

MAY 11 & 12, 2024

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Arizona
COMMUNITY
CHURCH

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WELCOME! WE'RE SO GLAD YOU'RE HERE!



If you're new to our church, we'd love to help you get connected.
STOP IN THE LOBBY FOR A WELCOME GIFT!

UPDATES AND HAPPENINGS AT ACC!

CONNECT WITH US!

- ◆ Prayer Requests
- ◆ Comments / Questions
- ◆ Request information
- ◆ Let us know you're here today
- ◆ Decision for Christ/Baptism/Membership
- ◆ **SCAN THIS QR CODE** →



FOOD PANTRY NEEDS (5/12) Canned peaches, pears, fruit cocktail, applesauce (6 pk), bankers boxes. Bring to the church office on Sundays or during the week.

LOST & FOUND: Please check the table on the plaza for lost items-glasses, cups, clothes, Bibles, keys, etc.

"UNITED IN PRAYER": Sunday evenings from 5:00-5:45pm in the prayer chapel • E7 (South end E Bldg)

BELIEVER'S BAPTISM: Sat & Sun, May 18 & 19 • All services • Register online az.church/baptism
Questions? Contact Pastor Brandon bhilgemann@azcc.org or call the church office.

MEN'S LUNCH OUT: Third Thurs of the month • May 16 • 11:30a • Garcia's at Warner & McClintock • All men welcome!

SINGLE WOMEN'S CONNECTION: Join us every Fri night for game night • 5:30p • G7 • Contact Suzan (480) 580-3711 or Janice (480) 239-0636. We also meet for lunch at 11:30am on the 2nd Sunday of the month at **La Madeleine**, 3605 W Chandler Blvd. Meets next on June 9. No lunch meeting in May.

IN-JOY SENIORS SUMMER LUNCH: Tuesday, May 14 at 11:30a • Golden Corral Restaurant, 1318 N Cooper Rd, Gilbert (480) 507-3331 • For reservations, call Patricia Brooks (480) 777-7833 or Martha (480) 759-0527

ACC SUMMER BLOOD DRIVE: Sun, June 23 • 8a-12p • Bloodmobile in South Parking Lot • Sign up at Vitalant.org Code: azcommunitychurch

LIKE PICKLEBALL? Every Sat, 9a in the gym, including beginners. Contact Suzan Money (480) 580-3711 or Janice De Groot (480) 239-0636. Also, Thurs, 6:30a in the gym. Contact Michael Rooder (480) 694-8048.

DEMENTIA CARE GIVERS SUPPORT GROUP: Last Wed of month, **May 29** • 1:00p • G1 • To encourage and inform those who care for family/friends with dementia. Call Olive (480) 747-2039

SYMPATHY & PRAYERS TO: Ken Bowers on the death of his wife, Norma, on May 7. Service TBD

CARE/REHAB CENTERS: Georgene Simms (Sunrise), Larry Daniels (Hawthorne Court), Maxine Baty (Enclave), Elsie Mulligan (Anna's Haven), Marilyn Tarrant (Solterra-Chandler), Ellen Bradley (Avana Assisted Living), Judy & Calvin Hubbell (Ohana House), Gee Gee Alexander (Copper Creek), Dirk Vander Woude (Mosaic Gardens), Norris Gross (Morningstar Arcadia)

PASTOR DAVIDSON'S BOOK is now available at **Changing Hands Bookstore** and at our church office.

ACC OFFICE HOURS: Monday-Thursday 9a-4p • Fridays 9a-12p. Closed Fridays from June 14 – August 9

WAYS TO GIVE



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CODE

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for online giving



ONLINE

AZ.CHURCH/GIVE
One-time or Repeat



CASH OR
CHECK

Envelopes & offering boxes in
lobby or front exits

SERVICES

WORSHIP

Sunday • 8:30a & 10:00a



WORSHIP

Saturday • 5:30p & Sunday • 11:30a

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship - "Let the Church Arise"

Scripture Praise - "Bless the Lord, O My Soul"

Songs of Praise - "10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)"
"The Stand"

Greeting Time - Dr. Dave Thye

Special Music - "Just A Little Talk with Jesus"
Men's Ensemble

Hymn of Faithfulness - "Shine On Us"

Mother's Day Video

MESSAGE

AWKWARD #5

"The Best Way to Handle an Awkward Mess"

Bill Meiter, Lead Pastor

Song of Worship - "Goodness of God"

Welcome & Announcements

"Christ Be Magnified"

"Who Else"

Video Testimony

"Good Plans"

MESSAGE

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**THIS WEEKEND
AT ACC**

UPDATE YOUR PROFILE

If you've changed email, phone # or any info for our database, please update or call the church office. Thx

LOST AND FOUND

Missing an item? Check out our table on the plaza today!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- Sun, May 18 & 19 **Believer's Baptism** • All services • Register at az.church/baptism
- Fri, May 24 **Encore** (for newly or nearly retired) • 6p • G2 • Sign up online az.church/events
- Sun, May 19 **Graduation Sunday** • A time to honor all graduates attending ACC • MS-College
- Mon-Fri, June 3-7 **Kids' Camp (VBS)** • "SCUBA - Diving into Friendship with God" • Register az.church

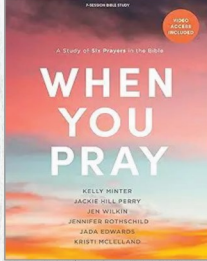
BAPTISMS

May 18 and 19- all services


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ACC Women's Summer Study
Wednesdays 9am & 6:30pm - June 12th - July 24th - G2




Prayer
IS A GIFT
- AN INVITATION
TO TALK WITH GOD.
Info @ az.church/women




Young Families
community group

Sundays at 10:00am in D9

**SANCTITY
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 **Arizona
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CHURCH** **MEETS EVERY 3RD TUESDAY
6:30PM IN G5**



FOR THOSE NEARLY OR NEWLY RETIRED
ENCORE
MAY 24 @6PM IN G2
AZ.CHURCH/EVENTS



**Dementia
Caregivers
Support**
Information, Spiritual
Encouragement, and
Prayer Support
Olive Falstad 480.747.2039
More info az.church/resources
Alzheimer Assn. Trained Facilitators

**Group Meeting
Last Wednesday
each month
1:00p - 61
Join us!**

Need Prayer? Send us your prayer requests by email at pray4me@azcc.org or AZ.CHURCH/PRAYER, a Connect Card or through our APP. Prayer wall also available in the lobby. **Library open Sundays** 8:30a-12:30 G Bldg Rm 8

AWKWARD.

Pastor Bill Meiter

May 11 & 12, 2024 #5

“THE BEST WAY TO HANDLE AN AWKWARD MESS”

TODAY'S PASSAGE

1 Samuel 25:9-13 ESV... When David's young men came, they said all this to Nabal in the name of David, and then they waited. 10 And Nabal answered David's servants, "Who is David? Who is the son of Jesse? There are many servants these days who are breaking away from their masters. 11 Shall I take my bread and my water and my meat that I have killed for my shearers and give it to men who come from I do not know where?" 12 So David's young men turned away and came back and told him all this. 13 And David said to his men, "Every man strap on his sword!" And every man of them strapped on his sword. David also strapped on his sword. And about four hundred men went up after David, while two hundred remained with the baggage.

DAVID ON THE RUN

- David was often on the run from King Saul.
- David reached out to Nabal for food and assistance... 1 Samuel 25:5-8

NABAL'S LESS THAN GRACIOUS RESPONSE

- Nabal flat out refuses David's request for assistance... 1 Samuel 25:9-13
- David is so offended, he's ready to slaughter Nabal... 1 Samuel 25:13
- Things were about to go from "awkward" to "catastrophic".
- KEY: The best way to handle an awkward mess is always with a godly response!

ABIGAIL'S GODLY RESPONSE: KEYS TO CLEANING UP AN AWKWARD MESS

- Abigail is approachable & advisable. . . Nabal was not. . . 1 Samuel 25:14-17; Prov. 12:15
- Abigail is decisive and discerning. . . 1 Samuel 25:18-20
- Abigail is humble & contrite. . . 1 Samuel 25:23
- Abigail is honest and objective. . . 1 Samuel 25:25
- Abigail is apologetic & repentant. . . 1 Samuel 25:27-28; Prov. 28:13; 15:1.
- Abigail is spiritually perspective. . . 1 Samuel 25:28-31

A CATASTROPHIC MESS AVOIDED

- Because of Abigail, David relents from his anger. . . 1 Samuel 25:32-35
- God himself avenges David. . . 1 Samuel 25:39
- It's tragic when Christians can't resolve awkward messes on their own. . . 1 Cor. 6:1
- KEY: The best way to handle an awkward mess is always with a godly response!

QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION:

1. Do you think David was reasonable in his request for assistance?
2. Have you ever known someone who acted like Nabal?
3. What do you most appreciate in the way Abigail handled this awkward mess?
4. Why is the best way to handle an awkward mess always with a godly response?



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