



First Church Tucson Weekly Digest

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Corn Roast 2020

By Carol Nelson on September 21st, 2020

As most of us know, First Church has had a long-standing tradition in the corn roast.

The first corn roast was held in 1920 on the farm of Mr & Mrs. Carl Nichols, where they grew the corn. The menu at that time was quite simple: salad, corn, rolls, apple pie and coffee. Over the last 10 decades there have been changes. The first was due to rationing during WWII, the roast was moved to the church. The next change was replacing the roaster with copper tubs to cook the corn on the church's stove. Later the menu itself was changed to include any pie, not just apple and the addition of lemonade. Most recently the way the corn was cooked changed ever so slightly, the copper tubs were retired after many years of service and new pots, big shiny 5-gallon pots, took over the job of cooking all those ears of corn.

Now we are in 2020 and the change this year is huge! Due to Covid-19 we have not been able to worship in person since March and currently we are still not able to have in-person services.

So unfortunately, there will not be a corn roast at all this year. We put our thinking caps on and tried to think of a way we could celebrate the 100th corn roast and there is just no way to do it where everyone would feel safe. There was one suggestion, that in our own homes we could pop popcorn and enjoy it during worship and during the ZOOM fellowship this upcoming Sunday. I know, I know it is not the same, but popcorn is corn, just another temporary change.

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World Music Tour: Spain

By Lorena Suarez, Music Ministry Director



La Zarzamora
Lola Flores



Mediterráneo
Joan Manuel Serrat



Entre dos aguas
Paco de Lucía



Viva el pasodoble
Rocío Jurado



Wednesday 5:30 pm (Arizona time)

<https://dscumc.zoom.us/j/92978304567?pwd=Mmo4UWZtc012TUxzVS9VYXlpVU1iZz09>

Meeting ID: 929 7830 4567

Password: 6226481

Listening examples:

La Zarzamora - Quintero, León y Quiroga (1946)

Lola Flores

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6dCJDk_e1iw

Mediterráneo - (1971)

Joan Manuel Serrat

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=z0PJxoYdeyQ>

Entre dos aguas - (1973)

Paco de Lucía

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2oyhld64-s>

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<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=i26nFpkWRPQ&feature=youtu.be>

“A Christian is: a mind through which Christ thinks, a heart through which Christ loves, a voice through which Christ speaks, and a hand through which Christ helps.” - St. Augustine

"The gospel is less about how to get into the Kingdom of Heaven after you die, and more about how to live in the Kingdom of Heaven before you die."- Dallas Willard

THIS WEEK'S
ANNOUNCEMENTS & GATHERINGS

Recruiting Weekly Digest Contributors

Have you come across an inspiring story? Perhaps you were able to capture a fascinating shot. We invite you to submit a story, a photo, or anything you feel would be in the best interest of our church. We will work to add them into our Weekly Digest. Submit your story or picture at <https://bit.ly/fumcsubmit>

Women on a Spiritual Quest

Meet with WSQ for book studies and the best kind of Methodist small group accountability.
Mon @ 4:30PM.

<https://dscumc.zoom.us/j/92059519248?pwd=ZmN4dTFCcVVCVjlNM3FHUHVemNFdz09>

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Exploring Biblical Wisdom

Gather for group Lectio Divina as we seek spiritual formation through scripture reading, reflecting, and sharing the Spirit that lives in each of us. **Tues @ 11AM.**

<https://dscumc.zoom.us/j/98179862680?pwd=ck15OU5KbWUyY0NwOUNxbzJkOUVBUT09>

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Music Workshop - World Music Tour

Join Music Ministry Director Lorena Suarez as she tours the world music scene. This week, French music! **Wed @ 5:30PM.**

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Progressive Christianity Book Study

Explore the richness of progressive Christian thought through literature. **Thurs @ 2PM.**

<https://dscumc.zoom.us/j/98015738087?pwd=eGFpVWRCUnZraWxUU1d0anRiU2pFQT09>

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Remember Corn for Sunday Morning Live!

Join us live on Sunday mornings on Facebook livestream. **Sun @ 10AM**

Visit fb.com/firstchurchtucson/live

Remember to prepare a CORN item (e.g. popcorn, corn chips, etc) as we celebrate our Annual Corn Roast Festival.

Starting in October, Sunday Morning Live! will stream on Youtube.

Visit <https://bit.ly/fumcYouTube> and subscribe to the channel. (Address is case-sensitive)

Sunday Morning Fellowship

Join us on Zoom for fellowship immediately following the live stream. **Sun @ 10:30AM**

<https://dscumc.zoom.us/j/97274927766?pwd=bVlqNmZjTk84bHFHd0JRS0U5R0c4Zz09>

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Korean Language Ministry

한국어 사역 온라인모임을 소개합니다. 주일 오전 1130 페북 실시간 방송이 있습니다.

fb.com/tucsonkoreanchurch/live

방송 직후 Zoom을 통해 교제의 시간에 초대합니다.

<https://dscumc.zoom.us/j/99861120822?pwd=VWlyZ3FrM2ZrNHhrVIRlNHc1NTBLQT09>

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또한, 금 오후 7시에 (기존 토요일 새벽 기도회 대신) 온라인 모임을 위에 표시된 Zoom 가상 공간에서 갖고, 일요일 오후 1시에는 한어권 청년들의 모임이 따로 있습니다.

Support the Ministries at First Church Tucson

Now is the time to give courageously to ministries that matter to you.

Visit this [link](#) or go to www.bit.ly/givetofumc to set up online donation.

You may also send gifts via Paypal to recipient address: finance@firstchurchtucson.org

And as always, you can mail in checks to the church office. Alternatively, have your IRA advisor automatically make payments from your IRA to the FUMC checking account.

THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Estella Peralta (Sep 21)
Grace Ageh (Sep 22)
Tamra Myers (Sep 23)
Tim Lahmers (Sep 24)
Margo Kahler (Sep 25)
Diana Gertz (Sep 26)
Sherry Hoskinson (Sep 27)

[If we have missed your birthday or anniversary, please let us know so we can update our records!]

PHOTO BOARD FROM OUR FIRST CHURCH FAMILY



The Cho Family @ Apple Annie's Orchard
(from left to right, Amber, Nathan, Paul, Julie)

SONG FOR **THOUGHT**
“Let All Things Now Living”
Katherine K. Davis

by **Lorena Suarez**

Director of Music Ministries on September 20, 2020

Katherine Kennicott Davis was born in St. Joseph, Missouri in 1892. She was a pianist and composer. Davis wrote around 800 works, most of them were choral pieces. Very often she wrote under several pseudonyms.

In 1939, under the pseudonym of John Cowley, she published the text for the anthem *Let All Things Now Living*, which is probably her best-known hymn. For the music, she used a traditional Welsh tune called *Ash Grove*. The text calls for praise from all creatures.

After a life of teaching and composing, Davis died in Littleton, Massachusetts in 1980. On her will she assigned the royalties of her compositions, to support music instruction at the Wellesley College Music Department. Enjoy!

Lyrics:

Let all things now living a song of thanksgiving
To God the creator triumphantly raise.
Who fashioned and made us, protected and stayed us,
Who still guides us on to the end of our days.
His banners are o'er us, His light goes before us,
A pillar of fire shining forth in the night.
Till shadows have vanished and darkness is banished
As forward we travel from light into light.

His law he enforces, the stars in their courses
And sun in its orbit obediently shine;
The hills and the mountains, the rivers and fountains,
The deeps of the ocean proclaim him divine.
We too should be voicing our love and rejoicing;
With glad adoration a song let us raise
Till all things now living unite in thanksgiving:
To God in the highest, Hosanna and praise!

Suggested recording:

Michael Card

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jlq1Q81TYxU>

LECTIO DIVINA PRAYER GUIDE

for Individuals and Families

CENTERING - *Practice Square Breathing*

- Inhale for 4 seconds, hold for 4 seconds,
- Exhale for 4 seconds, hold for 4 seconds.
- Repeat as necessary.

SONG OF PRAISE

Select a song of your choice, or
Refer to this week's Song for Thought

OPENING PRAYER - *Psalm 19:14*

Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart
be acceptable to you,
O Lord, my rock and my redeemer. Amen.

READING

Matthew 20:1-16

REFLECTING

Take a minute or two in silence.
Allow your thoughts to rest on a word, a phrase, a memory from this passage.
Journal or share your thoughts from this moment of meditation on the passage.

RESPONDING

Respond to the reflection through the guidance from the Holy Spirit.

MINUTE MEMOIR - by Paul Cho

This parable recognizes the place for our pride, the value of each person, and our need for affirmation. In the Kingdom of Heaven, the proud will be brought low and the humble will be lifted up. There is no place for our sense of entitlement or for comparing ourselves to another. Instead, the Kingdom of Heaven sees the value and worth of each person, regardless of our ability or merit. Each are called upon without consideration for performance but upon the willingness of our hearts to accept the invitation.

The parable also speaks to our need for affirmation. We all need to know that our sacrifice, our care, our love and commitment are meaningful. When we do not have a deep affirmation in our hearts, then we seek other means of finding recognition. Or worse, we seek some material compensation for our deeds. Instead, if we find ourselves discontent, it should signal to us that we need to spend intentional time with God to hear God's affirmation which God already and abundantly gives. May the love of God fill you deep within.

RESTING

Dwell in your reflection and response.
Take time to offer God praise and glory.
Repent and seek forgiveness.
Offer joys and the concerns, adding in your personal prayers.
Lastly, offer a thanksgiving for God's grace and mercy.

CLOSING PRAYER *Wesley Covenant Service Prayer*

I am no longer my own, but yours.
Put me to what you will, rank me with whom you will;
put me to doing, put me to suffering;
let me be employed for you, or laid aside for you,
exalted for you, or brought low for you;
let me be full,
let me be empty,
let me have all things,
let me have nothing;
I freely and wholeheartedly yield all things
to your pleasure and disposal.
And now, glorious and blessed God,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
you are mine and I am yours. So be it.
And the covenant now made on earth, let it be ratified in heaven.
Amen.



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