

# THE PALM LEAF

#### Church of The Palms

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# CELEBRATING THE PAST; EMBRACING THE FUTURE

#### A Letter from Paul

Prior to this year, when the phrase "20/20" was used, it usually meant precise vision to see things exactly as they are or as they should be. 20/20 was the goal; hindsight would often be described as "20/20". With the year 2020 being a natural play on words, as we approached this year, I would interchange 2020 with 20/20. I did it because I like puns but also because I felt we needed precise vision as we moved onward, adjusting our sails.



Prior to this year, no one predicted the results of 2020 with any kind of precise vision approaching 20/20. Maybe 20/666, but not 20/20.

But, in hindsight, what have we learned?

What have been the key moments revealing who we are as a church, as people, and as a community. Here are a few key words that I feel describe The Palms in 2020:

- Faithful. Members have been extremely generous in giving time, talent, and treasure. We don't have the financial pressure that many congregations are facing. Why? Because of the faithfulness in giving.
- Courageous. As we faced the challenges of transitioning from in-person to computer learning and worship, many of us have had to deal with all-things computer. Bravo for being vulnerable enough to face those fears. If you need a boost of courage, talk to Lindsey or Pastor Jim and they will help you with computer stuff like they have helped me.
- Compassionate. I-Help continues to meet and serve. Did you know that 20 people have homes who would have been on the streets! The program works! It works because dedicated people are stepping up and helping. Backpacks and school supplies were given. Money was donated to help feed the poorest of poor – refugees at Solutions Church. More Social Justice Ministry has taken place this summer than in my previous summers here at The Palms.

You see, we don't need precise vision to see what has changed is our understanding of church. We've evolved from "Consumerism" church (what's in it for me) to "Missional" church (how can I best help others). To protect the health and well-being of our community we adjusted our sails from worshipping in our building to online video and out in the streets. We realized that the building wasn't required to preach the Good News of Jesus.

We learned that what is required to be the church was faithfulness, courage, and compassion. The Palms is full of those things! Thanks for being the church, The Palms of Jesus!

Shalom, Paul



The WISE Moments for Mental Wellness will be focused on Preparedness during the month of September. Have you ever noticed how much stress and anxiety is associated with the physical things of your home that just need attention: if you don't have a fire extinguisher; if you don't have a way to see who is at your front or back doors without having to open the door; or if you don't have automatic on/off lighting at the entrances of your home. Those are just a few of the items that we will address during the month. We will attempt to highlight the items that may increase your safety, both inside and outside of your home or apartment. We will also assist you with some ideas that may help you stay organized in case of a health crisis or emergency. It is important that you have contact information and your instructions prepared incase you are unable to speak for yourself in such crises.

While staying in our homes provides familiarity and a sense of independence, it is important that the home environment is safe and that we are prepared for emergencies. In both the survey conducted as a start of our Faith Community Nursing ministry and the recently-completed W.I.S.E. survey, home safety was identified as an area of concern. There is a definite link between physical and mental/emotional wellness, so I want to address some important steps that should be taken to ensure safety and preparation for potential emergencies in this month's article. While many of those reading this are seniors or have physical limitations, it is important for all us to remember that falls are the number one cause of injury for seniors. Is your home taking precautions to avoid this in your home? Having recently experienced the danger of area/throw rugs recently, I was reminded why these home decorations may not be wise. And trying to get light into my main living area, I learned to how to hide extension cords when furniture is not up against a wall.

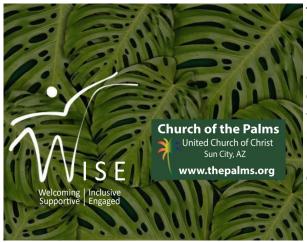
Keeping emergency numbers handy is another important preparation – cell phones can help with this if you program emergency numbers for easy access. At a minimum, include fire and police, Poison Control, doctor, and family or an emergency contact person.

Fire safety in your home includes having smoke and carbon monoxide detectors, and change batteries regularly. My son, a fireman, on his first visit to my home, was walking around looking at the ceiling in each room. When I asked what he was doing, he said checking for smoke alarms. After he returned home, I received a package with 2 smoke detectors and a note that my son-in-law would install them. He also knows my love of candles but strongly suggested I switch to the battery operated ones with timers. Recently, after getting home from a fire, he called with a reminder to stay low while getting to the closest exit to limit exposure to smoke.

Bathrooms and kitchens provide special considerations for safety. For example, I remember my daughter asking an apartment manager about installing grab bars in my bathroom. (After covering my ears, she referenced my age and smirked.) Kitchens generally have high cabinets, which may require use of a step stool to reach.

Ensuring adequate lighting can prevent misjudging space and shadows that can be misleading. Outdoor lighting is important when you or someone else approaches your home at night; motion sensor lights do not require electricity and can provide lighted walkways and discourage unwanted strangers.

Having peepholes in doors or some way to see who is at your door while keeping doors and windows locked are also ways to stay mentally and physically safe in your home. Staying aware of phone and email scams is also an important step in being prepared to avoid loss.



These next pages offer a place to begin. There are many items you can complete on your own and make the necessary safety improvements. If there are items that you can't do, such as the installation of peep holes, indoor/outdoor lighting, and other tasks that require climbing of ladders or working with power tools, please start making a punch list of items that need attention. Once your list is complete, call Pastor Jim at 623.792.5295, and he will make arrangements to help you accomplish your safety goals. You will be surprised at how much more comfortable and at ease you will feel

when these items are accomplished! If you do not see some items on this list that may help address areas of concern within your particular situation, please include them on your punch list, and we will try to address them.

Electrical Cords and Outlets	<ul> <li>Check for frayed wires.</li> <li>Repair or remove frayed wire on all electrical devices.</li> <li>No cord should go under rugs in walking pathways or across doorways.</li> <li>Rethink extension cords:</li> <li>Use outlets wherever possible</li> <li>Do not overload power strips, outlets or extension cords</li> </ul>
	—Consider using only surge protected power strips
Home Heating	<ul> <li>—Have furnace/air conditioner checked annually.</li> <li>—Inspect water heater on regular basis.</li> <li>—Set temperature no higher than 120 degrees.</li> </ul>
Smoke and Carbon Dioxide Detectors	<ul> <li>—Smoke alarms should cover all areas of the house.</li> <li>—Carbon Monoxide detectors should cover kitchen and all sleeping areas.</li> <li>—Test alarms monthly and change batteries annually or sooner if alarm chirps.</li> <li>—Clean grille on alarms regularly.</li> <li>—Post fire department's carbon monoxide reporting emergency number.</li> <li>—Demonstrate sound of each detector so all members of household know it.</li> </ul>
Fire Extinguishers	<ul><li>Keep one in the kitchen.</li><li>Keep others strategically placed.</li><li>Replace as suggested by manufacturer or if damaged.</li></ul>

Provide Easy Access for	FIRE DEPARTMENT LOCK BOXES
Emergency Personnel  Escape Plans	Requirements to receive outside lock box:  —Full time Sun City resident  —Lives alone monthly income less than \$1,508  —Saving and investments less than \$13,300  BENEFIT:  —Installation of a Fire Department lock box at no charge  —Normal cost if don't meet criteria: \$65  —Create escape plan with at least 2 exit routes in
	case of fire.  —Practice the route twice a year, once at night.  —Stay low if exiting to avoid smoke.
Burglarproofing	<ul> <li>—Install a deadbolt on every door that leads to the outdoors.</li> <li>—If a room has window bars, be sure at least one window has a quick release.</li> <li>—Install motion sensor or solar lights outdoors around the house.</li> <li>—Keep the house looking lived-in when you are away (lights on timers, stop mail and newspaper delivery, leave a car in driveway or let neighbor park there.)</li> <li>—Consider putting sign</li> <li>—Advertise any home security you have installed.</li> <li>—Trim shrubs and trees near windows and doors that provide hiding places.</li> <li>—Place a metal bar or solid wood dowel in sliding door track.</li> <li>—Give spare key to trusted neighbor, nearby friend or family member.</li> </ul>
Miscellaneous	<ul> <li>—Store flammable liquids away from any flame source.</li> <li>—Keep flammable objects away from cooking equipment.</li> <li>—Place a rechargeable flashlight near your bed.</li> <li>—Install non-skid tub mat or decals in tub (check monthly).</li> </ul>

#### **Important Phone Numbers**

National Alliance on Mental Illness Help Line 1-800-950-6264 https://www.nami.org/help Suicide Prevention Lifeline 800.273.TALK Veteran's Crisis Line 800.273.8255 press 1 Poison Control Center Hotline 800.222.1222 Poison Control Helpline 602.253.3334 Pastoral Care—Pastor Jim Alexander 623.792.5295

#### **WORSHIP THEMES FOR SEPTEMBER**

**Sept. 6:** Pastor Paul will be talking about forgiveness.

Read Matthew 18:15-20. Do we forgive more readily when the person asks for forgiveness? This is part one of a two-part series.

**Sept. 13:** Part two of the forgiveness series. Pastor Paul will be preaching on Matthew 18:21-32. What about our enemies?

**Sept. 20:** Pastor Jim will be preaching from the familiar passage in Exodus 16:2-15 telling of the congregation out in the wilderness...literally!! They think they're starving. Not quite! God provides...as usual! And the people's response? Are there any similarities with today's congregation?

**Sept. 27:** Everyone is going to be tested today. Matthew 21:23-32 challenges us to put our words into action. Pastor Paul will be preaching.

Darlene McShane 9/1
Susan Princehouse 9/4
David Karsten 9/7



SEPTE/MBER BIRTHDAYS

Ruth Emanuel	9/4
Mary Whitlock	9/6
Jack Sheehan	9/8
Trudy Pizer	9/10
Jan Eckstein	9/12
John Cooper-Lara	9/14
<b>Dolores Krull</b>	9/14
<b>Arloa Hymans</b>	9/15
Nancy LeRoy-Mott	9/20
Young Miller	9/20
Jack Adams	9/21
<b>Eric Holmes</b>	9/21
Michael Whitlock	9/23
<b>Dodie Bunker</b>	9/25
<b>Douglas Hughes</b>	9/25
Kathy Gift	9/26
Cathy Ash	9/28
Elaine Fox	9/29

# COTP Shower Trailer Ministry Moves Forward

#### By Max Klinkenborg

It began with a need and a desire to help.

In mid-2019, as Church of the Palms members planned for hosting the homeless at our church as part of the NW Valley I-HELP program, we realized that personal hygiene was a big need of our quests.



Alpha Mobile Solutions

Cleanliness is a basic right of everyone; everyone deserves to feel their best. Being clean and feeling good about yourself is vital to a job interview, a key to getting out of homelessness. Poor hygiene is also a significant cause of health problems in people who experience homelessness. Cleanliness involves everything from clean clothes to toothpaste and, especially, a shower.

The Trustees at COTP hit the wall, pun intended, when we sought a place to build a shower within our facility. We knew that the majority of I-HELP host churches would not have showers, either.

Two things came together at this time that were more than just coincidence: a vision on the part of those ministering to the homeless to provide a shower trailer and a bequest given to the church designated for social ministries. The Board of Missions and Outreach was to be the steward of the bequest, making sure it was spent as designated.

A presentation was made to the Board of Missions and Outreach before the pandemic brought everything to a screeching halt. On Aug. 10, the M&O Board met on Bridges and approved a \$45,000 line of credit to purchase a shower trailer; the Church Council affirmed this action on Aug. 15. Three bids from three different manufacturers were discussed by a leadership committee, and an order to purchase was made on Aug. 17.

The shower trailer has three private compartments, each containing a 32-inch-by-32-inch shower, a lavatory and a bench. The trailer is air conditioned and has an on demand, liquid-propane water heater. A gasoline generator will provide the electricity, a water hose will provide the water, and a 300-gallon holding tank will contain the gray water from the showers. The trailer can provide 12 showers per hour.

In addition to servicing I-HELP host churches without showers, we plan to contract with communities in the NW Valley to provide showers to the homeless. We will begin with the city of Surprise and expand to others as time and volunteers allow.

We will not begin to offer showers until it is safe for our volunteers and the guests.

#### Quarantine, Smorentine, "Church of the Palms is not Closed: We are Deployed"

#### By John Durbin

Do you do any of these things: pray, take action, love, tend to others' needs, support the work of our church? If you do, you are part of our church's Social Justice Action Team, seeking justice through Prayer, Action, Love, Ministry & Support (PALMS).

Using *Micah 6:8,* "And what does the LORD require of us but to do justice, to love kindness, and to walk humbly with our God" as our inspiration, our team is working hard in these challenging times to be the hands and feet of Jesus in our community and beyond. Thank you for being an important part of the team. We appreciate and need your involvement. Here is what you are helping to accomplish, as reported at our most recent meeting.

#### Homelessness

Jan Eckstein expressed the gratitude of the Helping At Risk Teen's (HART's) Pantry for our church's donation to the Back to School Drive. 275 backpacks were filled and 150 have been delivered. Max Klinkenborg reported that through our Interfaith Homeless Emergency Lodging Program (I-HELP) over 20 individuals are off the street and in a home. We are now working on providing a shower trailer for individuals not yet in housing. The Sun City Rotary Club and the City of Surprise have expressed interest in being partners in this project.

#### Immigration/Refugee

Suzanne Boisclair reported we have provided \$450 to support food needs of the African Refugee Solutions Church members suffering from Covid 19. This will be combined with a donation from Shadow Rock UCC to purchase food in bulk to be distributed to those in need. Pastor Paul reported that our church made a \$1,500 donation earlier in the year for the same cause.

#### **Creation Justice**

Terry Starr reported on the goal of Arizona Power and Light to have 3,000 Faith Climate Voter Campaign Pledges before the November election. The Faith Climate Voter Campaign Pledge can be found at the following link:

https://www.azipl.org/pledge-to-be-a-faith-climate-voter/

Equally important is the distribution of the **Faith Values Voters Guide**. The voters' guide covers important issues besides the climate crisis, including income inequality, health care, immigration, LGBTQ rights, restorative justice and more. The guide can be found at: <a href="http://fpl.actionkit.com/sign/2020\_voterguide\_dl?source=ipl">http://fpl.actionkit.com/sign/2020\_voterguide\_dl?source=ipl</a>

Andrea Stefanov reported on the work being done by her and Beth Moore to create a check sheet that individuals could use to help determine their carbon footprint. Nancy Tsuchiya reported on changes being made in recycling efforts and a new aluminum can recycling project being launched with the help from I-HELP quests.

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#### **Antiracism & Anti Religious-Intolerance**

Debby Stinton reported on her partnership with the Southwest Conference on racism. She is currently in the "Sacred Conversations to End Racism Institute". Debby will be trained as a trainer of trainers on racial justice issues. Debby and partners from the Southwest Conference will take an in-depth look at the subject of racial conciliation as a precursor to racial reconciliation. Debby is preparing a list of resources on this topic to be distributed to those interested in this timely topic.

#### **Neighbors in Need**

Suzanne Boisclair reported that because of Covid 19, operations at the Dysart Community Center have been limited. They are, however, providing 2 meals per day to the community. In April, our church brought clothes left for the asylum seekers to the Center. John reported on the work of Kay Klinkenborg to provide water to either the White Mountain Apache or Navajo nations based on recent media coverage of the lack of drinking water for these tribes.

#### Palestinian-Israeli Issue

Beth Moore reported that the challenges for the Tent of Nations (TON) continue to grow. Three factors are contributing to the continuing struggle: Obtaining volunteers because of Covid 19, increasing tension in Bethlehem between Palestinian and Israeli citizens, continuing annexation of territory in the region and difficulty in obtaining supplies for the farm.

#### **Criminal Justice and Prison Reform**

Jane Zukowski requested assistance with the "Women of Perryville" Project. Each day, women leave Perryville Prison after having served their time, often without clothes to reenter society. There is an urgent need for clothing of all sizes: shorts, pants, tops, and business attire for job interviews. No undergarments, sleepwear or shoes, please. Donations can be boxed or bagged (no hangers) and dropped off at church. For more information, call Jane Zukowski at 623-584-8225. Nancy Nonini reported on the "Inside Out Network" lead by Fred Nelson, a Lutheran Pastor. The Inside Out Network is dedicated to crafting innovative solutions to connect returning citizens with service providers, churches, and ministries, as well as to connect those serving on the inside in prison ministry with those outside who are working on re-entry challenges. Inmates receive tablets to begin the process of re-entry while incarcerated and use their smartphones to continue the relationship when in the community. The Inside Out Network is always free for returning citizens. <a href="https://insideoutnetwork.net/overview">https://insideoutnetwork.net/overview</a>

#### LGBTQ Equity

Vickie Ashenbrenner reported that activity is very limited at the Sun City LGBTQ club at this time. A report was given on the Pride Parade in the church parking lot in June, the three-year anniversary of the ONA covenant celebrated during a Sunday worship service, and the anniversary of raising the Rainbow flag.

There is so much to be done, but Church of the Palms is actively seeking justice through Prayer, Action, Love, Ministry & Support. Thanks again for being on the team!!

### Doing Grief in Real Life

with Shea Darian, M. Div. Healing Circles | Grief Education Spiritual Care There was an overwhelming response to Shea Darian's call for participants in her grief ministry for members and friends of The Church of the Palms, among others. Additional opportunities will be available in the fall. To be added to the waiting list, email Shea at <a href="mailto:info@sheadarian.com">info@sheadarian.com</a>.



#### Flours of Sunday

The Sunday flower program is ongoing. If you notice, there are always fresh flowers in the background of online Sunday services. I am happy to create special arrangements for birthdays, anniversaries, remembrances, or any other special occasion. generally \$30. Cost is The flowers will be used during the taping of the service and can be made available for you to take home. To order, please contact Lindsey at the church office or myself. We will be sure to make a mention in the worship guide and The Palm Leaf. —Jeff Scruggs, 623.810.8044

#### **DONATIONS NEEDED**

Thank you to everyone who has donated clothing for the Perryville The persists. women! need Each women leave day, Perryville Prison after having served their time, often without clothes to reenter society. There is an urgent need for clothing of all sizes: shorts, business attire for pants, tops, and job interviews. No undergarments, sleepwear or shoes, please. Donations can be boxed or bagged (no hangers). For more info, call Jane Zukowski at 623-584-8225.





TUESDAY BREAKFAST IN YOUR PJs: Panel Discussion of the Psychology, Pastoral and Spiritual Experiences of COVID-19

On Sept. 8, from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m., bring your coffee, toast or donuts to your computer and join Phil Ladd, DMin in Marriage & Family Therapy; Rev. Max Klinkenborg, MDiv; and Kay F. Klinkenborg, LMFT & Spiritual Companion. The panel will address predictable issues regarding responses to COVID-19. Their program includes three, five-minute presentations and an open discussion-and-question time with participants.

Phil: Honoring Feelings: There is Not a Set Pattern.

Max: Living Spiritually Outside a Church Building or Worshipping Community.

Kay: Benefits and Support through Spiritual Companionship during COVID.

To participate on Sept. 8, visit <a href="https://thepalms.org/bridges/">https://thepalms.org/bridges/</a>, then select "Tuesday Morning Breakfast in Your PJs." The next screen will invite you to join the virtual ZOOM.



#### **Bridges to Learning**

Here are the latest Life Long Learning opportunities. Visit the Bridges website to participate.

#### STUDYING ORIGINS OF WHITE SUPREMACY, WHITE PRIVILEGE, SYSTEMIC RACISM

Tuesdays 10:30 a.m., Aug. 18.-Sept. 8.

Facilitated by Kay Klinkenborg. Class designed for discussion of the systemic racism against people of color in American and white race's unconscious participation in this systemic abuse of people of color. Class involves 25-30 minutes of DVD followed by group reaction/discussion.

#### GENERATIVE DISCIPLESHIP: THE DEEPER INVITATION OF JESUS

Wednesdays, 10:30-11:30 a.m., Aug. 19-Sept. 9. Facilitated by Kay Klinkenborg. DVD series by Fr. Ron Rolheiser, OMI, a well-known specialist in the field of spirituality and systematic theology. One of his strongest gifts his in interpretation of Jesus' life/parables and applications to our life. Generative discipleship is not who I am, but "what do I have to do here?" In honoring that question, you discover who you are and who you wish to be. Rolheiser explores the major "Invitations of Jesus" to be his followers. He looks closely at Greek language and misinterpretation of key words like "be you therefore perfect." The Greek meaning of the word is to interact with compassion, not perfection of your behavior. One of his most beloved books is: The Holy Longing: The Search for A Christian Spirituality. Class involves 2 hours of DVD divided into 30 minute viewings, with group discussion and questions.

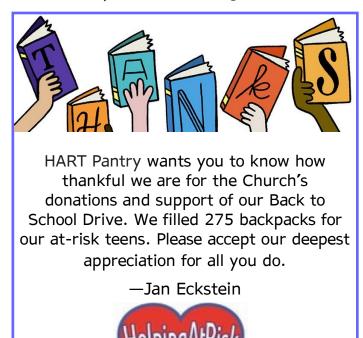
#### COSMIC CHRISTIANS

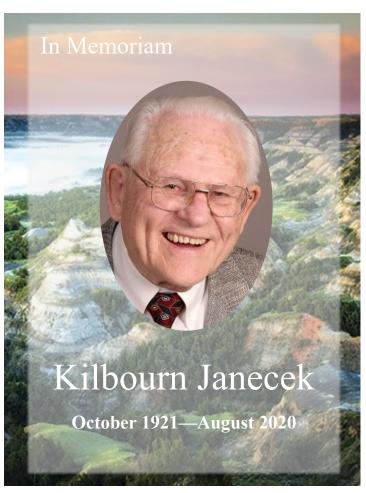
Thursdays, 10:00-11:30 a.m. beginning Sept. 17. Facilitated by Linette Stenberg.



This is not an actual photo of Evelyn Crosby on her Centennial Birthday, but the implied delight is real. Evelyn wanted to say

THANK YOU to everyone who helped celebrate the milestone on July 7. She expressed a special thanks to Jan Alexander, who led a birthday parade in her honor.

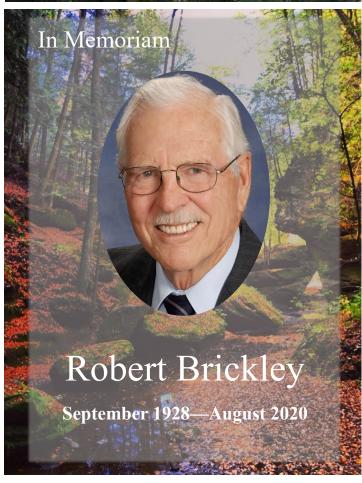


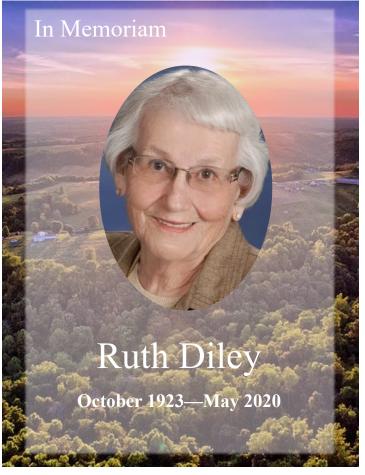


## There is No Light Without a Dawning

By Helen Steiner Rice

No winter without a spring
And beyond the dark horizon
Our hearts will once more sing...
For those who leave us for a while
Have only gone away
Out of a restless, care worn world
Into a brighter day.





September 1-24

1 Tuesday	10:30 am (B2L) Origins of White Supremacy 4:00 pm (B2L) Jump Start	2 Wednesday	10:00 am (B2B) Board of Evangelism & Growth 11:00 am (B2L) Generative Discipleship
3 Thursday		4 Friday	4:00 pm (KH) I-Help
5 Saturday		6 Sunday	8:30 am (B2L) Conversations with Debby 9:00 am (SA) Open prayer JOIN US ONLINE AT https://thepalms.org/online-worship-services/
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15 Tuesday Palm Leaf Deadline	10:30 am (B2L) Life Long Learning: TBD 4:00 pm (B2L) Jump Start	16 Wednesday	9:00 am (B2B) Board of Mission and Outreach 10:30 (B2L) Life Long Learning: TBD
17 Thursday	10:00 am (B2L) Cosmic Christians	18 Friday	
19 Saturday	9:00 am (B2B) Council Meeting	20 Sunday	8:30 am (B2L) Conversations with Debby 9:00 am (SA) Open prayer JOIN US ONLINE AT https://thepalms.org/online-worship-services/
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23 Wednesday	10:30 (B2L) Life Long Learning: TBD	24 Thursday	10:00 am (B2L) Cosmic Christians

SA=Sanctuary, KH=King Hall, B2L= Bridges to Learning (online class), B2B=Bridges to Boards (online meeting)

# September 25-30

25 Friday	4:00 pm (KH) I-Help	26 Saturday	
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The Palms is on Healthy Hiatus through September, meaning we are not meeting in person. However, our worship and learning opportunities

continue online!



During this protective pause to

we're exploring new ways to our regular style of worship,

proclaim the love of God.

**Online Worship** 

The Palms of Jesus.

Login to the website and listen to the daily devotionals Healthy Hiatus to bring you good news! Hear messages left-hand panel. Pastors Paul and Jim and members of You will find the link on the first page of the website, posted at <a href="https://thepalms.org/daily-devotional/">https://thepalms.org/daily-devotional/</a>. the congregation are using this opportunity of of peace, extravagant love, and about being



Facebook and YouTube pages on

Sunday morning. These have

most of the elements of our

including scripture, sermon,

hymns, and prayers.

typical worship services,

sanctuary during the week for broadcast on our website and

a worship service in the

Church of the Palms is gathering online for classes and important meetings. From Jump Start on Tuesdays to coordinating these gatherings, making attendance as Bridges to Learning (B2L) allows The Palms of Jesus to connect live and face to face. The Palms' staff is simple as a few steps. Learn how to join classes or Conversations with Debby on Sunday mornings, meetings here: Bridges to Learning webpage.