
When: Friday, October 2nd @ 7:00 AM

If you are interested, please
RSVP to Jim Latter @
jimandlinlat67@gmail.com



OCTOBER

Sunday Funday

Potluck



OCTOBER 11: International

Please bring a dish to share

Wow!

WOW (Women of the Word)
October 13, 2026
12:00 Noon - Rooms 104-105

Wow!

WOW, Women of the Word, meets the second Tuesday of each month at 12:00 Noon. Our meetings include a potluck luncheon, a business meeting and a program. This month, our hostesses are Judy Zangri and Joy King. The opening prayer will be given by Margaret Misal. Sharon Spane has coordinated with the Chandler Fire Department to give the program, "How to Be Safe In Your Home". All women of the church are invited to come and enjoy fellowship together. Newcomers are always welcome!

Contacts: Julie Chrislip 203-522-3476
Deanna Story 480-251-2826

Feed My Starving Children is Christian nonprofit dedicated to ending hunger for children around the globe. Their mission is simply stated as "Feeding God's starving children hungry in body and spirit." Their mission relies not only on monetary donations, but volunteers to prepare the dry food packs, box them up, and affix labels for shipment. Our congregation and their family and friends are invited to attend a packing session on **Friday, October 16 at 4:45**. The session runs until 6:15. This will be a fun, social, and rewarding event for volunteers ages 5 and up, and is handicapped accessible with jobs for everyone . Kids especially enjoy this event, and we are able to follow Christ while serving the world's most vulnerable. We would love to see you there!



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Below is more information:

https://www.abc15.com/news/let-abc15-know/on-the-road-with-let-abc15-know-celebrates-10-years-of-free-consumer-help-at-tempe-marketplace#google_vignette

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<https://chandlermethodist.org/>

Church Calendar

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

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Scripture: Philippians 2:1-13

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Sermon: A Discipleship Pathway

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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.