



# Experience the Way!

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Rev. Tina Salvaneschi

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**February 1, 2024**

Dearest Holy Way Family and Friends,

We have **so much happening** already in our New Year! The Magic classes have started with Stephen, Novel Explorations have begun with Joan, the Craft gang has grown to over seven people, and the Bible Debrief is enjoying a lively group of twenty-three people! Our Holy Way family has kicked off the new year with a resounding commitment to service and relationship.

Meanwhile, this month we bring back our **Free Magic Show!** Invite your friends, neighbors, and grandkids as we offer the 3rd annual Outreach event to our community. **February 24, 2:00pm in the Sanctuary.**

**Ash Wednesday Service, Wednesday, February 14th, 3:00pm.** Come, participate in this moving service as we begin our lenten season at The Holy Way. If you have not experienced an Ash Wednesday service this is perfect for you. Come receive a sermon and the imposition of Ashes and a recharge as we journey towards Easter Sunday together.

**New Member Installation, Sunday, February 11th During Worship.** Are you ready to become a member of the Holy Way? If so, this is your day!

I recently held two membership classes, as I do through out the year. Let me list the three central values or ideas that shape the Presbyterian understanding of church membership.

1. **Covenant.** As with all aspects of the Christian life, church membership begins with God—with God’s covenant made with each one of us through baptism. From the beginning of the Bible to the end, God says to us, “I will be your God and you will be my people—no matter what.” And God fulfills this covenant promise again and again by forgiving us and re-creating us and encouraging us through all the failures and all the struggles and all the perplexities of life. The ultimate expression of God’s tenacity and love for us comes through the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus — where God’s Word becomes flesh and dwells among us—

taking every moment of human living and transforming it into the likeness of God. Such extraordinary love and faithfulness is the heart of God's covenant with us. And this holy covenant becomes the model for our human covenants, our human promises to be loving and faithful and constant in all the relationships of our living. Church membership is our primary covenant response to God's dependable presence in our lives.

2. **Commitment.** Just as God stays connected to us no matter what, we are called through church membership to stay connected to God faithfully, regularly, permanently—in good times and in bad. Loyalty and fidelity are becoming rare values in our fast-paced and novelty-oriented world. But it is only through long-term commitment and disciplined participation that church membership can change us and root us in what is really important. Every member of a church is a “minister”—one who serves God. And commitment is the fuel that energizes our ministry, year in and year out.

3. **Community.** In his letter to the Corinthians, the apostle Paul offers an organic image of the church. We are the body of Christ, an interconnected, interdependent, integrated community of believers, dependent on one another to make the church whole. Our covenant commitment is not just with God but with one another. And so as church members we admit our need for others and their need for us.

If you desire to become a member of the Holy Way, and have not confirmed this to me, please call or send me an e-mail before February 11th.

Please note, on Sunday mornings, Kathy is the Sunday school teacher focusing on the Holy Way children. She will not be available for office questions on Sundays, so please send her an e-mail or see her in the office during regular hours with questions. Thank you for your understanding.

Our office hours are Monday 9:00am-12:30pm, Tuesday-Thursday 8:30am-12:30pm. Telephone (520) 965-2249, my e-mail is: [tinasalvan54@gmail.com](mailto:tinasalvan54@gmail.com).

Blessings and Hugs,

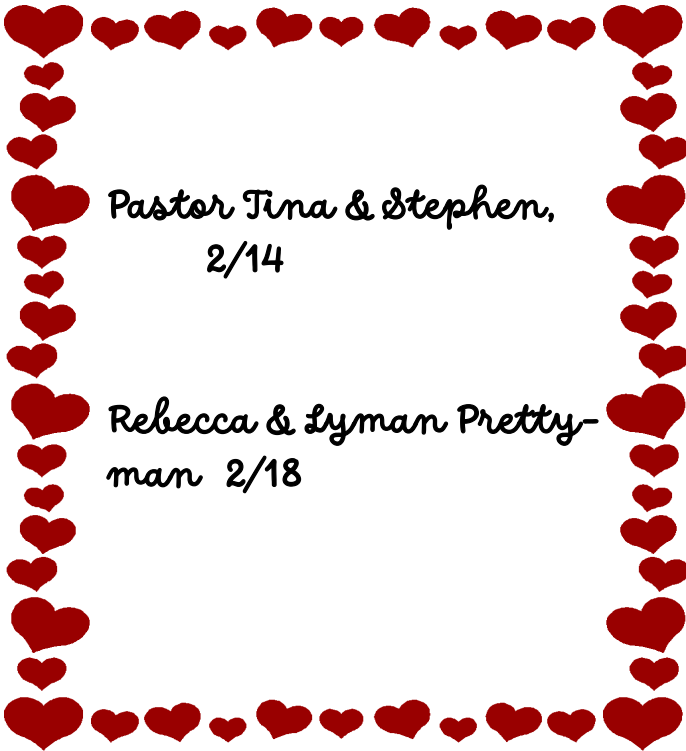
Pastor Tina



## February Anniversaries



## February



Pastor Tina & Stephen,  
2/14

Rebecca & Lyman Pretty-  
man 2/18

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Ali Clay 2/9

Gloria Dees 2/11

Ginger Bergquist 2/13

Janie Saxton 2/17

Peggy Hale 2/22



Is your Birthday or  
Anniversary missing from  
the Newsletter? If so, be  
sure to let the church office  
know or email  
[Kathy@holywaytucson.org](mailto:Kathy@holywaytucson.org)  
so we can celebrate YOU!!



Worship Service is Sundays  
at 9:30 a.m.

And you can access the Order of  
Worship at:

[www.HoyWayTucson.org](http://www.HoyWayTucson.org)

Click on the Worship tab, then  
Order of Worship tab.

You can also Zoon the Service.  
Zoom login information is:

**Sunday Worship Service 9:30 am**

This is a recurring meeting at:

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/  
82212701850?pwd=bHpaOUx  
OU3hNWkdIT0krQWtxUkNvZz09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82212701850?pwd=bHpaOUxOU3hNWkdIT0krQWtxUkNvZz09)

Meeting ID: **863 5214 4917**

Passcode: **448133**



*Join us after Worship on the  
scheduled Sunday for some  
great fellowship time!*

**Here's the Schedule for  
February:**

**1st Sunday, February 4:**  
Lin's Chinese Buffet Restaurant

**2nd Sunday, February 11:**  
Refreshments in Sanctuary

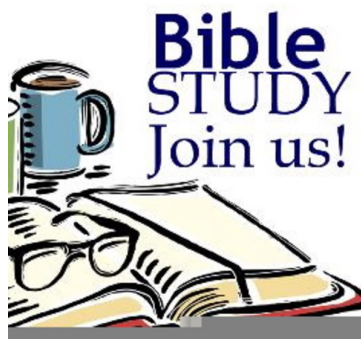
**3rd Sunday, February 18:**  
Fellowship on your own

**4th Sunday, February 25:**  
Refreshments in Sanctuary.

**Sermon Debrief Bible**

Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m.

Come and meet in the  
Conference Room.





**Deacons**

Tuesday, February 6, 2024  
3:00 p.m., Conference Room

**Worship & Music Committee**

Monday, February 5, 2024  
1:00 p.m., Conference Room

**Congregational Life Committee**

Monday, February 12, 2024  
1:00 p.m., Conference Room

**Worship Service Committee**

No meeting in February

**Session**

Tuesday, February 13, 2024  
2:00 p.m., Conference Room

**Outreach/Mission Committee**

Sunday, February 25, 2024  
10:45 a.m., Conference Room

**Knitting/Hand Crafts**

Every Monday 10:00 a.m.– Noon  
Conference Room



*We are so appreciative of all your donations and offers of help with our coffee and fellowship times on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month. Right now, we have over a 3-month supply of creamer, and at least 6-month supply of coffee which all has an expiration date. So for now, we do not need any more creamer or coffee. If you would like to donate a little money in the jars for cups that would be great!*

Next, the coffee air pots are signed out through Janie Saxton. Each air pot holds 2 brewed pots of coffee. Please schedule with Janie if you would like to fill an air pot up for the 2nd or 4th Sundays of the month. We really appreciate the enthusiasm and help that is offered, and look forward to our fun and friendly coffee times with all of you after service.

Warmly,  
Janie Saxton  
Deacon Moderator





## FOOD PANTRY

### January Report

Eleven boxes and one bag of food were sent to Sells.

The people in Sells wish to thank everyone from Holy Way for all the food that has been generously donated.

We accept all non-perishable food items. Please check the expiration dates. We cannot accept expired food. When selecting canned items, please try to select the cans with pull-tops. Many families do not have can openers.

Thank you so much.—Ginger Bergquist



Sermons are now available online anytime! Check out the latest Sermon or even past Sermons.

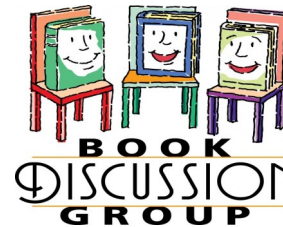
Go to: [www.holywaytucson.org](http://www.holywaytucson.org)

Click on the “Worship” tab.

Then, click on “Sermons” from the drop-down menu.

## ***Novel Explorations***

The Holy Way book Studies  
Facilitated by Joan Zaretsky  
Author and Professor



### **“Holy Moments: A Handbook for the Rest of Your Life”**

Join this incredible book exploration on Wednesdays at 2:00 p.m. with Joan Zaretsky. Joan will be leading an exploration of the book entitled “Holy Moments: A Handbook for the Rest of Your Life.” Matthew Kelly, the author, describes his understanding of Holy Moments in four chapters which we will review during the four-week study. One or two discussion questions will be given to you with each chapter to support your reflection and discussion at our meetings. Each meeting will be held on Wednesday afternoons (Jan. 24,

Jan .31, Feb. 7, and Feb. 21) at 2:00 p.m., and will last approximately one hour. These novel explorations will be held in the Conference room at the back of the Sanctuary.

Please let Joan Zaretsky ((520) 534-5385) know if you are interested as we have a limited number of books available. These books were ordered free of charge, so there is no cost to the participants.

Classes go through February 21st. No class on February 14th which is Ash Wednesday Service



# Kingdom Seekers

**Kingdom Seekers**—our new ministry for children is up and running! The kids have been having a blast learning about God and how he made everything—including us! Here's a few pictures of our Kingdom Seekers in action—



# Magic Show

**February 24, 2024—2:00 p.m.**

On Saturday, February 24 at 2:00 p.m., YMCAs, schools, charity events and many private and public events. Stephen specializes in fun and funny entertainment using a combination of magic, storytelling, and audience participation. When Stephen is not performing magic, he is an attorney who says he can “make his clients problems disappear.” More information can be found on his website at [www.manofmagic.net](http://www.manofmagic.net). Stephen will be joined on-stage by returning Holy Way magical performer Dan MacInnis, a retired Navy Rear Admiral, who used to entertain his shipmates with magic. Spread the word for this wonderful community event.

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*Stephen the Spectacular* is Stephen Levine, a magician member of the world famous Hollywood Magic Castle, the International Brotherhood of Magicians and the Society of American Magicians. He has over 30 years experience in entertaining children and adults. He has performed at the Special Olympics, CBS Studios, Flappers Comedy Club in Burbank, California, the Icehouse in Pasadena, California, The Hollywood Forever Cemetery, wineries, libraries,



**Magic Classes started Tuesday, January 23, 2024 at 5:00 p.m.** in the Conference Room. The Instructor is Stephen Levine. This is a six-week program.

Each class will focus on individual and distinct tricks—no worries if you must miss a class or jump in late! For those

of you who attended the classes last year, there will still be more to learn.

The tricks will include: easy card tricks, easy coin tricks, magic with everyday objects, how to read minds, where to get your props, and pro tips on how to practice and improve your magic.

For more information or if you have questions, please contact Stephen at: 818-426-6266 or email Stephen at [stephenlevine63@gmail.com](mailto:stephenlevine63@gmail.com)





# Financial Spotlight

In **December** our Contributions totalled **\$17,232.58**.

Our Expenses totalled **\$13,864.95**

A total of **\$3,367.63** was placed in the church savings account.

We now have online giving available! Follow the instructions on the following page to get your online giving started. You can even set it up to automatically donate every month so you don't even have to think about it.

Get started by scanning the QR code:



Or by downloading the Vanco app from your google or apple store and entering the invitation code:

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If you have trouble signing in, please contact our Office manager:

[Kathy@holywaytucson.org](mailto:Kathy@holywaytucson.org)



# Hand Craft Group

Everyone is welcome to come and fellowship

With the Hand Craft group.

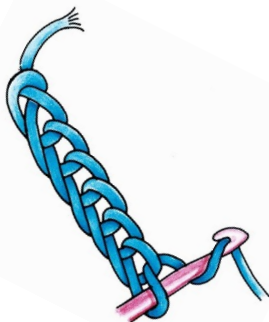
Bring any project you can carry

Or

Just come to chat and fellowship.

Mondays, 10:00 am to noon

Conference Room





Ash Wednesday Service  
February 14th, 2024, 3:00Pm

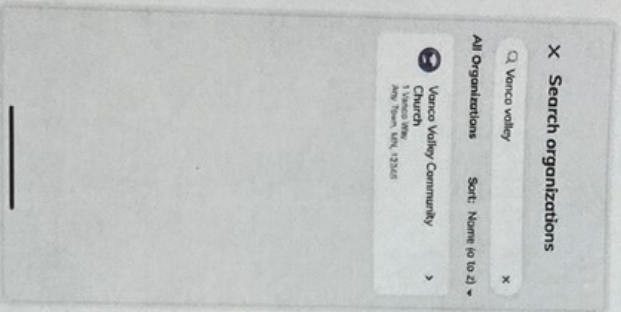
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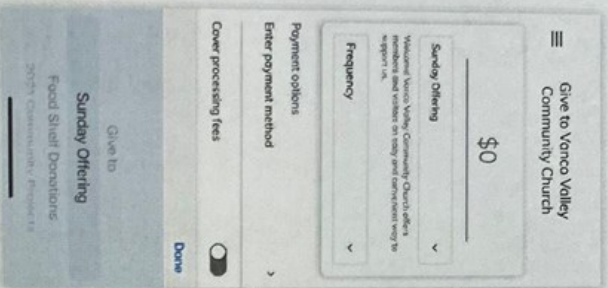
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Support our ministries from anywhere. Go to the App Store or Google Play to download the Vanco Mobile app for free.



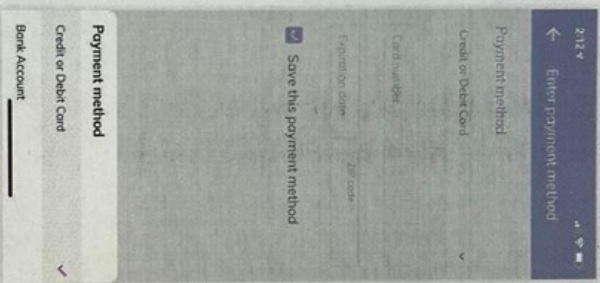
## 1. Search for Our Church

Enter our church's name or use the invite code and click **Search**. Then, select our church.



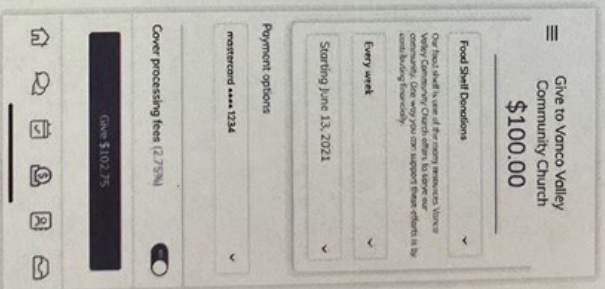
## 2. Select Your Fund and Amount

Select your fund and donation frequency, then select your payment method.



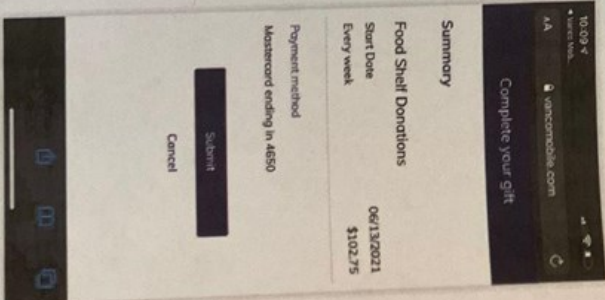
## 3. Enter Payment Method

Select a payment method and enter your credit card, debit card or bank account information. You can save this payment method for future donations.



## 4. Choose to Cover Processing Fees

You can choose to cover the donation processing fees by adding a small amount on top of your gift. Click the button to opt in.



## 5. Complete Your Donation

Review and complete your gift by clicking **Submit**.



or Scan this QR code to get started!

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FAITH

# Caution: Watch Out for Scammers!

Scammers have been calling, sending emails and sending texts now more than ever!! They are hacking into phones, emails, and online accounts like FaceBook, Twitter, etc. Recently, Pastor Tina was even hacked!! We are including this information so you know what to look out for!

## Fake calls about your SSN

- The SSA will never (ever) call and ask for your Social Security number. It won't ask you to pay anything. And it won't call to threaten your benefits.
- Your caller ID might show the SSA's real phone number (1-800-772-1213), but **that's not the real SSA calling.**
- Never give your Social Security number to anyone who contacts you. Don't confirm the last 4 digits. And don't give a bank account or credit card number—ever—to anybody who contacts you asking for it.
- Remember that anyone who tells you to wire money, pay with a gift card, or send cash is a scammer. Always.

If you're worried about a call from someone who claims to be from the Social Security Administration, get off the phone. Then call the **real SSA** at 1-800-772-1213 (TTY **1-800-325-0778**). **If you've spotted a scam, then tell the FTC** at [ftc.gov/complaint](http://ftc.gov/complaint).

## How to Recognize Phishing

Scammers use email or text messages to trick you into giving them your personal information. They may try to steal your passwords, account numbers, or Social Security numbers..

**Phishing emails and text messages often tell a story to trick you into clicking on a link or opening an attachment.** They may:

- Say they've noticed some suspicious activity or long-in attempts.
- Claim there's a problem with your account or your payment information.
- Say you must confirm some personal information.
- Include a fake invoice.
- Want you to click on a link to make a payment.
- Say you're eligible to register for a government refund
- Offer a coupon for free stuff
- Ask you to purchase gift cards on behalf of someone.

## Report Phone Scams

If you've lost money to a phone scam or have information about the company or scammer who called you, report it at:

*ReportFraud.ftc.gov.*

If you didn't lose money and just want to report a call, you can use our streamlined reporting form at:

*DoNotCall.gov*

## How to Report Phishing

If you got a phishing email or text message, report it. The information you give can help fight the scammers.

**Step 1.** If you got a phishing email, forward it to the Anti-PhishingWorking Group at

*reportphishing@apwg.org*

If you got a phishing text message, forward it to **SPAM (7726)**.

**Step 2.** Report the phishing attack to the FTC at

*ReportFraud.ftc.gov*

## Most Recent Scam Alerts:

Scammers are impersonating FTC Chair Lina M. Khan in a new phishing scheme. The email says the FTC wants to send you Coronavirus relief funds and tells you to send some personal information, like your name, address, and date of birth. The FTC is not distributing Coronavirus economic stimulus or relief money to people. The email is a scam. Don't reply!

# Phone Scams to Watch Out For:

People lose a lot of money to phone scams—sometimes their life savings. In some scams, they act friendly and helpful. In others, they might threaten or try to scare you.

## How to Recognize a Phone Scam:

### There is no prize

The caller might say you were “selected” for an offer or that you’ve won a lottery. But if you have to pay to get the prize, it’s not a prize.

### You won’t be arrested

Scammers might pretend to be law enforcement or a federal agency. They might say you’ll be arrested or fined if you don’t pay taxes or some other debt right away, but real law enforcement and federal agencies won’t call and/or threaten you.

### You don’t need to decide now

Most legitimate businesses will give you time to think their offer over and get written information about it before asking you to commit. Take your time. Don’t get pressured into making a decision on the spot.

### There’s never a good reason to send cash or pay with a gift card

Scammers will often ask you to pay in a way that makes it hard for you to get your money back—by wiring money, putting money on a gift card, prepaid card, or using a money transfer app. Anyone who asks you to pay that way is a scammer.

### You shouldn’t be getting all those calls

If a company is selling something, it needs your written permission to call you with a robocall. And if you’re on the National Do Not Call Registry, you shouldn’t get live sales calls from companies you haven’t done business with before. Those calls are illegal.

### Examples of Common Phone Scams:

Any scam can happen over the phone. But here are some common angles phone scammers like to use:

#### Imposter scams

A scammer pretends to be someone you trust—a government agency like the Social Security Administration or the IRS, a family member, a love interest, or someone claiming there’s a problem with your computer.

#### Debt relief/credit repair

Scammers will offer to lower your credit card interest rates or fix your credit, if you pay their company a fee first. But you could end up losing your money and ruining your credit.

#### Charity scams

Scammers like to pose as charities. Scams requesting donations for disaster relief efforts are especially common on the phone. Always check out a charity before you give, and don’t feel pressured to give immediately over the phone before you do.

### Extended car warranties

Scammers find out what kind of car you drive and when you bought it so they can urge you to buy overpriced—or worthless—service contracts.

### “Free” trials

A caller might promise a free trial but then sign you up for products—sometimes lots of products—that you’re billed for every month until you cancel.

### Loan scams

Loan scams include advance fee loan scams, where scammers target people with a poor credit history and guarantee loans or credit cards for an upfront fee. Legitimate lenders don’t make guarantees like that, especially if you have bad credit, no credit, or a bankruptcy.

### Travel scams and timeshare scams

Scammers promise free or low cost vacations that can end up costing you a lot in hidden costs. And sometimes, after you pay, you find out there is no vacation. In timeshare resale scams, scammers lie and tell you they’ll sell your timeshare—and may even have a buyer lined up—if you pay them first.



**SESSION at THE HOLY WAY  
Presbyterian Church**

**G-2.0301 Ruling Elder Defined**

As there were in Old Testament times, elders for the government of the people, so the New Testament church provided persons with particular gifts to share in discernment of God’s Spirit and governance of God’s people. Accordingly, congregations should elect persons of wisdom and maturity of faith, having demonstrated skills in leadership and being compassionate in spirit. Ruling elders are so named not because they “lord it over” the congregation (Matt. 20:25), but because they are chosen by the congregation to discern and measure its fidelity to the Word of God, and to strengthen and nurture its faith and life.

**Ruling elders**, together with ministers of the Word and Sacrament (Pastor), exercise leadership, government, spiritual discernment, and discipline and have responsibilities for the life of a congregation as well as the whole church, including ecumenical relationships. When elected by the congregation, they shall serve faithfully as members of the session. When elected as commissioners to higher councils, ruling elders participate and vote with the same authority as ministers of the Word and Sacrament, and they are eligible for any office.

<u>Committee Name</u>	<u>Elder</u>	<u>E-Mail</u>
1. <i>Worship Music Committee</i>	Terry Saxton	tsaxton@xtensible.net
2. <i>Worship Service Committee</i>	Jeannie Hollis	holliscj@aol.com
3. <i>Christian Education</i>	Dearwyn Knittel	mdknittel@gmail.com
4. <i>Buildings &amp; Grounds</i>	Jim Kinion	kinion5836@centurylink.net
5. <i>Congregational Life</i>	Bill Boals	wboals1@yahoo.com
6. <i>Outreach/Mission Committee</i> Stephen Levine (Chair)	Mary Marsch	richomars@cox.net Stephenlevine73@gmail.com
7. <i>Finance/Stewardship</i>	Marcel Eisma	marceleisma@hotmail.com
8. <i>Personnel Committee</i>	Jeannie Hollis	holliscj@aol.com
9. <i>Communications Committee</i>	Tom Hilliard	TomHilliard62@yahoo.com
10. <i>Treasurer</i>	Char Bowring	dncbowring@bcglobal.net
11. <i>Clerk of Session</i>	Marquita McCrone	marg39@comcast.net



**BOARD OF DEACONS at THE HOLY WAY Presbyterian Church**

**G-2.0201 Deacon Defined** The ministry of deacon as set forth in Scripture is one of compassion, witness, and service, sharing in the redeeming love of Jesus Christ for the those in need, the hungry, the sick, the lost, the friendless, the oppressed, those burdened by unjust policies or structures, or anyone in distress. Persons of spiritual character, honest repute, exemplary lives, brotherly and sisterly love, sincere compassion, and sound judgment should be chosen for this ministry.

<b><u>Deacon</u></b>	<b><u>E-mail</u></b>
Janie Saxton (Moderator)	<a href="mailto:janielovesaz@gmail.com">janielovesaz@gmail.com</a>
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**James 5:15-16**

15 And the prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise him up. And if he has committed sins, he will be forgiven. 16 Confess your trespasses to one another, and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The effective, fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much.

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