

The Church of the Red Rocks ~ United Church of Christ
An Open and Affirming Faith Community

Through Christian Worship, Education and Mission
we share and celebrate Faith in God with all.

November 24, 2024

Celebration of Suzanne Moore and her Legacy of Music

*Congregation standing in body or in spirit

TO PONDER AS WE GATHER:

*Music expresses that which cannot be said
and on which it is impossible to be silent. ~ Victor Hugo*

WELCOME

We gather in this room with four walls, a few doors and spectacular windows because here we experience the Divine. We come not for the view, but for the people, for the hands we hold, and the recognized sacredness in tearful eyes. Within these walls, we sing, we pray, we listen, and celebrate God. That is why we are here, and we're glad you joined us.

PRELUDE

"Make Me a Channel of Your Peace"

arr. Douglas Wagner - Suzanne Moore, piano

**INTRODUCTION TO SUZANNE MOORE AND CELEBRATION
OF HER LEADERSHIP**

Margaret Gramley Gary Wagner

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Betty Morgan

Leader: We are here because God is good...

People: We are grateful for the beautiful piano and organ pieces that describe with each note how great Thou art and channel your Spirit to lift our own.

Leader: Let us give thanks for the faithful servants who give of their time and talent so that our worship might be meaningful and inspirational.

People: We thank you, O God, for Suzanne Moore, who has given so we might receive, who has labored so we might enjoy music inspired by angels.

Leader: You have blessed us, O God, for a whole generation with the gifts and love of Suzanne Moore.

People: We have come to know God through her music. We have grown in faith through her art.

Leader: What a joy it is to have God's love expressed by the people of the church!

People: For the gifts of love that keep on giving, long after they have been offered, we thank you, O God.

Leader: In the name of the One who commands us to love, we lift up our voices in prayer.

THE LORD'S PRAYER (sung)

*Our Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth, as it is in
heaven.*

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.

Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.

*For thine is the kingdom, the power,
and the glory, forever. Amen.*

ANTHEM *"Precious Lord, Take My Hand"* arr. Jack Schrader
SACS & CRR Chancel Choir

SCRIPTURE READING Psalm 150
Betty Morgan, CRR Choir President

THE TESTIMONY OF MUSIC Dr. Ryan Holder

GIFT OF MUSIC *"Flight Song"* Kim Andre Arnesen
Sedona Academy of Chamber Singers

INVITATION TO GENEROSITY

OFFERTORY *"Amazing Grace"* arr. Jack Schrader
Alec Wilkes, piano

DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heav'nly host;
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost!

GIFT OF MUSIC *"I Sing Because I'm Happy"* Rollo Dillworth
Sedona Academy of Chamber Singers

***BENEDICTION**

***CHORAL BENEDICTION** *"A Blessing of Music"* Joseph Martin
SACS & CRR Chancel Choir

POSTLUDE *"Thanks Be to God"* G. F. Handel
Suzanne Moore, piano

Announcements

* ***Today is the day that the Lord has made*** - Let's be glad and celebrate Suzanne's life. Please stay for coffee and cake.

* ***Interfaith Community Choir*** practices today at 4pm here in the sanctuary. **ALL VOICES ARE WELCOME.**

* ***Toys for Tots*** collection box is placed in PCH. Please bring a new toy and make several children happy this Christmas. The campaign will end on Sunday **December 8.**

* ***Interfaith Community Thanksgiving Service*** on Tuesday, **November 26** at 7pm in our sanctuary. **Please bring food items such as Progresso soups, canned fruit, shelf-stable milk (esp. non-dairy), applesauce, brown and white rice, boxes of cereal, tomato, apple and cranberry juice, nuts, canned chili, and canned meats.** These items will be donated to Cottonwood Old Town Mission, Yavapai-Apache Nation Food Bank and Sedona Community Food Bank.

* ***Advent Bible Study:*** Will be taught in three consecutive Wednesdays starting Dec. 4 at 10:30am here at the church.

* ***Book Club*** meets again on Friday, **December 6** at 10:30am. The new book is "The Lager Queen of Minnesota" by J. Ryan Stradal.

* ***Greening of the Church*** will be on Saturday, **December 7** at 9am. Volunteers will be welcome for this great festive event.

What's Going On

For more information about what is happening at the church visit our website or subscribe to the Canyon Echo, our weekly newsletter. If you are interested in any of our ministries or programs, contact Jussara Wagner at the church office. Here are a few of things happening this week:

Mon: 12:45pm The EDGE - Zoom
Tue: 11am Bible Study at Sedona Winds
7pm Interfaith Community Thanksgiving Service
Thu: THANKSGIVING -Office Closed
Fri: 9am Yin Yoga at PCH - Office Closed

Have questions or comments? Send us an e-mail at:

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