



# THE SKYLINE

An e-news blast of Desert Skies United Methodist Church

November 5, 2019

## This Week At Desert Skies

### Tuesday, November 5

7:30 am Flea Market Set-Up

8:30 am Worship Design

Sanctuary

### Wednesday, November 6

7:30 am Flea Market Set-up

6:00 pm Adult Bells

7:00 pm Adult Choir

Sanctuary

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### Thursday, November 7

7:00 am Annual Flea Market Sale

### Friday, November 8

7:00 am Annual Flea Market Sale

### Saturday, November 9

7:00 am Annual Flea Market Sale

9:00 am Vail Band Practice

Sanctuary

12:00 pm Youth Help With Flea Market Clean-up

3:30 pm Nerdy Derby Booth 49ers Country Club

## This Week's Bible Reading

Nov. 5-Job 28, 29; Gal. 1, 2

Nov. 6-Job 30; Ps. 120; Gal. 3, 4

Nov. 7-Job 31, 32; Gal. 5, 6

Nov. 8-Job 33; I Cor. 1-3

Nov. 9-Job 34; I Cor. 4-6

Nov. 10-Job 35, 36; I Cor. 7-8

Nov. 11-Ps. 122; I Cor. 9-11

## ANNUAL FLEA MARKET SALE

### NOVEMBER 7, 8, & 9

Thank you all for your generous support in bringing newspapers and grocery bags for our Flea Market sale. It is much appreciated and so helpful.

Last call for **SODA** (name brand only, please) and **WATER** donations. **Please bring them with you by Wednesday to the church office.** Also, if you would like to help in the food booth, please contact Nancy Winkelmann at 520-400-8035 or email her at [nanner928@gmail.com](mailto:nanner928@gmail.com).



Put thirteen youth, five younger siblings and two youth leaders together to tackle the Flea Market and what do you get? LOTS of work done.

After a quick trip to McDonald's to fuel the work day, we found areas of interest and jumped right in to help.

## **FRESH PRODUCE & BAKED BREADS REQUESTED**

**from Desert Skies UMC - all 3 services**

**for the**

**15th Annual Harvest Festival**

**on**

**SUNDAY NOV. 24, 2019**

**to benefit**

**St. Luke's Home & Casa Maria Soup Kitchen**



**Our Congregation has been most generous in sharing their bounty with those less fortunate during Thanksgiving week for the past 14 years. We again request FRESH FRUIT & VEGETABLES such as carrots, sweet or white potatoes, onions, bell peppers, squash, celery, broccoli, cauliflower, oranges, bananas, apples, pears, lemons and limes. In addition, we will again include FRESHLY BAKED BREADS traditionally enjoyed during the holidays, such as pumpkin, cranberry, banana or your family favorite.**

**Please bring your baked breads and fresh produce to church on Sun. Nov. 24 and hand to an usher or one of our helpers. Our Harvest display at the altar is so beautiful year after year. It represents the Lord's bounty to us and our Thanksgiving to those in need. Thank you in advance for your generosity!**



## **SAVE THE DATE AND MARK YOUR CALENDAR!!**

### **VETERANS DAY CELEBRATION**

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10th**

**The celebration will take place between 9:25-9:55 am. Congregations from both services are invited to gather on the new patio. The Celebration will include a "Finger food buffet brunch" and we ask that you join with the Meal Ministry team and bring your favorite quick breads, cheese and cracker combos or antipasto trays to the new patio between 8:30 am-9:15 am. Thank you.**

## **Soup Supper to Dish on Climate Crisis**

**The world is coming together on Nov. 21 to talk about the climate crisis, with 24 hours of "Truth in Action" education, regarding what climate change means for us and our communities.**

**Desert Skies UMC is fortunate to be part of this global conversation! Vincent Pawlowski of the Climate Reality Project will give the only presentation in east Tucson for our congregation and the general public. Join us for this event on Thursday, Nov. 21 from 5:30 - 7:00 pm with a soup supper, sponsored by the Missions/Social Concerns Committee.**

**If the world is talking about how we'll solve this crisis, we need to be part of the solutions. Invite your friends and neighbors to this important event!**

**Please sign-up on the Connection Card, and list how many will attend.**

**ANNUAL CHURCH CONFERENCE**

All our welcome and encouraged to attend!!  
Join us on Tuesday, November 19th at 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall.  
SPRC will meet at 5:30 pm in room #2.

**All Committee Reports are PAST DUE!!**

Please leave a hard copy on Tammy's desk or email her at [office@desertskiesumc.org](mailto:office@desertskiesumc.org)-A.S.A.P.

Rev. Mark Conrad, South District Superintendent, will convene the annual charge/church conference for the purpose of conducting the business of the charged as required by the church. As a charge/church conference, all members are encouraged to attend and have a vote. Following the charge/church conference, members and friends are invited to a congregational meeting. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss how our congregation will navigate these challenging times. The Church Conversation Session is estimated to run 60-90 minutes.

On Tuesday, October 29, the Church Council voted unanimously to send this statement of inclusion to the Church Conference on November 19 for final approval. We appreciate the feedback we received from the church at large as we drafted a statement that says in writing what we say we are verbally...and because of that feedback, our statement is actually in two parts. The first is a short, succinct statement that will appear on our sign and on our website, etc.:

***DSUMC : We are fully inclusive and ALL are welcome!***

What that means is also important for those who are looking for a welcoming, inclusive church, so that will be available on our web page under About Us, linked to the shorter, more concise welcoming statement. It reads as follows:

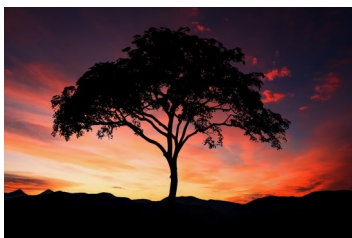
**Desert Skies United Methodist Church of Tucson, Arizona welcomes people of every race, gender, gender identity, sexual orientation, marital status, age, physical and mental ability, ethnicity, national origin, economic station, and political affiliation to full participation in the life of our community.**

**Full participation in the life of our community means that all members, without exception, are fully eligible to participate in the benefits and responsibilities of church membership, including communion, baptism, marriage, ordination and all offices and positions of leadership.**

We look forward to seeing you all on Tuesday, November 19, at 6:30 pm as we do the brief business meeting and then enter into conversation with our District Superintendent about who we are as a church and where we are headed!

Thank you for your input and your support,

Your Church Council



**Our Sermon Series "Faithfulness in Luke's Gospel" runs thru Sunday, Nov. 24th.**

It's easy to become discouraged when the needs are so great, and the resources seem limited. See how Jesus takes stories about people from all walks of life and shows how good stewardship affects them and the world around them.

**November 10**

**Sermon:** The Faithfulness of a Sinner: Our Gifts

**Scripture:** Luke 19: 1-10

**November 17**

**Sermon:** Our Foolishness, God's Faithfulness: Our Service

**Scripture:** Luke 20: 27-38

**November 24**

**Sermon:** Faithful to the End: Our Witness

**Scripture:** Luke 23: 33-43

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Helping Hands**-If you can spare an hour on the Second Tuesday of every month (November 12th)...please join us at 9:00 am in the kitchen to help pack lunches for the Primavera Men's Shelter. Thank you.

**SHOE BOX MINISTRY**-Stop by our table and pick up your shoebox name along with instructions. This is a wonderful ministry that provides our Snak-Pak students with a shoebox filled with Christmas gifts. This may be the only gift they receive this Christmas. Shoe boxes are due back to the church by December 8th. Thank you for your participation.

**Nerdy Derby Booth**-Desert Skies has the opportunity to share our presence in our community by setting up a booth at the Tanque Verde Nerdy Derby on **Saturday, November 9th from 3:30 pm-7:30 pm**. This is a fundraiser for the STEM program in the TVSD, and there is a "no rules" derby, a beer garden, and booths for organizations to participate in the festivities. As a sponsor, Desert Skies will be part of the social media blitz and have opportunities for advertising in upcoming events in our neighborhood. If you would like to help work at the booth, please contact Sandy Kleen or Rev. Candace (or sign-up on the Connection Card). Let's show our community what a wonderful church we are!

**Alternative Gift Giving**- It's Coming!! That time of year when some people rush around frantically trying to find the perfect gift for everyone on their Christmas list. We know that it is not a part of "peace on earth". We can let our loved ones know we are remembering them by doing something good in their honor. **Watch for the United Methodist Women's ALTERNATIVE GIFT GIVING display on the Sanctuary patio or in the Fellowship Hall every Sunday throughout November and December.** Questions?? Contact Jeanne Myers.

**UMW**-If you would like to join us next month, we are meeting on **Saturday, November 16th in the Fellowship Hall at 8:15 am for coffee followed by brunch at 8:30 am.** We will have a joint meeting with the UMM and our program will be Sandee and David Landsburg, former members of our church, speaking on their recent "Holy Land Pilgrimage" to Egypt, Jordan, Israel and Palestine. All members of our church and friends are invited to attend. Please sign up for this event on the Connection Card in your bulletin.

**Heifer International Celebrates 75 Years of serving all God's children who struggle with hunger and poverty**-Desert Skies has received a Certificate of Appreciation honoring our participation in Heifer. We have twice filled an Ark, our Sunday School children have supported Heifer with several fund-raisers, and Heifer is by far the most popular of UMW's annual Alternative Gifts offerings. Congratulations! You have earned this honor with your continued support of Heifer International.



### Our Wedding Invitation To The Congregation of Desert Skies

Renata Kennedy and Joe Tavakolian would like to invite you to their wedding with a dinner to follow.

**If you plan to attend, please email Renata and Joe  
at [renataandjoe2019@gmail.com](mailto:renataandjoe2019@gmail.com).**

A head count is needed for the dinner, so please respond as soon as possible. Thank you.

Blessings,  
Renata and Joe