

First Church Kids

Come and join the fun at Kids Church during the 9 a.m. service! The children start with worship in the Sanctuary at 9 a.m. Then after the children's message, our incredible leaders will guide them to their groups by age. Parents are welcome to walk with us. At the end of the service, children can be picked up from:

Greenhouse (6 months to 3 years old) - Room 109 (8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.)

Cubbyhouse (3 years old to Pre-K) - Room 222

Fun House (K-2nd grade) - Room 221

Lighthouse (3rd grade to 5th grade) - Room 102

To Donate Altar Flowers on Sunday Mornings

In honor or in memory of loved ones, you can call Cathy Fuentes in the church office at 602-263-5013 x100 or stop by the church office when you are on campus. Every week we have two arrangements for Sunday services. Each arrangement is \$37. You may donate 1 or 2 arrangements. Please make payment by cash or check to FUMC. Call to reserve a day to honor loved one or special friend.



Afternoon Book Group

The Afternoon Book Group meets on the fourth Tuesday of most months at 1:30 p.m., in room 116. The next meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, May 28**. The book for **May** is **The Night Watchman** by **Louise Erdich**. We welcome all who love to read and discuss and travel the world through books.

The Upper Room Daily Devotional Booklets

The Upper Room magazine's mission is to provide a practical way to listen to scripture, connect with believers around the world, and spend time with God each day. **Booklets are now available in the church office.**

Message from the Financial Development Committee

Did you know that this year, the First Church Foundation has awarded scholarships to 14 students within our community? Twelve are pursuing bachelor's degrees, one is working on a master's degree, and one is dedicated to theological studies.

Over the past decade, our Foundation, known for its commitment to giving back to the community, has granted more than \$500,000 to deserving students. Your generosity has truly made a lasting impact on countless lives and futures. Thank you for your continued commitment to education, empowerment, and community support. Together, we're making a difference!

*With heartfelt gratitude,
Our Foundation Board of Directors*

First Church Foundation Beyond Our Walls

We recently received this communication from Haeli Miceli, Executive Director of the Desert Mission Food Bank.

We are grateful to have experienced firsthand the fantastic work of the First United Methodist Foundation of Phoenix! The Foundation exemplifies the spirit of community, compassion, and making a positive impact on the lives of others.

Desert Mission Foodbank guests have benefitted from the charitable efforts and donations from the Foundation. Between November of 2023 and February of 2024, we have been able to provide over 4,000 meals to our community because of your generosity and belief in our organization!

Please pass on our gratitude from the entire Desert Mission Team and the amazing community we serve!

Looking for a Way to Serve First Church?

There are many ways you can get involved while serving your First Church. Some require very little time. Consider hosting and assisting in the church office during 9 a.m. or 11 a.m. worship services or helping fill the pew pockets during the week in preparation for Sunday services. Hosts are always needed for memorial services to prepare for receptions. If you are interested, please contact Cathy Fuentes at cathy@firstchurch.church or 602-263-5013 ext. 100.

Happening This Week

Today

9 a.m. Worship - Contemporary
9 a.m. Kids Church
10 a.m. The Table Adult Class (Room 116)
10 a.m. The Upper Room Adult Class (Epworth Room)
10 a.m. Faith for Today Adult Class (Centennial Room)
10 a.m. Kids Choir (Room 106)
10 a.m. Jr. and Sr. High Youth (Room 101 and Room 103)
11 a.m. Worship - Traditional
12:15 p.m. Faith for Today Luncheon (Centennial Room)
4:30 p.m. Youth Choir (Room 106)
5:30 p.m. Youth Graduation Celebration (Asbury Hall)

Monday, May 20

2 p.m. Covenant Sisters (Zoom)

Tuesday, May 21

9:30 a.m. Yoga Class (Room 114)

Wednesday, May 22

9:30 a.m. Prayer Quilting (Epworth Room)
10 a.m. The Dressmakers Sewing Group (Epworth Room)
6:30 p.m. AA Group (Epworth Room)
7 p.m. Chancel Choir
7:30 p.m. Al-Anon (Room 116)

Thursday, May 23

9:30 a.m. Congregational Care Team (Room 116)
10 a.m. Games Galore (Centennial Room)
10:30 a.m. Weekday School Graduation (Asbury Hall)
4:30 p.m. Yoga Class (Room 114)
7 p.m. Praise Band

Friday, May 24 & Saturday, May 25 - no church events

Next Sunday, May 26

8 a.m. Covenant Sisters (Library)
9 a.m. Worship - Contemporary
9 a.m. Kids Church
10 a.m. The Table Adult Class (Room 116)
10 a.m. The Upper Room Adult Class (Epworth Room)
10 a.m. Faith for Today Adult Class (Centennial Room)
10 a.m. Jr. High and Sr. High Youth (Room 101 and Room 103)
11 a.m. Worship - Traditional

Our Ministry Together

The ministers of this church are its members; those who assist them are:

Carlo A. Rapanut - Bishop	Russ Morrow - Business Administrator
Javier Olivares - District Superintendent	Cathy Fuentes - Office Manager
David Rennick - Senior Pastor	Ron Rhode - Organist
Patricia Rodriguez - Lay Leader	Dr. Elizabeth Leyva - Children/Youth Choirs
David Whitaker - Lay Leader	
Joshua Elder - Minister of Music	Dan Hawkins - Campus Superintendent
Julie Cochran - Children's Ministry Coordinator	Geoff Berkley - Associate. Campus Superintendent
Beckie Humphrey - Director of Weekday School	John Riley - Custodian
Patricia Magyar - Congregational Care Coordinator	Derrick Sewell - Custodian



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First Church is an inclusive community of faith where **ANYONE** can experience the goodness and grace of God.

May 19, 2024 • 11 a.m.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE *Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer* Wood
Ron Rhode, organ

WELCOME Rev. David Rennick
(Please register your attendance on the **I'm Here** card found in your pew or **Online**.)

*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

*CALL TO WORSHIP Liturgist: Betty Cornish

One: Spirit of the living God, visit us again on this day of Pentecost.
All: Come, Holy Spirit.

One: With rushing wind that sweeps away all barriers,
All: Come, Holy Spirit.

One: With tongues of fire that set our hearts aflame,
All: Come, Holy Spirit.

One: With love that overlaps the boundaries of race and nation,
All: Come, Holy Spirit.

One: With power from above to make our weakness strong,
All: Come, Holy Spirit.

*OPENING HYMN - No. 68 *When in our Music God Is Glorified*

SCRIPTURE READING *Acts 2:1-4* Liturgist: Betty Cornish
Romans 8:22-27

Requiem in c Minor - Johann Michael Haydn (1737-1806)

Requiem aeternam e Kyrie
Grant them eternal rest, Lord,
and let perpetual light shine on them.
You are praised, God, in Zion,
and homage will be paid to You in Jerusalem.
Hear my prayer, to You all flesh will come.
Grant them eternal rest, Lord,
and let perpetual light shine on them.
Lord, have mercy on us.
Christ, have mercy on us.
Lord, have mercy on us.

II. Dies irae

Day of wrath, day of anger will dissolve the world in ashes,
as foretold by David and the Sibyl.
Great trembling there will be when the Judge descends
from heaven to examine all things closely.

The trumpet will send its wondrous sound
throughout earth's sepulchres and gather all before the throne.
Death and nature will be astounded,
when all creation rises again to answer the judgement.
A book will be brought forth, in which all will be written,
by which the world will be judged.

When the judge takes his place, what is hidden will be revealed,
nothing will remain unavenged.

What shall a wretch like me say?
Who shall intercede for me, when the just ones need mercy?

King of tremendous majesty,
who freely saves those worthy ones,
save me, source of mercy.

Remember, kind Jesus, my salvation caused your suffering;
do not forsake me on that day.

Faint and weary you have sought me, redeemed me,
suffering on the cross; may such great effort not be in vain.

Righteous judge of vengeance,
grant me the gift of absolution before the day of retribution.

I moan as one who is guilty:
owning my shame with a red face; suppliant before you, Lord.

You, who absolved Mary,
and listened to the thief, give me hope also.
My prayers are unworthy, but, good Lord, have mercy,
and rescue me from eternal fire.

Provide me a place among the sheep,
and separate me from the goats, guiding me to Your right hand.

When the accused are confounded,
and doomed to flames of woe, call me among the blessed.
I kneel with submissive heart,
my contrition is like ashes, help me in my final condition.

That day of tears and mourning, when from the ashes shall arise,
all humanity to be judged.

Spare us by your mercy, Lord, gentle Lord Jesus,
grant them eternal rest. Amen.

III. Domine Jesu Christe

Lord Jesus Christ, King of glory,
liberate the souls of the faithful,
departed from the pains of hell
and from the bottomless pit.

Deliver them from the lion's mouth,
lest hell swallow them up,
lest they fall into darkness.

Let the standard-bearer, holy Michael,
bring them into holy light.

IV. Quam olim Abrahae

Which was promised to Abraham and his descendants.

V. Hostias

Sacrifices and prayers of praise, Lord, we offer to You.
Receive them on behalf of those souls we commemorate today.

And let them, Lord, pass from death to life,
which was promised to Abraham and his descendants.

SHARING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

VI. Sanctus

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Sabaoth;
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.
Hosanna in the highest.

VII. Benedictus

Blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

VIII. Agnus Dei

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world,
grant them eternal rest.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world,
Grant them eternal rest.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world,
grant them eternal rest forever.

Let eternal light shine on them, Lord:

IX. Cum sanctis tuis e Requiem aeternam

As with Your saints in eternity, because You are merciful.

Grant them eternal rest, Lord,
and let perpetual light shine on them,

as with Your saints in eternity, because You are merciful.

Grant them eternal rest, Lord,
and let perpetual light shine on them.

PASTORAL PRAYER

Rev. David Rennick

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 trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

*CLOSING HYMN - No. 539

O Spirit of the Living God

*BENEDICTION

Rev. David Rennick

POSTLUDE

This Joyful Day of Days
Ron Rhode, organ

Wood

*For those who are able, please stand.

PLEASE set your phones to vibrate before the service starts.

PRAYERS TO THE CONGREGATION

PRAYER QUILT IN THE NARTHEX

A prayer quilt displayed in the Narthex this morning is for **Michelle Brinkley**.
Michelle is a friend of Jackie Lundblad. We invite you to stop, tie a knot, and
pray for healing, grace and comfort.

PRAYERS FOR OUR SPECIAL CARE

Brendan Pensis, Bonnie Rheume, Bobbie Rudd, Darwin Schultz, Buzz and Liv
Stevens, Jane Suddarth, Bev Sutton, Brenda and Jim Unsworth

DEATH

First Church is saddened to announce the death of **James Freed**, who passed on
May 5, 2024 in Phoenix.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES (Celebrating 50 or more years of marriage)

Grier and Carolyn Cooper 5/13 William and Dana Devine 5/22

SENIOR MILESTONES (Celebrating 80 or more birthdays)

Gael Edwards 5/19 Jean Hamsher 5/21
Bonnie Rheume 5/22 Marjorie Waggener 5/25

ACOLYTES

Alice Elder and Paige Pinkerton

HOSTS

Michelle Vanecko, Diane Davis, and Cathy Fuentes

PRAYERS FOR OUR CHURCHES

Haven UMC, Jerome; Lakeview UMC, Sun City; Liberty UMC, Buckeye

DESERT SOUTHWEST CONFERENCE

This year's mission project focus is support
for churches engaged in asylum and border
missions and is our communion offering for
May. Your offering can be made directly to the
Desert Southwest Conference using the QR
code.



Pentecost Musical Celebration!

Today, May 19

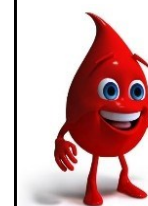
Both services will be packed with music!

9 AM – First Youth Singers, Praise Band and Praise Choir lead a high energy
service featuring modern music that celebrates the Holy Spirit.

11 AM – First Church Concert Choir, Orchestra, Organ, and Soloists present
Joseph Michael Haydn's Requiem in c minor.

This rarely performed choral masterwork is exciting and beautiful...come and
let your soul be stirred!

Join us **Today** to celebrate the birth of the Church...and invite a music loving
friend!



Blood Drive!

- Sunday, June 16, 2024
- 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
- Bloodmobile will be in the north parking lot
- Appointments are recommended!

Contact **Stephanie Espinoza** at 602-284-1258 or visit
www.donors.vitalant.org (Blood Drive code: firstunited)