

An e-news blast of Desert Skies United Methodist Church

March 12, 2019

# This Week At Desert Skies

#### Tuesday, March 12

8:30 am Worship Design Room # 2
9:00 am Helping Hands Kitchen
10:30 am Walk for Christ Fellowship Hall
3:00 pm Tutoring Fellowship Hall
6:00 pm Mission/Social Concerns Room # 5

## Wednesday, March 13

1:00 pm Oil Painting Class Room # 7
4:00 pm Grief Support Group Room # 2
5:30 pm Lenten Study/Supper Fellowship Hall and Conversation about Human Sexuality and the recent General Conference

6:00 pm Adult Bells Sanctuary
6:30 pm Oil Painting Class Room # 7
7:00 pm Adult Choir Sanctuary

## Thursday, March 14

8:20 am Casa Maria Off Campus 1:30 pm Westerner's Meeting Fellowship Hall

#### Friday, March 15

1:00 pm Living Your Best Life Fellowship Hall 4:00 pm Cook Wedding Rehearsal Sanctuary

#### Saturday, March 16

8:00 am UMM Breakfast Fellowship Hall 9:00 am Vail Band Practice Sanctuary Memorial Garden Work Day Memorial

Garden

2:00 pm Cook Wedding Sanctuary

## This Week's Bible Reading

Mar. 12 Deut. 19-21; Gal; 3

Mar. 13 Deut. 22-24; Gal. 4

Mar. 14 Deut. 25-27; Gal. 5

Mar. 15 Deut. 28, 29; Gal. 6

Mar. 16 Deut. 30, 31; Ps. 40; I Cor. 1

Mar. 17 Deut. 32-34; I Cor. 2

Mar. 18 Josh 1, 2; Ps. 37; I Cor. 3

## ARTICLE OF THE WEEK

# Ash Wednesday Service and Soup Supper

We had a wonderful turn out this past Wednesday as we gathered together for a soup supper and service at the Houghton Campus and a Messy Lent Service with a soup supper that followed at our Vail Campus.





## **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.

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.

<u>UMM Breakfast Meeting-</u>We will meet on Saturday, March 16th at 8:00 am in the Fellowship Hall for breakfast and a meeting. Our topic will be about Senior Transition Assistance for Real Estate.

<u>Zippy 49'ers</u>-will hold their next regular meeting Wednesday, March 20 in Fellowship Hall. We will gather at 9:15 am, with breakfast at 9:30 am. Our program will be "The Sky is Falling," the next in our DVD series "*Unafraid*" by Adam Hamilton. Don't forget to use your Prayer and Self Denial Calendar in the February issue of *Joyful Noise*, the UMW newsletter—it's not too late to catch up if you forgot to start. Our meetings are open to anyone who is interested. Please come and check us out or call Glenda Burdick, 760-5520, or more information.

<u>UMW-</u>Did you know every woman who attends Desert Skies United Methodist Church is considered a member of United Methodist Women? Come help us celebrate the 150th Birthday Celebration of Women in Mission, Saturday, March 30th in the Fellowship Hall. We will enjoy coffee and fellowship at 9:30 a.m, with birthday cake and a program to follow. If you have been using your Prayer and Self Denial calendars, this would be a good time to bring your donation.

Missions/Social Concerns-ALL NEW Desert Skies Lenten Family Service Project! UMCOR is in urgent need of Cleaning Kits for disaster relief in response to winter flooding from heavy rain and snows in many areas across the U.S. Our brothers and sisters need our collective response and gifts to help them help themselves in recovery during these difficult times. We are asking each family to "fill a bucket' with your cash/change from home throughout Lent. Your prayer-filled donations are very much needed! 100% of the proceeds will cover the cost of the Cleaning Kits. Family buckets are due back to the church on Palm Sunday, April 14th. A bucket brigade assembly will take place after church on Sunday, April 28th-we anticipate filling 200 buckets with everyone's help! Questions?? Please contact Sandra McNary or Barb Reuter.

<u>Easter Baskets for TMM-</u>On Sunday, March 24th, look for the sign-up table to provide Easter Baskets for the children in the Family Journey Program at TMM. Questions?? Contact Sandy Kleen.

<u>Mystery Dinner-Tickets on sale now-\$10.00!!</u> Bring out your magnifying glasses and come match wits with the detective to see if you can solve the mystery all while helping our youth go to Youth 2019. Mark your calendars for another fun evening on Sunday, March 31st from 4:00 pm-6:30 pm.

# **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.

Walk for Christ-Tuesdays, 10:30-11:30 am-starting TODAY! 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. Questions?? Contact Rev. Matt

<u>Lenten Suppers-</u>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". In addition, after supper, there will be a group led by Jake Beverage and Rev. Candace on the topic of human sexuality and the recent General Conference. Bring your questions, your faith, and an openness to hear one another in respectful conversations around a polarizing topic.

First Lenten Supper: "Prayer." <u>Wednesday, March 13<sup>th</sup>, 5:30-6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall</u>—Even Jesus' own disciples were wanting to discover a closer connection to God. How do we deepen the conversation? <u>Sign-up on the Connection Card each week if would like to attend.</u>