

# KIVA

## NEWSLETTER

January 2025



# Sunday Worship

New Year's Resolution: Worship on Sundays

Join us each Sunday morning for worship, in person or online.

8:30 a.m. Worship in the Fellowship Hall led by the Band

10:45 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary led by the Choirs

Children are always welcome in Worship. Blue Activity bags are available in both worship spaces. We do have professional child care for those who choose.

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January: A Study of the Gospels

January 5: Communion

Scripture/Sermon: The Gospel of Matthew

Liturgist: John Arbuckle

January 12:

Scripture/Sermon: The Gospel of Mark

Liturgist: Sally Brandon

January 19: MLK, Jr. Weekend

Scripture/Sermon: The Gospel of Luke

Liturgist: Lana Rich

January 26:

Scripture/Sermon: The Gospel of John

Liturgist: The Molnar Family

## Faith Studies on Sunday Mornings



My New Year's Resolution is to be more succinct in my communication. So here goes...

Adult Education in January

**Bible Study:** Revelation (Every Sunday at 9:30 a.m. in Room A/B, in person only)

**Journeys in Faith (JIF):** Most Sundays at 9:30 a.m. in Room E/F, Zoom ID 868 3291 1992

1/5: New Year's Resolutions: Why Bother?

1/12: Evil: Who, What and Why?

1/19: No JIF

1/26 and 2/2: Reparations

Shalom, Lesley

### Market on the Move Saturday, January 4th

**7 a.m. Volunteer Set-up      8-10 a.m. Sale**

Come help CPC feed Tucson! On the first Saturday of the month (January-June) CPC will be a host site for Market on the Move. Rescued food from large distributors is sold to the public for \$10. It's a varied and large supply of fresh produce and whatever else is rescued. LOTS of people come to CPC for this monthly event. You're welcome to get in line and buy food, too.

ORRRRRR... you could come early and volunteer to help serve. Volunteers arrive at 7 a.m. to organize and set out the food for the day. The sale is from 8-10 a.m. Contact Cheryl for more information.

cdunafon@gmail.com



# Sunday Funday

Kids K-6th Grade

Happy New Year! Join us in Sunday Funday School each Sunday from 9:30-10:30 a.m. in rooms 6-7. We will start the new year on January 5th by looking at the Acts of the Apostles as we learn about Pentecost, the Holy Spirit, and the formation of the church. Bible stories are taught through a rotation method where we stay on one topic for about 6 weeks and learn about it through different activities such as crafts, cooking, science, and games. If you have any questions, please leave a message for Ms. Robin at the church office.

## 2-4 Youth Fellowship

It's a new season of 2-4 Youth Fellowship for 6<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> Grade Youth. Join us on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays of each month, 5-6:30 p.m.

January 12: The Return

Parents and Youth Kick-Off dinner and event

Come learn about the spring program and sign up to help.

January 26: Zombie Night



# Stewardship and Finance News

Thank you to all of you who have given of yourself in some way to the ministry and mission of CPC. Working together, sharing together, we have done some mighty things in the name of God. We are now in the process of closing out the books for 2024, making sure that all giving was properly recorded and giving statements are distributed. The giving statements will be available by the end of this month, January, for your tax reporting. They will come to you in an individual email so that you can print them out and present them for your tax preparations. If you need us to print them for you, just let us know.

We are excited for our 2025 Stewardship Campaign Theme: Making God Known in the World.

We are focusing on new efforts to update our AV systems which will allow us to see, hear, and experience worship in a much better and balanced way. We are interviewing companies and will hire the one we know can help us the best in the most cost-efficient way.

As we continue our search for an AV coordinator, we are also underway with developing a job description and looking to hire a part-time media specialist who can help us get God's Word out into the world through Social Media and other forms of media to help us Make God Known in the World.

Your continued giving makes all of this possible. Thank you for your support of the General Fund of CPC which provides the funding needed to accomplish what we feel God is calling us to be a part of this new year!

We are grateful for your generosity,  
Your Finance Team



# CPC Missions CORNER

**Market on the Move** – Mark your calendars for January 4, 2025. Market on the Move will be at CPC on a new schedule – the first Saturday of the month in 2025. We will need help giving out the food every month, or you can come and buy the great deals that they have. Market on the Move will be at CPC until the first Saturday in June.

**Care Portal – PLEASE HELP** -The Care Portal Organization is a network of people who help families in crisis. CPC participates in purchasing cribs and toddler beds for kids who have nothing to sleep on. CPC needs people who can help deliver these beds. Please contact Cheryl Dunafon at [cdunafon@gmail.com](mailto:cdunafon@gmail.com), if you are able to help.

**I Am You 360** – This was an exciting month! The small home that CPC funded is completed a great young man is moving in. His name is Edwin and is a lovely caring young man who needed a leg up. He is employed and plays in a mariachi band. You can see him in the picture below. Thank you, CPC for making this possible! If you'd like more info, go to <https://iamyou360.org/> Small Home Experience.



**Casa Maria Lunch Ministry**– starts the new year on Tuesday, January 28 at 8 a.m. Help make lunches or donate sandwiches. Remember we only need meat and cheese between two pieces of bread with no condiments. CPC continues to make the goal for sandwich donations. Keep them coming and thanks to all.

**Gifts of Caring** – The Gifts of Caring was a huge success. All the tags were taken and presents given. There were 156 pajamas given to the Angel Heart Pajama project, which fulfilled the request for one of CPC's favorite organizations, Haven Totes. Angel Heart distributed over 8,000 pajamas, books, and comfort pillows to children. The rest of the gifts were given to organizations helping children with cancer, Courtney's Courage and Candelighters. Based on the generosity of CPC, many children and families 6 this year felt the love of Jesus during this Christmas season.



CPC Hard at Work Fulfilling the Gifts of Caring tags



Haven Totes Excited to Give out all the great pajamas.

Candlelighters



Kathy Ogen with Courtney's Courage says Thank you!



**Military Support** – We provided twenty \$50 gift cards from the Davis Monthan Commissary to Family Services for Thanksgiving and Christmas. The cards are given to families who need a little extra help for the holidays. We also provided over \$1,200 in stocking stuffers for the VA patients and residents. These gifts were possible because of pledges to the 2024 budget.





# Flea Market News

**Secondhand Weekend resumes in the new year on January 11 & 12 as do regular collection days.**

Processing hours: Saturday, January 11, 9 a.m.-2 p.m.  
Sunday, January 12, 9:30 a.m.-2 p.m.

Donation hours: Saturday, January 11, 9 a.m.-2 p.m.  
Sunday, January 12, 9:30 a.m.-12 p.m.

(You may bring donations on most Wednesdays, 9 a.m.-12 p.m. and Sundays 9:30 a.m.-10:30 a.m., or call for an appointment)

**FM Team and Section Leads, please reserve Jan 19, 2025**, for the annual Team and Section Lead Flea Market lunch and planning meeting. We'll meet in rooms EF 12-2 p.m. to plan our upcoming sale of March 13-15. If you are new to the position, please make the extra-effort to attend.

**Flea Market volunteer recruiting** will begin in earnest both in-person and on SignUpGenius.com on Sunday, February 2. It takes a **big** village and we'll need **you!**

From our Quality Control and Electronic "guys": attach remotes, power cords and any other accessories to any electric & electronic items you donate. For devices requiring IDs & passwords, please tape those on as well. Thank you!

Some folks have asked about Pink Pick-Ups Furniture Taxi (520-268-5670). They are an independently owned moving company that will move your donations to CPC or your entire household to any location. The Flea Market Team hires them to store boxes after Secondhand Weekends and to do heavy lifting for the Flea Market each March. Since we don't collect donations, we encourage you to call the owner, Nathan Heuser for a free estimate. He charges hourly, with a one-hour minimum of \$125-\$150, depending on the volume and distance.

Donation questions, call or text Claudia Howell 520-850-0637.  
General Flea Market questions, call or text Pam Cullop 520-271-6678.

**The Flea Market Lead Team**

Pam Raines, Claudia Howell, Jan Marshall, & Pam Cullop



## Talk About it Tuesday

**Tuesdays at Noon** Zoom ID 839 0008 2868

Every Tuesday at Noon (Tucson Time) Pastor Steve hosts a Zoom conversation about the previous Sunday's worship and sermon theme. Join with others as we take our faith deeper.

## Wednesday Message

Most Wednesdays Pastor Steve sends out a special email just for a little faith thought and inspiration in the middle of the week. This is a special group mailing, so if you would like to be a part of it, email him a request to be put on the Wednesday Message list:

PastorSteveMelde@gmail.com

## Faith Filled Fridays

Each Friday at Noon (Tucson time), Pastor Steve broadcasts a few moments of faith and inspiration. Join him on any of our three broadcast sites (Just like Sunday mornings)

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## Men of Faith Breakfast

**Wednesday, January 15, 7:30 a.m.**

All the men of the church are invited to gather for breakfast. We meet monthly on the third Wednesday at Biscuits Café at 7026 E. Broadway Blvd. We pay our own way and have a lively faith discussion.  
discussion.



## Craft News

Happy New Year – hope it will be an excellent one for us all. Thank you for supporting our Craft Group year-round, especially during the annual December PW Craft and Cookie sale. Because of your support, it was the most successful one to date. As of this writing, the decisions on how to spread the funds to various organizations in the PW ministries have not been made, but we will provide a recap in the February Kiva article.

The Crafty Ladies meet each Wednesday (with very few exceptions) from 9 a.m.-12 p.m., in north wing classrooms A/B. New ideas and suggestions are always welcome. Breaktime is typically around 10:30 when we pause for a light snack and coffee or tea. This is a relaxed crowd of ladies who enjoy laughter and exchanging funny and heartfelt stories as much as they do creating crafts. Join us some time and see if what we do is a good fit for you!

Please Note: PW no longer collects empty prescription bottles. Thank you for your past support of that mission.

For questions, call, or text Pam Cullop: 520-271-6678 or email: [pjcullop@gmail.com](mailto:pjcullop@gmail.com).



**PRESBYTERIAN  
WOMEN**

### **Accepting donations of the following:**

Ronald McDonald House: Pop tabs, disinfectant wipes, and chemo caps.

Lions Club Glasses: Lenses, frames and any glasses.



# Our January Birthdays!

1 Sally Yauch	20 Ken Carpenter
4 Heather Nordbrock	21 Lee Hall
7 Paul Martin	21 Helen Price
8 Barbara Dawson	22 Wayne Cullop
8 Maureen Harding	22 John O'Rourke
9 Lana Rich	24 Mark Teece
9 Dianne Kercheval	24 Eb Wilkinson
10 Linda Demonbreun	25 Dean Friskey
14 Theo Melde	25 Penni Martinez
16 Oliver Melde	26 Laura Thompson
16 Cindy Ridings	28 Helen Samoy
16 Arlene Thompson	29 Chris Dye
17 Norma Jean Gwinn	29 Caydence LaPlante
18 Tom Elitharp	31 Judith Peters
19 Robi Holmaas	31 Bob McCleery

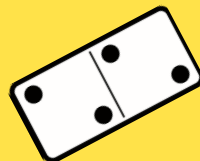
If we've missed your birthday,  
please let us know.



## Mexican Train Dominoes

Join us on Wednesdays,  
January 15 & 29  
in A/B

Have fun playing this challenging  
game of dominoes. We will teach you!  
First, third, and sometimes fifth  
Wednesday of the month.





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## Church Office Hours

Monday - Friday 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

(Closed for lunch 12 - 1 p.m.)

**Phone: 520-886-5535**

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## Deadlines

**KIVA** February 2025  
Articles due by 12 p.m. on Friday,  
January 17, 2024

**Weekly Bulletins and Friday  
News, requests for flyers or  
inserts**

Please submit your articles and  
requests by **Wednesday at  
noon!**



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