



UNITED METHODIST
CHURCH OF GILBERT



September 1, 2024

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Welcome!

Services at 8:00 & 9:30 am • See gilbertumc.org for streaming information

**Please stand as you are able*

Pre-Service Music

(8:00) “Wonderful Words/How Great Thou Art” Marilyn Harter

(9:30) “The Love of God/Inatushinda (Swahili)” Praise Band

Ringing of the Bell

Welcome and Greeting

Pastor Adriana

Bringing in the Light of Christ

Prelude “All God’s Critters Got a Place in the Choir” Marilyn Harter

***Call to Worship** Liturgist

Leader: Welcome, Beloved of God! For truly, you are deeply, wonderfully, beautifully loved by the God of all creation!

People: Come, let us worship God who loves us!

Leader: Whether your week was filled with mountain-high joys or valley low sorrows, peace like a gently flowing river, or stress like a stormy gale, this is the time to rise and come away to worship God who sustains and tends to you.

People: Come, let us worship God who loves us and tends to us!

Leader: Beloved, the time for singing has come, because God’s love, care, and wisdom sustain and guide us with uncommon wisdom wherever we go.

People: Come, let us worship and sing to the God who loves, tends, guides, and sustains us! Amen!

Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, June 2024.

***Opening Hymn** “For the Beauty of the Earth” vs. 1-2, 4-5 #92

Unison Prayer of Confession

Liturgist

People: Creating God, you are the source of nature’s splendor—the beauty and fragrance of delicate flowers, and sweet sound of birdsong. We come to you this morning with delight and gladness, grateful for all of your wonders. As the fields produce their harvest, may your love grow within us, that we too may produce a harvest of love, hope, and joy. Amen.

Choral Response

“Blessings”

Chancel Choir

The Peace of Christ		Pastor Kristin
Leader: The Peace of the Lord be with you.		
People: And also with you.		
Song of Love	<i>"I Can Sing of Your Love Forever"</i>	Praise Band
Scripture Reading	Song of Solomon 2:8-13 NRSVue	Liturgist
Message		Rev. Dr. Kristin D. Hansen
Pastoral Prayer		
The Lord's Prayer		
Ministry Moment		Pastor Adriana
Time of Offering	(8:00) <i>"I Am God's Melody of Life"</i>	Marilyn Harter
	(9:30) <i>"10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)"</i>	Praise Band
*Doxology	<i>"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"</i>	#95
The Sacrament of Communion		
The Lord's Prayer		
Music during Communion		
	(8:00) <i>"Jesus, Name Above All Names"</i>	Marilyn Harter
	(9:30) <i>"Gratitude"</i>	Praise Band
*Prayer after Communion		Pastor Kristin
*Closing Music	(8:00) <i>"We Sing To You, O God"</i> vs 1	TFWS #2001
	(9:30) <i>"Sing, Sing, Sing"</i>	Praise Band
*Benediction		Pastor Kristin
Postlude	<i>"Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above"</i>	Marilyn Harter

*You are invited to the Activity Center (on the left as you exit)
for light refreshments and great conversation!*



FUMC of Gilbert

THANKS FOR JOINING OUR SERVICES TODAY!

Questions or Comments
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TODAY'S LITURGIST: Matt Roberts & Mathu Santosham

MULTIGENERATIONAL - ALL CHURCH

• FREE EVENT •

Sunday September 8th
Starfighter Arcade 1-3PM

4840 E Jasmine St #102, Mesa, AZ 85205

Caregiver Devotional

First Friday of each month, beginning September 6th

Via Zoom, 8:30am - 9:00am

Devotional and Words of Encouragement for those who are taking care of their loved ones.

Contact Pastor Adriana at 480-892-9166 or
PastorAdriana@gilbertumc.org to obtain zoom information.

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First United Methodist Church of Gilbert

BLOOD DRIVE

Sunday, September 22nd Activity Center
7 a.m. - 11 a.m. 331 S. Cooper Rd., Gilbert, Az

Office Closed

Monday Sep. 2nd

In observance of Labor Day

September is Suicide Prevention Month — a time to raise awareness of this urgently important crisis. Suicidal thoughts, much like mental health conditions, **can affect anyone regardless of age, gender or background.** Suicidal thoughts, although common, should not be considered normal and often indicate more serious issues.

If you need immediate help, you can call or text the **988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline** for 24/7, confidential support. If you prefer texting, you can also reach the **Crisis Text Line** by texting **HOME** to **741741**.

Some Additional Resources:

American Foundation for Suicide Prevention (AFSP): <https://afsp.org/>
Resources available in multiple languages and helpline in English or Spanish.

NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) Nami.org

The Trevor Project: crisis intervention and suicide prevention services to LGBTQ+ youth. Trained counselors available 24/7 via call, text, or chat at thetrevorproject.org.