



THE SKYLINE

An e-news blast of Desert Skies United Methodist Church

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NEW WORSHIP SERIES-“Who Are You?”

The season of Epiphany is a wonderful time to explore the light of Christ and what it means for us as Christian followers! Light reveals things, and this series is designed to reveal just who we are...as individuals, as travelers on a faith journey, as beloved children of God. This delightful journey of discovery continues and will run through February...

January 22-“Claim Your Vocation.”

January 29-“Embody Beatitude Living”

February 5-“Live With Integrity”

February 12-“Create Right Relationships”

February 19-“Go Beyond”

February 26-“Proclaim Transformation”

THIRD SERVICE WORKSHIP THIS SUNDAY

Workshop is when some members of our community worship together in small groups by engaging in projects to help our brothers and sisters in our community. **This is a third service alternative and will not replace the 8:30 and 10:00 Worship services.**

Please review the projects listed below if you want to participate. Please contact Mary Jo Floyd at maryjofloyd39@gmail.com for further information.

1. Casa Maria Soup Kitchen (10 people) 8:30-11:30 a.m.

Serve soup, make sandwiches, package sweets and salties, pack lunches, basic cleanup

Coordinator: Doreen Hedger

2. Primavera Men’s Shelter (10 people) 10:15

Meal preparation at home or in DSUMC kitchen, take prepared meal to the shelter and serve at 11:30, stay and share the meal with the guests at the shelter (**additional people to bake pies and/or make cornbread and bring it to DSUMC by 9:30 that morning**)

Coordinator: Mary Broughton

3. The Inn Project (10 people ages 13 and older) 8:30-1:00

Pack travel bags, pack hygiene kits, sit and visit with the guests who are waiting at First United Methodist Church and/or Christ Church United Methodist to travel to their final destinations.

Coordinator: Mary Jo Floyd

4. Sister Jose Women’s Center (4-6 women) 5:30 p.m.

Meal preparation for 14 plus DSUMC volunteers at home or in DUMC kitchen, take the meal to the center and serve between 5:30-5:45, stay and share the meal with the guests at the Center, (**5 additional people to bake cookies and bring them to DSUMC that morning**), the cookies will be the dessert for the evening meal.

Coordinator: Mary Kiewel

As our workshop experiences are part of worship, we will gather prior to leaving for our various projects. A sending prayer and collection of the offering will be a part of that gathering. May God richly bless you as you worship through service.

Wonderful Opportunities to Serve at Desert Skies

Altar Flower Coordinator Needed

As Sylvia LaPorte has moved, she will no longer be taking care of coordinating our Altar Flowers for Sunday mornings. We need a coordinator to take her place. You would be the direct contact for the congregation in collecting their information for the Sunday of their choice. Availability to receive and send email is essential. If you are interested or need more/detailed information, please contact Tammy in the church office at # 749-0521. Thank you.

Christ Café on Sunday Mornings

The new year has begun and we need people to host our Christ Café on Sunday mornings. The sign-up board is at the Christ Café table each Sunday morning and the Connect Committee would appreciate it if you, your family members or a committee would pick a Sunday or two throughout the calendar year to provide treats for in between and after worship services. Questions??? Contact Jeann Fishback.

WANTED!

The sign out front of the church keeps our community apprised of our worship times and special events. But it doesn't just magically happen...and YOU just might be exactly what we need! If you would be willing to change the sign periodically as special events or seasons of the church change our regular worship hours, please contact Tammy at the Church Office and we will train you...and appreciate you mightily! Ken and Michelle Bever have been faithfully doing this task for awhile now, and are asking for a break! Please say yes to this opportunity to serve.

Communion Service

Desert Skies UMC Worship Committee wishes you a Happy New Year and many blessings in 2017.

The Worship Committee would like to increase our list of folks, including youth, willing to serve communion the first Sunday of each month at both services. We would like to eliminate the need for those who have been regularly serving for a number of years to serve only once or twice a year. This service does not entail being on a committee or attending any meetings just a worshipful heart and willingness to serve.

Kathy Merk will be in the entryway between services and after the 10:00 am service with a signup sheet for communion service for 2017 and a sheet to be called to serve. If you would like to contact Kathy personally, email: mkmcam81@gmail.com, phone: 208-409-0937, texts are okay. You can also sign-up on the back of your Blue Connection card found in your Sunday morning bulletin.

THE INN PROJECT CARING FOR CENTRAL AMERICAN IMMIGRANTS NEED VOLUNTEERS

Want to make our world a better place?

Volunteers are needed at the Inn Project at First United Methodist or Christ Church United Methodist. Each facility is temporarily housing documented immigrants from Central and Latin America. ICE brings the immigrants to the churches where they are fed, get clean clothes, take showers, and rest. Volunteers at the church call the immigrants' families who then buy bus/plane tickets so the immigrants can join them wherever they live. We get the confirmation numbers and take the immigrants to catch their buses/planes. Many volunteers are needed to help make the process go smoothly and safely. Sometimes that means just socializing with the immigrants, but it can also mean sorting clothes, helping to cook, washing dishes, or packing lunch bags for the families to take on their bus rides!! There is always something to do!!

They need volunteers 24/7, and, if you speak Spanish, you are especially needed to help with the intake process and to make the phone calls. Both churches have set up 4 hour shifts for volunteers, but if you can only give an hour or two, that's wonderful also! If you can help, **please** come into the church office or call and give your name, phone number, and email address or sign-up on the Blue Connection Card found in the bulletin on Sunday mornings. Someone will call you to give you details about volunteering. This is a marvelous way to make a difference in our world! **Don't be shy, any volunteer is welcome!!**

This Week At Desert Skies

Tuesday, January 17

9:30 am Covenant Bible Study	Fellowship Hall
3:30 pm Tutoring	Fellowship Hall
6:00 pm Painting God's Beauty	Room # 7
6:30 pm Finance Meeting	Room # 2
7:30 pm SPRC Meeting	Room # 2

Wednesday, January 18

9:15 am Zippy 49er's Meeting	Fellowship Hall
4:00 pm Loss Support Group	Room # 2
4:30 pm Worship Design	Sanctuary
5:30 pm The Wired Word	Fellowship Hall
6:45 pm Adult Bells	Sanctuary
7:30 pm Adult Choir	Sanctuary

Thursday, January 19

Biblical Counseling-Rev. Dr. Roy W. Ludlow
520-449-0410 or rwludlow@cox.net

9:00 am Prayer Group	Room # 7
2:00 pm Painting God's Beauty	Room # 7

Saturday, January 21

8:00 am UMM Meeting	Fellowship Hall
4:00 pm Memorial Service For Elwood Beehler	Sanctuary

Reception following service in Fellowship Hall

This Week's Bible Reading

January 17	Gen. 42, 43; Ps. 5; Luke 17
January 18	Gen. 44-46; Luke 18
January 19	Gen. 47, 48; Ps. 10; Luke 19
January 20	Gen. 49, 50; Ps. 8; Luke 20
January 21	Ex. 1, 2; Ps. 88; Luke 21
January 22	Ex. 3-5; Luke 22
January 23	Ex. 6-8; Luke 23

Interested in joining
Desert Skies UMC?

Contact Rev. Dr.
Candace J. Lansberry
at 749-0521.

We are on the web:
www.desertskiesumc.org

Please like the Desert Skies Facebook page!
We update the page with information about upcoming events and also
advertise through Facebook.

The more likes, comments and shares we have on our page as well as
specific posts and events the bigger the audience we reach with any
advertising.

Reminder!

We will be convening a Charge Conference during our next
Church Council meeting on January 31st for the purpose of re-
voting on Rev. Matt's salary package due to a calculation error in
his compensation package.

Announcements

Sundaes on Sunday-Membership 101-If you are interested in becoming a member of Desert Skies and would like some insight on what the process is, please join Rev. Matt and Rev. Candace on **Sunday, January 22nd at 3:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall. If interested, please call the church office at # 749-0521.**

The United Methodist Men- will be meeting **Saturday, January 21st at 8:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.** Come and enjoy a good meal, great program and fellowship with the men of the church.

The Banner Group -will meet on Thursday, January 19th at 9:00 a.m. at the home of Clarlyn Elder. All skill levels are welcome as are your ideas. Call Mary Ellen Dawson for more information.

The DSUMC 2016 Read Through the Bible Challenge-We have another name to add to our list of those who have completed the DSUMC 2016 Reading Through the Bible Challenge. Congratulations to Jeanne Myers. Way to go! (We want to recognize all who completed the challenge, so if your name isn't here, let us know!!!)

Western Sunday-is February 19th. We will have One Worship Service at 9:30 a.m. in the sanctuary. Join us for a BBQ after the service along with pony rides, games, fellowship and a whole lot of fun! Tickets will be on sale, Sunday January 29th, February 5th and 12th outside of the Sanctuary before and after services. You can also purchase your tickets in the church office-Monday-Thursday, 8:00 am—4:00 pm. No tickets will be sold on Western Sunday.

Come out and join us!-We will be staining beams on the New Patio on **Wednesday, January 18th and Thursday, January 19th** afternoon at 1:00 p.m..