

## CEREMONY OF WORSHIP

*We Praise Thee, O God*

Welcome

Scripture Reading

Prayer

*O How I Love Jesus*

*Come Share the Lord*

Communion \*

Offering

Announcements

\*\* C.B.H. Dismissal

*Living By Faith*

Sermon

*Lord I Give You My Heart*

Closing Prayer

*Sing and Be Happy*

*\* In observance of the Lord's Supper, (Communion) each participant takes some of the bread and a small cup of unfermented grape juice as it is passed. All believers are invited to participate. This is how we remember Jesus each week. See 1 Corinthians 11:23-25.*

➔ *Gluten-free bread is available in the Communion Prep room.*

*\*\* Our Children's Bible Hour is available for children ages 3 years through 2nd Grade in the Education Bldg., Room 404. We ask that a parent or guardian check-in their child for CBH and check them out at the close of worship service.*

## LESSON NOTES

*UNSTUCK: Letting Go*

*Psalm 32:1-2, Lamentations 3:40, Psalm 139:23-24*

## ON THE TRAIL

Sunday Worship (1st):	81
Sunday Worship (2nd):	153
Sunday Bible Classes:	101
Contribution for 9/17	\$9,267
Weekly Average YTD:	\$9,945
Weekly Budget:	\$8,850

## MINISTRY STAFF

### Senior Minister

Nathan Freeman 623-889-3388

[nathan@canyonchurch.org](mailto:nathan@canyonchurch.org)

### Worship & Connections Minister

Wyane Atkinson 623) 213-4611

[wyane@canyonchurch.org](mailto:wyane@canyonchurch.org)

### Administrative Assistants

Davina White 623-889-7146

[davina@canyonchurch.org](mailto:davina@canyonchurch.org)

Laura Shewmaker 623-889-7146

[laura@canyonchurch.org](mailto:laura@canyonchurch.org)

## SHEPHERDS

Jay Carter 602-628-1197

Don James 623-544-9624

\* Don Morue 623-551-4431

[don@drmorue.com](mailto:don@drmorue.com)

Scott Neibauer 651-373-6616

Steve Schmidlap 623-202-7556

*\* Denotes lead elder for this month. Please contact this elder first with concerns or needs.*

## LOCATION & HOURS

Church Offices are open  
Tuesdays - Fridays, 9 AM - 4 PM

34975 N. North Valley Parkway  
Building 8, Suite 152  
Phoenix, AZ 85086

Worship Center - Bldg. 2

Education/Classrooms - Bldg. 4

## VISIT US ONLINE

[canyonchurch.org](http://canyonchurch.org)

Follow us on:



## GATHERING TIMES

### Sunday Morning

8:30 AM 1st Worship Service

9:45 AM Bible Studies ♦

10:45 AM 2nd Worship Service

### Small Groups

Our small groups meet at various times and locations throughout the valley. This is a great way to become involved in a short amount of time and get to know other people or families who are in the same phase of life as you, or even have the same interests as you. See the printed list or visit our website for details on our current groups.

### CHILD SAFETY

We strive to make Canyon Church a safe place for all ages, including children. Our security desk is staffed Sundays from **9:30 AM to 12:00 PM** in the Education Building, and we ask that a parent or guardian check-in and check-out their child (ages newborn to 5th Grade) for nursery, classes, and Children's Bible Hour.

## FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE

- **Restrooms** are located in the north worship center lobby, and in the middle of the education building.
- **Water and refreshments** are available at the canteen, located in the north worship center lobby.
- **A cry room** is available for use in the rear of the worship center; accessed from the north lobby.
- A fully-staffed **nursery** for newborns to children up to 2 years old is available in the education building, room 403, during the 10:45 AM worship service.
- **Listening devices** for the hearing impaired can be obtained at the worship center sound booth.
- **Sheet music** for today's service is available in the worship center lobbies.



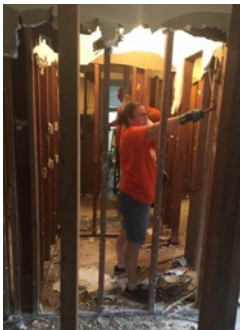
SEPTEMBER 24, 2017

## UNLEASHING COMPASSION IN HOUSTON, TX

Recently, Canyon Church sent a Mission Team to Houston, TX to assist in the recovery after Hurricane Harvey. Our team spent the past week working in conjunction with local church, Bammel Church of Christ, and their distribution center.



The heat and humidity were relentless, but our team served with cheerful hearts. The first couple of days were spent serving Hector and his family (pictured). Their home was flooded with up to 6 feet of water and his street turned into a river that ran for 4 days. Senior Minister, Nathan Freeman, tells us, *"Hector's family is displaced right now. He says the hardest part was having to throw away his children's toys. We were able to talk to him more about his walk with God the following day. He has the hardest time grasping why people following Jesus would come so far to help his family. Hector has lived much of his life struggling to trust others. Through this experience his faith has been renewed and his hunger to be a blessing to others has been born. Pray for Hector, his family, and so many others as they still have a long road ahead of them. Thank you Canyon for helping us bless people like Hector."*



This is just one of the many interactions our team had while serving. Be sure to talk to one of them to hear first-hand about their experiences. Thank you to Nathan Freeman, Sindy Green, Taran Mason, and Bill O'Neill for being the hands and feet of Jesus to the people of Houston.

THE POWER OF  
**ONE**

*Our mission is to lead people to a growing relationship with Jesus Christ...  
Loving God • Connecting People  
• Unleashing Compassion •*

# DISCOVER

The elders would like to invite our guests to join us next Sunday, Oct. 1 at 12 noon to discover all about the history and vision of Canyon Church. Members who have yet to attend Discover Canyon are also invited. This will be a relaxed time to share some information about who we are and where we're going, and get to know each other better. Lunch will be provided. If you are interested in attending, please respond by no later than this Wednesday, Sept. 27 by e-mail to [staff@canyonchurch.org](mailto:staff@canyonchurch.org) or phone (623-889-7146). Please mention the number attending and if childcare is needed. We look forward to seeing you there!



Urban Mission: Phoenix

## HOST HOMES NEEDED FOR MISSIONARY STUDENTS

The Adventures in Missions (AIMs) apprentice missionaries will be loading up their bus and heading our way soon! AIMs is the missionary school at Sunset International Bible Institute in Lubbock, TX. Sean McClue with Central

Phoenix Urban Ministry (the local inner city outreach we partner with for the backpacks drive, etc.) is coordinating an urban mission trip for a group of AIM students. We have offered to help provide housing for 15 or more of these students during their time in our city from Oct. 13 through Oct. 18. They will need to be dropped off (8 AM) and picked up (9:30 PM) each day at the Northwest Church of Christ building. Students will have sleeping bags and are willing to sleep on floors or couches. If you can help house a few of these future missionaries, please add your name to the sign-up sheet on the member table or contact Nathan Freeman ([nathan@canyonchurch.org](mailto:nathan@canyonchurch.org)).



## IT'S A PICNIC!

Make plans to join us for a church-wide picnic on Sunday, Oct. 15 at 5 PM in Tramonto Park (located just northeast of the Canyon buildings.) Hot dogs will be served. Please bring sides and drinks to share. We'll enjoy time together as a church family and be led in a devotional by the Adventures in Missions team (see article above). This picnic was a big hit last year. You won't want to miss it! *Please note, our Small Groups will not meet that evening to allow everyone a chance to participate.*

## WILL YOU PRAY FOR OUR ELDERS?

Our elders and ministers are currently in a time of prayer for Canyon Church and what God is calling us to do in 2018. They will conclude this time of prayer with a retreat in October. They would greatly appreciate your prayers over their time together. Would you be praying for them, as they are praying for you?

## COMING EVENTS

- Sept. 27** - Midweek Ladies' class begins, 9:30 AM, details within.
  - Oct. 1** - Discover Canyon, 12:00 Noon, lunch and childcare provided, see details within. RSVP to [staff@canyonchurch.org](mailto:staff@canyonchurch.org).
  - Oct. 4** - Ministry Meetings, check with your ministry leader for details.
  - Oct. 10** - Trailblazers Luncheon, 11 AM.
  - Oct. 13-18** - AIMs Urban Mission - host homes needed. See within.
  - Oct. 15** - Church-wide Picnic in the Park, 5 PM, see AIMs article within.
  - Oct. 19** - Celebrate Recovery Step Studies begin, see article for details.
  - Oct. 29** - Trunk or Treat Fall Outreach Event, see details within.
- Visit our Calendar at [canyonchurch.org](http://canyonchurch.org) for all upcoming events.



## STEP INTO FREEDOM!

Canyon Church will be offering Celebrate Recovery step studies for both men and women beginning Thursday, Oct. 19 at 6:30 PM in rooms 405 and 406 of the Education Building. The public is welcome regardless of religious affiliation. These groups are designed to be a "safe place" where people can find genuine love, support, and an opportunity to express themselves freely, confidentially, and without fear of judgment in order to resolve their hurts, habits, and hang-ups. Celebrate Recovery's program can help with past or present abuses (physical, psychological, sexual), emotional problems (anger, anxiety, depression, etc.) and addictions (food, alcohol, drugs, sex). These step studies will guide participants toward solutions as they grow in their relationship with Jesus, with emphasis on the present value of knowing Him and experiencing His transforming power in their lives. For further information, please contact our facilitators: Steve & BJ Huffman or Leslie Young-Waller.



Our small groups are in full swing! See the list on the member table for details. If you have questions, or just aren't sure about which group would be right for you, please contact our Worship & Connections Minister, Wyane Atkinson, at [wyane@canyonchurch.org](mailto:wyane@canyonchurch.org) or 623-213-4611.



## THE POWER OF PRAYER

Prayer requests can be made by filling out a prayer card (on the back of the connection card) and placing it in the offering tray on Sunday or handing it to any elder or ministry staff person. The list of prayer requests are published in our weekly email. A few paper copies are also provided at the member table for those individuals who don't use email or who don't have printers at home. Prayer cards marked "private" will not be published and will only be seen by our elders and ministers.



A new Ladies' Mid-week Bible Study starts this Wednesday, Sept. 27 at 9:30 AM in Room 402 of the Education Building. One of the greatest challenges among women in our culture is

taking time to stop and cease from all the activities and busyness and just breathe. We are in bondage to busyness. If you are weary, worn out, and exhausted, this mid-week ladies' Bible class will help change your life. The class will last for five weeks and will use the *Breathe* DVD curriculum by Priscilla Shirer. Contact teacher Rachel Freeman at [rfree@bellsouth.net](mailto:rfree@bellsouth.net) for details or to sign-up. Childcare will be provided.

## FALL OUTREACH EVENT - YOUR HELP NEEDED!

October is just around the corner, which means our annual Trunk or Treat fall event will be here before we know it. **This year we are opening this event up to the neighborhood!** We'll need all hands

on deck! So help us get to know our neighbors, and sign up for a block of time to help out. The event will be on October 29, with set up from 3:30 to 5:00 PM and festivities from 5:30 to 7:00 PM. We need decorated cars, donated candy, donated prizes, and volunteers to help monitor games, a bounce house, parking, and more! Pizza dinner will be provided for all Canyon volunteers and their families at 4:30 PM before the event starts, and there will be two shifts, so that volunteers can still have time to enjoy the evening. **Please add your name to the sign-up sheet** on the member table, or contact Children's Event Coordinator, Taran Mason, at 805-757-1321 or [tarankmason@gmail.com](mailto:tarankmason@gmail.com).

## YOUTH CALENDAR

- ★ **TODAY** - 9:45 AM Jr. High & High School Class in Youth Room.
- ★ **TODAY** - CYG Sunday meets in the Youth Room at 1 PM.
- ★ **Sept. 27** - CYG Wednesday meets in the Youth Room at 7 PM.
- ★ **Oct. 1** - Official first Sunday for our new Youth & Family Minister, Dalton Johnson. Be sure to welcome him and his wife, Shelby!
- ★ **Oct. 15** - Picnic in the Park, 5 PM with devotional led by the AIMs apprentice missionaries. See article within.
- ★ **Oct. 29** - Trunk or Treat Fall Event, see details within.

Follow us on Instagram - @CanyonYouthGroup