



THE SKYLINE

An e-news blast of Desert Skies United Methodist Church

February 26, 2019

This Week At Desert Skies

Tuesday, February 26

General Conference	St. Louis
3:00 pm Tutoring	Fellowship Hall
7:00 pm Church Council	Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, February 27

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

Thursday, February 28

3:30 pm Endowment Committee	Room # 2
5:30 pm All Church Event Africa University	
Graduate Dinner	Fellowship Hall

Friday, March 1

1:00 pm Living Your Best Life	Fellowship Hall
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Saturday, March 2

9:00 am Vail Band Practice	Sanctuary
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“Called Together by Grace: One Body” Event
9:30 am Worship St. Paul UMC
8051 E. Broadway Blvd, Tucson, AZ.

This Week's Bible Reading

Feb. 26 Num. 19, 20; Ps. 28; Mark 5

Feb. 27 Num. 21-23; Mark 6, 7

Feb. 28 Num. 24-27; I Cor. 13

Mar. 01 Num. 28, 29; Mark 8

Mar. 02 Num. 30, 31; Mark 9

Mar. 03 Num. 32, 33; Mark 10

Mar. 04 Num. 34-36; Mark 11

ARTICLE OF THE WEEK

Vail Campus Moves to Mornings!

Beginning March 3rd, our second site will begin worship at 11:15 am at the Vail Innovation Center, next to Empire High School.

This is in preparation for a Fall ReLaunch, and we are looking for missionaries to help us get ready for a new phase in our ministry in Vail. From prayer to education to a short-term commitment to simply being present, we would love to have your help. For the next 12 weeks, Rev. Candace will be leaving right after the sermon at 10:00 am to help with the transition, so please keep that campus in your prayers as we raise up a Campus Pastor for that community and move into the future.





THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

PHOENIX AREA
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PHOENIX, ARIZONA 85014-4040



February 14, 2019

An Invitation to
Called Together by Grace: One Body

Saturday, March 2, 2019

In Nevada, 9:00-11:00 am, with fellowship at 11:00 am

In Arizona, 10:00 am – 12:00 noon, with fellowship at 9:30 am

You are invited to join laity and clergy from across our conference for a time to gather in worship as a community, experience our covenant together, and affirm our shared vision and values. I will share a message of hope and unity, including conversations about the implementation of the General Conference 2019 legislation.

In preparation, I invite you to read Colossians 3: 12-17 and to be in prayer that God's spirit will be present in moments of grace, reconciliation, faith, love and hope.

"Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful."

This event will take place simultaneously at one of four locations, with the sites connected via video technology:

- Shepherd of the Hills UMC, 13658 W Meeker Blvd, Sun City West AZ
- St. Matthew UMC, 2540 Baseline Rd, Mesa, AZ
- St. Paul UMC, 8051 E Broadway Blvd, Tucson, AZ
- Desert Spring UMC, 120 Pavilion Center Dr, Las Vegas, NV

If you need childcare during this event, please contact Carla Whitmire at cwhitmire@dscumc.org or 602-798-8236 with the names and ages of the children.

If you have questions about the event, please contact my Executive Assistant, Julie O'Neal at joneal@dscumc.org or 602-798-8209.

Blessings,

We hope you will plan to attend this special event with Bishop Bob. Immediately following the live stream, Desert Skies has reserved a room at St Paul's where we can debrief together as a congregation. See you March 2nd.

Rev. Candace

Desert Skies United Methodist Church
Church Council Meeting Agenda
Tuesday February 26th, 2019 at 7 pm

Vision: A Joyful Community Drawing People to Christ;

Mission: **Lead our neighbors to Christ** (2019 focus); Love one another in caring community;
Learn to follow Jesus; Live a Christ-like life that serves the world.

2019 Focus: Seniors to join Families with Children both in serving our neighbors and enabling them to be servants.

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.

Call to Order and Opening Prayer – Jake Beverage

Approval of the previous Church Council Minutes -

Learning: Rev Dr Candace Lansberry – Live from St. Louis following General Conference

Listening: - Jake Beverage – Small group reactions

Leading: Coordinating our Efforts for Ministry: Collaborating Together:

Updates from Committees in writing: - Jake Beverage

Council – “Hero Maker: Five Essential Practices for Leaders to Multiply Leaders”,
review will begin in March

Calendar & Christ Café Review for 2019 – Jeann Fishback - Check the website calendar for any
changes necessary on your team events and provide updated facility forms.

Feb 2019

Feb 28th Missions Dinner with Africa University student Jose Jamisse Gume 5:30 pm.
Jose is coming here from the UMC General Conference.

March 2019

March 2nd Special Conference Debrief 9:30-noon at St Paul’s –
“Called Together by Grace, One Body”, DSUMC group meeting to follow
March 3rd Vail service moves to 11:15 am
March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 8:30 Rm 5 Lenten study ‘He Chose the Nails’
March 6th – Ash Wednesday services – Houghton 5:30 supper,
Vail Messy Church 6 pm service – with supper at end.

April 2019

April 21st Youth Easter Breakfast
April 28th Hannah Bonner from Frontera Wesley to preach

Reports, New Business and Reminders:

Connect – Jeann Fishback - Our need for all to fill out attendance Connection cards

Missions – Sandra McNary - Spring service project

Finance and Tech Update - Connie Kraska – Finance Audit results

Birthday Fund revival March 10th for outdoor sound

Action Items:

Flea Market – Max Crowell – receive funds distribution report

Next meeting: March 26th, 2019 at 7 pm. **Agenda items and written report items due to Jeann in email or on paper by Mar 18th. Agenda items should generate action items or need input. All others should be reported in writing at agenda input time.**

Prayer and Adjournment – Jake Beverage

LENT

Lent is an opportunity to go deeper in relationship to God through discipleship in Christ. For many, these 40 days set aside leading up to Holy Week and Easter, help us nurture our spirit and tend our soul. This journey can feed us toward living with intention and give us deeper purpose. I invite you to find ways to make this time meaningful and engaging:

“He Chose the Nails”-Beginning Sunday, March 3, 8:30 am- Every gift from God reveals his love, but no gift reveals his love more than the gifts of the cross. These gifts came not wrapped in paper but in passion. In this five-session video Bible study, Max Lucado explores the many gifts that Christ provided to us at his crucifixion. **Sign-up on the Connection Card if you plan to attend this five week study.**

Ash Wednesday-Wednesday, March 6, 5:30 pm-Houghton Campus: Dinner/Traditional Service with imposition of ashes **6:00 pm-Vail Campus:** Messy Church/Dinner with imposition of ashes. **Sign-up on the Connection Card if you will be in attendance.**

Lenten Suppers-Wednesdays, 5:30-6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall-Each week enjoy fellowship around a simple supper followed by table worship of prayer and hymn singing. Finally, practice and experience a new spiritual discipline each time. Based on the book, “Because of This I Rejoice,” we will discover that far from an obligation or drudgery, adding any one of these disciplines in our lives can add a source for joy as we connect to and engage in “The Source of Joy”.

First Lenten Supper: “Prayer.” Wednesday, March 13th, 5:30-6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall-Even Jesus’ own disciples were wanting to discover a closer connection to God. How do we deepen the conversation? **Sign-up on the Connection Card if interested.**

Walk for Christ-Tuesdays, 10:30-11:30 am-Starting on Tuesday, April 12th. This is for people that want a 40-day Challenge to go deeper by becoming more active. What's better than feeding your soul while developing healthy practices for your body and mind? Individuals will select different health goals while reading reflective passages on each day of the journey. Group time is to help support and encourage each other to complete their goal as well as practice a health practice for the body or mind. **Sign-up on the Connection Card if interested. Questions?? Contact Rev. Matt**

SNAK PAK PROGRAM

This is the Snak Pak group that meets on Friday mornings and goes to Peter Howell and Pueblo Gardens.



Mystery Dinner Cast Rehearsal

Bring out your magnifying glasses and mark your calendars for another fun evening on Sunday, March 31st from 4:00 pm-6:30 pm. Lady Victoria Wordsworth is being pressured from several sides to sell the Wordsworth Finishing School and Academy to developers. She doesn't want to sell. This is going to cause problems. Come match wits with the detective to see if you can solve the mystery all while helping our youth go to Youth 2019. **Tickets go on sale Sunday, March 3rd!**



Adult Bells and Adult Choir Rehearsal

Interested in joining Bells or Choir? Contact Raymond Ryder for Bells or Doc Shawn for Choir and then come out on Wednesday evenings for rehearsal. Bells start at 6:30 pm and Choir starts at 7:30 pm.



Transitions Classes

We had a great turn out for our Transitions Classes that were held on Wednesday evenings in the Fellowship Hall. Topics discussed were "Financial Planning in Ages and Stages", "Preparing for Emergencies and Changes at Different Life Stages" and "The Intersection of Choices and Changes in Life."



ANNOUNCEMENTS



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 Chicunque Rural Hospital in Mozambique. The Congregational Care Committee has graciously offered to provide dinner that evening.

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

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.

MEDIA BOOTH-HELP NEEDED IMMEDIATELY-We need 3 people to work the Media Booth ASAP! Great training for this awesome way to serve. Please contact Scott Hartung at # 247-9581.

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!**

Help Support our Youth

In 2019 DSUMC Council & Committees would like to focus participation on mission ways to encourage seniors and families with children to interact. Schools both in the Tanque Verde Valley and Vail areas where we have worship services are great community resources and places to meet. In today's times families are scattered geographically but children and grandparents can adopt and support those around them. To that end the Connect Committee would like to create calendars of event participation by our children (in or out of school) which can be attended by seniors. After all children need 12 hugs a day to grow and seniors need twelve to stay upright. Each event we attend is a giant hug to all. And if we wear our Desert Skies shirts won't we tell the community we love and support our children?

Event slips are available at the Welcome Podium and a calendar will be available for planning. As events come up we will try to post weekly schedules in the eblast Newsletter. And as it grows carpools can be arranged. If easier you may email or text Jeann Fishback (520-850-9723, fishback@ns.arizona.edu) or Mary Ellen Dawson (520-336-8471, illini1818@yahoo.com) with event details like below.

Youth Event (EXAMPLE)

Student Name/age Eric Drummond

Event Description JV Boys Soccer

Date & Time January 23rd 4 pm

Location Rincon/University High Soccer Field- Park East side of school-421 N Arcadia (5th & Swan area)





01 Shawn Coffee
 03 Michal Aulds
 04 Barb Richards
 05 Vern Cottrell, Doug Holland, Ella Natale
 06 Amanda Owen
 07 Gladys Hayden, Steve Smith
 08 Pat Merrill, Mimi Salber
 09 Edie Addis, Glenda Burdick, Connie Wren
 10 Jim Krupa
 11 Myron Amundson
 12 Tom Christopher, Sharon Wagner,
 Madison Mallory-Allen
 13 Fred Pascoe, Esther Ralston
 14 Louise Glaysher, Ryan Mahlstedt
 15 Marilyn McKee, Mike Nofziger

16 Luke Coffee, Lynn Peate, Chris Varnes
 17 Richard Daly
 18 Bob Jenkins
 19 Eric Drummond
 21 Jane Kline, Leanne Whitney
 22 Fred Killion
 23 Jeff Hoffman
 24 Nancy Johnsen, Joel McInnis,
 Jacob Randall
 26 Barbara Arnold, Mickey Henkle
 Rosa Sanders
 27 Jeann Fishback
 28 Susan Mallory
 29 Christiana Colby, Karly Marinas
 30 Noah Louzensky
 31 Rev. Dr. Candace J. Lansberry,
 Wendy McInnis, Hannah Levin



02 Rich & Debbie Poisel
 18 Rev. Dr. Roy W. & Betty Ludlow
 19 Bob & Lauri Cook
 25 Paul & Doreen Hedger

27 Mike & Eileen Starace
 Max & Marty Freeman
 29 Mike Nofziger & Judy Fish
 31 Bill & Janet Baker
 John & Rita Brimley

March 2019

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
3 Communion 8:30/10:00 Worship Service 8:30 Lenten Study 11:15 Vail Worship Teacher's Meeting 12:00 Youth Group	4 8:00 Flea Market Fun 9:00 Coyote Music 11:00 Bible Study 3:00 Tutoring 5:15 Emmaus	5 8:30 Worship Design 3:00 Tutoring	6 Ash Wednesday 1:00 Oil Painting 4:00 Grief Support Group 5:30 Soup Supper at Houghton 6:00 Worship-Houghton 6:00 Messy Lent w/ Soup Supper-Vail 6:30 Adult Bells 7:30 Adult Choir	7 3:30 Endowment Committee Meeting 6:00 Bible Study	1 1:00 Living Your Best Life 8 1:00 Living Your Best Life	2 9:00 Vail Band Practice 9:30 "Called Together by Grace: One Body at St. Pauls 9:00 Vail Band Practice 9:00 Memorial Garden Workday
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