



THE SKYLINE

An e-news blast of Desert Skies United Methodist Church

May 1, 2018



SUMMER CAMP AT DESERT SKIES UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

(A combination of Vacation Bible School and Music Camp)

June 4th to 8th

Final Performance June 10th

HALF DAY

AGES: PRE-K THROUGH 5TH GRADE

COST: \$10.00

TIME: 9:00 AM TO 12:00 PM

PRE-K (Children ages 4 & 5 who are potty-trained) Limited to 15 participants

FULL DAY

AGES: FINISHING 2ND GRADE TO 9TH GRADE

COST: \$50.00

TIME: 9:00 AM TO 4:00 PM

FOR MORE INFORMATION AND REGISTRATION GO TO OUR WEBSITE:

www.desertskiesumc.org

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<https://desertskiesumc.breezechms.com/form/6afcdb5233>

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CHRIST CAFE

Your cooperation is needed on the **1st Sunday of each month!** Our sanctuary kitchen has very limited space and so we are asking for everyone's help in this matter. We would like to request that **ALL CHRIST'S CAFE 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 Cafe.

COMMUNITY FOOD BANK REMINDER

The first Sunday of every month is Community Food Bank Sunday. Please remember to bring your food donations and drop them in the bin on the patio on your way in to the sanctuary. If you happen to forget your food donation, you may **place a check in the offering with "Community Food Bank"** on the memo line or place cash in a pew envelope and put "community food bank" and your name on the envelope. **WITH EVERY DOLLAR DONATED THE CFB CAN PROVIDE 4 MEALS !**

THANK YOU DSUMC!

Andrew Colby's Eagle Scout Ceremony



Church Council

According to the Book of Discipline of the United Methodist Church, the Administrative Council is the group that "shall provide for planning and implementing a program of nurture, outreach, witness, and resources in the local church. It shall also provide for the administration of its organization and temporal life. Our Church Council Committee meets at 7:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall on the last Tuesday of every month. All are welcome to attend.



RISE AGAINST HUNGER MEALS SHIPPED

Dear Mary Jo,

It is with great pleasure that we announce the destination of the Rise Against Hunger meals you helped package on 4/8/2018. A shipping container, holding 285,120 meals, has been sent to Cambodia for our partner Salesian Missions. If you happen to receive more than one of these announcements, your meals have gone to impact multiple partners.

Salesian Missions is an organization that nourishes lives through food assistance and other services in Cambodia. To learn more, please visit our partner/country spotlight on the Impact Stories tab and click and drag on our World Aid Map at <https://www.riseagainsthunger.org/world-aid/>.

Ending hunger is only possible if we continue to grow the movement. We encourage you to share the news about this shipment. Since 2005, volunteers like you have helped us distribute over 310 million meals worldwide. **We can end hunger by 2030**, but we can't do it without you.

Please visit our website www.riseagainsthunger.org and continue your involvement. Consider making a donation, planning another meal packaging event (at your place of worship, school, company, civic club, etc), joining our advocacy efforts, or even inviting us to speak to a group. Share your experience with us at socal@riseagainsthunger.org.

Keep up the great work and spread the word - #2030IsPossible.

Gratefully,
Joel Boucher
Program Manager
Rise Against Hunger So Cal
socal@riseagainsthunger.org



WALK TO EMMAUS

De Colores to All! The most recent Walks to Emmaus are completed and we were blessed to have two of our very own members of Desert Skies UMC attend them-Steve and Amy Anderson. Here is what they wanted to share with their church family about this experience:

Steve-I started the Walk to Emmaus with a little trepidation. I had never been in a group where the participants relaxed and opened quickly, and I wasn't sure how the weekend would work. But the Emmaus pilgrims were different...they relaxed quickly and sought God immediately, and treated everyone in the group like they were truly brothers in Christ. It was a terrific 3 days, and we learned, laughed, and acted like true pilgrims in search of the Lord. Before I knew it, we were looking forward to starting our 4th day. It was a great experience, and I would recommended it to anyone in search of a truly meaningful relationship with God.

Amy-Walk to Emmaus is perfect for helping to restore the joy of our salvation and to remind you in a most powerful way of how much God loves you and longs to give you grace and mercy for all of our days. This what it did for me!!

God is good!! If you want to know more-ask Steve and Amy Anderson or Scott and Stephanie Hartung.



BACCALAUREATE

A Christian Graduation Service That Encourages Seniors To Take Their Faith Into The Adult World.

When: May 18th at 7:00 pm

Where: Vail Theatre of The Arts (10701 E Mary Ann Cleveland Way)

RSVP: VAILBACCA@ VAILSTUDENTS.ORG



**Seniors arrive at 6:15 pm and bring your cap and gown.
Light refreshments will be served afterwards.**

"Fear of Change"

Greetings from the worship team! Dr. Marcia McFee, the creator of the Worship Design Studio says that she once saw a t-shirt that said, "Change is good... you go first!" Yes, we humans seem to often have a built-in skepticism about change. This is true as well, Marcia says, about change in worship. No doubt some of you have wondered about some of the ideas that have unfolded as the worship team discerns how to enhance our worship.

What we have learned in the WorshipDesign Studio is that we can honor traditions as well as enliven worship with new experiences. The bottom line is that we must honor the diversity of ways that the Spirit moves in our community. We must remember that the mission of worship is not to please ourselves, but to build up the body of Christ for its work in the world through inspiring encounters with the Holy Living God and by being formed as disciples of Jesus Christ. Because any group is diverse in the ways we learn and communicate, we will need to practice a "radical hospitality" with each other in order to offer life-giving worship that builds up the whole. Our goal is to build up trust that even if we do something new, sing something new, it doesn't mean we won't also be doing and singing something time-tested as well. We want deep roots *and we want to soar to new heights!*

Please check out this Worship Design Studio video where Marcia talks about this subject: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xy4m4zveGJQ> and thank you for being part of our follow-up Facebook conversation at <https://www.facebook.com/DesertSkiesUMC/>!

Shalom, Rev. Candace



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Dear Clergy of the Desert Southwest Conference,

Grace and peace to you in the name of our risen savior, Jesus Christ!

As we set our sights toward our Annual Conference session in June, I want to invite all of you to make a positive difference in the lives of many people and communities. This year, your congregations are being given the opportunity to share your faith in acts of generous giving to three deserving ministries in our Conference and abroad.

I am asking all our clergy to invite generous giving to our three special offerings which we will take at Annual Conference. These three deserving recipients are:

1. I CARE for Tonga, an outreach of love and compassion to the island of Tonga, devastated in February 2018 by Cyclone Gita, with winds of more than 230 miles an hour.
2. Arizona's Justice for Our Neighbors, a legal clinic that provides affordable, high-quality immigration legal services with hospitality, compassion and respect.
3. The Inn Project, a response to the request of Immigrations and Customs Enforcement (ICE) to provide a safe place for immigrants who are waiting for contact with relatives in the US.

Details of these three projects can be found by clicking [here](#).

In the past, those of us at Annual Conference have raised about \$3,000 per special offering. This year, we are trying something different which is inviting all our congregations and ministry settings to participate in these special offerings starting now until June 6, 2018. Let's see how much more we can raise to reach out in love through these three mission projects.

Three ways to donate:

1. Come to Annual Conference and give through the offerings at worship services.
2. Collect donations from your congregation (donation list can be found [here](#)) or engage in a special fund-raising project (Bake sale? Car wash? Rummage sale?) and send a check for your church's total donation with your church/ministry setting name and district to the Conference Office by Wednesday, June 6.
3. Make a donation yourself, online, NOW, by clicking the names below:

[I CARE For Tonga](#)

[Arizona JFON](#)

[The Inn Project](#)

Bless others, that you may be blessed!

In Christ,


Bob

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Our Sermon Series “Dare to Dance Again” runs through Sunday, May 20th .

As Easter people, we are called to dance our dances of freedom for all the world to see. Dances of hope. Dances of justice. Dances of love. During this season, post-resurrection stories point to the joy of living in the beloved community and extending that fellowship through our witness as we dare to dance and “sing out strong!”

May 6

Sermon: “Who Can Withhold?
Break Forth!”

May 13 (Mother’s Day

Sermon: “Gone Up with a Shout:
Clap Your Hands”

May 20 (Pentecost Sunday)

Sermon: “Spirit Poured Out:
Dare To Dance Again”

The Wired Word

Just a reminder that you can join in the discussion on Wednesdays at 5:30 pm in Room 2 at the Houghton campus (bring a snack or box dinner) or at the Vail Baggins.

This week in a move that seemed unlikely only a year ago, North Korean leader Kim Jong-un has announced that his country has stopped nuclear testing and missile launches, although it continues to hold its nuclear arsenal. If plans stay on track, a summit between North and South Korea will have occurred by the time you use this lesson. A summit between Kim and President Trump is tentatively scheduled for next month. While the North Korean announcement stops short of denuclearization, this seems like an opening where peacemaking might proceed, reducing international tensions.

While few of us have the opportunity to influence peace talks on the international level, the news does give us an opportunity to think about the place of peacemaking for followers of Jesus. So that will be the topic of this installment of *The Wired Word*.

If you'd prefer a different topic, look at the second lesson, which begins with news of a Navy-trained pilot who successfully landed a twin-engine Southwest Airlines Boeing 737 after one engine caught on fire and failed, sending shrapnel into the wing and body of the plane. One woman, who was partially sucked from the aircraft before other passengers pulled her back inside, died from her injuries.

In the harrowing six minutes following the initial impact until the jet touched down on the runway, the pilot showed remarkable calmness under extremely difficult conditions. We learned that she is motivated by her strong Christian faith to pursue excellence in her life and work. Her example gives us the opportunity to consider how our faith can prepare us for crises and also guide us in our everyday, ordinary lives.

May God bless you as you read through the scriptures this week.

Rev. Matt

Earth Day Celebration

An Earth Day Celebration hosted by the Jr. & Sr. High students for the younger children.
The theme was “Earth: Mission Possible.”



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Memorial Garden-We need some volunteers who would be interested in watering the Memorial Garden. I need to fill a couple of days during the week on a permanent basis. Also, if you are already watering the Memorial Garden and are planning to go out of town, or If you can not do the watering anymore, please let me know. Thank you, Janet Johns-907-3351

Education Team Meeting-The Pima County Interfaith Council Education Team will meet at Desert Skies on Thursday, May 10th, from 6:30 - 8:00 P.M. in Fellowship Hall. Members and friends of our congregation are invited to attend. This is an opportunity to learn more about an organization that makes it possible for people from religious and civic groups across the Tucson area to work together on topics of concern to all members of our society.

Endowment Committee-Our Endowment Fund was started in 2002 with a donation of \$10,000 specified for the Memorial Garden. By the end of 2017 the fund had increased in value by about 35 times and can now cover the annual operating costs of the Garden far into the future and can help support other ministries.

Book Marks-The "Dare to Dance Again" book marks, Through the Bible Reading Plan has a misprint. Some dates have been duplicated (May 6-May 13). Sorry for any inconvenience this may have caused. Here are the correct scripture readings: **May 06-II Sam. 11, 12; Ps. 51; Mt. 23**

May 07-II Sam. 13, 14; Mt. 24

May 08-II Sam. 15, 16; Ps. 32; Mt. 25

May 09-II Sam. 17; Ps. 71; Mt. 26

May 10-II Sam. 18; Ps. 56; Mt. 27

May 11-II Sam. 19, 20; Ps. 55; Mt. 28

May 12-II Sam. 21-23; I Th. 1

May 13-II Sam. 24; I Chr. 21; Ps. 30; I Th. 2

This Week At Desert Skies

Tuesday, May 1

9:30 am Bible Study	Fellowship Hall
3:00 pm Tutoring	Fellowship Hall
6:00 pm Youth in Vail	Goforth's Home
6:00 pm Messy Church Planning Meeting	Goforth's Home

Wednesday, May 2

11:30 am Volunteer Luncheon	Fellowship Hall
2:30 pm Worship Design	Room # 2
4:00 pm Grief Support Group	Room # 2
5:30 pm The Wired Word	Baggins in Vail
The Wired Word	Fellowship Hall
6:45 pm Adult Bells	Sanctuary
7:30 pm Adult Choir	Sanctuary

Friday, May 4

9:00 am Carpet Cleaning	Nursery
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Saturday, May 5

10:30 am Piano Recital	Sanctuary
2:00 pm Piano Recital	Sanctuary

This Week's Bible Reading

May 01-I Chr. 14, 15; Ps. 132; Mt. 18

May 02-I Chr. 16; Ps. 106; Mt. 19

May 03-II Sam. 7; I Chr. 17; Ps. 2;
Mt. 20

May 04-II Sam. 8, 9; I Chr. 18, 19;
Mt. 21

May 05-II Sam. 10; I Chr. 20; Ps. 20;
Mt. 22

May 06-II Sam. 11, 12; Ps. 51;
Mt. 23

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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



MAY

01 Gordy Briggs, Roger Wilcox

02 Nate Sidles

04 Shirley Bookman, Lisa McIntire

05 Marcus Conway, Linda Feldman

06 Kermit Payton

07 Clayton Kiewel, Jennifer Stivers, Jacob Wallis

10 Darlene Nathan, Shirley Northcott

11 Jon Richards

12 Suzanne Wicks

13 Susan Haynes

15 Ray Abaldo, Cinda Danner

17 David Landsburg, Mark Bishop

18 Bob Burdick, Diane Ellison, Grace Stivers

20 June O'Brien

24 Charles McNary, Lauren Utley, Pam Saul

25 Mary Lou Metzger

26 Renata Sheets

28 Sherry Adams

30 Linda Schulz

31 Lynne Van Sice



01 Jim & Rita Boaz

03 Vern & Lil Cottrell

04 Roger & Michal Aulds

08 Roger & Janet Wilcox

12 Brian & Barbara Drummond

16 Jim Weaver & Brenda Price

21 Ken & Michelle Bever

22 Richard & Cinda Danner, Eric & Karen Gustafson,
Bryant & Florence Personeus

28 Tobin & Shawne Sidles

29 Del & "I" Schluchter

31 Jake & Stephanie Beverage

May 2018

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1 9:30 Bible Study 6:00 Youth in Vail	2 11:30 Office Volunteer Luncheon 2:30 Worship Design 4:00 Grief Support Group 5:30 Wired Word 6:45 Adult Bells 7:30 Adult Choir	3	4 9:00 Carpet Cleaning Nursery & Class Rooms	5 10:30 Piano Recital 2:00 Piano Recital
6 Communion 8:30/10:00 Worship Service 8:30 Adult S. S. 11:00 Ring & Sing 1:00 Praise Band 4:00 Messy Church-Vail	7 8:00 Flea Market Fun 10:00 Board Meeting 5:15 Emmaus	8 9:00 Helping Hands 9:30 Bible Study 6:00 Missions/Social Concerns	9 2:30 Worship Design 4:00 Grief Support Group 5:30 Wired Word 6:45 Adult Bells 7:30 Adult Choir	10 8:20 Casa Maria 6:30 Worship Meeting 6:30 Pima County Interfaith Council Meeting	11 4:30 Confirmation Class	12
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