

An e-news blast of Desert Skies United Methodist Church

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THANK YOU, DESERT SKIES!

Once again you have opened your hearts and your purses to care for the children in our community. In the past three weeks, you have donated 50 backpacks and enough school supplies to more than fill a 30 gallon bag. The backpacks will be delivered to ICS next week to be filled and distributed on August 1st. Your donated school supplies will be used to supplement what is provided to our Tutoring children by ICS. The Tanque Verde School District list for each child is more than what they receive in the backpack. **You have "hit it out of the park" again!**





FRIDAY AFTERNOON MOVIE July 27th

This weeks movie is, "Wonder". Based on the New York Times bestseller, WONDER tells the incredibly inspiring and heartwarming story of August Pullman, a boy with facial differences who enters fifth grade, attending a mainstream elementary school for the first time.

Doors open at 1:00 pm, movie starts at 1:15 pm in the Fellowship Hall. There'll be popcorn, some candy and drinks or you can bring your own!

Questions, call Shawne at 275-6388.

UMW Salad Potluck and Bunco Day







Dear Water Harvesters,

I am thrilled to announce that our Docent Program is rolling into its fourth year and we're currently seeking excited members of our community to join the team!

What is the WMG Docent Program all about?

The Docent Program is an opportunity to take your passion and interest in water conservation and sustainable practices to the next level. Through this program you will have the opportunity to deepen your knowledge and understanding of water harvesting practices pertinent to desert living, as well as learn about water policy and other current water-related issues in the Tucson-basin and throughout the Southwest. The training portion of the program will provide you with the confidence and skills needed to be effective ambassadors of WMG.

Who makes a great Docent?

Anyone with an excitement for spreading the gospel on the importance of water harvesting. No previous experience neccessary! Typically, this program seems to fit well for folks who do not work full-time. However, if you have the passion and willingness to make it work, we can work with you.

What do Docents actually do?

They are the face of WMG. They lead tours of our mid-town demonstration site, assist in the care and maitenance of our living lab, staff our on-site welcome center, attend outreach events, support our big events, participate in data collection and citizen science at our living lab, provide administrative support, and support our outreach efforts to engaging the Latino community!

What are the important dates?

Applications are due by August 1! The program itself begins on August 24.

Learn more and apply on our website! info@watershedmg.org

Sunday Morning Worship



Vail Band Practice



Book Club, "The Great Divorce"

Join us on Monday mornings at 10:00 am in room # 5, if you would like to participate.



Our Sermon Series "Traveling Together: Exploring our Heritage" runs through Sunday, August 12th .

Traveling together often means exploring places that are unknown and new and exciting, creating new places for memories and forging relationships that are eternal. Traveling together may also mean exploring places that are familiar to us, that we love and just want to revisit. This summer, travel with us as we explore both the new and the familiar in nature, Sabbath and our Wesleyan Heritage.



July 29-Sermon: Exploring our Heritage: Do Good Aug. 05-Sermon: Exploring our Heritage: Stay in Love with God Aug. 12-Sermon: Exploring our Heritage: Wesley's Plan

Meet the LD10 Candidates Forum

Wednesday, August 8th at 7:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall

Our church cares about education and other local issues, which is why we're hosting, along with TV A-PLUS (Tanque Verde Association of Parents and Leaders United for Schools), a "Meet the Candidates" Forum!!

All candidates running for LD10 state senate or house have been invited...

Incumbents: Sen. David Bradley, Rep. Todd Clodfelter, and Rep. Engel.

Challengers: Marilyn Wiles (running for senate) and Domingo DeGrazia, Nikki Lee, and Catherine Ripley (all running for house seats)

Please come to this community forum to hear directly from the candidates and get answers to your questions before voting.

Please contact Barbara Drummond for any questions or further information (bsdrum@gmail.com)

FLEA MARKET NEWS...

Christmas in the Summer Event

Please join us for an evening of fun and giving as Betty liquidates collections of Department 56 Christmas, Halloween and Easter as well as hand made jewelry. A portion of the proceeds from the evening will be going to five local charities: Daughters of the Nile, TMC, Desert Skies UMC, The Child Language Center, and Souhern Arizona Mounted Rescue.

When: Saturday, August 18th from 3:00 pm-7:00 pm

Where: 4055 North Caliente Canyon Place, Tucson, AZ. 85749 (Home of Betty Smith)

Feel free to bring a friend or friends for a casual evening of wine and cheese and fun while supporting our friends and neighbors in our community! Thank you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>The Flea Market-needs MEDIUM PACKING BOXES.</u> If anyone has any boxes they can donate, please leave them in the metal shed outside the Flea Market Barn. Thank you.

Book Clubs- "The Great Divorce" by C.S. Lewis with questions about Heaven and Hell and how hard it is to let go of our earthly attachments has started on Monday mornings and runs thru July 30th from 10:00 am-11:30 am in room # 5. Peggy Chalk will be leading this discussion.

Books: "Same Kind of Different as Me" by Ron Hall and Denver Moore "The Sun Does Shine" by Anthony Ray Hinton "The Hate You Give" by Angie Thomas

Dates/Time: Thursday, August 2nd, August 9th, and August 16th at 5:30 pm Where: 8536 E. Tonbridge Ct. Tucson

We will discuss the books in the above order, one each week, and I will provide a summer supper and beverage. Bring a friend. Share a ride. Questions? Contact Mary Ellen Stephens-Dawson. You can sign-up on the Connection Card found in your bulletin on Sunday mornings if you want to attend.

<u>Celebration of Life</u>-We will have a Celebration of Life service for John Ryberg on Saturday, July 28th at 10:00 am in the sanctuary with a reception to follow in the Fellowship Hall. Prayers for Linda and family.

COMMUNITY FOOD BANK REMINDER

<u>The first Sunday of every month</u> 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. <u>WITH EVERY DOLLAR DONATED THE CFB CAN PROVIDE</u> 4 MEALS ! Thank You, DSUMC!!

<u>This Week At Desert Skies</u>	This Week's Bible Reading	
Wednesday, July 251:00 pm Painting God's BeautyRoom # 7	July 24-Is. 40-42; I Pet. 3	Interested in joining Desert Skies UMC?
2:30 pm Worship DesignRoom # 24:00 pm Grief Support GroupRoom # 2	July 25-Is. 43-45; I Pet. 4	
5:30 pm Wired WordRoom # 26:00 pm Painting God's BeautyRoom # 7	July 26-Is. 46-49; I Pet. 5	Contact Rev. Dr. Candace J. Lansberry
	July 27-Is. 50-52; Ps. 92; II Pet. 1	at 749-0521
Friday, July 27 1:00 pm Senior Living Fellowship Hall	July 28-Is. 53-56; II Pet. 2	
Movie "Wonder"	July 29-Is. 57-59; Ps. 103; II Pet. 3	We are on the web:
Saturday, July 28	July 30-Is. 60-62; Jn. 1	www.desertskiesumc.org
10:00 am Memorial Service for John Ryberg Sanctuary		