

UNITED CHURCH OF SUN CITY

“Where Everyone Is Someone Special.”

*All may rise, in body or spirit.

Congregational response in bold

Third Sunday after Epiphany, January 22, 2023

PRELUDE

“Sarabande”
Beverly Fletcher, organ
Corelli/Clokey

GREETING, CENTERING, and CANDLE LIGHTING

INTROIT

“Come to the Welcome Table”
Praise Team
Joseph Martin

***UNISON PRAYER**

You have given us what we need, Lord, to be your messengers. Feet to carry us where we need to go, hands to help those in need, and voices to share your good, good news. We are equipped and ready to serve. Amen.

***OPENING HYMN**

“Open My Eyes, That I May See” (words on the screen)

SILENT REFLECTION, PRAYER, THE LORD’S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy Kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

**PRAYER
RESPONSE**

“In the Bleak Midwinter”
Floyd Ellison, piano
arr. Greg Howlett

GOSPEL READING

Micah 6:6-8

SPECIAL MUSIC

“Wade in the Water”
Cheryl Tucker, Guest Soloist
Jay Althouse

SERMON

“A List”
Rev. Brady Abel

ANTHEM

“Oh, What a Wonderful Child”
Praise Team
Greg Gilpin

CLOSING ANNOUNCEMENTS AND BENEDICTION

**CLOSING
RESPONSE**

“God Be with You”
Congregation
(words on the screen)

POSTLUDE

“Hour of Devotion”
Beverly Fletcher, organ
F.G. Rathbun

**...and what does the Lord require of you
but to do justice, and to love kindness,
and to walk humbly with your God?**

Micah 6:8



January 22 8:40 am 10:00 am 11:00 am 11:00 am 3:00 pm	SUNDAY – New Member Class Choir Rehearsal in the Music Room Worship New Member Class after worship Coffee, Cookies and Conversation Ruby Brown Memorial Service
January 23 7:30 am 1:00 pm	MONDAY TAI CHI in the Beehive Walking Group
January 24 1:00 pm 2:30 pm	TUESDAY SilverSneakers Classic in the Beehive SilverSneakers Strength and Balance in the Beehive
January 25 10:00 am 1:00 pm	WEDNESDAY Healthy Living, Learning and Connection - Meeting Room Walking Group
January 26 11:00 am 1:00 pm 2:30 pm	THURSDAY Bible Study, Pastor's office SilverSneakers Classic in the Beehive SilverSneakers Strength and Balance in the Beehive
January 27	FRIDAY Office Closed
January 28	SATURDAY Office Closed
January 29 8:40 am 10:00 am 11:00 am 11:00 am	SUNDAY – New Member Reception Choir rehearsal in the Music Room Worship Informational Meeting after worship Coffee, Cookies and Conversation

Welcome! Wherever you are on life's journey, you are welcome here! Our prayer is that you will feel United Church is your spiritual home.

Please do not hesitate to contact our pastor with questions. We hope you will return soon to worship at United Church!

STAFF

Rev. Brady Abel, Senior Pastor
 Bill Zimmer, Moderator
 Alan Paulson, Minister of Music
 Beverly Fletcher, Organist
 Marcus Essig, Acolyte
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All Members & Friends of United Church, Ministers of the Good News.

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God is still speaking,
UNITED CHURCH
OF CHRIST



MONTHLY PARTICIPATION

Head Usher: Debbie Still
Ushers/Greeters: Pat Graham, Norm Still
Head Teller: Mary Sue Andreason
Tellers: Nancy Nay, Diane Gahm

ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY – 89

DID YOU KNOW . . . God is calling you today . . . but not on your cell phone! Please silence yours. ☺

BIBLE STUDY – In-person study will continue on Thursday, January 26 at 11:00 am in Pastor’s office. E-mail will be sent out early in the week. All are welcome!

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: Steve and Donna Halasz, Don and June Stampfl, Laurie Allan, Lisa Dunbar, Darlene Eckel, Lois Hunt, Debbie Still, Joe and Elise Ford’s son Sean. Nicholas Harmon and Tina Armstrong, friends of Sharlene MacPhee. Kathie Schilling and family for the loss of her stepson Robert. Sheila Rooney, her mother Shirley Cribbet, and family as they mourn the loss of Sheila’s husband Michael Rooney.

SOUPER BOWL OF CARING 2023: Campaign continues through February 12, 2023. All donations of soup cans, bowls, packages, non-perishable food items and checks/cash will be given to Valley View Food Bank. So far, we have collected 276 packages of soup. Let’s fill the barrel!! You can donate just \$1 or one can of soup. Every selfless gift helps tackle hunger for a child, senior or family.

NEW MEMBERS CLASS: There will be a new member class today following the worship service. If you are interested in joining United Church, or just want some information about the church, please join us at the front of the Sanctuary right after worship. All are welcome! New members will be received during worship on Sunday, January 29, 2023.

INFORMATIONAL MEETING: Sunday, January 29th after worship, there will be an informational meeting for questions and answers to the packet of information that was recently sent out to members and associate members. Please plan to attend for a better understanding of the items you will be asked to approve at the February 12th Annual Meeting.

HEALTHY LIVING, LEARNING AND CONNECTION: Lisa Dunbar, our Parish Nurse, has begun a new Wednesday morning group at 10:00 am in the Meeting Room. The group is using a book called *The Six Conversations* by Heather Holleman. It focuses on learning about loving conversations and connecting with other people. Come join in the fun of sharing together as we learn and practice loving communication.

NEWSLETTER ARTICLES: If your group or committee would like information submitted to the INDEPENDENT Newspaper, please get your articles to Mary Sue Andreason the Monday of the week before you want it published. Send your information to Mary Sue at suncitysquares@q.com.

SILVERSNEAKERS: Tuesdays and Thursdays: Classic Class begins at 1:00 pm and the Strength and Balance class will begin at 2:30 pm in the Beehive. Invite others to join you. Please contact Ginger Dawson at 623-695-6489.

MEET AND GREET: Come and meet Dr. Toni Hawkins, our Transitional Conference Minister. Enjoy light refreshments and mingle with old and new SWC friends. Sunday, February 5 from 3:00 – 5:00 pm hosted by Desert Garden UCC and Rev. Bill Utke: 18818 N 128th Ave., Sun City West, AZ. Please direct any questions to the SWC at 602-468-3830.

SPOOLS AND QUARTERS: Pat Koopmans continues to collect Arizona Statehood Quarters for her Kindness project. Remember to check your quarters! Pat is also requesting empty *wooden* thread spools for another school project. Check your sewing supplies and bring your wooden spools to church for Pat!

PRAYER REQUEST: Please share your prayer requests with us. You can contact us at the office, leave a message, send an e-mail, let us know on Sunday morning or fill out a prayer request slip (on the Welcome table in the back of church) and leave it in the collection plate. Prayer is essential, help us help you!

SUICIDE & CRISIS LIFELINE – Dial 988. The Lifeline provides 24/7, confidential and free emotional support for people in suicidal crisis or mental health-related distress.

THE NATIONAL FRIENDSHIP LINE: A phone number for seniors (60 years of age and older) who can call if they would like social interaction or to ask health questions. Trained volunteers are available. The Friendship Line is FREE and is sponsored by the Institute of Aging (IOA). Call 1-800-971-0016.

COVID: The COVID level of safety is MEDIUM. There is a new booster available and now is also a good time to get a flu shot. You may contact Lisa Dunbar, the parish nurse with any questions or concerns you may have.

January Calendar
January – February 12 Souper Bowl of Caring
January 22 New Member Sunday
January 22 Ruby Brown Memorial Service at 3:00 pm UCCSC
January 29 New Member Reception and Informational Meeting