

Paradise Valley United Methodist Church

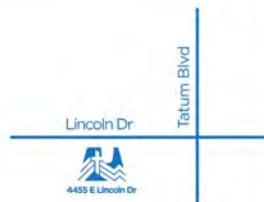
Family Worship and Picnic

Sunday, April 28

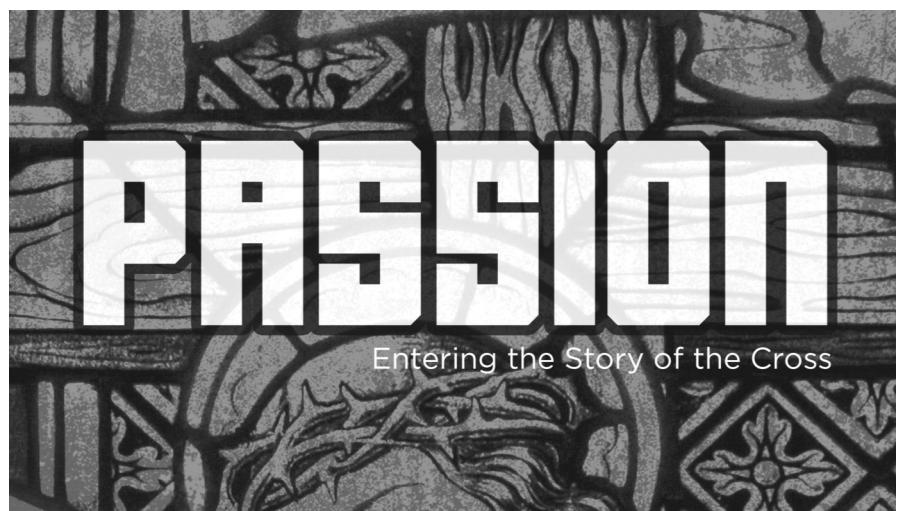
9:30 am Worship • 10:30 am Picnic
Fellowship Center



- All-Church Family Worship
- Childcare, but no Sunday School
- Free food trucks and ice cream
- Bounce houses / Obstacle course
- Games for everyone, including corn hole and giant Connect Four
- Live music
- Casual attire
- Invite your friends!



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Welcome to Paradise Valley United Methodist Church. We're happy you're here! If you have any questions, please ask one of the ushers. We're looking forward to greeting you and getting to know you.

**March 31, 2019
Fourth Sunday of Lent**

*Passion: Simon of Cyrene:
Suffering that Reveals*
Mark 15: 20-32

Get Ready for Easter

In anticipation of Easter Sunday, the Modern Ignite service will be in the sanctuary for a full three weeks — **April 7, 14 and 21**. Look for invitations announcing ALL our Easter Sunday celebrations soon, and invite a friend to join you:

- 6am Sunrise
- 8am and 9:30am Traditional
- 11am Modern (Ignite)

Youth Mission Dinner and Auction TONIGHT at 5 pm

Buy your tickets to the Youth Mission Dinner and Auction today after worship, [online](#) or at the door. Enjoy Latin jazz, a Latin-inspired menu, and support the youth through the silent and live auction.

God's Love in Action™

We invite you to pledge your support to PVUMC through your online pledge or via the card in your pew pocket. Thank you for being God's love in action by giving to the church's ministries.

PVUMC Mission & Vision

Be God's love in action™ by extending love that crosses all barriers and embraces all people.



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Looking Ahead at PVUMC



John Wesley Legacy Society Spring Luncheon

The PVUMC Foundation will host its annual John Wesley Legacy Society Luncheon on **Sunday, May 5, 2019**, at 12:30 pm in the Fellowship Center. Legacy Society member George Heredia has been enlisted as head chef and will work with sous chefs from the YAL (Young Adult Lifegroup) and Squad 57. The program will feature two grant recipients (grants funded in part by the Foundation). Ashley Strawser, Music and Arts Ministries Director/Organist, along with a choir section leader, will open the program with special music—showcasing the Choir Scholarship Section Leader grant. Associate Pastor of Modern Worship and Discipleship Christopher Wurpts will talk about positive outcomes from the implementation of the Ignite Service Growth Improvement grant. Become a Legacy Society member today by calling the church office at 602.840.8360. Legacy gifts help sustain the church for generations to come. Learn more at pvumc.org.



A Mingus Camp Encounter

Churches in the Phoenix area are invited to Central United Methodist Church on **Thursday, April 4**, 7-8:30 pm, for an evening of Mingus Mountain Camp experiences benefiting children and youth scholarships. Mingus Mountain Camp Encounter includes testimonies, skits, music, and photos. You're invited to join us around the campfire (simulated) at Kendall Hall, Central United Methodist Church, 1875 N Central Ave, Phoenix, AZ 85004, as we enjoy cookies, hot cocoa, and s'mores! Close your eyes and you might be able to see the night sky up at Mingus! Make an online donation directly to Camping Ministries or donate at the event in support of the Children and Youth Scholarship Fund. Visit pvumc.org/news/.

Young Adults' Work Day

Join other young adults at Mingus Camp and Retreat Center in Prescott, AZ for a work day on **Saturday, April 27, 2019**. The camp needs your help to get ready for their summer camps. Grab a friend or two and join us. Lunch included!

Register at pvumc.org/concerts



2018 - 2019
community concerts
music for everyone at pvumc

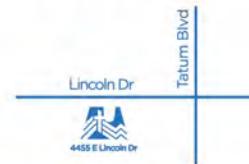


Dennis Rowland & Diana Lee

Apr 26, 7 pm

Award-winning recording artists and Arizona legends Dennis Rowland (former lead singer of the Count Basie Orchestra) with musical partner Diana Lee take the stage, backed by the Greg Warner Trio. Enjoy an exquisite blend of cool jazz and hot coffee on the patio of the Paradise Perk. The church coffee shop serves coffee, tea, smoothies, and snacks.

Donations gratefully accepted at the event. Childcare available with a 48-hour reservation. Call 602.840.8360, ext 134.



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Volunteer and Register for Summer Camp at Mingus Mountain



Be Part of the Adventure!

- Volunteer as a counselor
- Register your children/ youth for summer camp — there are many options!
- Provide camp scholarships

Read more on our website:

<https://pvumc.org/2019/03/05/celebrate-mingus-camp-2019-at-pvumc/>



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Inviting Prayers of Intercession

Joys

Youth Missions Dinner and Auction TODAY
Spring and Rebirth

Hospitalized/Rehab

Cheryl Del Monte, Martha Heal

Hospice Care

Lola Horning, Brett Roy

Continuing Concerns

Sue Blumer, Jacob Hagerman, Jon Hearn, Carolyn Kersting, Bill Kidwell, Matthew May, Wendy May, Rich Nowak, Kay Pickerill, Dan Sagramoso, Cleta Sagramoso, Becca Troxler

Our Church and Conference

Growth & Vitality Prayer Team
Lenten Activities
LGBTQ+ inclusion

Church Job Opportunities

Please pray for us to find:
Children's Ministry Director
New Connections Director
PVUMC Preschool Teachers,
Assistants and Aides
Childcare Workers

Community/Nation/World

Asylum seekers and refugees*
All those affected by weather-related issues
Immigration issues

Pastors on Call 24/7

We have a pastor on call 24/7. Call 602.840.8360 and leave a message after hours for a pastor to return your call.

* Email [Doug Norris](mailto:Doug.Norris@pvumc.org) to help Monte Vista Cross Cultural Church and asylum seekers.

Submit Your Prayer Requests via email prayer@pvumc.org or fill out the online form at pvumc.org/prayer-requests.

Cards are also in the pew pocket. Prayers are shared with the Prayer Team.

New Minister of Engagement

Help us welcome Lauren Coffman, PVUMC's new Minister of Engagement. In her new role, she will work closely with staff and volunteers to better equip them for ministry. Lauren has an Master's of Divinity from Fuller Seminary Southwest and has worked in Family Ministries at other churches as well as in project management in the corporate world. She says, "I enjoy organizing and equipping teams to help bring folks closer to Jesus." Read more at <https://pvumc.org/connect/about-pvumc/staff/>

PVUMC's Invitation to You

We invite you to join us on a shared journey of life and faith, open to all, regardless of age, ability, economics, color, race, ethnicity, national origin, sexual orientation, gender identity, politics, theology or anything else that might separate us from each other. Whoever you are and wherever you may be on your spiritual journey, you're invited to walk with Christ in community with all of God's children, and embrace the endless possibilities of God's unconditional love.

This Week at PVUMC

Sunday, March 31, 2019

Rummage Sale Collection 8:00AM
 Worship Service 8:00AM C1
 1st & 2nd Grade Class 9:30AM E10/11
 3rd & 4th Grade Bible Class 9:30AM H5
 Elevate Youth 9:30AM E14
 Kinder & Jr. Kinder Class 9:30AM E12/13
 Two's Class 9:30AM CCC
 Worship Service 9:30AM A1
 Love Feast for 1-4 Grade 9:30AM H1
 Squad 57- JAM 9:30AM H7
 Mini Singers 10:30AM E9
 New Member Reception 10:30AM A2
 Youth Handbell Rehearsal 10:45AM A3
 Rummage Sale Sorting 10:45AM H9
 Ignite Worship Service 11:00AM C1
 Godly Play 11:00AM E12/13
 Wesley Sunday School 11:00AM G2
 Youth Choir Rehearsal 11:15AM A4
 Andria Fennig Lessons 12:15PM A3
 Youth Mission Dinner 5:00PM F1

Preschool meets M-F, 9:00AM.

Monday, April 1, 2019

Mustard Seed Bible Study 9:00AM F8
 Second Firsts Grief Class 12:00PM F8
 PVUMC Book Group 12:15PM G2
 Men's Emmaus
 Covenant Group 4:00PM F8
 Open Table #16 Meeting 5:50PM G2
 Yoga for Everyone 6:00PM H1
 Boy Scout Troop 30 7:00PM F1
 Venture Crew 30 7:00PM H7

Tuesday, April 2, 2019

Fall Parent/Toddler Coop 8:00AM CCC
 Staff Meetings 9:00AM G2
 Prayer Group - private 10:00AM F8
 Caring Bible Study 10:30AM A2
 Phoenix Youth Symphony -
 Prelude Strings rehearsal 6:00PM A4
 Welcome Team Meeting 5:30PM A2

Read our full calendar of events at
pvumc.org/calendar/.

A1 = Sanctuary
 CCC = Child Care Center
 C1 = Chapel

F1 = Fellowship Center
 F8 = Fireside Room
 G2 = Church Library

Wednesday, April 3, 2019

Knitting Together 9:00AM Perk
 Campus-wide Preschool Chapel 9:15AM C1
 Susanna Circle 9:30AM A2
 Pastor's Bible Study 10:30AM F8
 Paradise Singers Rehearsal 11:00AM A4
 Music Makers Rehearsal 4:30PM A4
 Sojourners 4:30PM G2
 Bells of Paradise Rehearsal 6:00PM A3
 Growing Together
 on Our Walk 6:00PM F8
 Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) Stepsisters
 Women's Group 7:00PM H7
 Chancel Choir Rehearsal 7:30PM A4

Thursday, April 4, 2019

Men's Breakfast Bible Study 6:30AM F5/6
 Preschool Chapel 9:15AM C1
 Baker's Cents 12:30PM E12
 Godly Play Preschool 12:30PM E13
 Jump Bunch 12:30PM F1
 Growth and Vitality Team 4:00PM H2
 Centering Prayer Practice 6:30PM H6

Friday, April 5, 2019

Spring Parent Toddler 8:00AM CCC
 Brown Baggers 12:00PM G2
 Preschool Staff Meeting 12:00PM F1

Saturday, April 6, 2019

Boy Scout Troop 30 8:00AM H7
 Caring Kids' Rummage Sale 9:00AM F1
 (see more about this weekend rummage sale inside this *Looking Ahead!*)

Subscribe to the E-News

Subscribe to our weekly email, *From Paradise E-News*, and make sure you're in the know. Text PVUMC to 22828 and look for your enews in your inbox on Fridays.

Stay Connected Via Social Media

Stay connected to the church via pvumc.org and social media. If you're using the interactive version of the *Looking Ahead*, click on the icons below to get connected.



Vacation Bible Camp

9 am-12 noon

July 15-19, 2019



- Classes for preschool children age 3 (by 9/1/19 and potty-trained) to entering 6th graders
- \$35/child before June 30 • \$45/child after June 30
- Register/Pay/Volunteer online at pvumc.org/vbc-2019/
- Make it a FULL day with Sportball, 12:30-3:30 pm, \$115/child—Register separately at bit.ly/PVUMC2019
- Games, crafts, science, singing, stories and fun!

Sportball
 SPORTS INSTRUCTION FOR KIDS

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Lent 2019 Prayer and Meditation Experiences

Lent is an opportunity to deepen our spiritual lives and relationship with God. It's a time to slow down and pray. On Sundays during the season of Lent, the Worship, Music and Fine Arts Ministry Team invites you to write your prayer intentions and place them among the stones around the altars of the sanctuary and the chapel. They will be prayed over by the pastors during the week. The Learning and Living Ministry Team invites you to explore other meaningful traditions during Lent to help your prayer life and spiritual journey, including:

1) Sunday, April 7: Light a Candle and Say a Prayer – Visit the table outside the sanctuary before or after the 9:30 am worship service to light a candle for someone. Write a prayer and drop it into the prayer jar. The jar will be kept at the altar during the weeks of Lent.

2) Visit Canaan in the Desert Stations of the Cross – Did you know there's a Lutheran Abbey nearby? The sisters at Canaan in the Desert maintain a beautiful and tranquil Stations of the Cross experience on their lush desert grounds. It is private and free. Just park and take your time strolling and resting at the stations. This Abbey is located at 9849 N 40th St, Phoenix, AZ 85028 (south of Shea). Read more at their website before you go at <http://canaaninthedesert.com/>.

3) Take a Labyrinth Walk – The Labyrinth Prayer walk is an ancient Christian practice of pilgrimage. You're invited to walk the labyrinth on the south end of the church campus, or explore other venues. There are beautiful labyrinths on the grounds of the Franciscan Renewal Center and Saint Barnabas on the Desert Episcopal Church. Visit pvumc.org/labyrinth/ to read about our labyrinth and find guidance on how to walk a labyrinth.

Make it Personal and Share Your Experience

Take a selfie or other photo and share your experience with your social media network of friends and family. Tag your post with #pvumc #lent and add a geo tag if you'd like. Post it on <https://www.facebook.com/ParadiseValleyUMC/> or tag us on Instagram @pvumc. To share in our digital or printed publications, email info@pvumc.org or paradisevalleyumc@gmail.com.



Fun for the Whole Family!

Bounce Houses, Arts & Crafts
Photo Booth, Model Trains
Games and a Petting Zoo

Easter Egg Hunts for All Ages

9:45 am 3 years and under
10:15 am 4-6 year-olds
10:45 am 7 years and older

Bring an Easter basket, and 12 treat-filled plastic eggs (no chocolate or nuts)

Please donate baby wipes/diapers for UMOM

Paradise Perk Coffee Shop OPEN

Lincoln Dr
4455 E Lincoln Dr

Tatum Blvd



Harmony Medical Care Screening
Sunday, April 7
8 am-2:30 pm • Fellowship Center
Sponsored by Caring Ministries



Sign up for a comprehensive whole-body medical assessment provided by Harmony Medical Care on **Sunday, April 7**.

Appointments available from 8 am-2:30 pm. Mobile units will be parked at the church and tests will be conducted in complete privacy. Harmony's tests require a copay for most insurance plans. Tests include:

- Allergies
- Diabetes
- Vision
- Body Comp
- Dermatology
- Imaging/Ultrasound/Lab Services
- Bone Density
- Heart/Lungs

Call 480-664-3840 NOW to sign up.



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Children's Rummage Sale
April 6-7 • 9 am-12 noon
Fellowship Center



Drop off gently used children's items **Sunday mornings until March 31**, and shop the sale days.

We're accepting:

- Children's clothing - for infants through 6th graders
- Toys, games, sports equipment, DVDs, books

Proceeds go toward the purchase of a new church van to transport adults, children and youth to group activities like camp, mission trips, service projects and more!

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