



UNITED METHODIST
CHURCH OF GILBERT

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Choosing How We Shall Live

UNCOMMON WISDOM WORSHIP SERIES

September 8, 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) "A Still Small Voice with A Quiet Place" Marilyn Harter

(9:30) "I Speak Jesus" Praise Band

Ringing of the Bell

Welcome and Greeting

Pastor Adriana Hernandez

Bringing in the Light of Christ

Prelude (8:00) "Lead Me, Lord" Marilyn Harter

(9:30) "O Come To The Altar" Praise Band

*Call to Worship

Liturgist

Leader: Welcome, Beloved! Why have you gathered today?

People: We have come to worship God, who is the maker of us all!

Leader: Are you ready to follow when God's wisdom leads down unexpected paths?

People: We will trust, and we will follow wherever God's wisdom leads us.

Leader: Well then, Beloved of God, what are you waiting for?

People: Come! Let us worship and seek God's uncommon wisdom together! Amen.

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

*Opening Hymn "O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing" vs. 1-2 #57

Opening Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Liturgist

Choral Response "I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me" Chancel Choir

The Peace of Christ

Pastor Kristin

Leader: The Peace of the Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

We invite you to take a moment to answer the "Question of the Day" with someone around you.

Song of Preparation "Rescue" Praise Band

Centering on the Word

Pastor Kristin

Scripture Reading Proverbs 22:1-2, 8-9, 22-23 NRSVue Liturgist

Message Rev. Dr. Kristin D. Hansen

Pastoral Prayer

Song of Response (8:00) "Thy Word Is A Lamp" #601
(9:30) "Build My Life" Praise Band

Ministry Moment Pastor Adriana

Time of Offering (8:00) "Day by Day" Marilyn Harter
(9:30) "God Is So Good" Praise Band

***Doxology** "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" #95

***Unison Offering Prayer** Pastor Adriana

All: Loving Creator, we dedicate these offerings with hearts guided by your wisdom and grace. As we gather on this September Sunday, may our gifts embody the teachings of Proverbs, spreading honor, kindness, and justice to all. Use these offerings to uplift those in need, fostering hope and peace in our community. May we live out your wisdom in our actions and generosity. In Jesus Christ we pray, Amen.

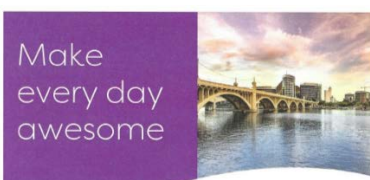
***Closing Music** (8:00) "Wonderful Words of Life" vs 1- 3 #600
(9:30) "Lion And The Lamb" Praise Band

***Benediction** Pastor Kristin

Postlude (8:00) "Shalom To You" Marilyn Harter
(9:30) "Lion And The Lamb" Praise Band

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

TODAY'S LITURGIST: Evelyn Plummer & Linda Martell



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



September is Suicide Prevention Month — Research shows us that while people don't take their lives for a single reason most (90%) have an underlying, treatable mental health challenge like depression. People deserve to heal, and we believe that therapy gives those struggling a chance to.

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.

Additional Resources:

-American Foundation for Suicide Prevention afsp.org Resources available in multiple languages and helpline in English or Spanish.

-National Alliance on Mental Illness Nami.org Families and Individuals

-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.

-To Write Love on Her Arms TWLOHA.com Suicide and Substance Abuse