

Looking Ahead at PVUMC



2017 Walk for Homeless Families & Youth

* Help us reach our goal of 50 walkers and \$5,000 for UMOM. Register NOW with **Team PVUMC** at: <https://walk2017.redpodium.com/umom>.



9/11 Interfaith Food Drive

On **Sunday, September 10**, PVUMC has an opportunity to feed the hungry in Arizona, in cooperation with other churches, mosques and temples. The Islamic Speakers Bureau of AZ has organized this 5th annual food drive to support two small food banks and to care for our neighbors. Bags will be distributed after worship on **Sunday, August 27** and **September 3** (Family Sunday and our regular 1st Sunday of the month food drive for UMOM) with a list of suggested items to donate. Please return the filled bag to PVUMC on **September 10**. [Read More*](#)



Young Adult Groups

A new career-oriented Young Adult Lifegroup, Career YAL, launches TODAY, **Sunday, August 20**. The group meets in F5/6 on the 3rd Sunday of the month at 9:30 am. If you're a working professional, ages 25-35, you're invited! The larger YAL group meets every Sunday at 12:30 pm, after the Ignite service. Join the group for a variety of events on and off campus. Join them for a lunch discussion in H1 at 12:30 pm. On **Sunday, August 27**, join them at Stratum Laser Tag, 5:30-7:30 pm, \$20. RSVP to [Rev. Brenda Smith](#). [Read More*](#)

Paradise Valley United Methodist Church



August 20, 2017

Back-to-School Sunday with Guest Preacher: Rev. Susan Brims, District Superintendent, Desert Southwest Conference Reboot: *Let Love Reboot Your Life*
Scripture: *Jeremiah 31:3-4; Matthew 28:7-8*

8 am Worship in the Chapel
9:30 am Worship in the Sanctuary (with Acolyte Dedication and back-to-school blessings before children and youth go to their classes) Worship followed by a Youth/Parent Kick-off Brunch at 10:45 am in the Fellowship Center. [Read More*](#)

11 am Ignite Worship, Chapel

Welcome to Paradise Valley United Methodist Church. If you're visiting, please take one of the "Welcome to PVUMC" mini brochures inserted into the cover of the fellowship pad or available at the Welcome Center. We invite you to fill out and return the guest response card. If we can help you find anything or get connected in any way, please visit the Welcome Center or speak to one of the ushers. Stop by our campus coffee shop, Paradise Perk, 9 am-1 pm, to benefit youth missions and ministry.



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Explore. Discover. Connect.

Paradise Valley United Methodist Church invites you to travel with us this fall as we launch *Journeys*, PVUMC's small group ministry program. The kickoff is **Sunday, September 10**, when we'll release the fall 2017 guidebook with several itineraries for you to choose from, including life stage groups, Bible studies, book studies, mission projects and prayer groups. Into yoga? We have a weekly yoga group, led by instructors from Desert Song. Our Young Adult Lifegroup just added a career-oriented group and Saguaros, our 55-plus group, has its monthly kickoff on **Thursday, September 21**. On **Celebration Sunday, September 24**, we'll have tour guides available to answer questions about most of the *Journeys* groups as you enjoy dessert in the Fellowship Center. Start planning your journey, and invite a few traveling companions to join you, or just plan on meeting them in September. Strengthen your relationship with God and with each other. *Journeys*: Explore. Discover. Connect. [Read More*](#)



Bible Blast: Sunday, August 27

Third graders, and any 4th graders who missed this event last year, are invited to the Bible Blast on **Sunday, August 27**. RSVP for your child to receive a *SPLASH Deep Blue Bible*, presented at the 9:30 am worship service. The Bible Blast event follows. To participate and reserve a Bible for your child, email Rev. Brenda Smith, brenda@pvumc.org, by **Aug 20**. [Read More*](#)



Acolytes Dedicated TODAY

Our acolytes for the new year will be dedicated at today's 9:30 am worship service. They bring the light of Christ, assist with communion and baptism, and take the light of Christ out of the service at the close. [Read More*](#)

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Interested in Joining PVUMC?

If you'd like to know more about our church and are interested in becoming a member, please join us for our next New Member Orientation on **Wednesday, September 13** at 6:30 pm in G2, the church library. Following the orientation, you'll be invited to join in worship on **Sunday, September 17**. RSVP to the church office by calling 602.840.8360. If you need childcare, you can make a reservation at least 48 hours in advance by dialing ext 134.



MOPS Restarts August 24

Mothers of Preschoolers (MOPS) connects moms of children from birth-age 5. The group begins its new program year on **August 24**, meeting on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of every month. Enjoy support, speakers, creative activities and more. [Read More*](#)



Finding Common Ground

In partnership with Salaam-Chai-Paradise, and in the interest of promoting cross-cultural awareness and better understanding of our neighbors and of ourselves, PVUMC is launching a "Common Ground" series of gatherings and scholarly lectures this fall. We invite our congregants, the interfaith community, and our neighbors, whoever they might be, to help us navigate and find common ground. [Read More*](#)



Sign up for Children's Choir

Sign up your children to sing with PVUMC's children's choir, **Sunday, August 20**. Mini Singers for ages 3-kinder begins today with Shari Paris, but older children and youth begin rehearsals next week. Please email Ashley Snaveley asnaveley@pvumc.org to sign up or learn more.

This Week at PVUMC

Sunday, August 20, 2017

Adult Bible Study	8:00AM A2
Worship Service	8:00AM C1
Worship Service	9:30AM A1
Youth - Fall Kick-off Brunch	9:30AM F1
Career YAL, 25-35	9:30AM F5/6
Children's Sunday Classes	9:30AM
Rooms:E10 E11 E12 E13 E4 E8 H3	
Mini-Singers	10:30AM E9
Ignite Worship Service	11:00AM C1
Wesley Sunday School	11:00AM G2
Youth - NO VIBE	5:00PM

Monday, August 21

Preschool Room Parent Meeting	9:00AM H4
Preschool	9:00AM
Ignite Planning Meeting	10:00AM H5
Soccer Preschool	12:30PM F1
Artworks	12:30PM E12
Open Table #13	6:00PM F8
Boy Scouts - Troop #30	7:00PM F1 G2

Tuesday, August 22

Preschool Room Parent Meeting	9:00AM H4
Preschool	9:00AM
Staff Meetings	9:00AM G2
Caring Bible Study	10:30AM A2
Artworks	12:30PM E12
Chica Chica, Book Book!	12:30PM E13
Foundation Meeting	4:30PM F8
Church Council Meeting	6:00PM F5/6
VIP Planning Session	6:30PM H1

Wednesday, August 23

Preschool	9:00AM
Preschool Board Meetings	9:00AM H5
Preschool Chapel	9:15AM C1
Susanna Circle	9:30AM A2
Gymnastics	12:00PM F1
Chica Chica, Book Book!	12:30PM E12
Best Friends in Faith	2:00PM F8
Yoga - Cancelled	6:00PM
Stewardship Team Meeting	6:00PM H6
Board of Trustees	6:00PM C1 G2
Women's AA	7:00PM H7

Thursday, August 24

MOPS Kickoff - Mothers of Preschoolers	9:00AM H7
Preschool	9:00AM
Preschool Chapel	9:15AM C1
Baker's Cents	12:30PM E12
Jump Bunch	12:30PM F1

Friday, August 25

Preschool	9:00AM
Cub Scout Pack 416 Mtg	6:00PM F1

Saturday, August 26

Emmaus Walk Planning Meeting	
Men & Women	9:00AM F1
Camille Womack Memorial Service and Reception	1:00PM A1 F1

The Paradise Perk is open

Sundays, 9 am-1 pm. Proceeds benefit youth missions. Stop by for a cool beverage! [Find them on Facebook!](#)

Serendipities Closed for Summer

The church gift shop reopens on **Sunday, September 10.**

PVUMC Calendar on the Website

See the calendar at <http://pvumc.org/calendar/> for all our events and programs.

NEW: Text "PVUMC" to 22828 to be added to our church email list!

Mission

Alive with the Spirit, we bring God's love into action by igniting faith, transforming lives, and creating community.

Vision

Love that crosses all barriers and embraces all people.



Inviting Prayers of Intercession



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



If you or someone you know needs prayer, submit a prayer request using our online request form at pvumc.org, e-mail

prayer@pvumc.org or call the church office at 602.840.8360. Prayer request cards are also available in pew pockets and may be put in the offering plate. Requests are shared with our pastors, staff and e-mail prayer team members (200+).

** When you see "Read More" go to pvumc.org/news to read more or just click the link if you are reading the online, interactive version of the Looking Ahead.*

Joys:

Back-to-School Blessings
Baptism of Kennedy Bode, daughter of Tim and Jordan Bode on August 13
Youth Kick-Off Brunch today
Dedication of our Acolytes

Deaths: Joel Antley

Continuing Concerns:

Sue Blumer, Gene Chaille, Kathleen Colbert, Jan Elsea, James Hagerman, Rosalie Hughes, Bill Jackson, Garry Lozier, Kay Jones, Dave Lex, Barbara Mast, John Patchett, father of Stephanie Ireland, Rich Sigtermans and family, Carla Stinson, Sean Waters, Rita Winters

Our Church:

Preparations for fall programs

Our Community, Nation and World:

Tensions with North Korea and Venezuela
Racial Tension in America

Open Table Opportunities

The church's Open Table program has expanded. If you are interested in participating, email Kent.Heltne. Each table has at least six members. Prospective members fill out an application, participate in training, and pay \$120 to serve on a designated table. A one-year commitment is required to build relationships and support the person's journey toward independence.