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Message from the Pastor:

May I come in?

Summer is here, maybe not officially I think that date is June 20<sup>th</sup>, but for most of us it is here. Memorial Day has past, most schools are out or almost out and the temperature is rising. Ahhh, it is to be 110 by the weekend, summer is here! It is coming back to my mind why I left town for the past 6 years during the summer. Am I ready for what is to come? Well, that remains to be seen.

My plans at this point, I think, is to spend a lot of time in Flagstaff enjoying my RV and some cooler temperatures. The rest of the time I am looking forward to being with you at the church. It will mean some commuting back and forth but I think it is shaping up to be a good summer for me.

Now, what about you? I have already heard that a number you will also be traveling to cooler temperatures. Many of you will be coming and going enjoying what the summer has to offer. It will be easy to get caught up in all the activities but don't forget your church. When in town remember worship and don't leave me, the organist, choir director and liturgist all alone.

On to another subject; the work of the task force that was appointed after our two "focus sessions." It has been busy working with the information gathered, strategizing and planning. We are energized and believe that we are going to have some exciting plans to unfold for Fall. It is going to require the help of everyone to fulfill the ministry that we believe God has called us to do. Each one of us must play a role; if not able to physically assist everyone can make a commitment to be in prayer for our ministry to reach out to others.

Recently I came across this quote by the late Maya Angelou:

*I've learned that people will forget what you said,  
people will forget what you did,  
but people will never forget how you made them feel."*

That's what we are working on; a ministry to help people feel the love of God and how special they are.

Go and have a great summer but I hoping to see you most Sundays in worship.

See you in worship,

Tom



Annual Conference -- June 16-19, 2016 at the Renaissance Glendale Hotel & Spa

## JUNE BIRTHDAYS



James Simmons	June 6
Gladyhs Mercer	June 9
David Rowe	June 12
Ruth Wymer	June 12
Gail Everts	June 13
Linda Harmon	June 13

## COMING UP IN JUNE

Every Sunday	Worship	11:00 a.m.
	Fellowship Hour	12:00 NOON Following Worship
Every Tuesday	Choir Practice	4:00 p.m.
Every Wednesday	TOPS	9:00 a.m.
	AA	7:00 p.m.

[Aldersgate Annual Charge Conference is scheduled for Saturday, October 29, 2016 from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. with Reverend Susan Brims.](#)

Phyllis Soberg, provides the following information:

### ALDERSGATE FOUNDATIONS

A short meeting will be held after church service on Sunday, June 12<sup>th</sup> for the consideration of scholarships.

### UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

Monthly June meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 7<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 a.m. for Lunch Out at Jerry's Restaurant.

### CHURCH COUNCIL

On vacation for the summertime! No meetings are scheduled for June, July and August.

### REWARDS PROGRAM

BASHAS': Buy a gift card from Phyllis for \$15.00, which is good for fifteen dollars' worth of groceries. Don't throw the card away, you can use it the next time you shop -- go to the customer service counter and add whatever amount you wish, then you can shop using the card. We will receive six percent (6%) of your purchases from Bashas'. There are no rebates on alcoholic beverages, tobacco products, stamp, gift cards, Western Union transactions, taxes, fuel or lottery tickets.

FRY'S: This program has changed. If you are a Fry's shopper, you must have an email address to participate. If you do not have an email address, please contact Martha in the church office to complete a form to create an email for your account with Fry's. We will earn three to five percent (3% - 5%) on your Fry's purchases.

Please remember, this is free money from Bashas' and Fry's.

**KARAOKE**  
On Vacation!

There will be no Karaoke night in June, but get ready to strut your stuff the third Saturday of July when we will salute the celebrities -- July 16th from 5:00 to 8:00 PM. Be there or be square.

Gail Everts

**FOOD BOX MINISTRY**

The pantry is in need of food. Items that are always needed:

plastic bags of dry beans and rice;  
fruit, Jell-O and pudding cups;  
powdered milk, cereal;  
saltine crackers, peanut butter;  
ramen noodles;  
canned meat (tuna, Vienna sausage or chicken) and vegetables;

If you can help by donating some of these items, drop them off at the church office from 9:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. on Mondays and Tuesdays, or bring them with you to church on Sunday mornings and leave them in the choir room. Thank you to everyone that has contributed.

**JUSTA CENTER**

Every day Mary, the staff nurse at Justa Center, sees a steady stream of members with all sorts of health issues. She checks blood pressure and blood glucose levels, and screens for minor and more serious health problems. Arizona's health care insurance for the poor, AHCCCS (Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System) does not pay for over-the-counter [OTC] medicines. So, if you are on AHCCCS, have no income and have a headache or a tummy ache, you're out of luck. Here is a list of a few of the OTC items Justa Center needs: all items must be in the original container with the manufacturer's seal in place - Tylenol 500mg; Aleve 220mg; Motrin 200mg; aspirin 81mg (uncoated); sugar free cough drops; Benadryl 25mg; Tums; Roloids; Imodium tabs 2mg; and denture adhesive cream.

Valerie Lintz

New church office hours:

Mondays and Tuesdays – 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.  
Wednesday morning – 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. noon



### ENCOURAGING THE FAITH

Of all my prayers, dear Father, this one is closest to my heart.

That by Your grace and mercy, You will bring my children to know You and trust in your son, Jesus, as personal savior and Lord.

Holy spirit, fan the spark of faint in my children until it gleams bright.

Enable me to mentor my children as I speak and act according to Your word and will.

Cover my failing with Your forgiveness as You preserve and protect the faith of my children.

In times of hardship, cradle my children in Your strong arms.

In times of joy, let my children give You the praise and glory.

In grief, surround my children with Your abiding comfort and Love. Open faith-building opportunities to my children throughout life and, at the end, welcome my dear children as your very own to heaven.

For Jesus' sake, Amen

**Aldersgate United Methodist Church**

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