
A Message From Pastor Jay

SUNDAY WORSHIP 10:30 AM

Nursery and Sunday school at the 10:30am service

MASK WEARING IS NOW OPTIONAL AS WE FOLLOW THE LATEST CDC UPDATED GUIDELINES. REFRESHMENTS AND FINGER FOODS ARE BACK NOW AFTER WORSHIP IN PERKINS HALL

This Sunday is Father's Day and Juneteenth. We welcome back Denise as our musical guest! Pete will serve as liturgist. JJ and Ziggy celebrate Father's Day.

Our past worship services are now on the website! Click on the "past worship services" link on the opening page of the website and you will find all the services back to January of 2020! Thanks to Jim for letting us use his YouTube channel for easy access.

ZOOM FAITH FORUM SATURDAY 10AM

The Zoom Forum is taking a summer break - will return in September

[Watch Worship Services Here](#)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

NEEDED: CHURCH SECURITY TEAM MEMBERS

We really would like to have one or two more people to help with church security. Of course, it would be great if you (male or female) had/have military, law enforcement or security experience but, certainly NOT necessary. If interested, please contact Melissa Gates, 207-391-3276, mgates716@gmail.com.

NEEDED: GREETERS AND HOSPITALITY HOSTS

A new schedule of dates and 'empty' spaces are ready for all of you who would enjoy serving as a GREETER or HOSPITALITY HOST. The sign up sheet is in Perkins Hall.

**New Members will be received soon.
Let Pastor Jay know if you are interested in joining the church**

Musical Guest Sunday - Denise Nasso

Office Open by Appointment - Call Pastor Jay 928-899-9066

JUNE MISSION NEWS

JUNE MISSION PROJECT

Our June outreach emphasis will help fund two programs: our denomination's **Strengthen the Church (STC)** offering and the **Yavapai Food Bank (YFB)**.

Strengthen the Church (STC) is an annual UCC special offering with donations supporting new church development, creative ministries directed to youth and young adults, spiritual development ministries, and misc. projects addressing today's challenging issues.

The Yavapai Food Bank (YFB) provides food boxes for approximately 400 families weekly. Additionally, donations support "Start Right," a program to assist impoverished families needing assistance with back-to-school supplies and backpacks for K-12 children and youth.

If you would like to donate to either project, please make your check payable to the church, with the memo of **STC** or **YFB**. Mission donations which do not specify a particular project will be disbursed as determined by our Mission team members.

To date in 2022, mission disbursements have been made to: Prescott Community Cupboard (\$545); Prescott Area Shelter Services (\$755); Prescott Area Habitat

for Humanity (\$350); and UCC's One Great Hour of Sharing (\$335).

Our special collection for the Southwest Conference's Ukraine Humanitarian Relief fund collected \$3,735 (thank you for your generosity!) and a check was recently sent to help aid the struggling people of Ukraine.

May's mission focus was Frontera de Christo and will be disbursed and reported shortly.

As always, thank you for remembering that we are blessed to be a blessing (Genesis 12:2).

Mission Outreach Committee members are Gary & Patty Gard, Carolyn Christians, and Becky Bryant, chairperson. If you would like to serve with us, or have any other outreach matters to discuss, please contact Becky at (928) 910-2820 or beckybryant2255@gmail.com.

FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITY

AGAPE PASTA SALAD FELLOWSHIP WEDNESDAY NIGHT JUNE 22 - 5:00PM

In past years, we gathered for a soup fellowship meal during the week. Many are feeling the need to restore this meal so that we can get to know each other better— many have started attending since post-COVID lockdown. So, several people will sign-up to bring main course items to share each week. Bread, crackers, refreshments, and dessert will be provided as well. Come join us! No sign-up required.

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SUNDAY BULLETIN

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST FATHER'S DAY JUNETEENTH

June 19, 2022

10:30 a.m.

**Those who are able may stand*

GATHERING TO WORSHIP GOD

Prelude: "Somewhere Over The Rainbow"

Denise Nasso

A Time for Children Of All Ages – JJ & Ziggy

(Children are welcome to go downstairs for Sunday school after the children's time)

Words of Welcome – Announcements - *Passing of the Peace

*Hymn: "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore You" New Century Hymnal #4

Call to Worship (*from Psalms 42 & 43*) Pete Norum

Leader: Come, all you who thirst for the living God.

People: We come in search of help and hope.

Leader: Come, you who are acquainted with grief or oppression.

People: We come bearing our doubts, our wounds, and our fears.

Leader: Come, you who are in need of good news.

People: We come in search of joy, truth, and light.

Leader: Come and find refuge in God your rock.

People: Let us again praise the One who is our help and our hope.

Opening Prayer Pete Norum

Steadfast God, we go through times when we feel alone, when we feel like the world is against us, when we feel there is no one on our side. You are always there, our Advocate and Redeemer, our Rock and Strength. Bring us comfort when we feel despair. Remind us of your presence when we feel alone. Comfort us when we feel wounded by the actions of others. Help us to live into your hope, knowing that You are at work in all around us, and especially through the love and care of others. In the name of Jesus, who showed us your compassion, mercy, and love, we pray. Amen.

*Hymn: "Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound" New Century Hymnal #547

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

Gospel Reading: Luke 8:26-39 Pete Norum

Sermon: "Juggling Demons" Pastor Jay

RESPONDING TO GOD'S GRACE

Solo: "Song For My Father" Denise Nasso

Prayers of the People / The Lord's Prayer (use trespasses)

A Commemoration

Today, we commemorate the end of slavery in America.

This day partially reminds us of the progress made.

This day also partially reminds us of the progress we have not made.

We celebrate the freedom of black lives in our nation.

We grieve that we have not correctly reconciled racism in our nation.

You created each person in Your image.

The two greatest commandments call us to love You with all our heart, souls, and minds;

Then, to love our neighbor as ourselves. Your love for us motivates us to love each other.

If we do not love each other, then ultimately, we have not experienced Your love.

As much as we commemorate and celebrate Juneteenth, we grieve this day.

We mourn that our black brothers and sisters have not been loved as our neighbors.

We mourn that our black brothers and sisters have been treated less than created in Your image throughout history. So, Lord, we confess our sins and repent.

The healing and reconciliation we desire comes from the gospel.

On Juneteenth this year, we ask You to guide our nation. May the good news of the gospel motivate us to love each other. May the ideals of our words match the practices of our lives. May a fresh empowerment of Your Spirit unite us together.

Give us eyes to see and ears to hear Your will and leading.

- Peter Englert

Offering of Ourselves and our Gifts

Offertory: "Nature Boy"

Denise Nasso

*Doxology (tune: Old Hundredth)

Praise God the source of life and breath; Praise Christ, now born to conquer death; Praise Holy Spirit's mystery: One God, pure grace, who sets us free. Amen.

*Prayer of Dedication

Pete Norum

*Hymn: "Guide My Feet"

New Century Hymnal #497

*Benediction

Pastor Jay

*Postlude: "Will the Circle Be Unbroken?"

Denise Nasso

TREASURER REPORT

As of May 31, 2022, Income is \$65,563 and Expenses are \$63,739. Net INCOME is \$1,824.

Julie McCurdy, treasurer

CHURCH CALENDAR

Sunday Worship 10:30am

Nursery & Sunday School 10:30am

June 19 Father's Day

The Church of Firsts

Since 1957, the United Church of Christ has been the [church of firsts](#), weaving God's message of hope and extravagant welcome with action for justice and peace. Together, we live out our faith in ways that effect change in our communities. The UCC's many "firsts" mean that we have inherited a tradition of acting upon the demands of our faith. When we read in Galatians: "There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus"—a demand is made upon us. And so we were the first historically white denomination to ordain an African-American, the first to ordain a woman, the first to ordain an openly gay man, and the first Christian church to affirm the right of same-gender couples to marry. We were in the forefront of the anti-slavery movement and the Civil Rights movement. Our response to the demands of our faith is woven into the history of our country.

SUPPORT THE CHURCH

Online – go to our website: www.fccprescott.org and look for the tab on the front page You can set up regular, ongoing giving or one-time giving.

Use your credit card and get some points!

Your bank may have free online bill pay. You find the tab on your online account, fill in the details of the check as you would a regular check, and the bank will mail it for you! You can set up a one-time check or recurring scheduled check amount.

Make a check out to the church and mail it to: 216 East Gurley Street, Prescott, AZ 86301

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