

An e-news blast of Desert Skies United Methodist Church

February 12, 2019

This Week At Desert Skies

Tuesday, February 128:30 am Worship DesignRoom # 29:00 am Helping HandsKitchen10:00 am Simon Peter StudyFellowship Hall

3:00 pm Tutoring Fellowship Hall 6:00 pm Missions/Social Concerns Room # 5

Wednesday, February 13

1:00 pm Oil Painting Class Room # 7
4:00 pm Grief Support Group Room # 2
5:30 pm Transitions Room # 2
6:30 pm Oil Painting Class Room # 7
6:30 pm Adult Bells Sanctuary
7:30 pm Choir Sanctuary

Thursday, February 14

6:00 pm Bible Study Fellowship Hall

Friday, February 15

1:00 pm Living Your Best Life Fellowship Hall

Saturday, February 16

8:00 am UMM Breakfast Fellowship Hall 9:00 am Vail Band Practice Sanctuary 4:00 pm Memorial Service for Pete Squire

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This Week's Bible Reading

Feb. 12 Lev. 18, 19; Ps. 13; Acts 19 Feb. 13 Lev. 20-22; Acts 20

Feb. 14 Lev. 23, 24; Ps. 24; Acts 21 Feb. 15 Lev. 25; Ps. 25-26; Acts 22

Feb. 16 Lev. 26, 27; Acts 23 Feb. 17 Num. 1, 2; Acts 24

Feb. 18 Num. 3, 4; Acts 25

ARTICLES OF THE WEEK

FINANCE COMMITTEE

"The Finance committee reports that Desert Skies has completed their financial audit and has passed with flying colors. The Auditor, Marion Grant, commended us on our level of organization and accuracy. She made several suggestions for improvements in the area of procedures and written policy. Those changes have been implemented and we move into this new year with confidence that we are financially on track for all the God inspired activities we undertake as a church family."

Respectfully,

Connie Kraska, Finance Chair

MISSIONS/SOCIAL CONCERNS COMMITTEE

Missions THANKS YOU!

The 2019 Valentines Day Coffee collection for Casa Maria was a huge success this year, exceeding last years' collection for all items!

Many thanks for your generous hearts in supplying these items for Tucson's homeless. We collected over 250 lbs. of coffee, 331 lbs. of sugar, 140 oz. of creamer, 141 rolls of paper towels, and 1077 oz. of hand soap! Items will be delivered to Casa Maria this week.



EBLAST NEWS FLASH: The Baby Is Here!

Congratulations to Samuka, Kadie and big sister, Agnes, on the birth of their baby boy, Samuka Christian Koroma Jr., last night, February 11th. Welcome to the world!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>Interested in joining Desert Skies-</u>Contact Rev. Dr. Candace J. Lansberry at 749-0521. Check us out on the Web: www.desertskiesumc.org.

<u>UMW General Meeting-will be on Saturday</u>, February 23, with breakfast in the Fellowship Hall at 9:15 am, followed by a brief meeting and then a program presented by Rose Muzzy. Rose will be introducing us to Twilight Wish Foundation, non-profit that works similarly to Make-a-Wish, but the recipients of the wishes are low-income seniors. The mission of the foundation is to enrich the lives of deserving seniors through intergenerational Twilight Wish celebrations. Rose is the Arizona Regional Director of the Foundation. In addition, we should note that Rose was honored with a Ben's Bells award for her outstanding work with seniors and in her community. Please join us for this great program. Guests are always welcome!

<u>Western Sunday-ONE</u> Worship Service for both campuses will be held at the Houghton Campus at 9:30 am. Activities start at 10:45 am (bounce house, petting zoo, Wild West Show and Bluegrass Band) and lunch will be served at 11:00 am. Just a reminder-YOU WILL NEED YOUR TICKETS FOR LUNCH!

<u>Five Week Study-"</u>He Chose the Nails" by Max Lucado. What God did to win your heart. Linger on the hill of Calvary. Rub a finger on the timber and press the nail into your hand. Taste the tinge of cheap wine and feel the scrape of a thorn on your brow. Touch the velvet dirt, moist with the blood of God. Allow the tools of torture tell the story. Listen...as you hear what God did to win your heart. Class begins Sunday, March 3rd-March 31st at 8:30 am in Room # 5....sign-up on the Connection Card if interested.

Memorial Garden Work Day-Saturday, March 16th at 9:00 am. We need lots of workers to paint, plant, and trim. Wear old clothes, bring gloves, trowels, paint brushes and a smile on your face. Food provided.

CARNEGIE 19 RESTAURANT FUND-RAISER-THIS IS THE WEEK! One of our most generous parishioners, Brent Kyte, has graciously agreed to donate 20% percent of the proceeds from any Pizza Hut or Bisbee Breakfast Club in Tucson now through February 17th, to help aid in the final push towards our financial goal. With this offer, we are asking all of our parishioners and their friends to go to any of these eateries this week! Be sure to save your receipt and then turn them in to Doc Shawn or the office by February 24th. A table will be set up on the patio on February 24th to collect your receipts. The offer includes all delivered, take away, and dine in services. So, be sure to tell ALL your friends and families about this tasty event! Keep an eye out for our next restaurant fund-raiser at the Texas Roadhouse, coming in March 2019.

Missions Event Invitation-DSUMC Missions Committee invites you to a dinner and special presentation on Thursday, February 28th at 5:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall. One of our former Africa University Scholarship recipients, graduate Jose Jamisse Gume, is in the U.S. this month as a delegate to the United Methodist Church General Conference. Mr. Gume will make a special trip to DSUMC to thank our congregation for funding the scholarship that enabled him to pursue a career in Counseling at the Chicuque Rural in Mozambique. The Congregational Care Committee has graciously offered to provide dinner that evening. Please sign-up on the Connection Card if you plan to attend.



Jose graduated from AU in 2012. His scholarship was started with proceeds from the Christmas dinner and concert sponsored by the choir in 2007. Everyone who participated in the Flea Market from 2008-2012 and /or gave to the special Christmas offering during those years also had a part in providing Jose with his scholarship to Africa University. This is a rare opportunity for our congregation to have personal contact with someone whose life has been directly impacted by the outreach of this church. Since Jose's graduation he has counseled thousands of HIV/AIDS, tuberculosis and other special needs patients, all because of his scholarship! Please JOIN US!!