



From the Pastor

May 1, 2026

Dear Holy Way Friends and Family,

The heat may be coming as the snowbirds are leaving, but God is always moving. He moves even in the changing of seasons, reminding us that even when our community or surroundings change, His presence is always constant. He moves in us and with us wherever we are.

". . . And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age." Matt 28:20

What a beautiful Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday, and Easter this was! Thank you to all the hands that made it possible . . . from those that helped set up, make soup, serve, cleanup, rearrange chairs and to those that attended. As these were my first Holy Week services as your Pastor, I hope from the bottom of my heart that you enjoyed it as much as I did. It couldn't be done without all of you!

Also, thank you for my 10-year celebration! Many of you have been here longer than that so it really was a celebration of all of this church family! We had a great turn-out. Thank you to all of you that helped make that possible too!

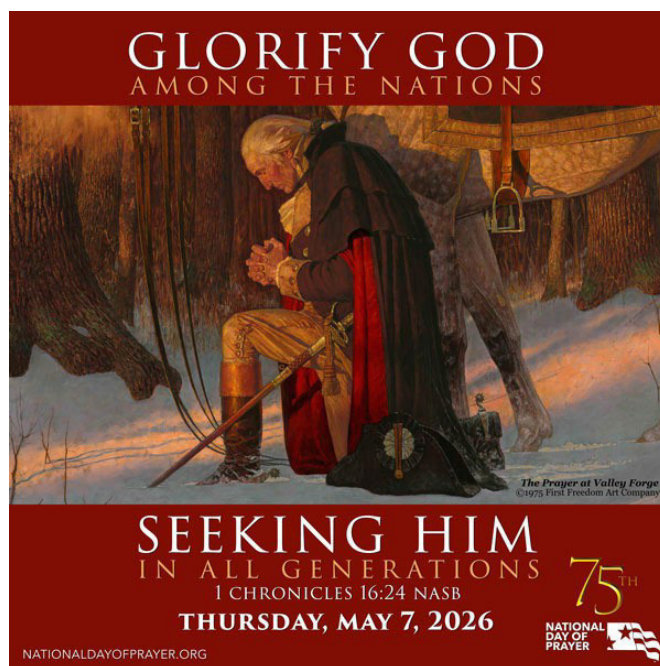
As our snowbirds head back, please remember that we have less people to help out in the summer. Please prayerfully consider helping during the summer months. We always need Ushers & Greeters, Communion Servers, Cleaners, and help setting a few things up in the Ranch House or cleaning up on Refreshment day. If you're not sure where you can help, please ask the office. Thank you in advance for your help making this church what it is!

From the Pastor continued.

"Whatever your task, put yourselves into it, as done for the Lord and not for your masters, since you know that from the Lord you will receive the inheritance as your reward; you serve the Lord Christ." - Colossians 3:23-24

Blessings,

Pastor Kathy



Thursday, May 7, is the National Day of Prayer. On April 17, 1952, a bill initiated by Mr. Conrad Hilton of Hilton Hotels and Senator Frank Carlson of Kansas was passed (Public Law 82-324, Sec. 119 that:

The President shall set aside and proclaim a suitable day each year, other than a Sunday, as a national Day of Prayer, on which the people of the United States may turn to God in prayer and meditation at churches, in groups, and as individuals.

We will not be having an official service but the church Sanctuary will be open and available to come pray from 8:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. Come and pray for our church, our families, our neighbors and our nation. Alone or together.



Barbara Duquette-Weathers
 & Ray Weathers 5/7
 Lori & Greg Thurman 5/27



Wendy Allen 5/7
 Bonnie Julsen 5/8
 Karl Allen 5/28

Is your Birthday or Anniversary missing from The Newsletter? If so, Be sure to let the church Office know or email dee.karuhe.holywayoffice@gmail.com So we can celebrate YOU!!

Are You Interested in Volunteering to be a Scripture reader?

If so, contact Sharon Groves at quilt_wood@yahoo.com or call her at (520) 395-1884.

May Scripture Readers

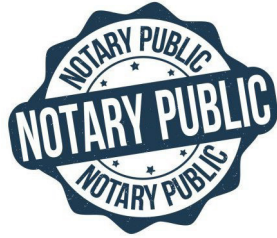
<i>Sunday, May 3</i>	<i>Jesus Jacques</i>
<i>Sunday, May 10</i>	<i>Annalisa Jacques</i>
<i>Sunday, May 17</i>	<i>Ali Clay Ruth</i>
<i>Sunday, May 24</i>	<i>Ann Parsil</i>
<i>Sunday, May 29</i>	<i>Dee Ellis</i>



Sunday, May 10

Need a Notary Public?

See Carol Portillo [(480) 686-5531]. The fee is sliding scale. All proceeds go to The Holy Way.



PROBLEMS HEARING??

We have hearing devices available for the hearing impaired. See Greg at the AV booth.

What is Fellowship?

Sometimes we use words without fully thinking about their meaning. The Bible Project describes fellowship as a "shared participation, common life and partnership among believers, rather than just social interaction. It is a deep, spiritual bond rooted in shared unity with Jesus Christ, characterized by mutual care, sharing

What is Fellowship? cont'd

resources, supporting one another, and collective devotion to God's purpose.

The Bible indicates this is a vital, shared life in Christ, not merely a social gathering. Through this gathering we enjoy mutual encouragement and spiritual growth with other believers.

Our **coffee hour** is an example of The Holy Way fellowship. Two or three times a month some of us wander over to the Ranch House after service to have a cup of coffee or other drink, and maybe snacks (if some are brought in), and get to know each other better.

What does it take to make this happen? It takes someone to make coffee and cold drinks, set out the condiments, plates, napkins and cups. If snacks have been donated, this person also slips out of church a little early after the sermon to uncover these items. It takes someone to clean up afterward. For our coffee hour to be successful we need people to volunteer to set up and clean up. If you are concerned about how to perform these activities, call

Dee Ellis at (520) 270-8367 or email dmtrellis@comcast.net

What happens if no one signs up to set up? That's a problem. We will always have coffee, but no one will be there to set up. What happens if no one brings in snacks? There will be no snacks.

Please help make our coffee hour a blessing and true fellowship time.



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

1. Go to: www.holywaytucson.org
2. Click on "Sermons"

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

And you can access the Order of Worship at:

www.HolyWayTucson.org

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

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

**Sunday Worship Service 9:30
am**

This is a recurring meeting at:

[https://us06web.zoom.us/
j/89894298024?
pwd=jCrRhRWcbbw81KGI2uj
dpB4HTaEhZm.1](https://us06web.zoom.us/j/89894298024?pwd=jCrRhRWcbbw81KGI2ujdpB4HTaEhZm.1)

Meeting ID: 898 9429 8024

Passcode: 189007



Sunday Fellowship

Here's the schedule:

- 05/03: After Service, Ranch House
- 05/10: Double L
- 05/17: After Service, Ranch House
- 05/24: Invitation Sunday
- 05/31: Sandwiches & Salad

We invite everyone who participates in Sunday Fellowship coffee hour to please **contact Dee Ellis (520) 270-8367 to volunteer to set up, clean up and/or bring in snacks.** Instructions for setting up and clean up are posted in the Ranch House and at the back of the sanctuary. A whiteboard is in the Ranch House to sign up. If no one signs up for setting up, each person bringing in snacks will be responsible for their items.

COMMITTEE *meetings*



Mark Your Calendar

Handcraft Group

No further meetings until fall

Choir Rehearsal

Thursdays, 10:45 a.m.-11:45 a.m.

Congregational Life Committee

Sunday, May 3, 2026

11:00 a.m., Ranch House

Session

Tuesday, May 12, 2026

1:00 p.m., Conference Room

Outreach/Mission Committee

Sunday, May 17, 2026

10:45 a.m., Ranch House

Deacons

To be Determined

Finance Committee

To be determined

Worship Committee

Thursday, May 21, 2026

Conference Room

Building & Grounds

To be determined



Come meet in the
Conference Room &
On Zoom

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/89894298024?pwd=jCrRhRWcbbw81KGI2ujdpB4HTaEhZm.1>

Tuesday Mornings
10:00 a.m.—11:00 a.m.
Conference Room

Committees

Holy Way has many opportunities to keep our church family in good health. Please consider giving a few hours a month to keep our church running smoothly.



We had a great turn out for Pastor Kathy's 10-year anniversary celebration on Sunday, April 26. A big thanks to Raul and Office Dee for the food.



Serena Project

The Serena Project is dedicated to providing some reassurance and comfort to children during times of emergency. Small stuffed toys provided by The Holy Way are given to first responders to hand out to the children involved in domestic violence calls..

A big **thank you** to Caroll Portillo for heading up this Outreach Project. Let's make sure Carol knows she is appreciated.

Invitation Sunday

The fourth Sunday of the month has been called "on your own."—meaning there is no formal fellowship time. This date has been changed to "**Invitation Sunday**"—meaning: find someone who doesn't usually go out to brunch after church and invite them to go with you to one of the restaurants. Be sure to look for newer people to the congregation, especially our first time visitors. Also be aware to invite people who have limited transportation ability.

Let's support the closeness of the Holy Way church family!

We invite everyone to submit articles of interest to the congregation. If you have an idea but can't put it on paper, you can send your thoughts by email or phone call to Office Dee or Dee Ellis. **The deadline for submission is always the 20th of each month.**

The deadline for the **June** Newsletter is:

June 20, 2026



Our great cleaning crew has been made up of **snowbirds**. We need people who will be in Tucson over the **summer** to volunteer. A few hours a month can make a great difference in God's volunteer. House. Call "Office Dee" to

The printed **Church Directory** is now available and frequently updated. They are in the Narthex. The directories are free; however, if you are able, we would appreciate a donation of \$1.00/directory to cover the cost of production.

If you would like to have the directory emailed to you, let Dee Ellis know: dmtrellis@comcast.net or call (520) 270-8367.





*Wanttooutlivea
Saguaro???*

*Please include us in your
Legacy giving.*

*Prayer
Shawl
Ministry*

YOU GAVE ME COMFORT



Prayer Shawl Ministry

If you knit or crochet, we invite you to make and contribute prayer shawls and/or lap robes. If you have questions, contact Dee Ellis (520) 270-8367 or email at dmtrellis@comcast.net.

Also, if you would like to seek comfort in a prayer shawl or lap robe, call Dee.



We now have online giving available! Follow the instructions below 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.

Or you can download the Vanco app from your Google or Apple store and enter the invitation code:

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Get started by scanning the QR code:



Fifth Sunday

Every so often we have five Sundays in a month. The fifth Sunday in March was a salad and sandwich Sunday. It was successful. We will continue the **Salad and Sandwich Fellowship Sunday** every fifth Sunday. The next fifth Sunday will be May 31. Mark your calendars for the rest of the year. Here are the schedule of fifth Sundays in 2026: August 30, November 29.

Just to clarify —when writing checks to The Holy Way, be sure to indicate on the memo line where the contribution is to go: i.e., tithe, mission project, Jim Kinion AC fund, Diaper Bank, Per Capita, etc.

Diaper Bank

Be sure to remember donations to the Diaper Bank. We accept feminine hygiene products as well as adult incontinence products, including moist towelettes. If you would rather donate money (they can buy \$3 worth of product for every \$1 in cash), please earmark your check "Diaper Bank." You can drop off your donations in the Narthex or in the Ranch House.



Remember the men and women who gave the ultimate sacrifice for our freedom: May 25, 2026

Holy Way Food Bank

Donations to Sells included **13 boxes of food and seven bags of clothes and two bags of blankets**. A big thank you goes out to **Ali Clay** and **Ginger Bergquist** for their hard work.

Reread the above Food Bank box. Yes, we call it the Food Bank, but articles of clothing are also welcome. Any clean clothing in good repair are accepted and needed. Blankets are needed as well.

Finance Committee Report

Currently our church is undergoing a great number of staff and accounting program changes. The Finance & Stewardship Committee has just recently been assembled and though we are working hard, we have only had one meeting so far.

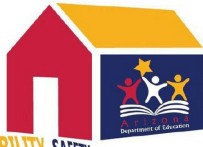
Each committee moderator has been requested to submit a baseline budget to start with. These budgets will be fine-tuned over time.

Carol Portillo

Looking Ahead

Mark your calendars now! Dr. Astrid Chan and Jesus Jacquez will honor us with another wonderful concert on May 2, 2026, at 3:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Donations will be accepted.

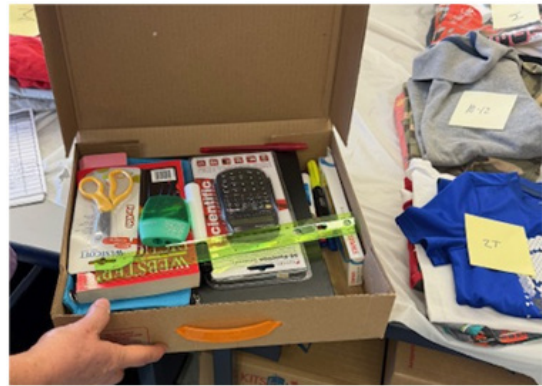
Homeless
Education
Program



SCHOOL STABILITY SAFETY

McKinney-Vento Program

This program supports the many homeless school children in the Altar Valley school district. This is a federal program that ensures displaced children have clothing, transportation and educational opportunities that their school counterparts have available. Monetary contributions are appreciated in the form of \$25 gift certificates from Walmart. These can be dropped off at the church office.



Evelyn See, Director of the McKinney-Vento Program is organizing clothing for the children in her program.

She is in the process of organizing a clothing closet for the families to use as a resource to keep the children well-clothed.

Evelyn also can get some school supplies after the teachers have taken what they need from our donations.



As the spring semester grows to an end, it is time to think about the coming school year. Three Point Teachers' first day back at school is **July 20**. The first day of school is **August 6**.

Here are supplies that are always needed:

2 pencils (always in demand)
Highlighters
Pencil top erasers
Colored pencils
2-pocket folders
Colored copy paper
Clorox wipes

Backpacks (sturdy for the older students)
Kleenex
College rule notebooks
Hand Sanitizer
Expo markers (colored & black)

There will be a box in the Narthex where you can place your school donations.

Being a Presbyterian

Registration is open through May 6 for "Being Presbyterian in a Dysvangelical America," a free 90-minute online event made possible through per capita giving.

The May 14 webinar will feature conversation between the Rev. Ce Ce Armstrong and the Rev. Tony Larson, PCUSA Co-Moderators of the General Assembly, the Rev. Ted V. Foote Jr, and the Rev. P. Alex Thornburg, authors of the book "Being Presbyterian in a Dysvangelical America: A Guide to Reclaiming the Good News of God's Grace." Participants will receive a special discount on the book upon registration. Learn more: <https://hubs.ly/QO4bYQdcO> #PCUSA #Leadership

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Prayer Chain

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