CATALINA MONTHLY NEWS

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Desert Southwest Annual Conference: June 12-15

This year's conference is being held at the Rio Hotel and Casino in Las Vegas, Nevada. For more information about the conference and to register, <u>click here.</u>

Our church is joining others across the Conference to support food pantries in Nevada. More than 47 million people in the U.S. face hunger. Your support can make a real difference. To donate, please scan the QR code to the right.







Click Here to read Pastor Mike's article

MESSAGE FROM PASTOR KELLI

Click Here to read Pastor Kelli's article





Growing in Community & Compassion: Queer Fellowship & Service

Following the connection formed during our Lenten Queer Bible Study, a group of us gathered for a bowling night earlier this month—fifteen people came out for an evening of fun, laughter, and community, and we had a great time!

As we continue to grow together, we're exploring next steps like a Queer Christian book or film study. In that same spirit of community and care, we'll include this fellowship group to support Catalina's Reconciling Committee and Church & Society Committee partnership supply drive for TIHAN (Tucson Interfaith HIV/AIDS Network). This is a wonderful way to live out our call to love and justice in action!



New Mural in our Welcome Area

The sanctuary renovation is complete! Our final project was our beautiful mural done by Matt Robles. Our gathering area has been a big success. We are thankful to all who participated in this project and to those who contributed financially. Every Sunday, we see folks greeting newcomers and enjoying fellowship. Feel free to take family pictures in front of this beautiful, new, floor-to-ceiling mural!

MISSIONS UPDATE from Doug Wingert, Chair



<u>Click Here</u> to read Doug's update on the many outreach programs for our Missions volunteers!



RECONCILING COMMITTEE FROM DOUG WINGERT

June is Pride Month! At Catalina, we welcome and affirm all of those identifying with the LGBTQ+ community. This June, the Church Society and Missions team and Reconciling Committee will collaborate to celebrate two important events.

To read Doug's full report, <u>Click Here</u>.

CUMC DAY SCHOOL from

Carolyn Lovell, Executive

Director

Sign-ups have begun for "Camp Catalina" Day School summer session. For more information, email:

<u>Carolyn@catalinamethodist.org.</u>





CONGREGATIONAL CARE FROM TONI SMITH

Need a visitation? Contact Toni Smith by Phone at 520-403-5523 or by email at toni@catalinamethodist.org

KOINONIA CLASS WELCOMES ALL ADULTS



Koinonia is on break for the summer. Contact Rev. Dr. Kirk Reed wkirkreed@gmail.com for more info.



Women's Bible Study:

Come join us this summer for a Bible study with no homework! Summer in Tucson is a laid-back time, but we still appreciate being with one another. That's why we will be using the **No Homework, Group Hug** by Christine Tate. We will meet in the beautifully renewed Welcome area in our sanctuary from 9:30-10:30am beginning Wednesdays, June 25th and ending July 16th.

We would love to see you there for a no-stress, cool, get-together to learn more about each other and our faith journey. Contact Brenda Halferty for more information at bjhalferty@gmail.com or 520-481-6993

Men's Bible Study: Wednesdays @ 6:45am *Currently on Summer Break until after Labor Day!* We meet weekly on Wednesday mornings in Room E23 at 6:45 am. For those whose schedules allow, we plan on going to breakfast at 8:00 am following Bible Study.

There's a New Support Group at CUMC!

Church member Nikki Hampton is a
Certified Postpartum Doula, Patient Family
Partner Advocate and former Preschool
Teacher at Catalina Day School. Nikki has
been renting Room E22 from us to meet
with her clients and growing services.
Click Here to read more about Swaying
Saguaro Doula Services, LLC.



UPCOMING EVENTS

Mark your calendar for these upcoming events:



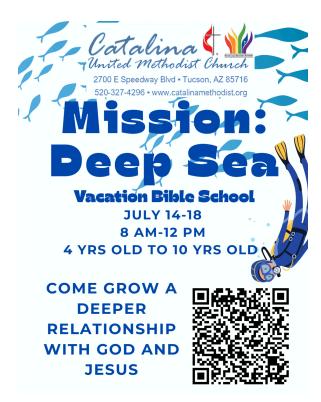
In From The Heat Concerts,. Saturday, June 21 and Saturday, July 26 (see ads below for details)

Camp Catalina Summer Day School

Contact carolyn@catalinamethodist.org for registration and more info

Mission Deep Sea Vacation Bible School, July 14-18, 8am-12pm (see ad below for details)







Register Now for

Mission U 2025!

Register Now for In Person
Meet the Study Leaders

Register Now for Virtual Flyer with Info



PLEASE BE IN PRAYER FOR:

- ...the family and friends of Mary Davis who passed on May 23.
- ...Bishop and Staff of the Desert Southwest Conference; Staff and Churches of the East District, North District and West District.
- ...An end to war, violence and suffering for all peoples in conflict.

Also of Note:

www.UMC.ORG/EN

Want to know more about the United Methodist Church? You'll find it on the website link shown above. Take a look.

You'll be surprised!

CATALINA LOVES MUSIC

If you love music too, consider joining our Sanctuary Choir which rehearses Thursdays @ 7pm in the Choir Room, or if you can read music, join our bell ringers on Thursdays @ 5:30pm.

Mariana@catalinamethodist.org for more info.

Catalina Cares - E-news Weekly

Are you on the email list? If not, click here and fill out the form. We'll add you to the list and you can stay "In the Know!" every Thursday afternoon!

UPPER ROOM ON LINE

If you love the Upper Room daily devotionals in print, you're going to love them on-line! Just go to:

https://www.upperroom.org/devotionals

Monthly Bible Verses

You can find them at the <u>Vanderbilt</u> <u>Lectionary Library</u>

If you would like a copy in print, please contact the office.

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