



# THE SKYLINE

An e-news blast of Desert Skies United Methodist Church

September 17, 2019

## This Week At Desert Skies

### Tuesday, September 17

8:30 am Worship Design	Room # 2
10:00 am Bible Study	Fellowship Hall
3:00 pm Tutoring	Fellowship Hall
6:30 pm Finance	Room # 2

### Wednesday, September 18

9:15 am Zippy 49er's Meeting	Fellowship Hall
1:00 pm Oil Painting Class	Rooms # 6 & 7
4:00 pm Grief Support Group	Room # 2
5:00 pm The Wired Word	Room # 2
6:00 pm Adult Bells	Sanctuary
6:30 pm Oil Painting Class	Rooms # 6 & 7
7:00 pm Adult Choir	Sanctuary

### Thursday, September 19

12:00 pm Yoga	Fellowship Hall
1:30 pm Meal Ministry Meeting	Fellowship Hall
7:00 pm Executive Team Meeting	Room # 2

### Saturday, September 21

8:00 am UMM Meeting	Fellowship Hall
9:00 am Vail Band Practice	Sanctuary
10:00 pm Children's Ministry Program	Fellowship Hall

## This Week's Bible Reading

Sept. 17-Ezek. 42-44; Rev. 22

Sept. 18-Ezek. 45, 46; Lk. 1

Sept. 19-Ezek. 47, 48; Lk. 2

Sept. 20-Dan. 5, 6; Ps. 130; Lk. 3

Sept. 21-Dan. 7, 8; Ps. 137; Lk. 4

Sept. 22-Dan. 9, 10; Ps. 123; Lk. 5

Sept. 23-Dan. 11, 12; Lk. 6

## YOUTH KICKOFF 2019

About 40 youth, parents and adults who will be working with our youth group met for a fun evening of games, planning and a great BBQ (cooked beautifully by Merrill Heinz—thank you, Merrill!)

We are excited for this new year of service, fellowship and discipleship!



## Celebrate Our Youth

Come support our youth in their activities/or remember to wish them well. Check the Houghton kiosk or eblast for upcoming events.

### This Week

Tanque Verde H.S. swim meet at the 49er's Clubhouse pool, (12000 E. Tanque Verde Rd.) on **Thursday, September 19th from 4-6 pm**. Logan and Lainie Radomsky are competing. **Come out and show your support!!**

# FLOWER MINISTRY

Of late, the members of Desert Skies United Methodist Church have been hearing about changes happening within the church. Here is another one; however, I want to refer to it as addition or contribution. Hi, I am Mimi Salber, one of two individuals making up the Flower Ministry; the other is Doreen Hedger.

Over the year that I became involved in the Flower Ministry I have experienced another “growing” situation that many of us experience when we are asked to “do something” for the church. You know what I am talking about when taking up a leadership role. The “you JUST need to” lead the meeting, or whatever the case may be, only to find out that the hour to lead the meeting has several other hours of responsibility behind it. (I am not complaining, just being realistic.) Well, a similar situation has occurred with taking up the Flower Ministry. Yes, there is a Sign-Up chart that requires me to schedule a table, make the chart, show up and ask the members for another donation. Then make the arrangements with the florist, and extra if there is a special request. So the process starts. Many members are delighted to help out, to be recognized, or at least to acknowledge their loved one, or an important event. I say a big THANK YOU and bless you for the contributions. However, the reality is that for many members it is another request for their limited funds, as much as they might like to donate flowers. My reality as Flower Minister is that there are weeks where we either pay for these flowers, or be creative, and take a different approach: Change/ addition. I have chosen to take the later approach.

In my life outside the church I am the President of the Tucson Garden Club. One of its main focuses is Floral Design. Real flowers and natural materials are used to create a “floral design”. This summer after using the beautiful artificial floral bouquet provided by Linda Wheeler in place of the usual real flowers for a few Sundays, I thought to myself, and then shared, Why not make up a few floral designs ( using quality artificial flowers and natural materials) to be kept at the church for those “non dedicated” weeks.

Elsa McLean is collaborating with me to do this project. Elsa is long standing member of the Tucson Garden Club. She is an accredited judge, and a designer extraordinaire. I am thrilled to have her assist me with this project.

I hope that you will be pleased in the results of this project: Another change for our church’s way of doing business.

Sincerely submitted by Mimi Salber



## ANNUAL FLEA MARKET SALE NOVEMBER 7, 8, & 9

The Flea Market Sale is coming up and we are asking for you to save **your GROCERY BAGS and NEWSPAPERS**. Please put them in the marked bins in front of the Sanctuary. Thank you.

Its time to start collecting for the **GREAT WALL OF SODA (name brand only, please) and WATER**. Donations can be brought to Tammy’s office. Thank you in advance for your generosity and for always making the Flea Market such a success!

We are also **CALLING ALL BAKERS!!** If you like to bake and would be willing to donate cookies, cakes, pies, brownies, lemon bars or any baked goods, please drop your items off to the kitchen, (the last week of October) marked Flea Market.



## VETERANS DAY PICTURES REQUESTED

On Sunday, Nov 10th, we will celebrate our Veterans and currently serving military personnel.

We have a large file of previously submitted pictures of Veterans and others currently serving in the military which will be on display that day.

However, if, in previous years, you have NOT already submitted a picture of your veteran or your family member currently serving in the military, **please do so no later than October 15, 2019. You may either bring a picture to Tammy in the office or e-mail it to her at: [office@desertskiesumc.org](mailto:office@desertskiesumc.org).**

We look forward to celebrating our men and women of the military on November 10<sup>th</sup>!!

## Special Annual Conference Session

Your four lay members to annual conference, Fred Killion, Paige McDowell, Mike Nofziger and Judy Fish, along with Revs. Candace and Mark attended the special annual conference session this past Saturday, where we passed 8 resolutions, some left over from the annual conference in June, and some new presentations from committees that were formed to look at a Desert Southwest Conference Way Forward.

If you would like to read these resolutions, please go to [dscumc.org](http://dscumc.org) and click on the special annual conference links. Thank you for making it possible for us all to attend.



**Our Sermon Series “Ordinary Time 3: The Way Out of No Way” has begun and runs thru Sunday, October 20th.**

We enter the biblical narrative of God’s action in human history “already in progress” and right out of the gate we are plopped down in the middle of major crisis: Noah and the flood.

We will spend six weeks witnessing other Hebrew Bible stories of God urging the people forward in times when it seems there’s no way out. We will recall our own narratives and affirm the strength God gives us to find a way through. After all, our percentage of actually living through a crisis at this point is 100%!

September 22  
Sermon-Blessing  
Scripture-Genesis 12:1-9

September 29  
Sermon-Protecting  
Scripture-Genesis 39:1-23

October 6  
Sermon-Delivering  
Scripture-Exodus 14:10-14, 21-29

October 13  
Sermon-Consecrating  
Scripture-Exodus 19:3-7; 20:1-17

October 20  
Sermon-Serving  
Scripture-Joshua 24:1-15

## **ANNUAL ELOY FOOD BANK COLLECTION**

**Now Thru September 29th**



Eloy United Methodist is a missional church serving a needy community with many living in poverty and many others experiencing homelessness. The Eloy Food Bank is a vital source of nourishment and hope.

Items requested by the Food Bank directors include **CEREAL, PEANUT BUTTER, and CANNED MEATS (pop top cans only, please)**. The tables in the back of the sanctuary await your caring contributions.



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Zippy 49er's Circle**-will resume meeting on **Wednesday, September 18th in the Fellowship Hall. We will gather at 9:15 am, with breakfast at 9:30 am.** We will begin a new study, which is the book, Everybody's Normal Till You Get to Know Them by John Ortberg. Please read the 1st chapter and think about the questions at the end of the chapter and make notes of things you want to talk about. Don't stay home, just because you don't have the book yet or didn't have time to read the chapter. All women of the church are invited! Questions?? Contact Glenda Burdick at # 760-5520.

**UMM-On Saturday, September 21st** we will be having a very important meeting to determine the future of the UM Men's group. Our numbers have really dropped off so if you want the men's group to continue to function come and show your support. If you have ideas about different meeting times, a different format, etc. come and share your ideas. **Come Saturday, September 21st, 8:00 a.m. in Fellowship Hall.** Hope to see you there.

**Children's Ministry**-We are pleased to present Robin Blumenthal who will be speaking on "Love & Logic" strategies and "Working with Children using a Trauma-Informed Lens". Robin is currently the Education Domain Director, CarePortal Regional Ambassador at 4Tucson CarePortal and will have wonderful information to share for all. **Join us Saturday, September 21st at 10:00 am in the Fellowship Hall. Sign up on the Connection Card.**

**UMW-Wednesday, September 25th, the UMW will host their annual Salad Potluck and Bunco day in the Fellowship Hall at 11:30 a.m. for lunch-and Bunco will follow about 12:30 p.m.** Bring your favorite salad (or dessert) and join us for a fun-filled day of good food and an enjoyable game of Bunco. You do not have to be a member of DSUMC to join us-bring a friend, a neighbor, and join us for this event. **Sign up on the Connection Card if you plan to attend.**

**Mingus Mountain Camp Fall Retreats**-Celebrate Fall with your family at Mingus Mountain Camp & Retreat Center. Fall Family Camp: October 11th-13th and Dad & Me Camp: October 25th-27th. Visit [www.dsccamps.org](http://www.dsccamps.org) or call 602-798-8215 for details or to register!

**Altar Flowers**-There are NO flowers scheduled for the following weeks: **September 29th, November 17th, & December 29th.** If you are interested in supporting this ministry for \$40.00, please contact Mimi Salber at 520-850-4630 or [ksalber1@mindspring.com](mailto:ksalber1@mindspring.com). Thank you.

**Wear Your Desert Skies Shirt Day!-Sunday, September 22,** let's all wear our Desert Skies shirts to show our spirit...and share with one another the wide variety of logo apparel we have that helps people know about this wonderful church! If you haven't ordered a shirt, but would like one, stop by the table on the patio.

**Hermosa Montessori**-We have three positions at our school assisting teachers in classrooms. These "Teaching Assistant" positions are in our Pre-K community. We are seeking full time employment: Monday-Friday from 8:00 am-4:00ish. These positions are entry level and pay \$12.00 an hour. Insurance is not available at this time. We are seeking individuals who are faith based and have an energetic passion for the lil' ones. Contact Maureen at 520-829-2361 if interested.

**Hurricane Dorian's destruction has touched our hearts. Remember, UMCOR IS THERE.-**All checks made out to Desert Skies with "UMCOR Hurricane Relief" on the "for" line goes 100% to support UMCOR relief efforts. Likewise, Desert Skies receives Conference credit for our support. We can be part of the relief effort!

**World Communion Sunday is October 6.** As we gather at the Lord's Table, we join in the unity of Christians around the world receiving Christ's gift of the Bread of Life and Cup of Joy. Our Special Offering that day will help provide scholarships for racial and ethnic minority students in the US, and students worldwide. Special Offering envelopes will be included with the bulletin October 6. Your generosity touches lives of those seeking to follow Christ in

**SPRC and Charge Conference Meeting**-We have received our date: **Tuesday, November 19th.** SPRC Meeting at 5:30 pm in room #2 and CC meeting at 6:30 pm in Fellowship Hall. **All reports are due to Tammy by October 31st!**