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Worship Schedule

8:00 Traditional Service
9:00-9:30 Coffee Hour
9:30 Traditional Service
Sunday School for All Ages
10:30-11:00 Coffee Hour
11:00 Contemporary
Service
Professional Nursery Care
7:45am-12:30pm

Office Hours
Monday-Friday
8:00am-4:00pm

Preschool
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The Evangel

September 2015

Aloha!!

Join us for the End of the Summer LUAU!



It is time to celebrate surviving another Arizona summer. Not only did we survive but we were productive and joyful with so many activities, events and blessings.

On September 19th at 5:00pm, we celebrate luau-style. There will be Island dancers, games, and crafts for all ages! Dinner will be served potluck style: Last names (A-L) please bring a nut-free side dish and last names (M-Z) are to bring a dessert. We hope to see you there.

Yes...it really is free!

We hope this small gift brings
some light into your day.
It's a simple way of saying
God loves you — no strings attached.
Give us a call as your next need arises!



Cosmo Dog Park Saturday, Sept 19th

This is our second year heading to Cosmo Dog Park to hand out dog treats with this card attached. It is a gesture that reflects God's Love to others. We welcome everyone to participate. You can donate the dog treats, help the Invite/Welcome team bag them up or you can join us at the park to hand them out. It is great to meet people, their pets and share the small gift. A simple gesture with great rewards. Contact Richard Rico at rbm56@q.com or Adriana Hernandez at Adriana.143.10@gmail.com.

CPR and First Aid Training Saturday, Sept 12th



Classes are taught by Heart Savers.

Registration / Check-In: 1:45pm – 2:00 pm (in Activity Center)

CPR Course: 2:00pm – 4:30pm → Cost: \$15 youth / \$20 adult

Dinner Break: 4:30pm to 5:00pm (Dinner not provided, on your own)

Registration / Check-In: 4:45pm – 5:00 pm (in Room 142)

First Aid Course: 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm → Cost: \$15 youth / \$20 adult

Discount price if you take BOTH courses – \$27 for youth, \$32 for adults

Questions? Contact Philip Tesarek at ptesarek@gilbertumc.org

A Message from Pastor Deborah

Birthdays are funny things, aren't they? When you're a kid you can't wait to pass another milestone and gain another privilege. 10 is better than 9. 16 is better than 15. 21 is better than 20. At some point that trend begins to reverse a bit. The moment between 29 and 30 is sobering; between 39 and 40 is shocking; between 49 and 50 there is often a quiet resignation to advancing age. Then AARP sends you an invitation to membership, and you are off to the races. I will not forget the first day someone offered me a senior discount. I smiled innocently and asked "Do I look old enough for THAT?"

I had a birthday just a few days ago, and on my birthday I was in the gym and on the elliptical exerciser. I looked at the list of questions a little differently. It wanted to know the same things it always wants to know: how

much I weigh, how old I am. I didn't want to tell it. None of your business, nousey machine! I had to laugh at myself.

The truth is that these are the best days of my life. I no longer worry about many things that once held me back and kept me hostage. I'm not as consumed as I once was about what people think of me, and whether they like me or not. I don't need the world to tell me how much I'm worth. I know my worth is not measured well by human minds and hearts, but is determined by how much God was willing to pay to set me free. So I am freer now than I was at 20 – freer to risk; freer to step outside my comfort zone; freer to walk up to people I never met in a Walmart and ask if I can pray for them; freer to notice and acknowledge God's great love for those we consider unlovely, lost, least,

and last.

And maybe these are the best days of our church's life, now that we have rolled up into the triple digits. Sometimes we imagine older churches as set in their ways, captive to their past. But maybe, instead of hanging on to what was, afraid of what might be – maybe at 100 we have license and permission to exercise the freedom that is ours in Christ more fully than ever before. Maybe at this age we can assess our worth not by what we have done in the past but by how much Christ is calling us to do and be in this present moment. He must think we can do it! Maybe we can stop worrying about people thinking we're crazy and focus on the love God has for the men and women we pass in the grocery store and how we are to be a part of expressing that love to all those around us. Maybe we



can throw caution to the winds and generously, extravagantly, over and over again, bless our neighbors and share with them how much richer our lives are because of this church and the people in it. If people think we're bonkers, we can just let them know that we're really old, and God is really good!

Happy birthday, church. Many blessed returns. Many full and wondrous years be yours as you live into the fullness of life in Christ.

Blessings and Peace

Pastor Deborah



This has been an amazing month in the life of this church! It is time to "Sing For Joy" with some praises and joys!

Thank you to all who participated in the prayer vigil. You have made a difference in our church and our community. Thank you Jericho walker's!!! YOU are an amazing bunch. May God continue to use us all to spread HIS love and HOPE.
Blessings, Rita Wagner

Thank you to the entire Centennial Celebration team for an amazing weekend of honoring our past and celebrating the many Christ guided tasks this church is taking on.

BACK PACK FEVER was amazing as this church did an outstanding job preparing these back packs for the new school year! Thank you so much for your support and continuing to increase the numbers and response.

Many thanks to those who baked cookies for our Gilbert teachers! Both schools were pleased and thankful for your gesture to have a great year. Thank You, Invite & Welcome Team

Pastor David's Message *Stumbling Blocks*



If any of you put a stumbling block before one of these little ones who believe in me, it would be better for you if a great millstone were hung around your neck and you were thrown into the sea (Mark 9:42, NRSV, Sept, September 27th Lectionary text)

The Revised Common Lectionary text for Sunday, September 27th, is Mark 9:38-50. In a previous Markan text, Christ's disciples were fighting among themselves regarding who is the greatest disciple (Mark 9:33-34). This myopic debate reflects the disciple's mistrust and ignorance regarding greatness and discipleship. In typical Mark fashion, we are immediately juxtaposed into a new conversation where John says to him (Jesus), "Teacher we saw someone casting demons in your name and we tried to stop him" (Mark 9:38a). This

initial reaction prompts Jesus to give a full disclosure on discipleship and the way in which even the greatest disciples can become stumbling blocks to the faith. Christ responds, *If any of YOU put a stumbling block before one of these little ones who believe in me, it would be better if a great millstone were hung around your neck and you were thrown into the sea (Mark 9:42)*. The term *little ones* is not defined; however, it is apparent that Christ is concerned that *his disciples* could become a stumbling block to any potential Christians who are new to the Christian movement.

So, how are you and I deterring newcomers of the faith in this church? What stumbling blocks do we place before others who are new to the faith? I have worked in churches where the Treasurer or Finance Committee members micro-managed the church budget. What message do we send to newcomers of the faith when we do this? I have worked in churches where conversations began with *we used to* and they were always followed by *if only*. *We used to have lots of*

youth, if only we had lots of youth now. We used to have young women in our women's group, if only we had young women now. What message do we send to newcomers and seekers by initiating these discussions? I have worked in churches where there was lots of fighting and debating at committee tables. What message are we sending newcomers and seekers when we do this? I have been in churches where visitors sat all by themselves at a lunch gathering following their initial church worship service. What message does the church send to this seeker sensitive population when they are forced to eat alone?

Within the *stumbling block* discourse, Jesus deliberately uses three areas of the human body which are very intimate and sensitive to human beings: the eyes, the hands, the feet, and the head (see Mark 9:42-48). This symbolic interaction underscores the sensitivity and intimacy that church members often associate with things which are important *to us* that may also become stumbling blocks to church seekers. Perhaps it is the way in

which *we have always done things* which is endearing to an inward circle; yet, not attractive to newcomers that are not familiar with repetitive cycles and routines. Perhaps it is the way in which we are social to one another within our clique while overlooking the person sitting on the back row. Perhaps it is the way in which we don't seek out those who are potential Christians in this world because it removes us from our comfort zones. Any lack of preferential familiarity may cause people of the faith to retreat, making anyone of us stumbling blocks to the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

It is my dearest hope that all of us would examine ourselves, our motives, and our interests in the life of the church and that we would be deliberate and intentional in removing all stumbling blocks from those who are new to the faith. The outlined consequences from creating stumbling blocks are epic. As Christians, we are called to live the life, mission, ministry, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Anything less, is a stumbling block for the Kingdom of God.

Lay Servant Opportunities

The purpose of Lay Servant Ministries is to encourage and empower lay people to seek opportunities for service in active ministries in support of their local congregations and beyond. Below are the training available in the Central East District for 2015.

September 18-19 - UMC of Casa Grande

Advance Course: You Can Preach

Advance Course: Growing Spiritually thru Daily Discipline

Register at tinyurl.com/CEDLayServant-September

November 6-7, Desert Chapel UMC

Basic Course

Advance Course: Life Together UM Connection

Register at tinyurl.com/CEDLayServant-November



www.gilbertpreschool.com

Great start to the school year! We had a great first month with over 50 preschoolers on campus each week. Thank you to the church Welcoming Committee and the Preschool Ministry Team for helping to create such a loving, welcoming environment for the preschoolers and families!

Know a 3 or 4 year old?-We still have A couple of OPENINGS in our preschool classes. Our loving staff would love to work with them! CALL TODAY for a tour! 480 892 9166.

Grandparent Day Breakfasts

September 8th, 9th from 8:15-9:00am

We love our Grandparents and special loved ones! The preschoolers will host their special person on one of these mornings in the Activity Center. They will eat breakfast together, play a game and spend some memorable time together. Want to serve, set up or clean up... and see all of the cuteness? Contact Lara Fink 480 892 9166 or fink@gilbertumc.org. Thank you!



Will you be a Technology Sponsor for one of our 4 classrooms? We'd love to equip each preschool classroom with a device that will take pictures, play music and help with research. The kids and teachers love to learn interesting facts and see cool pictures during their preschool day! If you are interested in being sponsor or teaming up with a group to sponsor, please call Lara Fink at 480 892 9166. Thank you!

If you have any questions about the preschool, please contact Lora Norris or Lara Fink at preschool@gilbertumc.org or call 480 892 9166.

"And do not forget to do good and share with other, for with such sacrifices God is pleased."



Kitchen Drive for UMOM New Day Center

FUMC of Gilbert will be helping families in UMOM's transitional housing program or that are moving into permanent supportive housing by putting together as many kits as we are able...with your help. You can build a kit or donate individual items from the list below. Items may be purchased at Walmart or The Dollar Tree. Tags for individual items will be distributed at Services, you may take as many tags as you are able to purchase. We will have a wide variety of requests so that anyone and everyone can participate by purchasing one or more item(s) to build a kitchen set. We need new and gently used items.



Kitchen Kit: Pots & Pans, *Kitchen Utensil set (including can opener & measuring cups)*, Set of dishes, Cutting Board set, Kitchen Knife, Utensils, Dish Towels, *Set of cups or glasses*, Mixing Bowl, Tupperware.

Watkins Homeless Shelter Volunteers Needed

Volunteers are needed to help cook a hot meal in the church kitchen on *September 12th* from 2:00-4:00pm and serve the meal at the shelter in Phoenix from 5:00-7:00pm. Meet at the church at 4:30pm to caravan. Children are encouraged to participate with parent supervision by handing out the utensils or other age-appropriate tasks. If you are interested, please sign up on the Missions Team kiosk located in the activity center. In addition, travel size toiletry items, clothing, and shoes of all sizes are being collected to deliver to the shelter as well. All donations can be dropped off in the activity center.

UMOM Walk for Homeless Families



The Missions Team has started a team for the UMOM Walk for Homeless Families on Saturday, September 26th at the PHX Zoo. Can you please add this to the weekly newsletter as well as the Evangel (if possible). Early-bird registration is only \$25 for adults and \$20 for students until September 15, 2015. Children under 3 are free and do not need to register.

All registered walkers, in attendance, will receive FREE admission into the zoo that day! Registration fees increase after Sept. 15th so sign up now! [First United Methodist Church of Gilbert - Team Page](#)

These efforts are organized and planned by our Missions Team. Please feel free to contact the committee co-chairs Laura Contreras or Sandra Toney for more information at missions@fumcgilbert.



Centennial

Celebration

Serving

On August 15, 2015, over 80 church members met to package food for Feed My Starving Children.

Our group packed: 152 Boxes or 32,832 Meals. This feeds 89 kids one meal a day for a year.

The food packed in honor of our 100th Anniversary went to feed hungry children in Cambodia.

Church members were amazing as they smiled through their hairnets and joyfully completed the task at hand.



FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN



CELEBRATION DAY OF WORSHIP

Our children sang "Jesus Light Me Up" by Beth Boesch. Hailey Palmer sang "The Call of Wisdom". Guest speaker Rev. Dr. Richard Morrison gave a sermon that spoke to our past and future.



Giving

All three services were blessed with those giving their talents. The sanctuary was filled with so many amazing people who have been a part of this church's history and those who will shape its future. So much excitement for the next 100 years!



Reverends Bob Burns, Deborah Lerner, Eve Williams, David Harriss, Bob Stanley, Dan Morely, Matt Ashley and guest speaker Dr. Richard Morrison



Welcoming

Welcomed in the next 100 years with food, music, stories from June Morrison, a sing-a-long led by Marty Province, Dirk Smith and Paul Perry and words from Gilbert Mayor John Lewis.

Thank you to everyone who helped make this happen and to all who came to celebrate!!

CENTENNIAL LUNCHEON

Over 300 people (the most we have ever seated) filled the Activity Center to be a part of the Centennial Celebration.

We've Gone Orange!!

Children & Youth Ministries are Mixing Red & Yellow



Orange is a path, a strategy that combines the strength of two—yellow and red to create the brilliance of another, Orange. The light of the church is yellow. The love of the family is red. The Orange strategy synchronizes efforts between the church and family to show a generation who God is, more effectively than either could be alone.

There are three age-focused segments of the program:

- First Look is designed to incite wonder in the heart of a preschooler. The curriculum gives preschoolers their introduction to the story of God by providing weekly Bible story presentations that are highly creative, interactive and age-specific.
- 252 Basics provokes discovery in the heart of a child. The story of God reveals the character of God. That's why 252 Basics is organized around key Bible stories that help kids discover Jesus and reflect His character to the world around them.
- XP3 fuels passion in the heart of a teenager. XP3 engages students with the timeless truths of scripture in a way that is applicable to their culture and stage of life.

For each age group there are Parent CUEs that can be printed or emailed. These provide a summary of the weekly lesson and suggested activities that parents can do easily with their child(ren).

Your Orange Staff Team

Marsh Lehman at childrensministry@gilbertumc.org (up to 6th grade)

Ryan Collins at youthministry@gilbertumc.org (Jr/Sr High)

Safe Sanctuary and Children's Ministry

With many new faces teaching our young children in Sunday School, this reminder is to help EVERYONE be on the same page when it comes to Safe Sanctuary.

- All Sunday School Teachers go through a background check and training.
- We adhere to the Rule of 3 at all times (parents – you might be asked to stay in the classroom until another student arrives).
- All volunteers are familiar with simple first aid, location of AED's, Lockdown protocol, and evacuation procedures.

In working with Children's Ministry to ensure the safety of all the children on campus during Sunday mornings, please adhere to the new procedure of signing out your child in the classroom, regardless of their grade. This ensures the safety of the children as well as giving the parent, a great opportunity to meet the teacher and see what is happening in the classrooms.



REGULAR GATHERINGS

Sunday Mornings, 9:30-10:30

Junior High in room 200

Senior High in room 140

Sunday Evenings, 5:00-7:00

Youth Choir/Band Practice

If you sing or play an instrument, join us in the Sanctuary on Sundays from 12:30-1:30pm!

Confirmation Wednesdays

Confirmation classes are from 6:30-7:30pm in room 140.

Subscribe to get Text Updates

- For High School updates, text "FUMCGHIGHSCHOOL" to 86677.
- For Junior High Updates, Text "FUMCGJUNIORHIGH" to 86677.
- For Parent Updates, Text "FUMCGPARENTS" to 86677.
- For all Student Updates, Text "FUMCSTUDENTS" to 86677.

Opportunities

Preschool

First Look

Designed for babies through 5 years olds. Every element centers on giving preschoolers a first impression of their loving heavenly Father. They will learn three basic truths God made me, God loves me and Jesus wants to be my friend forever.



www.gilbertpreschool.com

Nursery Care

Professional Nursery Care is available during worship service, Sunday school and Wednesday night programming. Contact Dina at nursery@gilbertumc.org to reserve a spot. The nursery can also support meetings as requested.

Children

252 Basics

This month's theme is Dig Deep. Children will learn if you want to be wise, find out what Jesus said. Wisdom is finding out what you should do and doing it.

Kids Worship

Sunday School at 9:30am, room numbers posted on sign outside Sanctuary.
Sunday Worship at 11am in room 205.

Wednesday Kids Program

Children meet in room 205 at 6:30pm for activities, games and hand on Bible activities.

Youth

XP3

Small group discussions on prayer. How, when, benefits, making it simple to do, building a relationship with God through prayer.

FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY

Starting on Wednesday, September 9th from 6:30-7:30pm, students will have the opportunity to participate in a *Financial Peace University* course designed specifically for teens. The class runs 9-weeks and the cost for materials is \$30.

FAMILY PROMISE

On Friday, September 11th, the Youth will be hosting the Family Promise dinner. Any and all help is welcome and needed. This will be a great opportunity for students to come together, alongside of their parents, and serve others for a greater good. If you're interested and able to help assist and serve dinner on that Friday night September 11th.

Adult

Munch and Mingle

A time for individuals, both singles and couples alike, to come together for food and fellowship. Register today! This is a great chance to get connected to the Church, as well as build community and relationships with others. Register via the website or call the office.

Prayer Ministries

You can sign up to be part of the prayer chain. This is a simple way to receive an email, stop what you are doing and say a prayer for those who are hurting, celebrating a joy or just need prayer warriors. A brief training is required.

Blessings of the Animals Volunteers

We need help setting up, directing people, manning a pet photo booth and providing information about our church on 10/4 in the afternoon. To volunteer contact Adriana at Adriana.143.10@gmail.com. All help is welcome.

Healthy Tools For Leaders

Let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven. Matthew 5:16

As Christians and church leaders we sometimes need to help someone to find the right tool for themselves or for others. Talking Books library is one of those very valuable tools that you need to know about. Look around in your life, in your church, your work or your family, you will likely find someone who could benefit from this information.

This tool can help someone to participate more fully in a book club, bible study, as well as to keep current with the events around the world. If you know of someone who might benefit from this they may need your assistance in getting through the process of eligibility. After it is in place and they begin to use it regularly they are able to gain some autonomy and some insight to what they have been missing and your efforts will become a blessing.

Peace be with you,
Therese Pineda RN Health Ministry



Arizona Talking Book Library provides books, magazines and other library resources in alternative formats for all Arizona resi-

dents whose visual or physical disabilities prevent the reading of conventional print materials.

This includes bibles, prayer books and other religious and spiritual publications. Talking books and magazines are very often used by the aging population with low vision. However, it is and can be a great tool for teens and adults who have a disability that can become an ability with the right tool. Arizona Talking Book provides a Lending Library and a device to play the recordings. Contact the Arizona Talking Book Library to request a print application form. Submit a request by email or call 602-255-5578; outside the Phoenix area 800-255-5578. Fill out the online application form found at www.azlibrary.gov. Print and complete the form. It is recommended to send it certified and mail or fax it to the Talking Book Library

Look What Your Giving Is Helping Us Do

Thank you for your faithful and generous support of our church. Your donations to the church's General Fund have helped:

- Provide 8 adult classes which started in August
- Allow our Associate Pastor and Family & Youth Director to plan and carry out 4 Friday Night Live family activity nights over the summer, attended by about 160 people.
- Allow our Children's Ministry Director and Youth Director to offer our exciting new curriculum, Orange. The children and youth of our church, together with their families and volunteer leaders, will partner for an engaging small group approach to Christian education.
- Support our local church conference and the United Methodist Church in the Imagine No Malaria program.

Without your gifts, we could not do this work which is all focused on our Mission "To Lead People of All Ages On the Journey to Become Deeply Devoted Followers of Jesus"!

If you have any questions about the church's finances, please contact Garin Campbell, Finance Chair (623-363-0662, Financechair@gilbertumc.org) or Deanna Helland, Church Treasurer/Accountant (480-892-9166, accountant@gilbertumc.org).

The scan reader below is for giving via your mobile device. Click on the Tithes & Offerings Button on our website to process your donation on-line.



Basic Mission Team Leadership Training

The Desert Southwest Conference United Methodist Volunteers in Mission (UMVIM) is hosting the training on our campus September 19th.

Effective team leader training can make the difference between a successful mission and an experience better forgotten. Prepared team leaders have the tools, insight, and knowledge to successfully lead groups in a mission experience that glorifies God through service done effectively.

Training topics include:

- Finding and selecting a destination, a host and a mission project
- Gathering a team—promoting
- Budgeting and raising money

The training will be held in our activity center on Saturday, September 19th from 9am—1:00pm. There is a \$10 fee which includes a light lunch and team leader manual. To register, contact Lorraine or Mike Eyer DSC UMVIM Coordinators, at 623-810-5600 or clnwe@gmail.com.

September Birthdays

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| 1 Audrey Lutes | 16 Courtney Griffith |
| 2 Sharon Barclay
Catherine Panella | Leah Harris |
| 3 Sabrina Boever
Kim Fairley
Kate West
Audrey Williams | 17 Christopher Odell |
| 4 Amanda Diegan | 18 Rachel Laske
Isaiah Schmidt
Ryan Palmer |
| 5 Travis Dare
Lindsay Wright | 19 Marilyn Pell
Jocelyn Rickman |
| 6 Emily Crann
David Harriss
Jenna Niederer
Logan Reynolds | 20 Maia Chiricuzio |
| 7 Melissa Coleman
Richard Frazier | 21 Alexandra Houseman
Cheryl Wedmore |
| 8 Valerie Barclay
Kathryn Barclay
Tom Knoll
Sophia Lyons | 22 Drew Ball
Clay Cowgill
Kel Vrana |
| 9 Dan Hahn | 23 Katie Bouchie
Cayden Bruce
Addie Fairley
Grant Wagner |
| 10 Justin Brooks
Ashley Minks
James Rogers
Elijah Schmidt | 24 Luke Alls
Elinore Englebrecht
Samantha Panco |
| 11 Justin Fink
Mary Beth Nance | 25 Bruce Faber
Danny Minks
Alexis Ryan
Chloe Smith |
| 12 Charlie Blackledge
Cindie Rempel
Lindsey Sutton | 26 Jaxson Christopher
Paul Prosser
Alexandra Schleiger |
| 13 Kathy Church
Jory Lawson
Melanie Lin | 27 Maegan Clark
Alex Martin
Lydia Ramirez |
| 14 Sarah Metz | 28 Hailey Pettengill
Randy Wedmore |
| 15 Laura Boever
Alison Brooks
Mandy Hansen | 30 Brinlee Cloyd |

Anniversaries

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| 2 Greg & Kelsey Skinner—15 years |
| 7 LeRoy & Elinore Englebrecht—67 years |
| 9 Stuart & Lori Wiemers—19 years |
| 10 Rick & Barbara Signor—59 years |
| 12 Richard & Judy Pierce—55 years |
| 15 Lynn Ingalls & JoAnn Mannion—17 years |
| 19 Michael & Sylvia Harris—5 years |
| 22 Tim & Debbie Anderson—24 years |
| 29 Brandon & Courtney Addison—2 years |

If we have inadvertently missed your birthday or anniversary, contact Adriana at 480-892-9166 or secretary@gilbertumc.org.



You are encouraged to pray for the churches and pastors of the Central East District of the Desert Southwest Conference. Please pray for the following churches in September:

- ◆ Velda Rose UMC, Mesa
- ◆ White Mountain UMC, Show Low
- ◆ Chandler UMC
- ◆ Justa Center, Phoenix

Altar Flowers

The Sunday morning altar flowers may be donated "in memory of" or "in honor of" a special person or event. The cost for each bouquet is \$32.40. There is only one Sunday left—September 27th. If you would like to donate the flowers for Sept 27th, please contact Adriana in the church office at secretary@gilbertumc.org or 480-892-9166.



Pizza with the Pastor
Sunday, September 13th
12:00pm

In the Activity Center

Enjoy a simple meal and conversation with the pastor and others from First UMC. We especially invite newcomers to attend, along with key leaders who would like to help our newcomers find their way among us.



Ask Me Anything
Sunday, September 20th

If you are a newcomer among us, or someone who would like to deepen your involvement with the church by finding just the right class or opportunity to serve, plan to meet with Pastor David Harriss, who plans adult ministry opportunities, and Lori Wiemers, who helps people find their niche to serve, for a brief conversation on the church patio right after each worship service.

Adopt a Window

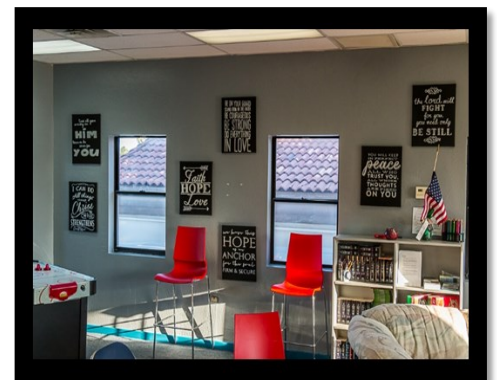
**OUT WITH
THE
OLD....**



**IN WITH THE
ALMOST
NEW**

Brianna Wiemers is working on her Gold Award with the Girl Scouts (her troop was formed at this church in 2003). The project is to “re-do” the junior high room with new “everything”.

The room needs your help, it wishes **WINDOW COVERINGS**. Would you like to “adopt” a window?? For only \$40 a window, you can adopt one.



There are only 8 windows, so hurry. Please send in your money and make sure to put “Junior High Window Adoption” in the memo line.

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News, sermons, events are being posted all the time. Forms for youth and children are available on the site.

www.facebook.com/FUMCofgilbert

We are posting updates to events, news, spiritual quotes and encouragement. Don't miss a thing.

www.facebook.com/fumcgilbert.youthgroup

Postings are going up regarding volleyball, upcoming events, pictures and other crazy things.

Don't miss out because you didn't check here!!

<http://pinterest.com/fumcgilbert/>

Help us create boards, become a follower, or just help!



Pinterest