



THE SKYLINE

An e-news blast of Desert Skies United Methodist Church

August 28, 2018



DESERT SKIES CHOIR TO PERFORM AT CARNEGIE HALL

Our Desert Skies choir has been invited by **Manhattan Concert Productions** to join other qualified choral groups in performing the **Schumann Requiem at Carnegie Hall on June 17, 2019**. The invitation was received because a recording of our Easter Cantata was submitted to their audition committee without our knowledge. As a result, all members of our choir were invited, but not required to participate in order to accept the invitation. Twenty-two members of the choir and five non-singers are available to travel to **New York City June 14th to 18th**. The cost of accommodations, music and travel will be approximately \$2100 per person.

Dr. Alex "Doc" Shawn has organized a Task Force of choir members and non-choir members to plan the logistics in preparing for the trip and to organize some fundraisers. Most of the choir members are paying their own way but there are a few who will need some financial assistance in order to go.

We have planned two fundraisers coming up this fall that will combine a fun-filled family evening with an opportunity to help a choir member. The first fundraiser will be a **Spaghetti Supper** followed by a **Silent Auction** of awesome Gift Baskets on **Wednesday, October 10th**. The meal will be free and served by the choir. The second is the **Gaslight Theater** Christmas production, **Scrooge**. The Recreation and Leadership Committee has reserved the entire theater for DSUMC on **Saturday, Nov. 17th** and has designated the profit from ticket sales to the Choir **Carnegie 19** trip.

The Task Force will assess the results of the two Fall fundraisers before planning the two additional ones approved by Church Council. If enough funds are raised in October and November, it might be possible that no further events will be necessary. So please save these dates and we'll look forward to seeing you soon!

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING YOUR CHOIR!

ELOY UMC'S "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 expanded this ministry to 384 food boxes to 203-214 households feeding 900-1000 people every month. 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 6th Annual September Food Drive** to support The Lord's Pantry of Eloy UMC will take place from **September 9th – 30th**. 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 30th. **Look for the table at the back of the sanctuary September 9th – 30th. THANK YOU!**



MARK YOUR CALENDAR!!

The Fall Youth Kick-off will be on Sunday, September 9th, in the Fellowship Hall from 3:00-5:00 pm. The whole family is invited!!

One event will include Fall Calendar, taking care of necessary paperwork, welcoming new youth and families, a Youth vs. Parents Challenge and we will even feed you toward the end with an early dinner (or snack if you prefer).

(New) Dragonfly Small Group

We're starting a new small group for our Dragonfly families, alumni, or families in similar situations as a place for moms to have fellowship with other moms dealing with life's daily struggles. **This group will be led by Lisa Gamboa and begin on September 9th as part of the Sunday School Fall Roundup activities, starting with lunch in Fellowship Hall. Please sign-up on the Connection card in your bulletin if you are interested.**

Additional Support Requests:

We are looking for church members who have special skills to support this small group. Any skill or connection with jobs, car maintenance, housing, budgeting or legal issues is very welcome. Please let us know about any resources or gifts you're able to offer our Dragonfly Small Group on the Connection Card found in your bulletin on Sunday mornings.

We'd also welcome donations to support this new ministry. We'd like to offer a token of support to each member to help them through each week, like a gas or food card. If you would like to donate, write Dragonfly Small Group on your check memo line and it will go towards items to support this small group. Thank you.

SUNDAY SCHOOL FALL ROUNDUP

For all families with kids in preschool and elementary up to fifth grade, please mark your calendars and know that you are invited to our Sunday School Fall Roundup on **Sunday, September 9th at 11:15 – 12:45 am in the Fellowship Hall.**

It begins with lunch for the whole family followed by an opportunity for the kids to play while we introduce you to some of the themes for your kid's Christian education. We will also be looking for ways to support you as a spiritual leader in your home.

If you are interested in attending, please sign-up on the Connection Card found in your bulletin on Sunday.

Sunday Morning Worship at Desert Skies



Volunteer Tutors Needed!!



The Desert Skies tutoring program will begin on Tuesday, September 4th at 3:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

Tutors are needed each Monday and or Tuesday from 3:00 pm-4:30 pm throughout the school year.

If you would like to know more about the program, speak with Fred Killion, Sandy Kleen or Jeann Fishback or just come on September 4th!



Our Sermon Series “Simon Peter: The Making of a Disciple” runs through Sunday, September 23rd .

Simon Peter was an ordinary fisherman who transformed into a follower of Jesus. He was faithful, yet flawed. Peter was the first to profess Jesus as the Son of God, yet he later denied knowing. Peter went on to give his life for the sake of his call. In this series, we take an in-depth dive into the life, faith and character of Simon Peter.

September 2nd-Sermon: “Bedrock or Stumbling Block?”

September 9th-Sermon: “I Will Not Deny You”

September 16th-Sermon: “From Cowardice to Courage”

September 23rd-Sermon: “The Rest of the Story”

Youth Summer Service Project to New Mexico and Ice Cream Social

This past Sunday, the youth group hosted an Ice Cream Social for the congregation to celebrate the stories and God moments during their summer service project to New Mexico back in June.



Breath Underwater: New Book Study on Monday Mornings



Adult Choir



Desert Skies United Methodist Church

Church Council Meeting Agenda

Tuesday August 28th, 2018 at 7 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 (2018 focus); 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. Forward committee minutes and upcoming events to Jeann & Tammy.

1. Call to Order and Opening Prayer – Mike Theme Scripture
Isaiah 41:6 Each helps the other, each saying to the other, "Take courage!"
7 The craftsman encourages the metalworker; the one who smoothes with the hammer encourages the one who strikes the anvil, saying of the welding, "That's good," and strengthening it with nails so it won't move.
 2. **Listening: Jake** – What can I do to help you this month in your church job?
 3. Approval of the previous Church Council Minutes -
 4. **Learning: Candace** – Review of Shift Discipleship & Wesleyan Discipleship system.
eg. Starfish Ministry initiated by Missions – options to attend, adopt or contribute
 5. **Leading:** Coordinating our Efforts for Ministry: Collaborating Together:
Calendar & Christ Café Review for Aug & Sept – Shawne
Check the website calendar for any changes necessary on your team events and provide updated facility forms.
Suggestions for new committee members – Mike
Finance & Tech Update- Connie Kraska
- New Business and Reminders:
- Choir Fundraisers** – Doc & Shawne
 - Silent Auction – October 10th
 - Christmas Gaslight – 6 pm Nov 17th
 - Trunk or Treat** October 20th
 - Desert Skies Meet Yourself** on patio October 21st
 - All Church Conference** – December 6th
- Action Items:
6. Next meeting: Sept 25th at 7 pm agenda items due to Jeann in email or on paper by Sept 18th.
 7. Prayer and Adjournment - Mike

COMING TO DESERT SKIES IN SEPTEMBER!

Music Together[®] Coyote Music Together



Hello Everybody! I would like to introduce myself and a wonderful music program that I have been involved with for many years. My name is Alicia Hagerman and I am a violinist with the Tucson Symphony and True Concord Voices and Orchestra. My background includes teaching orchestra in the Flowing Wells School District and in TUSD. While at TUSD, I was also a Kindergarten teaching artist for their arts integration program called OMA or Opening Minds Through the Arts. I am currently a music and movement teacher at St. Mark's Preschool and Kindergarten and Director of Coyote Music Together.

The music program I would like to introduce to you is Music Together[®]. Music Together is an internationally recognized early childhood music program for infants, toddlers, preschoolers, kindergarteners and the adults who love them. First offered to the public in 1987, it pioneered the concept of a research-based, developmentally appropriate early childhood music curriculum that strongly emphasizes and facilitates adult involvement. Music Together classes are based on the recognition that all children are musical.



As a musician, I truly appreciate the quality of the arrangements of all the songs in the Music Together collections. Different and varied tonalities, meters, rhythmic chants, and songs from different cultures keep not just children engaged but adults as well. As a parent, I love how Music Together can open up many more ways to interact and play with a child, and how it introduced me to so many wonderful and beautiful children's songs!

Starting this fall, I will be teaching a Mixed Ages class at Desert Skies. This is the essential Music Together class, one that a child can attend from birth through age five. The class fosters natural, family-style learning by grouping children of different ages. Younger children enjoy watching and imitating older ones, older children learn by leading younger ones. Each child participates at his or her own level in singing, moving, chanting, listening, watching, or exploring musical instruments. Any caregivers – parents, grandparents, nanny – can bring the children. The whole family is welcome for this truly wonderful musical experience.

Please visit my website at
coyotemusictogether.com
to learn more about our classes or to
schedule a free preview class.

I look forward to seeing you in September!





September

01 Walt Mosher, Finn Sinclair
02 Frank Parsons
03 Bill Neal
04 Freida Tipton, Maddy Leedy
05 Mike Bording
09 Kayden Hagle
10 Brad Hanson
11 Ellen Vail, Bob Cook
14 Glenn Gigstad, Matthew Frostrom,
Toni Watts
15 Chris Biddick
18 Donna Sisley

19 Mary Jane Van Arsdale
20 Mikayla Bone
22 Brennan Abaldo, Sherman Lee
23 Chris Weber
26 Jean Biddick, Max Crowell, Jim
Kraska, Rob Van Sice
27 Logan Radomsky
28 Cole Quilliam, Nancy Winkelmann
29 Rev. Dr. Mark Lansberry, Nolan
Radomsky



01 Lee & Yvonne Castell
05 Ron & Elayne Severson
06 Steve & Sandy Elliott
07 Paul & Fran Bohardt
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
18 Mark & Nancy Goforth

22 Ken & Mimi Salber
24 Chris & Ginger Crowder
25 Gary & Jennifer McDowell

September 2018

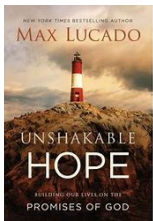
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Memorial Service for Sophia Spencer will be held at **Desert Skies on Saturday, September 1st at 4:00 pm in the Sanctuary, with a reception to follow in the Fellowship Hall.**

The UMM's-first meeting will be **Saturday, September 15th at 8:00 am in the Fellowship Hall.** Our program will be Aaron Alonzo, an economist, who will give an update on national and world economies. In October we will have a tax attorney speak on the new tax laws and in November we will meet with the UMW. **Let's have a good turnout on Saturday, September 15th. Come enjoy good food, fellowship and program.**

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!**



NEW SERIES-Unshakable Hope: Building Our Lives on the Promises of God by Max Lucado-You are invited to this 12 week DVD Bible series that will meet on Sundays at 8:30 am in Rm. # 5 beginning September 9th. Nothing lifts us out of fear and weariness like hope. An anchor through life's storms, hope buoys our spirits and seeks to make a way when we face tough times. After 40 years of ministry and speaking to hurt hearts, Max Lucado has learned that the promises of God will give you the strength you need. The group will be facilitated by Steve Ellison and Rev. Matt Colby. **If you are interested in attending, please sign-up on the Connection Card found in your bulletin on Sunday.**



Living Your Best Life-There have been a few that were unable to come for the showing of Hidden Figures, and have asked if I would be showing it again. The answer is, YES! **This Friday, August 31st, the doors in the Fellowship Hall open at 1:00 pm, movie starts at 1:15 pm.**

Hidden Figures-Three brilliant African-American women at NASA -- Katherine Johnson (Taraji P. Henson), Dorothy Vaughan (Octavia Spencer) and Mary Jackson (Janelle Monáe) -- serve as the brains behind one of the greatest operations in history: the launch of astronaut John Glenn (Glen Powell) into orbit, a stunning achievement that restored the nation's confidence, turned around the Space Race and galvanized the world.

Popcorn, candy and drinks provided !!! Hope to see you there!! Any questions, call Shawne at #885-5891.

This Week At Desert Skies

Tuesday, August 28

7:00 pm Church Council Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, August 29

2:30 pm Worship Design Room # 2

4:00 pm Grief Support Group Room # 2

5:30 pm Wired Word Room # 2

6:30 pm Adult Bells Sanctuary

7:30 pm Adult Choir Sanctuary

Thursday, August 30

1:30 pm Choir Task Force Meeting Room # 2

3:30 pm Endowment Meeting Room # 2

4:30 pm Stewardship Meeting Room # 2

Friday, August 31

1:00 pm Living Your Best Life Fellowship Hall

Saturday, September 1

4:00 pm Memorial Service for Sophia Spencer
Sanctuary

This Week's Bible Reading

Aug. 28-Ezek. 1-3; Rev. 2

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

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

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

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

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

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

Interested in joining
Desert Skies UMC?

Join us on
Sunday, September 23rd
at 1:00 pm in room # 2.

Contact Rev. Dr.
Candace J. Lansberry
at 749-0521
if you would like to
attend.

We are on the web:
www.desertskiesumc.org