

An e-news blast of Desert Skies United Methodist Church

October 16, 2018

THE DSUMC CHOIR THANKS YOU!

Our choir would like to express our appreciation for our church family, friends and neighbors who came out last Wednesday evening to support our *Carnegie 19* trip to NYC. Your generosity during our Silent Auction as well as the fun, fellowship, and spaghetti dinner that we shared was truly a celebration of your support. The DSUMC choir is honored to represent Desert Skies at Carnegie Hall in June 2019.

Our Special thanks to: Shawne Sidles and Sandy Kleen for coordinating our Silent Action; the committees and families of DSUMC for creative and awesome baskets; Karen Anderson and Elsie and Merrill Heinz for guiding Sara Leedy and her choir kitchen crew in dinner prep; Dr. Raymond Ryder for entertaining us on piano throughout the evening; our special guest entertainer, Frank Sinatra (Jerry Myers); our emcees, Fred Killion and Doc Shawn; choir members who donated the dinner, decorated the patio and Fellowship Hall, hosted the event, sang, and cleaned up; and last but not least, our leader, Dr. Alex "Doc" Shawn.



MARK YOUR CALENDAR!!!

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

<u>ALL COMMITTEE REPORTS ARE DUE BY THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 15th.</u> Please submit reports to Tammy by email: office@desertskiesumc.org or leave your hardcopy on her desk. THANK YOU.



Our new sermon series "Sacred Earth, Sacred Work" begins Sunday, October 21st and runs through Sunday, November 25th .

What if we lived life truly connected to the origins of Creation and the Creator? In the beginning God created all things and called them originally "good."

In this series we will explore six essential ideas found in Creation Spirituality-a way of living within the community of earth that deepens our reverence for life, participates in the creativity of the cosmos, and develops our passion for justice and human transformation. It completes us to lead lives of spiritual inquiry, creativity, and prophetic action as our sacred work in the world.

October 21 (Pledge Sunday) Sermon: Creation as Blessing

<u>November 4 (Flea Market Sunday</u>) Sermon: The Paths of Life

November 18 (Harvest Sunday) Sermon: Glorious Diversity October 28 Sermon: Spirit of Compassion

November 11 (Veteran's Day) Sermon: Sacred Creative Vocation

November 25 (UM Student Day) Sermon: Healing Relationships



MESSY CHURCH Desert Skies Vail Campus SERVICE PROJECT

Desert Skies' Vail Campus next **Messy Church** is **Sunday**, **November 4 from 4-6pm**. The **theme is** "*All Saints Day—Dia de los Muertos*", with lots of fun crafts and activities planned for families, along with a complimentary Mexican dinner! If you've never experienced Messy Church, it's a great opportunity to invite your friends and neighbors to a truly fun time that connects us in fellowship with God.

Here is an opportunity to serve if you are unable to attend! Our Messy Church Service Project supports one of our Vail constituents stationed in Afghanistan with his National Guard Unit. We will sign cards for these active duty service men and women as well as for Vail area Veterans. Stop by our DSUMC Vail Campus table to sign a card between and after services on the Patio Sun. 10/21 or 10/28.

IN ADDITION, we are collecting the following items to be mailed to our Vail Active Duty constituent/Guard Unit in Afghanistan: — candy (fruit/non-perishables only)

—ground coffee varieties —flavored water packets (prefer with caffeine)

–jerky (all flavors) –protein bars –sunflower seeds (ind. packs)

You may bring any donated items to DSUMC Patio table or the Vail campus on Sunday, 10/21 or 10/28. Thank you in advance for your assistance in reaching out to our active duty troops and local Veterans!

DESERT SKIES MEET YOURSELF

This coming Sunday, October 21st, is our annual DESERT SKIES MEET YOURSELF!

Head out to the patio following each worship service and check out the ministries of our church, engage in conversation with those serving on the variety of teams we have here, munch on delicious snacks provided by your ministry teams, and consider where God may be calling you to serve!! Enjoy getting to know your church a little bit better!





DESERT SKIES UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

On Sunday, November 11, 2018, we will celebrate our military veterans!

As part of that celebration we would like to ask for pictures of any veterans who are members, friends or loved ones of this congregation. (Living or deceased, MIA or POW)

The pictures will be displayed as part of our celebration. We will celebrate their service in our military honors circle around our flagpole.

With any picture you submit, please write the veteran's full name, branch of service, rank, years of service and other pertinent data on the back of each picture.

Please give or mail pictures to Tammy in the office, on or before the deadline of Friday, October 26, 2018. (Pictures may be picked up after our service on November 11, 2018.)

We look forward with you to honoring and celebrating the brave men and women in our church family !!

Blessings, Linda Wheeler *Planning Committee for celebration*

SAVE THE DATE!!

On Sunday, November 11th there will be ONE WORSHIP SERVICE at 9:30 am. Immediately following the service, please join us for a Celebration of our Veterans and then a short service for THE DEDICATION OF OUR NEW PATIO....then food, fellowship and fun!!

We are asking our church family and friends to bring their favorite finger food or appetizers. The food can be dropped off in the sanctuary kitchen. Desserts will be provided. Thank you in advance.



All Saints Day Messy Church

Come learn what Dia De Los Muertos is all about. Fun, crafts, fellowship, dinner.



DESERT SKIES UMC PRESENTS

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"SCROOGE" AT THE **GASLIGHT THEATRE November 17th**

Doors Open 5:30 p.m.

7010 E. Broadway Blvd. Tucson, AZ Tickets: \$30.00

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<u>Reserve your tickets NOW to be included in the head count</u> Tickets available on Sundays between and after services Proceeds go towards DSUMC Choir's Carnegie 19 trip to NYC

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Patio Bench Fund Drive					
Would you like to purchase one of the new Patio benches and dedicate it to a loved one? A copper plaque will be designed for you with 2 lines and be placed at the top of the bench. The donation price for a bench is \$135. A bench may be dedicated for many reasons.					
In loving memory of:,	In loving memory of:, Thank you for;, Dedicated to:, Any reason you wish:				
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Plant and Flower Pot Fund Drive Would you like to purchase a plant or flower pot for the Patio?					
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If you are buying a bench, please PRINT 2 lines that you want engraved on the plaque. Try to stay around 25 characters per line. The plaque size will be 1 inch by 5 inches.					
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Donation form and check may be placed in the offering tray or turned in at the office.					

MAKE A DIFFERENCE DAY

Help us develop our partnership with Tanque Verde Elementary School and for a Vail school by being a part of this day. Specific projects are in the development phase, but will include sprucing up, helping teachers with special projects, etc. Sign-up on the Connection Card if you can volunteer on Saturday, October 27th from 8:30 am-10:30 am. If you choose to attend you are invited to a free BBQ in Rita Ranch.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>All Saints Day: Sunday, November 4th-</u> If you would like to remember a loved one who passed away this past year, please send their name to Tammy by <u>Thur., Oct. 25th</u>.

<u>A Special Thank You-</u>Just looked at the newsletter and we want to thank you for keeping Pauline & me on the mailing list. We've been gone from Tucson now 16 months but DSUMC was a big part of our lives for 25 years. We enjoy seeing what is going on in Tucson. Tell everyone we said "Hi" from Michigan. Regards, Pauline and Gordy Briggs

Zippy 49'ers Circle -will gather Wednesday, October 17th in Fellowship Hall at 9:15 am. We with have a light breakfast at 9:30, followed by the second in the DVD series by Adam Hamilton called **Unafraid**. Bring any clothing you may have purchased for Southern Arizona Child Advocacy Center. If you have any questions, please call Glenda Burdick, 760-5520.

UMM Breakfast Meeting-we will meet in the Fellowship Hall on Saturday, October 20th at 8:00 am.

<u>UMW General Meeting/Brunch-</u>will be on October 27th at 9:15 am in the Fellowship Hall. Our guest speaker will be Dennis Treadwell. He has worked in the field of conservation for the past 20 years and now works with Safari Club and the International Wildlife Museum in Tucson. Bring your family and friends and join us for this great program. Then SAVE THE DATE!! On November 17th, UMM & UMW will have a joint meeting and enjoy the adventures of Elsie and Merrill Heinz on their recent African Safari. More information will be coming. Don't miss it!

Flea Market Needs

- 1. Grocery Bags/Newspapers-place in plastic bin outside of Sanctuary on Sunday mornings.
- 2. Medium/large boxes and small houseware items-place in metal shed outside of Flea Market gate.
- 3. Baked Goods: cookies, pies, cakes, any type of desserts-place in the F.H. kitchen on Oct. 29, 30 & 31. Any questions call Karen Anderson at # 991-3833.
- 4. Cases of water and name brand soda-place in Tammy's office.

Calling all Hot Dog Slayers and Chili/Kraut Slingers, Soda Jerks and Cash Counters! All hands on deck! We just need people who are willing and able. No actual experience is necessary. Flexible shifts are available. If you can help, please contact Nancy Winkelmann at 520-400-8035 or nanner928@gmail.com.

<u>This Week At Deser</u>	<u>t Skies</u>	This Week's Bible Reading	
Tuesday, October 16			
10:00 am Screwtape Letters Boo	Fellowship Hall	Oct. 16-Mal. 3, 4; Ps. 148; Acts 5	
3:00 pm Tutoring 6:30 pm Finance Meeting 7:30 pm SPRC	Fellowship Hall Room # 2 Room # 2	Oct. 17-Job 1, 2; Acts 6, 7	Interested in joining Desert Skies UMC?
<u>Wednesdav, October 17</u> 9:15 am Zippy 49er's 2:30 pm Worship Design	Fellowship Hall Room # 2	Oct. 18-Job 3, 4; Acts 8, 9	Contact Rev. Dr.
4:00 pm Grief Support Group 5:30 pm The Wired Word 6:00 pm Oil Painting	Room # 2 Room # 2 Room # 7	Oct. 19-Job 5; Ps. 108; Acts 10, 11	Candace J. Lansberry at 749-0521
6:30 pm Adult Bells 7:30 pm Adult Choir	Sanctuary Sanctuary	Oct. 20-Job 6-8; Acts 12	We are on the web:
<u>Thursdav, October 18</u> 7:00 pm Executive Team Meetin	g Room # 2		ww.desertskiesumc.org
<u>Fridav, October 19</u> 1:00 pm Living Your Best Life	Fellowship Hall	Oct. 21-Job 9, 10; Acts 13, 14	
Saturday, October 20	- renowsnip fran	Oct. 22-Job 11, 12; Acts 15, 16	
8:00 am UMM Meeting 10:00 am Vail Band Practice	Fellowship Hall Sanctuary		