

# Donations Needed

PVUMC Youth Mission Dinner & Auction

March 25, 2018



## The Youth Ministry program at PVUMC needs your help!

As we prepare for our annual Mission Dinner & Auction fundraising event, we are once again in need of donations for both our silent and live auctions! Suggested donations include:

Themed gift baskets  
Theatre/concert tickets  
Vacation rentals  
Spa packages  
Tourist experiences  
Food & wine packages

Cabin stays  
Restaurant vouchers  
Luxury goods  
Electronic gadgets  
Jewelry  
Sporting event tickets

Donations can be dropped off at the church office or contact Christopher. Email [Christopher@pvumc.org](mailto:Christopher@pvumc.org) or text/call 712.348.3791 for more information. Please have all donations in by March 18.

Buy your ticket to join us at the Youth Missions Dinner and Auction on March 25. Tickets on sale beginning March 4. Thank you for supporting Youth Missions.



## Paradise Valley United Methodist Church

### Which Way, Lord?



**March 4, 2018**  
**3rd Sunday in Lent**  
*Which Way Lord?*  
*Facing Adversity*  
Acts 14:1-6, 21-23

**Welcome to Worship**  
8:00 am Chapel  
9:30 am Sanctuary  
11:00 am Ignite—Chapel

**Welcome** to Paradise Valley United Methodist Church. We are happy you're here! If you have any questions, don't hesitate to ask.

**Paradise Perk Hospitality**  
You're invited to visit the **Paradise Perk**, our volunteer-run church coffee shop, for fresh-brewed coffee and tea, smoothies and snacks, all in support of youth missions.

Subscribe to *From Paradise* E-News. Text PVUMC to 22828.

**Rev. Dr. Kah-Jin Jeffrey Kuan**  
Rev. Dr. Kah-Jin Jeffrey Kuan, president of Claremont School of Theology, is our guest preacher this morning. He is the 7th President and Professor of Hebrew Bible at Claremont and began his tenure there in 2013. Before coming to CST, he was Dean and Professor of Hebrew Bible of the Theological School at Drew University from 2011 to 2013. He earned his Ph.D. in Old Testament studies at Emory University. He often provides biblical instruction to churches, and led a workshop on Inclusion and Exclusion in the Bible yesterday at PVUMC. [Read More\\*](#)



# Looking Ahead at PVUMC



## Experiences on Lenten Sundays

Pause on the patio after 9:30 am worship to experience the Learning and Living Ministry Team's Lenten Experiences. This morning, you're invited to light a candle and say a prayer. [Read More\\*](#)

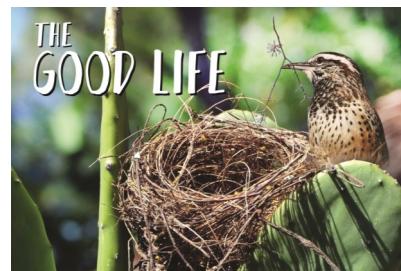
## Lenten Study Groups

It's not too late to find a group to study one of the two books the clergy recommend for this Lenten season. The *Journeys* small groups at PVUMC help you grow on your journey of faith, traveling with others. *Explore. Discover. Connect.* [Read More\\*](#)

## UMCOR Sunday TODAY



TODAY is UMCOR Sunday. Use the **special offering envelope** in the *Looking Ahead* to give to UMCOR and disaster relief.



## Pledge Your Support TODAY

If you're a member or regular attender, we're asking for your commitment to PVUMC. Will you pledge your financial support to the church for the 2018-19 fiscal year? Please see the green pledge card in the pew pocket, and prayerfully give us your response. If you have already pledged, thank you for your generosity. To pledge online, visit: <https://pvumc.org/pledge/>

## PVUMC Mission and Vision

*We bring God's love into action by igniting faith, transforming lives and creating community.*

*Love that crosses all barriers and embraces all people.*



The Caring Kids Rummage Sale continues this morning in the Fellowship Center. Stop by before noon! [Read More\\*](#)



## Lent 2018: Sunday Morning Experiences

*The Learning and Living Ministry Team at PVUMC has prepared several Sunday morning activities, and one Saturday morning activity, as a way to deepen your personal relationship with God and your relationship with others during Lent.*

**February 18 and 25 – Crossroad Signs and Serenity Chimes** Look for the crossroad signs and the serenity chimes during these Lenten Sundays.

**March 4 – Light a Candle and Say a Prayer** Visit the table with a prayer jar and various candles; say a prayer, light a candle and place it in the sand.

**March 10 – Canaan in the Desert Stations of the Cross** You're invited to visit this sacred place on **Saturday, March 10 at 10 am** with Polly Wintergalen as your guide. This Lutheran Abbey is located at 9849 N 40th St, Phoenix, AZ 85028 (south of Shea). Carpools may be available. 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.



**March 11 – Labyrinth Walks** You're invited to walk the labyrinth on the south end of the church campus, and venture out to other venues later in the day.

**March 18 – Where Do You Get Closer to God?** Where do you feel a close connection with God? Is it in the PVUMC Prayer Chapel, your backyard, on top of a mountain, or somewhere in the desert? You're invited to post a photo of that place, or a selfie of you in that place, on social media, to share that you pray.

**March 25 (Palm Sunday) – Making a Joyful Noise** Stop by the table on the patio and help us make a joyful noise to the Lord! We'll have noisemakers, bells, and drums. [Read More\\*](#)



## Lent 2018: Lenten Study Books and Classes

PVUMC invites you to experience the season of Lent through church-wide small group studies. Join one of the *Journeys* classes listed below to watch the DVD together and have class discussions on the topics raised. Look for the Learning and Living Ministry Team on the patio after worship on Sundays. They have books to purchase as well as information about classes. You can also pay for the book on our website. Visit [GIVE NOW](#) at [pvumc.org](http://pvumc.org) and choose "Other" and type "Lenten study book—2018" in the comments section. See the website for a summary and video intro of each of the books at: <https://pvumc.org/2018/02/05/renovate-your-life-during-lent-2018/>.

Classes who will follow **Which Way, Lord?** by Rob Fuquay include:

*Women's Covenant Group* – Sundays at 11 am, F8 (Fireside Room)

*Susanna Circle* – Wednesdays at 9:30 am, A2 (Parlor)

*Pastor's Bible Study* – Wednesdays at 10:30 am, F8

*Growing Together in Our Walk* – Wednesdays at 6-7:30 pm, F8, Begins March 7

*Brown Baggers* – Fridays at 12 pm, G2 (Library)

*Home of Rev Dave & Kim Summers* – Mondays at 6:30-8 pm, Feb 19–March 26

Email [pastordave@pvumc.org](mailto:pastordave@pvumc.org) for the address.

*Home of Jenn and JP Coughlin* – Sundays at 3:30 pm – Began Feb 11

Email JP [jpcoughlin@gmail.com](mailto:jpcoughlin@gmail.com) or Jenn [jennhcoughlin@gmail.com](mailto:jennhcoughlin@gmail.com) for details.

This book will be the basis of sermons during the season. Worship will follow the themes presented in this book, which costs \$6.

The other book study option is called **Renovate By Jacob Armstrong**.

The paperback costs \$10. Groups following this study include:

*Young Adult Lifegroup (Open for all ages)* – Sundays 12:30 pm, G2 – Begins Feb 11

*Men's Breakfast Bible Study* – Thursdays 6:30 am, F5/6 – Begins Feb 22

**Questions? Contact Rev. Andrea Andress or the group leaders.**

## Inviting Prayers of Intercession

### Joys

Guest Preacher: Rev. Dr. Kah-Jin Jeffrey Kuan, president of Claremont School of Theology

### Hospice

June Palmer, mother of Susan Bowers

### Hospital/Outpatient

Randy Womack, Becca Atherton, Jim Thompson, Karen Tittle, Carol Vanderslice Maddie, Fran and Dave Ryan's granddaughter

### Deaths

Memorial Service for Cynthia Curry, sister of Ken Curry, today, March 4 at 1:30 pm, Chapel

### Continuing Concerns

Sue Blumer, Gene Chaille, Victoria Crawford, Tonya DeBusk, Al Hagerman, Rosalie Hughes, Julie Jones, Kay Jones, Veronica Winters

### Our Church

UMCOR Sunday Special Offering  
Youth Auction Donations  
Guatemala Mission Team  
Pledges to The Good Life  
Lenten Bible Studies Available  
Light a Candle, Say a Prayer

### Community, Nation and World

Discussions around Gun Control

### Join the Prayer Team

Prayer requests are shared with our pastors, staff and e-mail prayer team members (200+). To be added to the email list, email [prayer@pvumc.org](mailto:prayer@pvumc.org).

### Pastors on Call 24/7

We have a pastor on call 24/7. Call the church office anytime. Our number is 602.840.8360. If you call the office after hours, follow the instructions or press "2." Leave a message and a pastor will return your call.

### Send Prayer Requests to [prayer@pvumc.org](mailto:prayer@pvumc.org)

If you or someone you know needs prayer, submit a prayer request using our online request form at [pvumc.org](http://pvumc.org), e-mail [prayer@pvumc.org](mailto:prayer@pvumc.org) or call the church at 602.840.8360. Prayer request cards are also available in pew pockets.

### International Mission Team Dedicated in Worship TODAY

Please pray for the PVUMC medical mission team who is going to Guatemala next week, **March 10-18**. Thank you to all the stakeholders who have pledged their support. Your gifts help pay for the teams' in-country medical supplies and medicines used in the rural clinics and for the school supplies and children's vacation bible school curriculum. Stakeholders, check your email for news and photos sent by the team in Guatemala. To donate your support, use the [GIVE NOW](#) button on the church website. Choose "Missions" and type "Guatemala Team" in the "Comments" section. You may also give via check, payable to PVUMC. [Read More\\*](#)

# This Week at PVUMC

## Sunday, March 4, 2018

Adult Bible Study	8:00AM A2
Worship Service	8:00AM C1
Food Collection for UMOM	8:00AM
Serendipities Gift Shop	8:00AM
Caring Kids Rummage Sale	9:00AM F1
Squad 57 Class	9:30AM H1
Sunday Classes for 2s-4th Grade	9:30AM
	E10-11   E12-13   E4   E8   H3
Worship Service	9:30AM A1
Sunday Morning Live! SML	9:30AM E14
Mini-Singers	10:30AM E9
Youth Handbell Rehearsal	10:45AM A3
Reader's Training	10:45AM H1
Bible, Beliefs and Beyond	11:00AM F5/6
Ignite Worship Service	11:00AM C1
Pre-K & K Godly Play	11:00AM E12/13
Wesley Sunday School	11:00AM G2
Women's Covenant Group	11:00AM F8
Lenten Study: Renovate	12:15PM G2
Cynthia Curry Memorial Service and Reception	1:30PM C1
	2:15PM G2
Youth Choir Rehearsal	4:00PM A4
Open Table #17 Meeting	4:00PM H6
Youth - VIBE	5:00PM E14
Squad 57 Movie Night	5:00PM H1
	Off campus

## Monday, March 5, 2018

Mustard Seed Bible Study	9:00AM F8
VBC Planning Meeting	10:00AM G2
PVUMC Book Group	12:15PM G2
Soccer Preschool	12:30PM F1
Artworks	12:30PM E12
Men's Emmaus Covenant Group	4:00PM F8
Yoga for Everyone	6:00PM H1
Open Table #16 Meeting	6:00PM F8
Invitation to the NT	7:00PM H5
Boy Scouts - Troop #30	7:00PM F1
	G2

## Tuesday, March 6, 2018

Fall Parent Toddler Co-op	8:00AM
Staff Meetings	9:00AM G2
Prayer Group - private	10:00AM F8
Caring Bible Study	10:30AM A2
Artworks	12:30PM E12
Welcome Team Meeting	5:30PM A2

Learning and Living Mtg	6:00PM H4
A Bigger Table	6:30PM H5
New Member Team Mtg	6:30PM F8
Enneagram Event	6:30PM H2

## Wednesday, March 7, 2018

Knitting Together	9:00AM Perk
Serendipities Gift Shop	9:00AM
Preschool Chapel	9:15AM C1
Susanna Circle	9:30AM A2
Pastor's Bible Study	10:30AM F8
Paradise Singers Rehearsal	11:00AM A4
Gymnastics	12:00PM F1
Music Makers	4:30PM A4
SoJourners	4:30PM G2
Bells of Paradise Rehearsal	6:00PM A3
Growing on Our Walk	6:00PM F8
Marketing and Communications	
Ministry Team Meeting	6:30PM H5
Cub Scout Pack 416 Mtg	7:00PM F5/6
Women's AA	7:00PM H7
Chancel Choir Rehearsal	7:30PM A4

## Thursday, March 8, 2018

Men's Breakfast Bible Study	6:30AM F5/6
MOPS - Mothers of Preschoolers	9:00AM H7
Preschool Chapel	9:15AM C1
Lunch Conversations	12:00PM G2
Baker's Cents	12:30PM E12
Godly Play Preschool	12:30PM E13
Jump Bunch	12:30PM E10/11
Halle Women's Center Meal Service	5:00PM
	Off campus

## Friday, March 9, 2018

Spring Parent Toddler	8:00AM
	Child Care Center
Brown Baggers Bible Study	12:00PM G2
Jump Bunch	12:30PM E12/13

## Saturday, March 10, 2018

Guatemala Mission Trip	8:00AM
Walk Canaan in the Desert	10:00AM
	Off campus
Emmaus Gathering	2:00PM F1
UMOM Meal Servers	4:30PM
	Off campus
Preschool Meets Mon-Fri	9:00AM



Jácome Flamenco presents TABLAO

Mar 16  
7 pm

Register Online!  
[pvumc-concerts.eventbrite.com](http://pvumc-concerts.eventbrite.com)

Join us for an exciting night of music and dance as we welcome Jácome Flamenco TABLAO, an electrifying and powerful show featuring two world-renowned flamenco dancers, a singer and guitarist. TABLAO brings the intimacy and intensity of this captivating Andalucian art form directly to you so you'll feel as if you're in Sevilla, Spain. TABLAO is the best of traditional flamenco with brilliant modern elements.

Donations gratefully accepted at the event.  
Childcare available with 48 hour reservation.  
Call 602-840-8360, ext 134.

