



Hygiene Supplies Needed



Chalice is collecting during the month of October little bottles of hygiene supplies that you use when you travel. You can donate the ones you collect from the hotels or the travel size you can buy in the drug store. Please consider toothpaste, toothbrushes, wash cloths, small soaps, lotion, disposable razors, small cans of shave cream, hand sanitizer, small shampoos and conditioner All will be donated to I-HELP.



Halloween at the Oasis

Join the crowd Halloween night at the Oasis for a spooky time! It will be open a little early for the younger crowd and feature some Halloween treats. Watch for more details next week.



Community Garden is Launching This Saturday!

This week the north lot will be tilled and top soil and river rock will arrive. **What is needed are many hands to help** till and spread and place this Saturday morning starting at 8am. Come as early as you can and stay for as long as you can. Bring your own shovel, garden rake, and/or wheel barrow if you have it.



Youth Events in October

October 27th—Both groups (Chi Rho and CYF) will meet in their separate groups at Tempe Community Christian Church this Sunday at 5-7pm. Supper will be provided at the beginning of the meetings.

Fund Raising Made Easy

We have a green bin at the entry to the parking lot. Chalice receives payment on the amount of paper/cardboard (only) in that bin. Save your paper, junk mail, shredding, boxes and drop in the bin on Sunday. If we all pitch in with our paper and cardboard, we might be amazed at the result!



- † Nursery with Freyda
- † Chi Rho (6-8th grades) meets in the small classroom.
- † CYF (9-12 grades) meets at BoSa's Doughnuts in the Fry's Shopping Center.
- † Table Talk will be on the patio for all adults. Each Sunday the scripture for the next Sunday will be discussed.



We are nearing the time of our Craft Fair on November 2nd from 8am-3pm and many have stepped forward to help.

Marianna Jenkins will be doing our Face Painting.

Carol Grisez is in charge of the Regifting Sale.

Our Youth are doing the Bake Sale.

The Sheas will stuff backpacks with goodies.

YOU can still help with the following—

Take a shift to help with the Bounce House.

Mark the field on Friday for the booth spaces.

Donate a new item (bring it now) to our Regifting Sale.

Donate a baked item (the day of the sale) to our Bake Sale.

Questions? Contact Arline Stephens (mommakool@cox.net) or sign up Sunday.



When SNL Starts Praying

At this moment, it looks like a national crisis has been averted or at least that our elected officials realized that *causing* a national crisis wasn't in anyone's best interest. If you didn't catch any of Senate chaplain Barry Black's prayers during the shutdown, Google him. He's made news for both the audacity of his prayers and the non-partisan nature of them. My favorites? "Remove the burdens of those who are the collateral damage of this government shutdown," and "Deliver us from the hypocrisy of attempting to sound reasonable while being unreasonable." He managed to adequately cover the spectrum of all the problems of the government shutdown.



And then, Saturday Night Live took it even further. I have never actually watched an episode of SNL, but the really good skits always make their way into my inbox, or Facebook newsfeed, or even linked to my favorite news sites. Sure enough, the SNL skits based on Barry Black's prayers showed up in my inbox, newsfeed and a couple news sites. Those skits were a bit more partisan and a lot less politically correct. "Idiots" was one of the milder terms the caricature of Barry Black used. The real Barry Black said he was flattered by the skit.

The prayers of both versions of Black elicited the response, "This just got real." Or maybe, "Oh no, you didn't." Ok. Maybe both of those are slang belong to a certain group of people. Suffice it to say that these prayers made the news because they did point fingers and call out behavior and name problems in succinct, poignant ways. The prayers made a few folks nervous, too.

Yet, when SNL and a Senate chaplain start praying, it's amazing how it mirrors biblical prayer, especially prayers of the prophets and the Psalms. The prayers are impolite, sometimes even mean by our standards. They reflect raw emotion and feelings we're not wont to speak out loud. These prayers name all the problems around us.

Most of all, they're vertical, not horizontal. In a world that teaches us to yell at each other and take out our emotions in the comments section of blogs and articles, prayer redirects those things to God. Even on an SNL skit, that premise remains—we hear this, too, but it is first and foremost directed to God. It's not praying at our brothers and sisters; it's praying to the One who reigns over all.

That One can handle all our anger and sorrow, our meanness and the feelings that overwhelm us. At best, if we offer all those things to the One in prayer, then we don't offer those things to the people around us. Instead, our prayers to God make room for us to love the people around us.

Peace—Abigail



The Arizona Hispanic Churches' Convención will kick off with a carnival-like event on Friday, November 8th from 4pm to 10pm. Each of our Hispanic Churches will have a booth where they will sell food. There will also be live music and good people to meet. Come and join in the fun, food and fellowship! The Convención is taking place at First

Christian Church in Glendale, 6242 N 59th Avenue.

Our annual Chalice Thanksgiving Dinner will be on Sunday, November 24th following the 10:00 worship service. Bring a dish to share and check out the sign up sheet on the bulletin board in the Worship Center. Carol Grisez (dgrisez@cox.net) needs people who are interested in roasting a turkey or a

ham, so contact her if you would be willing. Table service will be provided.



Come and Enjoy "Dinner with The Stars"

on Saturday, November 9th from 5-9pm at First Christian Church in Scottsdale, 7405 E McDonald Drive. The night will feature a gourmet dinner from *Cuisine D'amis* followed by a remarkable array of musical stylings ranging from Classic Rock to Broadway Show Tunes, Piano Concertos to Jazz Standards! All proceeds from this elegant evening go to the mission and ministry of First Christian Church Scottsdale. Tickets are available through

the Church Office at (480) 399-6945; \$65 for Reception, Dinner, Raffle and Show 5—9pm or \$20 Show Only 7:30—9pm. Come out for a wonderful night of food, fellowship, and entertainment!





Pray For...

Remember the words of Isaiah about God's action in the world: "Behold! I am doing a new thing; now it springs forth—do you not perceive it?" God is calling Chalice to several new things and places. This week, hold this ministry in your prayers and name your own dreams for the beautiful things that will come from it!

The Oasis

The Oasis has long been a place for conversations that engage the mind and the soul. For several months now, The Oasis has been open on Thursday nights as a space for Chandler Gilbert Community College students and anyone else who may wish to stop by. This has become a meeting time for youth as well as local groups. Chalice has been called to be a congregation that engages the mind in the life of faith; pray for this ministry that is our most tangible way of doing just that!



The 3rd Annual Fall Craft Fair
Saturday, November 2nd
from 8a-3p
Come and Join the Fun



Arts & Craft Fair



The Oasis is open every Thursday evening from 7-10pm. There is wifi, coffee drinks, and conversation. Bring yourself. Bring your friends. This week see the documentary film, *Bidder 70*, about Tim DeChristopher, the college student who derailed an illegal BLM oil and gas lease auction in 2008.



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Sunday Schedule

8:30.....Oasis Coffee House Opens
 8:45.....Faith Development—Table Talk
 9:30.....Fellowship Time
 10:00....Worship



**Worship
Participants**

Look for Worship information in
 Email by Thursday of each week.
 Check out October's schedule
 on the Tools Page of the website.

This Week at Chalice

Thursday

Office Open, 1:30-4:30p
 Oasis Coffee House, 7-10p, "Bidder 70"
 Documentary presentation

Saturday

Community Garden Work Day, 8a

Sunday

See morning schedule above
 Alas de Salvacion Worship, 1:30p

Monday

Office Open, 1:30-4:30p
 I-HELP (ADS), 5p
 Elders' Meeting, 6:30p

Wednesday

Office Open, 1:30-4:30p
 Alas de Salvacion Worship, 5p

Thursday— Happy Halloween!

Office Open, 1:30-4:30p
 Oasis Coffee House, 7-10p



Sunday, October 27, 2013
10am
 Elder.....Bill Carter
 Liturgist.....Mylan Geisert
 Diaconate.....Kate Barton
 Ren Haws

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