



**UNITED CHURCH OF SUN CITY**

***“Where Everyone Is Someone Special.”***

*\*All may rise, in body or spirit.*

**Congregational response in bold**  
**Day of Pentecost Sunday, June 8, 2025**

**PRELUDE**

**“Sheep May Safely Graze”**  
**Beverly Fletcher, organ**

**J.S. Bach**

**GREETING, CENTERING, and CANDLE LIGHTING**

**INTROIT**

**“Come, Christians, Join to Sing”**  
**Praise Team**

**arr. Lloyd Larson**

**\*UNISON PRAYER**

**Mighty Spirit of God, we are not here by accident. You bring us together and bless our lives moving around us and in us this day as you have for ages past. You make the gift of faith possible, the gift of the church possible, and give us opportunities to serve in your name. Empowered by your Holy Spirit, we seek to share your gifts and blessings in new ways, furthering your reign in the world. Amen.**

**\*OPENING**  
**HYMN**

**“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”**

**(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, and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

**PRAYER**  
**RESPONSE**

**“There Is a Balm in Gilead”**  
**Floyd Ellison, piano**

**arr. Fred Bock**

**SCRIPTURE READINGS**

**John 14:15-19; 25-27 (NRSV)**  
**Acts 2:1-4 (NRSV)**

**SPECIAL MUSIC**

**Shout to the Lord**  
**Kira Kadel-Funk, Soloist**

**Darlene Zschech**

**SERMON**

**“From Inside Out”**  
**Rev. Brady Abel**

**ANTHEM**

**“Great is Thy Faithfulness”**  
**Praise Team**

**arr. Lloyd Larson**

**CLOSING ANNOUNCEMENTS and BENEDICTION**

**\*CLOSING**  
**RESPONSE**

**“Because He Lives”**  
**Congregation**

**(words on the screen)**

**POSTLUDE**

**“Consider and Hear Me”**  
**Beverly Fletcher, organ**

**Carl Pflueger**



What’s Happening This Week...

June 8 8:15 am 10:00 am	<b>SUNDAY – Pentecost Sunday</b> <b>Praise Team Rehearsal</b> <b>Worship</b> <b>Strengthen the Church special offering</b>
June 9 10:00 am 1:00 pm 2:00 pm	<b>MONDAY</b> <b>Paint Tutorial</b> <b>Walking Group</b> <b>Tai Chi in the Beehive</b>
June 10 10:30 am 1:00 pm	<b>TUESDAY</b> <b>Sun Health: Stem Cell Therapy for Pain Management</b> <b>Exercise Class in the Beehive</b>
June 11 10:00 am 12:00 pm 1:00 pm 7:00 pm	<b>WEDNESDAY</b> <b>Converse &amp; Connect in the Beehive</b> <b>Power of the Pause – Stop and Pray</b> <b>Walking Group</b> <b>AA Meeting in the meeting room</b>
June 12 11:00 am 1:00 pm 1:00 pm	<b>THURSDAY</b> <b>Bible Study, Pastor’s office</b> <b>Senior Exercise Class in the Beehive</b> <b>Ladies Lunch at George’s Lakeview Café</b>
June 13	<b>FRIDAY</b> <b>Office Closed</b>
June 14	<b>SATURDAY</b> <b>Office Closed</b>
June 15 8:15 am 10:00 am	<b>SUNDAY – Father’s Day</b> <b>Praise Team Rehearsal</b> <b>Worship</b>

Weekly Word

**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  
Greg Bradley, Moderator  
Heather Purtle, Vice Moderator  
Bill Zimmer, Past Moderator  
Alan Paulson, Minister of Music  
Beverly Fletcher, Organist  
Praise Team: Kira Kadel-Funk, Brenda Goodenberger, Andrea Dixon  
Robin Lemkuil, Office Manager/Assistant to the Pastor  
Craig Zimmerman, Boni Locke, Office Assistants  
Lisa Dunbar, Parish Nurse  
Karen Crawford, Finance Secretary  
Greg Yagi, Lester Atkinson and Robin Lemkuil, Audio/Video Tech  
Dickie Duniver, Sexton  
Tracy McRoy, Assistant Sexton  
All Members & Friends of United Church, Ministers of the Good News.

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**MONTHLY PARTICIPATION**

**Head Usher:** Randy Skanes

**Greeters:** Bud and Mary Sue Andreason

**Head Teller:** Mary Sue Andreason

**Tellers:** Diane Gahm, Gerry Paul, Donna Bone

**ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY: 114**

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

**REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:** David Blawn's family as David passed away last weekend; Susan Aurich; Nancy Wohlhuter; Joe Ford; Ron Patton; Monte Thornton; Clayton Blom; Leslie Chrissan; Jerry and Donna Walter; Rozanne Freeman's brother; Leslie Chrissan; Jerry and Donna Walter; Phil Costa; Arlen and Rozanne Freeman's grandson Carson; Gerry Paul's son-in-law Steve; Mary Mitchell's Uncle Sam; Bill and Joyce Hill's daughter Kris and her husband Mark; Ginger Dawson's son Craig; The family of Bob Allen and Linda Whitley for her brother Ward and his wife Pat; Joyce Symmonds; Karen Crawford's friend Kathy; Ann Mordt's friend Sheila; Donna Bone and her son Chuck; Phil Costa's ex-wife Sue; Greg Yagi's mom Nancy; Mary Segers-Koscielny's brother Robert; Gerry Paul's sister-in-law Theresa; Philip Atem; Prayers for Peace in Ukraine, Israel, Gaza and all around the world.

**WELCOME!** Are you visiting with us today? Welcome to United Church of Sun City! We are so glad to see you! We hope you are blessed today as we worship The Lord together. If you have any questions about our Church, feel free to ask the pastor, usher, or contact the church office. We are so glad you are here and we hope you will visit again soon.

**BIBLE STUDY** – In-person study will continue on Thursday, June 12 at 11:00 am in Pastor's office. E-mail will be sent out early in the week. All are welcome!

**PENTECOST SUNDAY:** Today we celebrate Pentecost Sunday. Pentecost is the Christian festival celebrating the descent of the Holy Spirit on the disciples of Jesus after his Ascension, held on the seventh Sunday after Easter. It is recognized as the birthday of the Church! Thank you for wearing red as we join together for this celebration!

**PAINT TUTORIAL CLASS:** Just a reminder, if you signed up for the Paint Tutorial Class, it begins tomorrow, June 9 from 10:00 – 11:30 am in the Beehive. All supplies of acrylic paints, brushes and canvas will be supplied. The class is limited to those who previously registered. This event is being sponsored by the Ridges at Peoria Senior Living.

**STRENGTHEN THE CHURCH (STC)** reflects the shared commitment of people across the UCC to cooperatively build up the UCC. Conferences and the national setting equally share the gifts given by members and friends through their local congregations. The funds raised support leadership development, new churches, youth ministry, and innovation in existing congregations. By your generosity to this offering, you build up the Body of Christ. This special offering will be taken today, special envelopes are located in the pews. Please consider making a donation.

**SPEAKER SERIES:** Tuesday, June 10 @ 10:30 am, Sun Health along with Dr. Ruchir Gupta will speak about "Stem Cell Therapy for Pain Management" as an option for treatment in place of traditional surgery and how these stem cell and platelet-rich plasma therapies can heal the body instead of treating symptoms with medication and procedures. Please register in advance at the Welcome Table.

**LADIES LUNCH BUNCH** will be at 1:00 on Thursday, June 12 at George's Lakeview Café. This gathering will celebrate "Red Rose Day". Please RSVP with Hedy or the Church office (623-933-0058).

**CONVERSE AND CONNECT** is now meeting at 10:00 am on Wednesdays. This group gathers for a book review on a variety of topics. The current book under review is "As Silver Refined; Answers to Life's Disappointments" by Kay Arthur. Please contact Lisa Dunbar, Parish Nurse, for more information about the book or just join the class. All are welcome!

**NEWSLETTER DEADLINE:** Newsletter articles for the July newsletter are due Monday, June 16 to Robin at [office@uccsc.com](mailto:office@uccsc.com).

**AA MEETINGS** are held in the church meeting room by the breezeway on Wednesday evenings from 7:00 – 8:00 pm.

**SUICIDE & CRISIS LIFELINE** – Dial 988 if you or someone you know is struggling or in crisis, help is available. Call or text 988 or chat [988lifeline.org](https://988lifeline.org). 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.

**CHURCH LIBRARY:** The shelves of the Friendship Center have a great variety of multi-faceted fiction, non-fiction, mystery, biographies, thrillers, spiritual and self-improvement books available for your reading pleasure. Help yourself and enjoy!