

FAMILY FEST

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First United Methodist Church of Mesa is proud to host Family Fest, a free community event bringing families together for a day of fun, connection, and resources. Family Fest will feature live entertainment, interactive kids' zones, local vendors, non-profits, and essential family services—all in one place.

This event is more than just a festival—it's a community-driven effort to support families in need. Proceeds from vendor fees go directly toward helping families who contact the church for assistance with rent, utilities, groceries, bus passes, and other essentials. Our goal is to raise \$24,000 to provide support through the summer months.

Event Highlights:

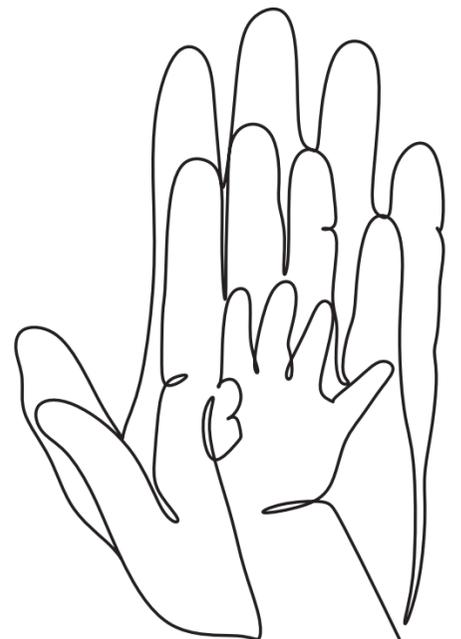
Date: Saturday April 19th, 2025

**Location: First United Methodist Church of Mesa,
15 E 1st Ave. Mesa, AZ 85210**

Time: 10am - 4pm

Activities Include:

- Live entertainment & performances
- Kids' activities & interactive zones
- Local vendors & businesses
- Non-profit organizations offering resources
- Giveaways & community engagement



 Mesa Fire Truck Display - Meet Mesa Fire Department firefighters and explore a real fire truck!

 Bring One, Take One Free Book Exchange - Bring a book and swap it for a new favorite!

 Head Start Meet & Greet - Learn about early childhood education and connect with program representatives.

 Live Performances - Performers welcome! We have 30-minute performance slots available on our indoor stage in the Fellowship Hall.

Get Involved:

Vendors & Sponsors: Businesses and organizations can reserve a booth to showcase their services and engage with the community.

Non-Profits: Organizations providing community resources can participate for free or choose to contribute, knowing that every cent helps local families.

Volunteers: Community members can sign up to help with event logistics, greeting attendees, and supporting activities.

Join Us!

Family Fest is an opportunity to celebrate, support, and uplift families while connecting with local businesses and organizations that make a difference.

For more information, to sign up as a vendor, sponsor, non-profit, or volunteer, visit FamilyFestMesa.com or contact secretary@firstchurchofmesa.com

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The Need for Support in Mesa

- Unsheltered homelessness in Arizona has risen 73% in five years, impacting thousands.
- Family homelessness in Maricopa County increased 14% since 2017 despite statewide declines.
- Over 5,700 Mesa residents sought homelessness-related services in 2024.
- Extreme summer heat puts unsheltered families at severe risk.

Family Fest helps bridge the gap by supporting families in crisis. Join us to make a difference!

