



THE SKYLINE

An e-news blast of Desert Skies United Methodist Church

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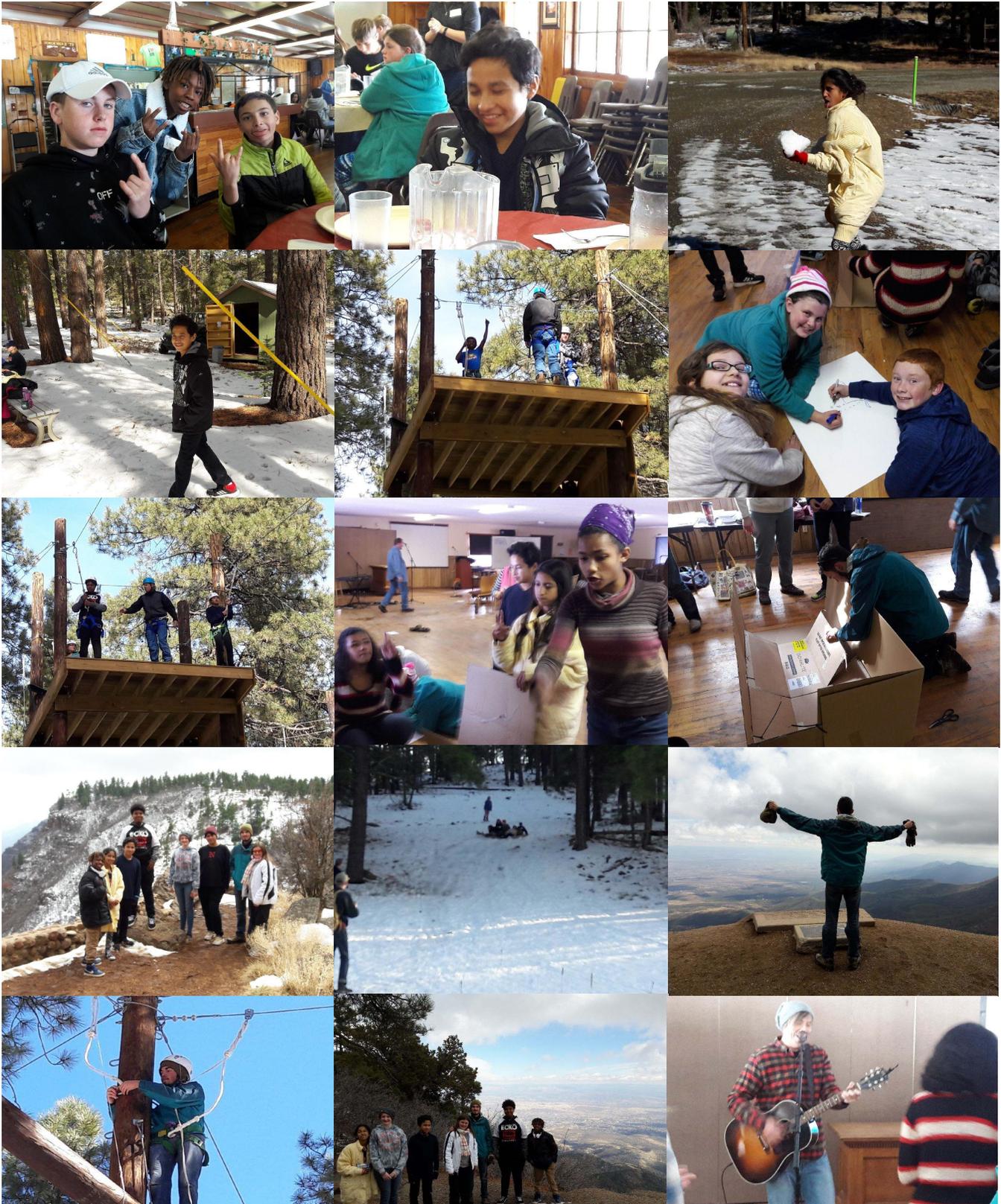
VAIL PRIDE DAY

We had a great turn out for our Vail Pride Day event at the Pima County Fair Grounds. Fun was had by all! A Great BIG THANK YOU to all of our wonderful volunteers!!



Youth Winter Camp

The youth spent this past weekend at Minguo Mountain Conference Camp.





Talent Show Ice Cream Social

On Sunday, March 4th at 11:15-12:30 am in the Fellowship Hall, you are invited to have dessert first before lunch that day. Please come to the Talent Show Ice Cream Social hosted by our youth to help raise awareness and financial support for their Summer Service Project which will be at Crownpoint, New Mexico.

There a few ways that you can help...

1. Buy a ticket and come to the fun.
2. Do you sing, dance, act, play an instrument or some other talent?
(contact Rev. Matt Colby ([602-628-0137](tel:602-628-0137)), text or call)
3. Consider making a donation.

So mark your calendars and buy a ticket!! We have a talented church so this should be a good time for a good cause.



Our New Sermon Series-“Gifts of the Dark Wood” has begun and runs through Easter Sunday, April 1st.

This series is about “seeing life through new eyes, recognizing that experiences of failure, emptiness, and uncertainty are as crucial for finding our way through life as they are unavoidable.” We will see how experiences of life through the “dark wood” are actually clues to our “calling” or “life path”. How can the struggles of life be the seedbed of spiritual awakening to the fullness of life?

February 25

Text: Luke 17:33

Sermon Title: “The Gift of Emptiness”

March 11

Text: Psalm 41

Sermon Title: “The Gift of Getting Lost”

Holy Week : March 25-(Passion/Palm Sunday)

Text: Mark 1:14-15

Sermon Series: “The Gift of Misfits”

March 4

Text: Job 37:1-5

Sermon Title: “The Gift of Being Thunderstruck”

March 18

Text: Corinthians 5:16-19

Sermon Title: “The Gift of Temptation”

March 29-Maundy Thursday-7:00 pm

Sermon Title: “The Gift of Disappearing”

March 30-Good Friday Experience-12:00 pm

Easter Sunday, April 1

Sunrise Service: 6:30 am-sanctuary patio

Text: Mark 16:1-7

Sermon Title: “Re-Emerging with the Sunrise”

Easter Sunday: 8:30/10:00 am

Sermon Title: “Where We Go From Here”

Messy Church –Vail Innovation Center at 4:00 pm

Painting God’s Beauty: Oil Painting Class



UMM BREAKFAST MEETING

This past Saturday, we shared in a morning of great fellowship, a delicious breakfast and a wonderful guest speaker, Fred Zobel. His topic was "Ethics and The Process of Decision Making."

We ask that you join us on Friday, March 23rd at 9:00 am as we tour the University of Arizona Mirror Lab. The tour is open to all at Desert Skies. The Lab is polishing a lens for one of the largest telescopes in the world. We have limited tickets available, so if you are interested in going, please contact Dave Chittenden or Max Crowell.



Ash Wednesday Worship Service



Helping Hands

We pack lunches for the Prima Vera Men's Shelter on the 2nd Tuesday of each month in the kitchen at 9:00 am. Volunteers are always welcome! It only takes an hour of your time.



Disciple Bible Study

We meet every Tuesday morning at 9:30 am in the Fellowship Hall.



Easter Flowers for our Sanctuary



The Worship Committee has ordered a variety of potted flowering plants for our Easter Services. Donations toward offsetting the purchase of the plants are now being accepted. **If you would like to have a loved one remembered, please fill in the information below and turn it into the office by MONDAY, MARCH 19th.**

To the Glory of God

In memory of _____

In honor of _____

Donation made by

Attach order form to your check (made out to DSUMC) (It is for the Easter flowers fund) and return to the church office or put in the offering plate.

Suggested Donation: \$15.00-\$20.00

- I would like to take my plant home.
- Please take my plant to a Shut-in.
- Yes, I can deliver a flower to a Shut-in.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Zippy 49er's Circle Meeting—Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, February 21st in the Fellowship Hall. We will gather at 9:15 am, with a light breakfast at 9:30 am. We will continue to view the DVD series “That the World May Know” with Ray Vander Laan, and collect new clothing for Southern Arizona Child Advocacy Center. We welcome anyone who would like to attend. Call Glenda Burdick, # 760-5520 if you have questions.

UMW General Meeting—“Impressions of the Philippines” is the title of the program for our next meeting on **Saturday, February 24th**, in the Fellowship Hall. Glenda Burdick will be talking about and showing pictures of her trip to the Philippines in December. Find out about this interesting country—a land of contrasts. We will gather at 9:15 am, share a light brunch at 9:30 am, and learn about the Philippines. This meeting is open to anyone who is interested. **MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!**

Little things, BIG RESULTS—We have 7 1/2 lbs of pop-tabs! That’s a good head start toward the next 10 lbs to be delivered to Ronald McDonald House. They recycle the aluminum to help pay their utility bills. Campbell’s Labels for education program has come to an end. However, McCurdy Ministries (the new name of McCurdy School in Espanola, NM.) is still augmenting their budget using General Mills boxtops and Tyson’s “A+” logos from their frozen foods. Progresso soup is a General Mills product, so you can still help by changing your soup loyalty! BUT, those boxtops have expiration dates! Turn them in soon! Thank you for saving those little things!

Grief Support Group—Grief is the feeling we experience when something is removed from our life. We feel emotional, financial and physical losses with death and major changes in family, health or vocational structure. **Desert Skies holds an on-going Grief Support Group every Wednesday at 4:00 pm in Room # 2 behind the church office. Discussion is facilitated by Jeann Fishback. For questions please contact Jeann at # 850-9723 or at fishback@ns.arizona.edu.** Come and together we can travel the journey through grief and pain to life in God’s peace.

Christ Café—Your cooperation is needed on the **1st Sunday of each month!** Our sanctuary kitchen has very limited space so we are asking for everyone’s help in this matter. We would like to request that **ALL CHRIST CAFÉ storage and preparation be done in the FELLOWSHIP HALL KITCHEN** because of the communion preparation and set-up. Thanks in advance for your consideration and donations to Christ’s Café.

This Week At Desert Skies

Tuesday, February 20

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| 6:30 am Prayer Walking | TBA |
| 9:30 am Bible Study | Fellowship Hall |
| Directory Pictures | Rooms # 5-7 |
| 3:00 pm Tutoring | Fellowship Hall |
| 6:00 pm Vail Youth | Chuy’s in Vail |
| 6:30 pm Finance | Room # 2 |
| 7:30 pm SPRC | Room # 2 |

Wednesday, February 21

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| 9:15 am Zippy 49er’s Meeting | Fellowship Hall |
| 9:30 am Directory Pictures | Rooms # 5-7 |
| 2:30 pm Worship Design | Room # 2 |
| 4:00 pm Grief Support Group | Room # 2 |
| 5:30 pm Lenten Study/Supper | Fellowship Hall |
| Lenten Study | Baggins in Vail |
| 6:00 pm Worship Service | Sanctuary |
| 7:00 pm Adult Choir | Sanctuary |

Thursday, February 22

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| 10:30 am Oil Painting Class | Fellowship Hall |
| 11:30 am Directory Pictures | Rooms # 5-7 |

Saturday, February 24

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| 9:15 am UMW General Meeting | Fellowship Hall |
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This Week’s Bible Reading

February 20—Num. 5, 6; Ps. 23;
Acts 27

February 21—Num. 8, 9; Acts 28

February 22—Num. 10, 11; Ps. 27;
Mark 1

February 23—Num. 12, 13; Ps. 90;
Mark 2

February 24—Num. 14-16; Mark 3

February 25—Num. 17, 18; Ps. 29;
Mark 4

February 26—Num. 19, 20; Ps. 28;
Mark 5

Interested in joining
Desert Skies UMC?

Join us in Room # 2
on Sunday, April 15th
at 1:00 pm
for our New Member Class.

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

We are on the web:
www.desertskiesumc.org