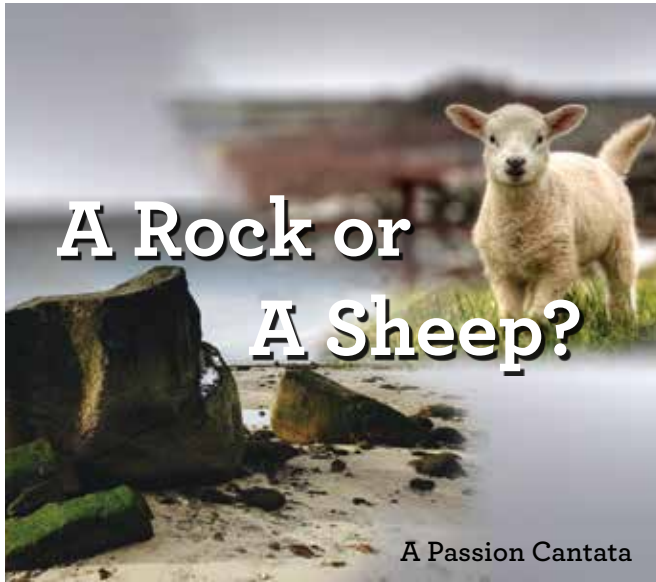


FIRST EDITION

MARCH 2018

ALL THE LATEST NEWS AT **TEMPE FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**



A Rock or A Sheep?

A Passion Cantata

SUNDAY, MARCH 25 | 9:30AM

Bring a friend on Palm Sunday for our special musical performance from our Sanctuary Choir! "A Rock or A sheep?" is Peter's reflection on the life and death of Jesus. A Passion cantata compiled by our very own music director, Warren Dennis.

The cantata will walk us through from the time Jesus called Peter to follow him to Jesus' crucifixion. Accompaniment includes piano and oboe.

This is a great chance to invite a friend and let them enjoy some music leading into our many Holy Week events!

Easter CELEBRATION!

SATURDAY, MARCH 31 | 9:30AM

It's fun for all ages! Join us on Easter Saturday for a celebration! A bounce house, petting zoo, games, crafts, lunch for the kids, and photos with the Easter Bunny! Photos start at 9:30am, with activities at 10am, and lunch from noon to 1pm.

INVITE-A-NEIGHBOR: Join our church members on Saturday, March 17 to pass out doorhanger invitations to our neighbors. Meet together in the church parking lot at 10am.



Find out everything you need to know about our events
on our website at: tempefirstumc.org/events

MORE EVENTS COMING UP



THURSDAY, MARCH 8 | 11:30AM

Four Score & More Luncheon

Our special celebration will be held in Ross Hall. This event is to honor our members and friends who are 80 and over. Those who want to RSVP or need more information can talk to Kathy Schock or contact the church office.



SUNDAY, MARCH 18 | 9:30AM

Children's Sunday

Our children are invited to run the show during worship on Sunday morning. They will lead us in song, have a special children's moment and then continue service in Sunday School. Make sure your children are here March 11 for a rehearsal during Sunday School and then be sure to attend this special Sunday on the 18th!



THURSDAY, MARCH 29 | 7PM

Maundy Thursday

Holy Week continues with a special service on Thursday that includes a foot washing and communion with a focus on the Last Supper.



FRIDAY, MARCH 30 | 7PM

Good Friday

Special service with music from our Sanctuary Choir & AfterGlow band. Join us in remembering the final hours of Jesus' time on earth.

SUNDAY, APRIL 1

He is Risen!

Join us on Easter Sunday for a time of celebration!
We'll have two services this day (no 8am service):
6:00am – Sunrise Service atop "A" Mountain
9:30am – Our Sanctuary Choir will be joined by brass instrumentation, our handbell choir, & timpani.

Want to join our eNews Newsletter for updates and announcements in your inbox?

Go to our home page at tempefirstumc.org, scroll to the bottom of the page, and click on the link "Join Our Email List"

SAVE THE DATES



SATURDAY, APRIL 7

United Methodist Volunteers in Mission (UMVIM) 2018 Mission Team Leader Training

Leadership Training Workshop is from 9am-1pm. There is a \$10 fee (payable at the workshop), which includes one Team Leader Manual and a light lunch. Two to four participants per congregation would be GREAT and provides much greater mission energy and leadership. This is a district training event, hosted at Tempe First in the Baker Center. The registration link is on our website at: tempefirstumc.org/events.



SUNDAY, APRIL 8

Street Requiem

“Street Requiem” will be performed at 3pm, in our Sanctuary. This will be performed by the Tempe Interfaith Choir, made up of participating faith traditions and the homeless community.

This is a great event to invite your friends and enjoy some good music on a Sunday afternoon!



SATURDAY, APRIL 14

Volunteer with us at Habitat for Humanity

A great way to help the community and learn new skills. We will need 6 to 8 volunteers for the day. If you are interested in supporting our Habitat team but cannot work at the site, there are opportunities to provide breakfast for the group. To volunteer and get involved, contact the church office or talk to Charlie Schock.

And thank you to all of you who made gifts to Habitat for Humanity in 2017 to finance our Spring build. Your generosity resulted in contributions totaling \$5,550.00 with additional gifts still to be credited!

MORE DETAILS TO COME

**Remembrance Vigil for the Victims of
School Shootings | Friday, April 20**

Spring Tea | Saturday, April 28

& ONE MORE THING

From the Reverend: “Every week—almost every day—I drive to our church and see the landscape of University Drive and Downtown Tempe changing right around us. This is an exciting time for our church, and a lot of opportunity for ministry to our students, and to all our future neighbors. Tempe First UMC has a bold and vibrant mission to proclaim. I’m looking forward to the conversations about Tempe First UMC and it’s future in Downtown Tempe.” —Rev. Camille Pentsil

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TEMPE FIRST UMC: MARCH 2018

Thursday, March 1

7:00pm The Bible Study

Friday, March 2

6:00am Urban Outreach

7:00pm AfterGlow Worship

Saturday, March 3

8:30am Body Works:Tone & Stretch Class

Sunday, March 4

8:00am Communion Service

9:30am Traditional Worship Service

11:00am Lenten Study

4:30pm I-HELP

Monday, March 5

6:00am Urban Outreach

Tuesday, March 6

6:30am Men's Breakfast & Bible Study

9:30am Tears, Milk, and Honey

Wednesday, March 7

9:30am Stitch in Time

10:00am Friendship Village Bible Study

6:30pm Handbell Choir Rehearsal

7:00pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, March 8

11:30am Four Score & More Luncheon

7:00pm The Bible Study

Friday, March 9

6:00am Urban Outreach

7:00pm AfterGlow Worship

Saturday, March 10

8:30am Body Works:Tone & Stretch Class

Sunday, March 11

8:00am Communion Service

9:30am Traditional Worship Service

11:00am Lenten Study

4:30pm I-HELP

Monday, March 12

6:00am Urban Outreach

Tuesday, March 13

6:30am Men's Breakfast & Bible Study

9:30am Tears, Milk, and Honey

Wednesday, March 14

10:00am Friendship Village Bible Study

6:30pm Handbell Choir Rehearsal

7:00pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, March 15

10:00am Love Knots

7:00pm The Bible Study

Friday, March 16

6:00am Urban Outreach

7:00pm AfterGlow Worship

Saturday, March 17

8:30am Body Works:Tone & Stretch Class

10:00am Invite-a-Neighbor: Easter Doorhangers

Sunday, March 18

8:00am Communion Service

9:30am Children's Sunday

11:00am Lenten Study

4:30pm I-HELP

Monday, March 19

6:00am Urban Outreach

Tuesday, March 20

6:30am Men's Breakfast & Bible Study

9:30am Tears, Milk, and Honey

6:45pm Dinner & Dialogue

Wednesday, March 21

10:00am Friendship Village Bible Study

6:30pm Handbell Choir Rehearsal

7:00pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, March 22

10:00am Unity Circle

7:00pm The Bible Study

Friday, March 23

6:00am Urban Outreach

7:00pm AfterGlow Worship

Saturday, March 24

8:30am Body Works:Tone & Stretch Class

Sunday, March 25

9:30am Palm Sunday Cantata Worship Service

11:00am All-Church Meeting

11:00am Lenten Study

Monday, March 26

6:00am Urban Outreach

Tuesday, March 27

6:30am Men's Breakfast & Bible Study

9:30am Tears, Milk, and Honey

Wednesday, March 28

10:00am Friendship Village Bible Study

6:30pm Handbell Choir Rehearsal

7:00pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, March 29

7:00pm Maundy Thursday Worship

Friday, March 30

6:00am Urban Outreach

7:00pm Good Friday Worship

Saturday, March 31

8:30am Body Works:Tone & Stretch Class

9:30am Easter Celebration

**Our calendar is fluid & ever changing,
please be sure to check out our
up-to-date calendar on our website at:
tempefirstumc.org/calendar



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Worship with us:

Sundays | 8:00 & 9:30am
Fridays | 7:00pm

Rev. Camille Pentsil, Senior Pastor
Rev. Rosemary Anderson, Associate Pastor
Rev. Jeri Wilkerson, Wesley Campus Ministry

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FIRST EDITION NEWSLETTER suggestions? or need to add something for next month? Please contact our Marketing & Communications Director, Jennifer Testamarck >> jenn@tempefirstumc.org

FEATURED MINISTRY

Tears, Milk & Honey >>

Tears Milk and Honey is a support group of women who meet to share concerns through prayer as well as a study group. On the 4th Tuesday of each month we are a service group. Some members lead a support group for care givers, and some cooking meals for our shower ministry in Ross Hall. Usually 8 to 12 casseroles are made to be used that week or frozen for future need. We welcome new members. Find out more from Sonia Burns or call the church office. Bring a friend!

CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS

Our Easter Celebration:

We have a lot of different ministry groups and volunteers already involved in our big Easter Celebration on March 31!

We're looking for a few more volunteers for helping in the kitchen and supervising a few games that we have planned and a supervisor at our bounce house! We're also looking for some side dishes to compliment our UMMen's BBQ.

If you would like to help out, please call the office or talk to Rev. Rosemary Anderson!

IN THE NEWS

A Big Thank You from UMOM!

Thank you members of Tempe First United Methodist Church, for your generous support of UMOM through your purchase of Holiday Tribute greeting cards during the 2017 holiday season. Tribute cards spread comfort and joy while supporting UMOM's mission to break the cycle of homelessness.

Once again, the purchase of Tribute cards by our congregation provided more than 100 nights of shelter!

UMOM continues to lead the way in breaking the cycle of homelessness by addressing the immediate and unique housing challenges of veterans, single women, families, youth and victims of domestic violence.

In the 2017 fiscal year, 1,850 households exited UMOM shelter programs for permanent housing and 275 parents found jobs through UMOM employment services. Additionally, UMOM was able to provide services to 434 children through the Child Development Center and after-school programs, 183 Veterans across all UMOM programs, and 761 youth experiencing homelessness through Tumbleweed, a service of UMOM.

This is all possible because of our support as individuals and as a congregation, who believe in UMOM's mission to end homelessness.

The best way to experience the impact you are making is to visit the UMOM campus by registering for a tour, or by signing up to volunteer. Visit umom.org to view a tour calendar, volunteer opportunities, and to learn more about UMOM. Or contact Judy Sarrett, UMOM Ambassador for Tempe First UMC. Thank you for spreading holiday cheer and ending homelessness, one child, one youth, and one family at a time.