

Family Worship and Picnic

Sunday, April 28

9:30 am Worship • 10:30 am Picnic

Fellowship Center

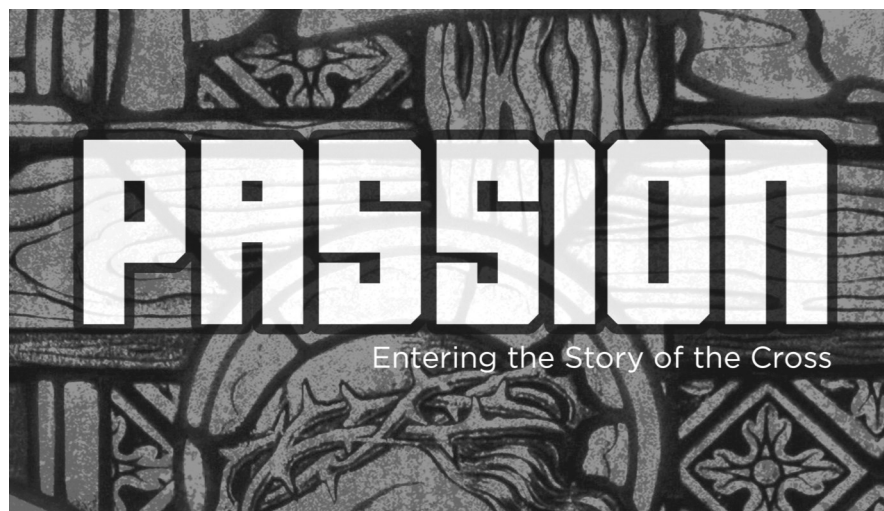


- All-Church Family Worship
- Childcare, but no Sunday School
- Free food trucks and ice cream
- Bounce houses / Obstacle course
- Games for everyone, including corn hole and giant Connect Four
- Live music
- Casual attire
- Invite your friends!



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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 of 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



Register
for Camp
www.dsccamps.org

Be Part of the Adventure!

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



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Read more on our website:

[https://pvumc.org/2019/03/05/
celebrate-mingus-camp-2019-at-pvumc/](https://pvumc.org/2019/03/05/celebrate-mingus-camp-2019-at-pvumc/)

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/](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	Campus-wide
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
F8 = Fireside Room
G2 = Church Library

Wednesday, April 3, 2019

Knitting Together	9:00AM	Perk
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 <i>Looking Ahead!</i>)		

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.



Annual Easter Carnival Saturday, April 20 9:30-11 am, Fellowship Center



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



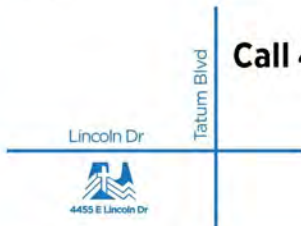
Harmony Medical Care Screening
Sunday, April 7
8 am–2:30 pm • Fellowship Center
Sponsored by Caring Ministries



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

Call 480-664-3840 NOW to sign up.




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Children's Rummage Sale
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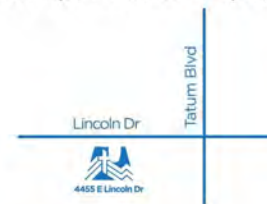


Drop off gently used children's items **Sunday mornings until March 31**, and shop the sale days.

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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