



THE SKYLINE

An e-news blast of Desert Skies United Methodist Church

August 29, 2017

THE LORD'S PANTRY NEEDS OUR HELP



Eloy First United Methodist Church, with a church membership of approximately 30, began The Lord's Pantry in 2010 by providing food boxes to 35 families. In 2017, this congregation of 30 members has expanded this ministry to 384 food boxes to 203-214 households feeding 900-1000 people. They are able to continue this ministry to their small community northwest of Tucson with donations (monetary and food). They receive two food deliveries a month from the Mesa Food Bank for which they pay \$400 a month. In the Spring of 2017, Desert Southwest Conference sent out an urgent plea for immediate donations, and DSUMC responded quickly. When we delivered the food to them from our ELF Ministry cupboard at the end of their food distribution day, their shelves were bare.



The DSUMC annual **September Food Drive** to support The Lord's Pantry of Eloy UMC will take place on **September 10, 17 and 24**. They are requesting **cereal and peanut butter**. Please watch for sales of these items in the next few weeks so that we can "stuff the church van" on September 24th. **Look for the table at the back of the sanctuary September 10-24. Thank you.**



BABY SHOWER

Please join us on **Sunday, September 10th at 11:30 am in the Fellowship Hall** and meet Autumn Grace Zapanta, born on August 4th to our new custodian, Brian Zapanta and his wife Aubrey.

We will have a baby shower celebration and a light lunch to welcome baby Autumn. For those that wish to attend, please sign up on the Connection Card found in your bulletin on Sunday.

The Zapantas have registered at Target. If you are unable to attend and wish to send a card, gift card, or check, a basket will be in the Narthex until September 10th. If you have any questions, please contact Doc Shawn.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

A new school year means the Backpack Program begins. The Backpack program, formerly Snak Paks, will begin the last week of August. Desert Skies supports 3 schools. Sierra K-8 packs on Wednesdays; Pueblo Gardens and Peter Howell packs and delivers on Fridays.

We are in need for volunteers at all the schools. If you would be interested in this ministry please call Eileen Starace at # 907-2121 or Karen Anderson at # 991-3833 for Pueblo Gardens and Peter Howell. For Sierra K-8 please call Ken Winkelmann at # 400-8308. Thank you for your support.

A Great BIG Welcome To Our Newest Members of Desert Skies

This past Sunday, Jim Weaver, Brenda Price and Edie Jordan joined the congregation of Desert Skies



Children's Time



We Need Tutors For This School Year

We are currently short of tutors for this year. Please consider joining our team. It only takes one hour per week.

Please contact Sandy Kleen for details on how to become part of the Tutoring Team!! Phone: 520-270-5877 or email: sandykleen@gmail.com



Praise Band





Our New Worship Series—"Outside My Own Little World: Creating Joy" begins Sunday, September 3rd and runs through Sunday, October 29th.

In this series, we will remember why we are a Body together-being the hands and feet of Christ in a frightened and hurting world. We will focus not just on maintaining "the Church", but why it is that the church exists at all. We will affirm our purpose as a joyful community in this world and how we live that out together.

September 3-"Population Two"

September 10-"I Try to Stay Awake"

September 17-"I Don't Want to Miss What Matters"

September 24-"What if There's a Greater Purpose?"

October 1-"Look Me In the Eye"

October 8-"Give Me Open Hands and Open Doors"

October 15-"Break My Heart for What Breaks Yours"

October 22-"I Wanna Be Reaching Out"

October 29-"Start Living Right Now"

Are You Master of the Remotes? Do you enjoy having control?

We Are Looking for YOU!
and your spouse, buddy or teen.



The media booth needs volunteers to run the audio and video system during worship.

- You can try it out, with no obligation
- It's easier than it may look
- We will train you
- Commitment as little as one Sunday (both services) a month
- Dates scheduled in advance

Call: Scott Hartung 247-9581 or Susan Haynes 270-5544
(Salary is twice what the choir makes!)

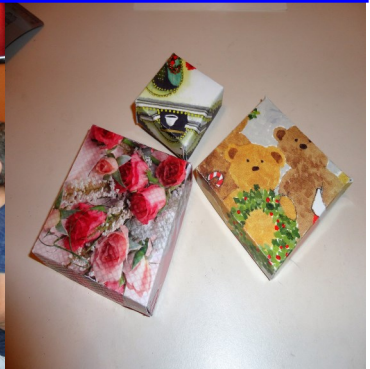
SAVE THE DATE

Our SPRC and Annual Charge Conference Meeting will be held on Thursday, October 19th. SPRC will meet at 5:30 pm (room # 2) and the congregation will meet at 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

ALL COMMITTEE REPORTS ARE DUE by THURSDAY, OCTOBER 5th. Please submit reports to Tammy by email: office@desertskiesumc.org or leave your hardcopy on her desk. THANK YOU.

The Mary Martha Circle (M&M's)

We met on August 24th at Risky Business Cafe. Jeann Fishback taught us how to make jewelry boxes from greeting cards. These cards will be used for our glass Caring Crosses that we make and some will be given to the Flea Market for the Jewelry Department. Our honorary members, Fred Killion and Rev. Matt stopped in to say "hi."



UMCOR Responds to Harvey

By Mary Andreolli

UMCOR is currently working with disaster coordinators and early response teams to provide relief to the many people whose lives have been impacted by hurricane/tropical storm Harvey. We will continue to update this page and UMCOR social media as we receive new information.

5 Things You Can Do

1. Please continue to pray for those whose lives have been impacted by hurricane/tropical storm Harvey. Please also pray for the Early Response Teams, disaster coordinators, and many volunteers in [The Texas Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church](#), [Louisiana Conference of The United Methodist Church](#), [Rio Texas Conference of The United Methodist Church](#) and [Central Texas Conference](#) who are working tirelessly to provide relief after Harvey.
2. [Make relief kits](#), send complete kits to http://www.umcor.org/UMCOR/Relief-Supplies/Relief-Supply-Network/Relief-Supply-Network_shipping_label/packing_list_instructions
3. Give to UMCOR's relief and recovery efforts: https://secure3.convio.net/.../SPageNaviga.../umcor_donate.html...
(highlight, right click, open hyperlink)
4. Donate only those items requested.
5. Please wait for an invitation to volunteer.

UMCOR - United Methodist Committee On Relief is grateful for your relentless prayers and support.

Vail Launch Training.....Coming Soon!!

The Vail Campus is anticipating a public launch on Christmas Eve this year, and we would love to have you help make that happen. From September 10-November 26, we will have training leading to the launch at the Vail Innovation Center, 10775 E. Mary Ann Cleveland Way, Vail at 4 pm. Anyone from either campus is encouraged to attend and help with this milestone for Desert Skies. No obligations to attend the Vail Campus once launched...this is just getting us to that place!

Multi Site Academy (Launch Training)

September 10-New Imagination
September 17-Marks of a Healthy Launch
September 24-Leading Yourself

October 1-Conflict
October 8-Mentoring Others
October 15-UM Theology
October 22-Team Developer
October 29-Top 10 Multi-Site Launch Mistakes

November 5-Desert Skies 101
November 12-Contextualization
November 19-Joint Thanksgiving Service
November 26-The Successful Launch

December 3, 10, 17-Preview Services
December 24-Launch on Christmas Eve
4:00 pm

Desert Skies United Methodist Church
Church Council Meeting Agenda
Tuesday August 29th, 2017 at 7:00 pm

Vision: A Joyful Community Drawing People to Christ;
Mission: Lead our neighbors to Christ; Love one another in caring community;
Learn to follow Jesus; Live a Christ-like life that serves the world.

Meeting Chair: Mike Starace

Recording Secretary: Jeann Fishback

Remember to sign in on the attendance form before each meeting, print any necessary attachments you receive during the month and bring canned goods for our ELF ministry.

1. Call to Order and Opening Prayer –
2. **Listening:** What would it mean for us to be a ‘Courageous Church’ including reworking traditions.
3. Approval of the previous Church Council Minutes
4. **Learning:** Chapter One of Just Say Yes!!!—“You Can’t Do It That Way!”
5. **Leading:** Coordinating our Efforts for Ministry: Collaborating Together:
Discussion to focus ministry direction for small group studies for 2017 and 2018.
Jake Beverage for Adult Spiritual Formation, Recreation & Fellowship and Cong Care.

Ministry/Committee Updates and Presentations –

New Community – Yearly Schedule

January	Spiritual Disciplines
February	Live (UMM, UMW, Missions and Social Concerns, Flea Market)
March	Social Principles
April	Administration (SPRC, Church Council, Trustees, Finance, Foundation)
May	Spiritual Gifts
June	Summer Break
July	United Methodist 101 (History)
August	Lead (Connect, Worship, Communications)
September	Homecoming
October	Love (Family Life, Congregational Care)+ United Methodist 101 (Polity)
November	Basic Christianity
December	Learn (Children, Youth, Adult Spiritual Formation)

Vail Campus Update - including the beginnings of a discussion about Launch Training and Christmas Eve Launch.

Finance - Connie Kraska

New Business and Reminders:

Community Food Bank/Desert Skies Pantry Update
Flea Market affiliation with AZ Dept of Children’s Services for items and later counseling.

Action Items:

6. Next meeting: September 26, 2017
7. Prayer and Adjournment

Announcements

Reminder-On Wednesday, August 30th Adult Bells starts back up at 6:45 pm and Adult Choir at 7:30 pm in the Sanctuary.

Desert Skies Shirts-If you are interested in purchasing any shirts with our new logo, we will be placing a third order on Monday, September 18th. Order forms may be picked up on Sundays at the Welcome Center podium or at the church office. Orders should be turned in to Sandy Kleen, Jeann Fishback, the Welcome Center podium or to Tammy in the church office.

Prayer Shawls-HELP WANTED!! Our supply of Prayer Shawls is very low and I need knitters to help replenish our stock. Knitting is a great way to endure those many TV commercials during the football and basketball season. An added bonus...Zippy 49er's Circle will supply the yarn! Hope to hear from you!! Call Sylvia Flagg at # 296-0079.

Zippy 49er's Circle-will NOT begin meeting until the 3rd Wednesday in October, which is **October 18th**. When we resume, we will be doing a Ray Vander Laan DVD series called "In the Dust of the Rabbi". **We will meet in the Fellowship hall at 9:15 am and have a light breakfast together at 9:30 am.** Hostesses for October meeting are Louise Glaysher, Lorna Niven, and Karen Davis. Circle members are reminded to continue to pick up clothing items for Southern Arizona Child Advocacy Center as you are doing your shopping. We will discuss whether we want to continue with SACAC as our circle ministry for 2017-2018 at our meeting in October. If you have been thinking of visiting a circle, we would love to have you! You do NOT need a reservation, just come. Call Glenda Burdick at # 264-7734, for more info.

Prayer Walkers-We would like to pray for your neighborhood. We meet at 6:00 am on Tuesday mornings and are looking for starting places. Please contact Connie Kraska with any suggestions.

Bible Study Class: "Jesus In The Gospels"

It's traditional for Desert Skies to hold a Bible Study class on **Tuesday mornings** and this year we will be focusing on the Disciples' Study, "Jesus in the Gospels". This is a very rich study and requires daily study time. **We meet in the Fellowship Hall from 9:30 am-11:30 am and our first day will be September 12th.** Rev. Candace and Pat Walker will Team Teach and you don't need to be a Bible Scholar. We will meet Jesus in the Gospels of Matthew, Mark, Luke and John and enjoy a lively discussion about Our Savior and who we are as His followers. If you are interested call Pat Walker, at #749-4483 or email her at msnodle@aol.com or sign-up on the Connection card found in your bulletin on Sunday.

This Week At Desert Skies

Tuesday, August 29

6:00 am Prayer Walking TBA

7:00 pm Church Council Meeting
Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, August 30

4:00 pm Worship Design Sanctuary

6:45 pm Adult Bells Sanctuary

7:30 pm Adult Choir Sanctuary

Friday, September 1

6:30 pm Bridge Fellowship Hall

REMINDER

OFFICE IS CLOSED ON MONDAY,
SEPTEMBER 4th IN OBSERVANCE OF
LABOR DAY!!

This Week's Bible Reading

August 29-Ezek. 4-7; Rev. 3

August 30-Ezek. 8-11; Rev. 4

August 31-Ezek. 12-14; Rev. 5

September 01-Ezek. 15, 16; Ps. 70;
Rev. 6

September 02-Ezek. 17-19; Rev. 7

September 03-Ezek. 20, 21; Ps. 111;
Rev. 8

September 4-Ezek. 22-24; Rev. 9

Interested in joining
Desert Skies UMC?

Contact Rev. Dr.
Candace J. Lansberry
at 749-0521
if you are interested!

We are on the web:
www.desertskiesumc.org



September

01 Walt Mosher, Finn Sinclair

02 Frank Parsons

04 Frieda Tipton

05 Mike Bording

06 Anthony Starace

07 Laura Chalk, Meaghan Sweet

09 Kayden Hagle

10 Brad Hanson

11 Ellen Vail

14 Glenn Gigstad, Matthew Frostrom

15 Chris Biddick

16 Catherine Gavin

18 Donna Sisley, Steve Sweet

19 Jacob Ollanik, Mary Jane Van Arsdale

22 Brennan Abaldo, Pauline Briggs,
Sherman Lee

23 Chris Weber

26 Jean Biddick, Julia Chalk,
Max Crowell, Jim Kraska, Rob Van Sice

27 Logan Radomsky

28 Cole Quilliam, Nancy Winkelmann,
Chelsea Farrington, Clayton Utley

29 Nolan Radomsky



01 Lee & Yvonne Castell

05 Ron & Elayne Severson

06 Steve & Sandy Elliott

08 Charles & Diane Hoffman

10 Lyle & Nancy Johnsen, John & Tammy Concienne
Brent & Phyllis Kyte

11 Dave & Wanda Chittenden

12 Steve & Amy Anderson, Tom & Nancy Christopher

22 Ken & Mimi Salber

24 Chris & Ginger Crowder

25 Gary & Jennifer McDowell

27 Chuck & Delma Hardy,
Corey & Renata Sheets

September 2017

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
					1 6:30 Bridge	2
3 Communion 8:30/10:00 Worship 8:30 Adult S.S. 10:00 Wired Word 11:15 Youth Group 1:00 Praise Band 4:00 Vail Gathering	4 OFFICE CLOSED LABOR DAY 8:00 Flea Market Fun 4:00 Communications 5:30 Emmaus	5 6:00 Prayer Walking 3:00 Tutoring Meeting w/Teachers, Parents/ Children/Volunteers	6 4:00 Worship Design 5:30 The Wired Word 6:45 Bells 7:30 Choir	7	8	9
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