



THE SKYLINE

An e-news blast of Desert Skies United Methodist Church

July 09, 2019

This Week At Desert Skies

Tuesday, July 9

8:30 am Worship Design	Room # 2
9:00 am Helping Hands	Kitchen
5:30 pm Vail Band Practice	Sanctuary

Wednesday, July 10

4:00 pm Grief Support Group	Room # 2
5:30 pm The Wired Word	Room # 2
6:00 pm DSUMC Conversations	Fellowship Hall

Thursday, July 11

8:20 am Casa Maria	Off Campus
12:00 pm Yoga	Fellowship Hall
1:00 pm Christian Ed. Meeting	Room # 5

Saturday, July 13

9:00 am Vail Family University	Empire H.S.
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This Week's Bible Reading

July 9-Mic. 1-4; Heb. 6

July 10-Mic. 5-7; Heb. 7

July 11-Is. 8-10; Heb. 8

July 12-Is. 11-14; Heb. 9

July 13-Is. 15-18; Heb. 10

July 14-Is. 19-21; Heb. 11

July 15-Is. 22-24; Heb. 12

ARTICLE OF THE WEEK

YOGA AND LUNCH BUNCH

If you would like a bit of summer fun and exercise, we've got a wonderful opportunity for you to meet with your friends and experience the healing properties of yoga.

Classes are led by Jennifer Sulger, Verna Mazur's daughter, who is an experienced yoga instructor of many years. The yoga she is teaching is especially tailored to our participants at Desert Skies. Whether you are experienced or not, you will find these classes rewarding and fun. Afterwards, we encourage those who would like to head out for a healthy lunch to join up and enjoy a meal together.

Participation will be your choice, whether you can come once or for every class. **Classes are held on Mondays and Thursdays at 12:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall.** The Cost is \$5.00 per class or \$45.00 for 10 classes. Any questions, contact Doc Shawn at 749-0521.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Memorial Garden-With the help of many dedicated volunteers the garden has had the walls repaired and painted, the fountain cleaned and all plaques cleaned, polished and sealed. Now that summer is officially here I would like to have an updated list of volunteers that have helped in the daily watering of our flowering pots in the garden. **If you are currently watering on a particular day, thank you and please let me know what day it is so that I can make a schedule. If you would like to volunteer for a day or be a substitute for vacations, please contact me also or sign up on the Connection Card.** The time commitment is approximately 15-20 minutes as it is just the pots. Thank you! Becky Elder, Chairman of the Memorial Garden (520) 296-1608

Book club in July: Educated A Memoir-#1 New York Times Bestseller*. An unforgettable memoir about a young girl who, kept out of school, leaves her survivalist family and goes on to earn a PhD from Cambridge University. Join book club leader Glenda Burdick at **10:00 am in room # 5 on July 16 & 23 for discussion. Sign up on the Connection Card if you plan to participate.** Thank you.

VISITATION TEAM MEMBERS NEEDED: Desert Skies UMC has been a vital part of many peoples lives over the last 25 years, however, many of our members have become less mobile as the years have gone by. Our shut-in members still have a need to stay connected with the church but for whatever reason they are unable to attend services or events like they used to. Right now there is a significant need for volunteers to help our shut-ins stay connected with us and God. That's where you may be able to help. If you would consider just visiting one person per month, it could make a huge difference in their quality of life. If you would be interested in helping out with this vital ministry, please contact Doc Shawn and/or sign up on the connection card. Many Blessings.

Moses and a Movie-Our Tuesday am Bible Study Class just finished 6 weeks on "Moses-Reluctant Prophet." We enjoyed the study so much we will be hosting a showing of the movie "The Ten Commandments" in the Fellowship Hall on Friday, July 19th starting at 10:00 am, intermission with a potluck lunch at 12:00 pm, finishing up by 2:30 pm. Yes, it's a long film! So, if you are interested, bring a salad or snack to share. Come and join us for Fun with Bible Study, friends, food and a film. Popcorn too! **Sign up on the Connection Card if you plan to attend.**



Everyone Is Welcome!!

This wonderful banner was created by Sue Bishop in response to our Desert Skies long-standing commitment to welcoming all. We had wonderful conversations during Church Council about the response of Annual Conference 2019 around the punitive nature of the General Conference Plan and will be working together on a statement of inclusion for Desert Skies on July 10th and 24th at 6:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall. In the aftermath of General Conference, it is important that we let people know that all are welcome here, which has been the practice at DSUMC for as long as it's been in existence. All our welcome to participate in our discussion and statement building. The statement will be presented to Church Council on July 30th and, if accepted, to the congregation for final approval. Way to go, Desert Skies, and thank you, Sue, for giving us this wonderful visual image.



BACKPACK DRIVE FOR INTERFAITH COMMUNITY SERVICES

July 14th through 28th DSUMC will be collecting **NEW BACKPACKS** for ICS to fill with school supplies for children from low income families. For the last four years the children in our DSUMC tutoring program have been recipients of this program. Although the distribution is on a first come first served basis, ICS sets aside the number of backpacks needed for the tutoring program, and Fred Killion picks them up and distributes them. **There will be a table at the back of the sanctuary for collecting your donations.**

IT IS TIME FOR DSUMC TO SAY "THANK YOU" TO ICS!