

The Evangel

First United Methodist Church of Gilbert

October 2021



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Attendance
September 19th

Virtual viewing



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Office Hours:
Monday-Thursday
8:30am-4:30pm
by appointment
only



FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF GILBERT



Limited Opening of Campus

Worship Services

Limited includes wearing a mask on campus if not vaccinated,
You may do virtual check in and
prayer request from your device If you desire.

Services at 8:30 and 10:00.

Sunday services will be livestreamed on Facebook and You Tube
at 10:00 am.

Any changes in this schedule will be put in the
Weekly Enews and the website for the latest news.

Memorial service for Margaret Knoll

will be held on

October 9, 2021

At 11:00



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COVID Guidelines Update - July 29, 2021

A Word from Pastor Rick

Greetings Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

We, as a church, have been blessed to be able to worship in this time of COVID. After such a long absence, many have recently been able to gather in person and still others continue to worship virtually. However, there is strong evidence that the COVID situation is changing rapidly. The Delta variant, in combination with an unvaccinated population, is driving up the rates and seriousness of infections around the world and right here in Gilbert. We can expect things to worsen before they get better. Pandemic experts will update mask recommendations to reflect the reality of this development. These recommendations may get very strict in the near future.

What does this mean for you? I urge you to monitor the guidance from knowledgeable and trustworthy sources to enhance your safety. The most effective way to combat COVID is to wear masks in public settings and to get vaccinated.

What does this mean for First Gilbert? It means that we as a church need to be resolute in our faith, but flexible in our worldly expectations. **For now, the guidelines for in-person worship remain:**

Vaccinated Individuals – mask optional but recommended.

Unvaccinated Individuals – mask required.

Social Distancing – keep your family unit a comfortable distance from others.

Singing – subdued singing permitted, but it is recommended that you sing from the heart, silently.

We will need to be flexible as the pandemic landscape changes. With this in mind, I invite you to continue worship in the way that you feel most comfortable and safe. Keep your spirits up, and please reach out to me with your comments and questions.

Peace,
Pastor Rick
pastorrick@gilbertumc.org

TRUNK *or* TREAT

Sunday, October 31, 2021

6pm to 8pm



*Join us for this free community event.
Safe fun for the whole family!*

- Trick or treating
- Free hot dogs, chips and water
- Trunk decoration contest
- Live music!



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There will be decorated car trunk to vote

.....

And we will have hot dogs and chips and live music!



Come in costume with your kids.....

It is already time to talk about your annual influenza vaccine!

Influenza is an acute respiratory illness caused by influenza A or B viruses. It occurs in epidemics nearly every year, mainly in the winter seasons. There was a low number of flu cases last year, likely thanks to mask wearing and social distancing. This year, decreased adherence to pandemic precautions could create a very serious flu and COVID-19 season. The flu vaccine is not 100% effective, but if you do get the flu, the vaccine is likely to reduce your chance of getting very sick or being hospitalized.

It is recommended for everyone over 6 months of age, who do not have contraindications, by the end of October. Pregnant women and immunocompromised persons should also receive the influenza vaccine. If you are pregnant in your third trimester, the CDC advises you to get a flu shot so you can pass on the protection since your newborn cannot get their own shot for 6 months. You can get the flu and COVID-19 vaccine at the same time, but they will probably be in different arms. There is no need to wait for any period of time between receiving the Covid-19 vaccine and the flu shot. If you hate needles, the vaccine comes in a nasal spray. It can be administered via single-use intranasal sprayer. You can receive a flu shot from your primary care doctor, minute clinics, or most pharmacies. Individuals, who are moderately ill with COVID-19 may defer the vaccine until they are no longer symptomatic. This is also a general precaution and to avoid confusing illness symptoms with post-vaccination symptoms. Allergy to the vaccine itself is an obvious contraindication, but egg allergy does not always exclude vaccination depending on your allergy symptoms. Most flu shots are manufactured using egg-based technology, so they contain a small amount of egg proteins. However, studies of both the nasal spray and shots found that allergic reactions are very rare. There are some egg-free vaccines available. You should also get your shot at a location where the staff can treat you if a rare reaction does occur.

www.cdc.gov/flu/professionals/acip/summary/summary-recommendations
www.uptodate.com/contents/seasonal-influenza-vaccination-in-adults



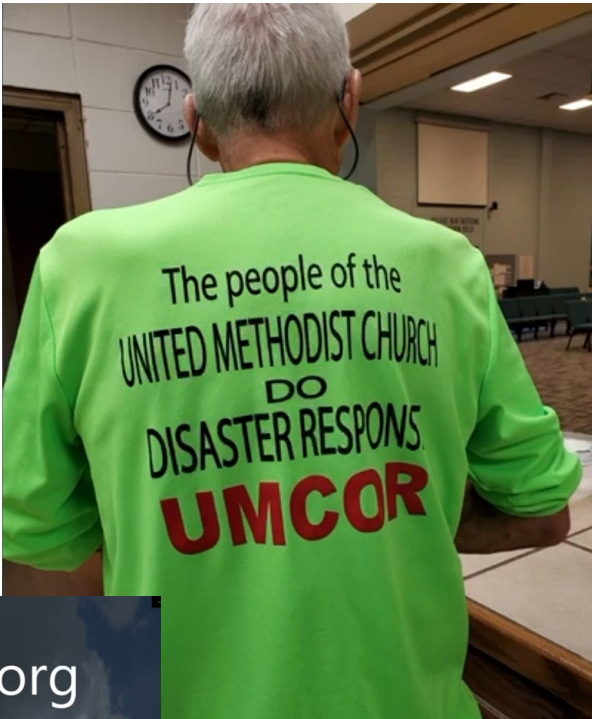


Early Response Team Missions

Recently a team of workers from UMCOR had the experience of seeing a disaster from beginning of Recovery to stabilization was astounding. To see the destruction of people’s homes, businesses was complete and you saw in the people faces. Last month one of our members, Mike Miller, went to Lake Charles, Louisiana with a UMCOR Early Response Team to do some disaster recovery work. Lake Charles has experiences 2 hurricanes and flooding in a short amount of time and there was a lot of work that needed to be done. So Mike and some others from the Desert Southwest Conference was able to go over there and help. They did some tarping on the roof and mucked out some houses. Talking to Mike, his favorite part was seeing the relief and thankfulness on people’s faces as they finally received some help.

Would you like to become a part of a UMCOR team? Team members require one day of basic training with an updated every 3 years.. Upcoming training Basic ERT is Oct 6 at St Matthews 8-5 fee \$25 register online . Please register ahead of time no walk ins will be allowed. They are also working on a second training on October 8th 8-5 at the DS conference offices. But is only in the works I would love to have a whole team from First Gilbert! Future projects include CA wildfires and mudslides and of course Texas and LA come and get trained and go on a Mission Trip! Look for more pictures and experience in Gila Bend AZ in next Evangel.





WWW.DSCumc.org
then click
RESOURCE / Disaster Response



**Get ready to bless our less fortunate neighbors
with a box of "fixins" for a
delicious Thanksgiving meal.
Imagine what your donation of **\$50.00** can do!**



Donation envelopes can be found in the pews or you may stop by the Missions Table on the patio to donate and/or volunteer to deliver the boxes in the afternoon of

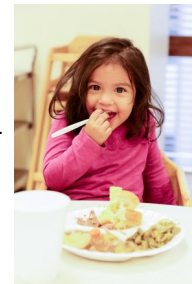
Monday, November 22.

Please contact Chris Cantwell at ccantwell2001@yahoo.com to volunteer to deliver boxes or if you have questions.



Family Promise is coming November 7-14!

Family Promise provides the resources, time, and love necessary to help families with children get back to self-sufficiency after becoming homeless. It is a scary and traumatic time for them. As a church, we have the opportunity to make a difference by hosting 3 families for a week of meals and overnight stays at our campus, Nov. 7 – 14.



It takes many volunteers to join forces to do this! We will need volunteers to set up/clean up, provide dinners, buy groceries for breakfast and lunch, stay overnight and do laundry. We especially need volunteers to stay overnight. We will have a private host room with a comfortable bed ready for you! You will be done by 6:00am the next morning.

Be on the lookout for the Family Promise Volunteer Sign-up Genius coming out in early October.

To learn more about this life-changing program visit www.familypromiseaz.org/what-we-do/ or email missionsteam@gilbertumc.org.

Missions at work in our Community

This year our project GES is going to be a year round mission, as the need is great. We have adopted two elementary schools in the Gilbert School District and we supply their snack closet. This is a closet that is used when children come to school Hungry or do not have money for lunch.

DONATION LIST FOR GILBERT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

******All food items must be individually packaged******



Gatorade

Water

Granola Bars/Breakfast Bars

Pop Tarts

Peanut Butter-filled or Cheese-filled Crackers

Cups of Mac'n Cheese(just add H2O)

Cheez-Its

Goldfish

Fruit Snacks

This is now a year round project!



Dear Family and Friends of First United Methodist

Church of Gilbert:

At First United Methodist Church of Gilbert, you have an opportunity to form a legacy of support for the church and its missions. When I consider all the blessings I have received from this Church, I realize that my time and investments of piano/organist, choir directing, Sunday school attendance, bible studies, greeting card making, uplifting sermons and many friendships have definitely been beneficial to me. So when you are considering your contributions, I encourage you think about the many blessings you have received from the Church programs.

- June Morrison.



At First United Methodist Church of Gilbert, we are the beneficiaries of those dedicated and visionary people who came before us. They had plans and dreams about what First Gilbert could become in the future. We are indebted to them for their steadfast devotion and mission to make a difference in our church, our community and beyond.

Today we can share in the future of those who will come after us. As members and friends of First Gilbert, we can continue the work of our forbearers in multiple ways through our Endowment Fund.

The Endowment Fund is operated exclusively for religious purposes. It is established to provide members and friends the opportunity to make charitable gifts to the First United Methodist Church of Gilbert that will become a permanent endowment for financial support and a living memorial.

The Fund is intended for Church purposes which are not funded through the annual operating budget; however, gifts which intend to supplement programs and ministries are appropriate.

The endowment is a fund set up by our church to receive gifts and bequests from multiple donors. It is maintained on a long-term basis and ensures ongoing support for the Church missions into the future. As a donor, there are two general categories for an endowment donation. One is a general fund that does not designate a particular ministry. Additionally, there is the opportunity for the donor to designate a specific recipient ministry. In this case, the Endowment Committee is inviting your participation in our efforts to provide ongoing support and funding for the following very important ministries:

- ☐ Mission
- ☐ Children’s Education
- ☐ Worship
- ☐ Special Music Programs
- ☐ Capital Improvements
- ☐ Youth Ministries
- ☐ Family ministries
- ☐ Community Outreach
- ☐ Healing Garden of the Beatitudes and Memorial Columbarium



We know that many of you have a passion for these ministries and have likely supported them over the years. The Endowment Committee along with Pastor Casebolt would encourage you to consider how you can join us in supporting these vital ministries in the future, with your gift.

We encourage you to look at the Endowment Brochures and related information on the church website at: info@gilbertumc.org. There are also details about the endowment opportunity in the Evangel.

If you have any questions, please feel free to personally contact any member of the Endowment Committee or the church office. We would love to visit with you about how you can be an important member of this work.

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To access the trifold brochure that Tom is talking about see the next two pages or to have a printable copy follow this link <http://gilbertumc.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/FUMCG-Endowment-brochure.pdf>



ENDOWING OUR FUTURE

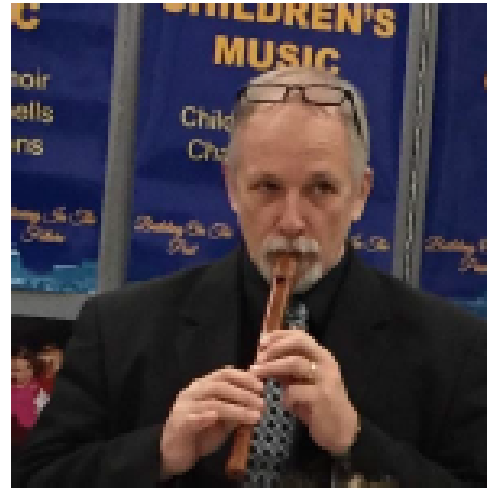
It's easier than you might think.

Help continue our work through a gift to our endowment.



WE CAN HELP!

To learn more about how you can make a significant gift to endow our future, please contact the Endowment Committee Chairperson. They would be happy to talk with you and provide a free illustration of the benefits of one or more of these plans for you.





WHY GIVE TO OUR ENDOWMENT?

The purpose of our endowment fund is to financially sustain the mission and work of First United Methodist Church of Gilbert. The principal of an endowment is kept intact and only the annual earnings, typically income and a portion of the capital growth, are used to fund current needs. We have established our endowment so that we can continue to carry on our important work in the years to come. You can make a significant contribution to further our mission - it's easier than you might think!

Here are a number of charitable gift and estate planning strategies that can benefit you and build our endowment.

BEQUESTS

A bequest is one of the easiest gifts you can make to sustain our endowment. To most people, the most familiar type of bequests are gifts made through a provision in a will or trust. You can make a bequest of a dollar amount, a specific asset, a percentage of or from the residue of your estate. Our supporters like the fact that bequests are gifts that are made through an estate plan and are revocable, meaning you still have the opportunity to change your mind.

BENEFICIARY DESIGNATIONS

In addition to "traditional" bequests made through your will or trust, you can use beneficiary designations to endow our work. It is typically easier to make a gift by completing a beneficiary designation form provided by your account administrator than it is to visit your attorney and update your will. Here are some of the more common assets that pass to us through beneficiary designations:

- Checking, savings and/or mutual fund accounts.
- Retirement accounts such as an IRA, 401(k) or 403(b).
- Life insurance policies.
- Commercial annuities.

The benefits of making a gift to our endowment through a beneficiary designation are numerous:

AVOID PROBATE-The assets you give away via a beneficiary designation will not go through the costly and time-consuming probate process.

TAX SAVINGS-If you have a taxable estate, your estate will receive a charitable deduction, saving estate taxes and will avoid income taxes on certain assets such as retirement plans and annuities. The combined tax savings could be upwards of 60%.

REVOCABLE-Beneficiary designations are revocable and can be modified at any time during your lifetime.

EASY TO DO-Simply fill out a brief form provided by your account administrator.

CHARITABLE LIFE ESTATES

Do you own a home, vacation property or farm? A gift of your property is another way you can help build our endowment. With a charitable life estate, you can make your gift to us today and continue to use and enjoy the property during your lifetime. This gift is as simple as deeding your property to us with a provision in the deed that permits your continued use. You are entitled to a current charitable income tax deduction, and the property is removed from your estate. In the future, our organization can sell or make use of the property for our mission.

CHARITABLE LIFE INCOME PLANS

Charitable life income plans such as the charitable gift annuity and charitable remainder trust enable you to make a future gift to endow our work while protecting or enhancing your current financial security.

If you have low-yielding assets and are seeking higher payments, a charitable life income gift may be worth your while to explore. In exchange for your charitable gift, you reap multiple benefits:

- Receive lifetime payments (for you and your spouse).
- Generate a current income tax deduction.
- Bypass all or a portion of the capital gains on appreciated assets.
- Make a future gift upon your passing to endow our work.

For more information contact the Endowment Committee Chairperson today!

Preschool News
www.gilbertpreschool.com



FUMC of Gilbert Preschool



Gilbert preschool



@gilpreschool

What we did in September:

- We loved getting to know our new friends! The children made bead necklaces to trade with each other as a sign of friendship to go along with our bible verse, “**And do not forget to do good and share with others, for with such sacrifices God is pleased.**” Hebrews 13:16
- Teachers were very busy completing Fall Assessments with the children and then facilitating Parent/Teacher conferences.
- We planted vegetable seeds in the garden and will continue to water and observe until we are able to pick and sample our veggies for snack.
- During class and in Chapel, we learned about Creation and how God created the world in just 7 days!



What's happening in October?

- **Fall Break: October 4th – 12th.** Enjoy this wonderful family time!
- **Preschool Fall Art Walk:** On **October 21st** our preschoolers will be showcasing their art work and projects in the activity center. Families will be invited to come and see what the children have been working on in the classroom!
- **Pumpkin Week: During the week of October 25th** the preschoolers will be learning all about pumpkins. We will measure, weigh, count seeds, and conduct a “sink or float” science experiment!





Did You Know?

Community Rewards Program

- Shop at Fry's Food Stores with your VIP card and get great savings, earn fuel points, and help our church preschool. Just go online to FrysFood.com, scroll to the bottom of the page and click on Fry's Community Rewards under Community. Log on to your account and search our organization number, **DM609**. You're all set! Your savings help us to earn money for our wonderful program. Thank you!
- **This is our 17th year!** We absolutely love seeing the preschoolers come through our doors throughout the week! We are so blessed to have this ministry!

The playground equipment was purchased by funds from Fry's contributions.



If you have any questions about the preschool, please email preschool@gilbertumc.org or call 480-892-9166. Directors Lora Norris or Betsy Marlinga would love to speak with you!

October 2021 Children's Ministry What's Happening?

Children's Ministry

Janelle Chiricuzio, Director children_ministry@gilbertumc.org

Preschool and Kinder



SERIES DESCRIPTION:

God made us to do big things. God has a plan for each of us—plans filled with purpose and passion. Plans to help and serve others. Plans to do good! David's life exemplifies just that. God planned for a shepherd boy to become king and be in the image of Jesus.

CORE INSIGHT: IDENTITY

WEEK ONE: David Chosen as King — 1 Samuel 16:6-13

WEEK TWO: David Protects Sheep * — 1 Samuel 17:34-37

WEEK THREE: David and Goliath — 1 Samuel 17:1-50

WEEK FOUR: David Helps Mephibosheth — 1 Samuel 20:14-17;

2 Samuel 9:1-13

WEEK FIVE: David Praises — 2 Samuel 6:12-15

BOTTOM LINE: GOD MADE ME TO DO BIG THINGS. "Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid... for the Lord your God goes with you." Deuteronomy 31:6, NIV

Wed Wilds

at 6:30pm

in room 205 Kinder-6th graders. Register online

On our website.

We need this to be prepared for the children please.

1ST-6th Graders



SERIES DESCRIPTION:

God is one of a kind—with no beginning and no end. Everything He has created is unique, including people created in His image. Every person is an original reflection of God.

CORE INSIGHTS:

IDENTITY • CONNECTION

WEEK ONE: Image of God — Genesis 1:26-28

BOTTOM LINE: You were made in God's image.

WEEK TWO: Matthew — Matthew 9:9-13

BOTTOM LINE: Knowing Jesus changes how you see yourself.

WEEK THREE: Lydia — Acts 16:13-15

BOTTOM LINE: Use your gifts to help others.

WEEK FOUR: Timothy — 1 Timothy 4:12

BOTTOM LINE: You can make a difference right now.

WEEK FIVE: One Body but Many Parts — 1 Corinthians 12:12-27

BOTTOM LINE: We can use our gifts together to make a greater difference.

"How you made me is amazing and wonderful. I praise you for that. What you have done is wonderful. I know wonderful. I know that very well." Psalm 139:14, NIV

Mission:

Collecting for the Turkey Box campaign!





Jr. High Sunday School
 Room #200 with Ron
 During the 10am Service
 Sr High Sunday school in
 Sr high room #201-202 with Ms. Cindie
 SSP (Sierra Service Project)

Youth News • 7th-12th Grade

The news we've
 been waiting for!
 We hope to be
 selected for a



week of SSP for next summer. It'll be lottery type system but I'll make sure we get out request in as soon as it opens. The two locations we will be requesting is #1 Smith River, CA (CA/OR boarder) and #2 San Diego, CA. We will share dates and begin fundraising as soon as we have more information!!!



St. Vincent de Paul Mesa Garden
 Volunteer Opportunity
 Saturday Oct. 16th, 8am-10:30am
 Saturday Nov. 13th, 8am-10:30am
 Come serve with us working at the Mesa Garden. Two
 upcoming
 opportunities, click [here](#) to sign up.

SAVE THE DATE

MORE UPCOMMING YOUTH EVENTS

(Activities are tentative and times TBD- keep watching Youth News for details)

- October 10th- Fall Fun Activity TBD
- Oct.16th (Sat 8am) Volunteer at St. Vincent de Paul Mesa Garden
- Oct. 24th- Pumpkin Carving Contest
- Oct. 31st- Trunk or Treat, Volunteer (afternoon and evening)
- Nov. 7- Youth Group/Activity TBD
- Nov. 13th (Sat 8am) Volunteer at St. Vincent de Paul Mesa Garden
- Nov. 21st- Youth Group/Activity TBD

The whole leadership team and youth leaders are keeping you and your family in our prayers each week. Please reach out if you need anything youthministry@gilbertumc.org !



The Book Corner

October's book is The Nature of Fragile things
by Susan Meissner

Judy Bristow will be leading the review of this fiction book which was published in 2012.

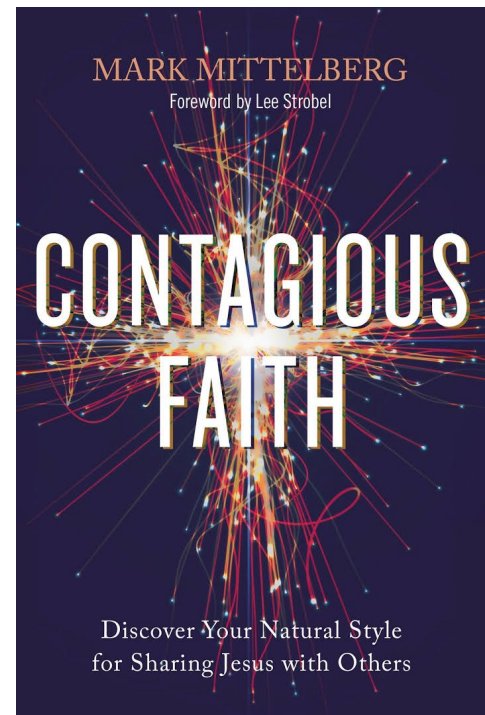
The Book Club will meet October 21st at 11:30 in Room 130 and on zoom.

November's book is Castle by Isabel Wilkerson, a non fiction book.

December's book is Skipping Christmas by John Grisham, a fiction book.

Tuesday Morning Bible Study

Our next book will be Contagious Faith by Mark Mittelberg introduces you to the five contagious faith styles; friendship building, selfless serving, story sharing, reason giving, and truth telling. Same format as before (in person only) no masks required (but optional) starting at 9:15 for some social time, prayers and praises at 9:30 with large group video then small group discussion. Please let me know if you want the book (so we can order enough) and if you need nursery care (so can let those that arrange that know.) We will finish our book next week then take Oct . 5th off and start 10/12 with this book. Please share with friends/neighbors that might be interested in joining our multi denominational Christian group. Contact Sonja at (sonja.ruhland@gmail.com) you can join at anytime. We are going to Feed my Starving Child on 10/13 from 430-615p I have slots available please email me if interested.



Mark your calendar for these other upcoming events:
(all small groups are contingent on Bishop Bob and the CDC recommendations.)

- In person is unlimited now. Masks will be worn, by the unvaccinated, recommend for vaccinated. Please be respectful and reverent in the sanctuary.
- October 3rd World Communion Sunday.
- Church Conference- On October 4th at 6:30 pm we will be having our 2021 Church Conference in the sanctuary. This is the yearly all church meeting where the members of the church gather to vote on the matters of the church such as receiving reports from the trustees and finance, clergy compensation, and lay leadership. The Church Conference is open for all people to attend, but only members of the church are eligible to vote. This will be in person only and masks are required.
- Preschool Fall Break October 4-12th. Have a fun vacation!
- A celebration of Life for Margaret Knoll will be held on October 9th in sanctuary with a time of sharing following in the activity Center.
- Youth Council Meeting October 10th at 1:00 in Rm 200
- Preschool Fall Walk art show on October 21st in our Activity Center.
- Pumpkin Week of October 25th will they sink or float , counting and measuring!
- Reformation Sunday October 31st!
- Trunk or Treat 6-8pm on Sunday October 31st! Come and join the fun!
- All Saints Day November 1st.
- Church office will be closed on November 11th 2021 in observance of Veteran's Day.



A Message from Finance Vicki Hanson, First Gilbert Finance Chair

September 10, 2021

Hello Church Family!

Like many other non-profit organizations and businesses, First Gilbert withstood the economic challenges the global pandemic cast upon us. Even though it is not over, we have physically reopened, and are now taking stock of a “new normal”. As your Church Finance Committee Chair, I want to start by saying THANK YOU! We’ve all heard how unprecedented the past 18 months have been with record job losses, financial challenges, not to mention health concerns and the inability to gather with loved ones. Some of you have felt the sting first hand. And yet even during those uncertain times, you remained steadfast in your giving – whether it was with your prayers, presence, gifts, service, and/or witness – even though it may have looked different. Because of your faithfulness, our Church was able to continue serving our community – and for many, during a time when it mattered most.

Where We’ve Been

Like most churches, First Gilbert UMC saw a decline in revenues as a result of the pandemic. Specifically, financial giving decreased by 13% when comparing March – November 2020 to March – November 2021. Therefore, to continue vital mission and ministries of our church, we asked our Church Administrative Council’s approval to apply for a 1st round loan through the federal Paycheck Protection Program (PPP). See the table for the amount we received and how we spent the monies. As the pandemic continued into 2021, we applied for and received a 2nd round PPP loan. As shown in the table, the 1st loan has already been forgiven, and we have submitted the 2nd for forgiveness.

PPP Loan	Loan Amount	How We Spent It	Status
1 st Round	\$107,000	89% on salaries and benefits, 11% on utilities	Forgiven
2 nd Round	\$109,346	96% on salaries and benefits, 4% on utilities	Submitted for forgiveness

During the season of COVID, even though our physical building was closed, the church was alive more than ever! These monies along with your continued giving enabled us to continue worshiping together by moving our worship services online; to continue our children and youth ministries; and to continue to serve and care for our church family as well as vulnerable people in our community.

Where We Are and Where We’re Going

First Gilbert UMC continues to experience a decline in revenues this year compared to 2020. We hope this trend turns around quickly because the need has never been greater. Therefore, as part of our #reconnect call to action, we are asking you to prayerfully consider your giving and making a financial commitment to our church family for this next year. If you’re able to move toward a tithe (a 10th), FANTASTIC! If you’re not there yet, that’s ok. Just like the fish and the loaves, give what you’re able to, and God will take care of the rest. Making a financial commitment not only helps our Church Finance Committee and mission/ministry teams plan for the upcoming year, it also helps connect us by returning to God a portion of what God provided us.

Thank you for your continued financial support of the life-changing missions/ministries of our church and I look forward to #reconnecting with you!

Vicki Hanson

Church Finance Committee Chair

We understand that sometimes situations change, so if you need to update your pledge for any reason, please let us know



Congregational Care Support Groups
For more information about groups and other support available, please contact Pastor Diamond at pastordiamond@gilbertumc.org or 480-892-9166

Grief Share Support Group will be online now

For those grieving the loss of someone close to them.

This support group. Led by Kay Pealstrom

is meeting on Saturdays from 9am-10:30am



Prayers for those in need

During this time of uncertainty we will be praying for those in need so please either call or email prayer requests and we will send them out to our dedicated prayer team. The office number is 480-892-9166 or the email prayers@gilbertumc.org. If it is pastors only request please mark pastors only and it will be given to the pastors.



And we will be praying for all the concerns and praises.

Your
Prayer Team

A graphic with a dark background and gold decorative swirls. It contains text about a text-to-give service and a small image of a smartphone screen showing a text message interface.

Text-to-Give

- † Text 480-712-1057
- † Enter amount with \$ sign
for example: **\$25**

For first usage only:

- † Register with link provided
- † Click "Process"

October Calendar of Events 2021

(All studies and small groups are contingent on Bishop Bob and the CDC recommendations.)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1		2 <small>grief share</small> Every Saturday
3 <small>World</small> Communion Sunday 	4 <small>Preschool</small> fall break 4-12th Church Charge Conf in Sanctuary	5 <small>Tuesday</small> Morning Bible Study 9:15 	6 <small>Chat N Chew</small> Noon Wednesday Night Bible study 6:30	7 <small>Christian</small> Women's Fellow- ship 9:30 	8	9
10	11 Columbus Day 	12 <small>Tues</small> Morning Bible 9:15 	13 Chat N Chew Noon Wednesday Night Bible study 6:30 	14 <small>Shawl</small> Ministry !:00	15	16 <small>Men's</small> Breakfast 8-9:30 
17	18	19 <small>Tuesday</small> morning Bible study 9:15 	20 <small>Chat N Chew</small> Noon Wednesday Night Bible study 6:30 	21 <small>Book Club</small> 11:00	22	23
24	25	26 <small>Tuesday</small> morning Bible study 9:15	27 <small>Chat N Chew</small> Noon Wednesday Night Bible study 6:30 	28	29	30
31 <small>Reformation</small> Sunday 						

November Calendar of Events 2021

(All studies and small groups are contingent on Bishop Bob and the CDC recommendations.)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 All Saints's Day	2 Tues Morning Bible 9:15 	3 Chat N Chew Noon Wednesday Night Bible study 6:30	4 Christian Women's Fellowship 9:30 	5	6 Grief share Every Saturday 9:00-10:30 am
7 Communion Sunday Daylight Savings Time Ends 	8	9 Tues Morning Bible 9:15 	10 Chat N Chew Noon Wednesday Zoom Night Bible study 6:30	11 Shawl Ministry 1:00 Veteran's Day office will be closed	12	13
14	15	16 Tues Morning Bible 9:15 off 	17 Chat N Chew Noon Wednesday Night Bible study 6:30	18 Book Club 11:00 	19	20 Mens Breakfast 8-9:30 
21 Last Day to Donate to Turkey Boxes	22 Turkey Boxes Delivery Day	23 Tues Morn. Bible 9:15 Inter Faith Service?	24 Chat N Chew Noon Wednesday Night Bible study 6:30	25 Thanksgiving church office closed 	26 Church office closed	27
28 First Sunday of Advent	29	30 Tues Morning Bible 9:15 	Chat & Chew Wednesday Noon Room 133 			

October Birthdays



LeRoy Englebrecht	2
Matthew Leach	2
Landon Bottesch	3
Bonnie Grimes	3
Steve Helland	3
Kynslee Kay Wiemers	4
Joe Taylor	6
Diana Ouellette	9
Jayceon Hunter	10
Chloe Tognacci	10
Robyn Oswald	11
Al Zangri	11
Justin Kopp	12
Kelly Wyatt	12
Connie Spittell	13
Samantha Boeve	15
Trevor High	18
Lora Norris	18
Claire Regnitz	18
Kyle Daniels	19
Jan Compton	20
Jo Goslar	20
Jeff Hemingson	20
Eric Sutton	20
Bob Skinner	21
Benjamin Smith	21
Sean Wyatt	21
Tim Ryan	22
Pam Stressman	23
Alice Van Orden	23

Connor Johns	24
Kenneth Brooks	25
Elizabeth Betty Larson	26
Brandon Sy	26
Charlotte Hazelrigg	27
Marie Blum	30
Ron Mason	30
Diane Rymer	30
MaryEllen Chuk	31



October Anniversaries

Date	Sweet Couple	Years Married
3	Lori and Jim Wilkins	34
6	Patricia and David Baker	42
7	Carrie and Peter Mueller	15
8	Diana and Odus Elliott	56
9	Pamela and Tommy Campbell	28
9	Denise and Richard Staley	33
10	Vicki and Steve Hanson	12
11	Janelle and Eli Chiricuzio	18
13	Diane and Mike Crann	33
19	Teri and Kevin Becker	30
21	Janet and Dan Bose	20
22	Deanna and Steve Helland	38
25	Jeanie and Trevor High	13
26	Kim and Terry Bowers	47