



# THE SKYLINE

An e-news blast of Desert Skies United Methodist Church

February 11, 2020

## This Week At Desert Skies

### Tuesday, February 11

8:30 am Worship Design	Room # 2
9:00 am Helping Hands	Kitchen
10:00 am Acts Book Study	Fellowship Hall
3:00 pm Tutoring	Fellowship Hall
6:00 pm Missions/Social Concerns	Room # 5

### Wednesday, February 12

1:00 pm Oil Painting Class	Room # 6 & 7
3:00 pm Bible Talk	
Starbucks at Broadway & Houghton	
5:00 pm The Wired Word	Room # 2
6:00 pm Adult Bells	Sanctuary
The Wired Word Vail Innovation Center	
Vail Praise Band Fellowship Hall	
6:30 pm Oil Painting Class	Room # 6 & 7
7:00 pm Adult Choir	Sanctuary

### Thursday, February 13

8:20 am Casa Maria	Off Campus
12:00 pm Yoga	Fellowship Hall

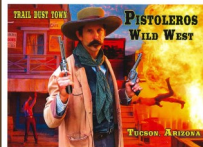
### Bible Readings

Feb. 11-Lev. 15-17; Acts 18  
 Feb. 12-Lev. 18, 19; Ps. 13; Acts 19  
 Feb. 13-Lev. 20-22; Acts 20  
 Feb. 14-Lev. 23, 24; Ps. 24; Acts 21  
 Feb. 15-Lev. 25; Ps. 25-26; Acts 22  
 Feb. 16-Lev. 26, 27; Acts 23  
 Feb. 17-Num. 1, 2; Acts 24

### Bible Talk

Rev. Candace will be at the Starbucks on Broadway and Houghton, Wednesday afternoons, between 3:00-4:00 pm.

Discuss what you are reading in the Bible or questions you have about God and life. All topics welcome!



## WESTERN SUNDAY-FEBRUARY 16th

One worship service for both campuses will be held at 9:30 am at our Houghton Campus.

Activities start at 10:30 am and lunch will be served at 11:00 am.



## 9th Annual Valentines' Coffee Collection to Benefit Casa Maria Soup Kitchen

### LAST CALL!!

If you have not brought in your donations for the several hundred homeless persons served by Casa Maria each day, please bring your items with you on Sunday, February 16th!

### Items Needed:

Ground Coffee, Paper Towels, Sugar-5 lb Bag and Liquid Hand Soap

Just ONE of the above items from each of our congregants makes a world of difference collectively to this street ministry.

Let's show our love in a concrete way to our homeless brothers and sisters in Christ.





## Our Epiphany Sermon Series: Scrappy Christians Making Waves: The Gifts that Methodism Brings to the World runs through Sunday, February 23rd.

The people called Methodists emerged in the 18th century in a period Charles Dickens called “the best of times and the worst of times.” Since then, these scrappy Christians have been making waves, bringing many gifts to the table of Christianity. We will explore the unique contributions of Methodism to the Christian conversation as we celebrate who we are and from where we came...truly a light for the world.

**Feb. 16**-Epiphany Sunday –Western Sunday-(Service at 9:30 am)  
**Sermon:** Quick-Draw in the Parched Places:  
Agreeing to Disagree  
**Scripture:** Isaiah 58: 1-12

**Feb. 23** Transfiguration Sunday  
**Sermon:** It’s All About Christ: Going on to Perfection  
**Scripture:** Matthew 17:1-9

## Prayers for Our Churches 2020

You are encouraged to be praying for the churches and pastors of the South District. Several churches will be listed each month for your prayer covering. It is encouraging to know that other churches are praying with and for each other. Please pray for the pastors, congregation, and community.

### FEBRUARY

Catalina UMC, Tucson Duncan UMC, Duncan Christ Church UM, Tucson

Is the thought of Global Warming overwhelming to you?

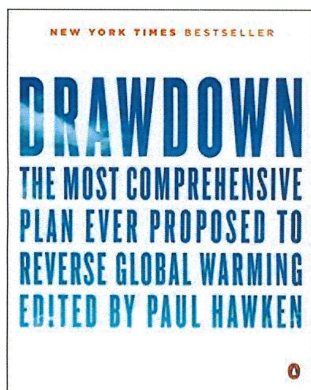
Do you want to help but don’t think that you can make a difference?

Please come join a 6 week book study beginning

Mon Feb 24<sup>th</sup> 7:00PM - 8:15PM

Facilitated by Brian Drummond, MD.

The book “Drawdown” contains 100 of the most substantive solutions to reverse global warming.



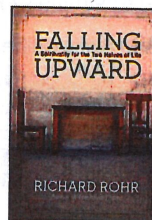
No need to buy the book,  
Read it on-line at:  
<http://www.drawdown.org>

If you prefer an actual book,  
Amazon has it for \$16.95

If you don’t want to read  
and prefer to just listen, or  
you need to miss a week,  
that is just fine too!

**Just be sure to come !**

“There’s been no real way for ordinary people to get an understanding of what they can do and what impact it can have. At least until now. . . .The public is hungry for this kind of practical wisdom.” -- David Roberts, Vox



### Lenten Study

In “Falling Upward,” Richard Rohr helps us understand one of the most profound of life’s mysteries; how our failings can be the foundation for our ongoing spiritual growth.

We’ll explore the two halves of life to show that those who have fallen, failed, or “gone down” are the only ones who understand “up.” We grow spiritually more by doing it wrong than by doing it right.

Week of: March 4 – Intro – Chap 4  
March 11 – Chap 5-7  
March 18 – Chap 8-10  
March 25 - Chap 11-12  
April 1–Chap 13 and Wrap-Up

Both studies led by Revs. Candace & Mark Lansberry

**Available at 2 different times:**

**Wednesdays at noon:** Houghton Campus  
(bring a brown bag lunch)

**Wednesdays at 6:30 pm:** at homes in the Vail area  
(soup supper)

Sign-up on the Connection Card if you plan to attend.

[https://www.amazon.com/Falling-Upward-Spirituality-Halves-Life/dp/1459635752/ref=sr\\_1\\_2?crid=1OL9256JXXJ5B&keywords=falling+upward+by+richard+rohr&qid=1581013947&prefix=falling%2Caps%2C204&sr=8-2](https://www.amazon.com/Falling-Upward-Spirituality-Halves-Life/dp/1459635752/ref=sr_1_2?crid=1OL9256JXXJ5B&keywords=falling+upward+by+richard+rohr&qid=1581013947&prefix=falling%2Caps%2C204&sr=8-2)

# Violent Intruder Response Training For Churches and Schools

Join us on Saturday, April 25th in rooms # 5, 6 & 7 from 8:00 am-1:00 pm.

## VIOLENT INTRUDER RESPONSE TRAINING FOR CHURCHES & SCHOOLS

This six-hour course is designed to educate the public on how they can mitigate the loss of life if they find themselves in a violent intruder incident. The goals of ILIVED training are for participants to recognize the need for immediate response to these types of incidents, recognize ways they may intervene, and empower them to make a difference in the event.

**I**

**I LIVED** Whether we act as an individual, family, congregation, workplace team or other group we can mitigate loss of life through training and practice. Our goal for participants is to be able to say I LIVED if they ever find themselves in an attack.

**L**

**LOCKDOWN** There are two types of lockdowns: a soft lockdown (sometimes referred to as a lockout) or hard lockdown utilizing barricading techniques to secure doors and windows. Lockdown techniques are used to isolate the intruder from those they seek to harm.

**I**

**INFORMATION** Information is received through our senses. Whether it is firsthand auditory, visual, or odors, or passed on to us secondhand, our senses alert us to danger. We must then convey this danger to others by sharing the information we have with others.

**V**

**VARY** People tend to adopt routines, using the same entrances and exits to their houses of worship, workplaces, stores, and other places they frequent. It is important to learn to alter routines, explore different options, and look for other ways we can use objects in our environment.

**E**

**EVADE** There are times when physical escape may be possible, but avoidance of the intruder remains critically important. Evasion requires using all available information to make a decision and avoid the attacker.

**D**

**DEFEND** Having a survival mindset and being prepared to physically respond to an attacker are personal choices that are emphasized throughout this course.



ICSAVE and AZCSN have an entire cadre of certified instructors trained to provide this life-saving course. Contact us at [info@icsave.org](mailto:info@icsave.org) or [chris@arizonachurchsecuritynetwork.com](mailto:chris@arizonachurchsecuritynetwork.com) for details.



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Friendly Reminder**-The church office will be closed on Thursday, February 20<sup>th</sup> in observance of President's Day (February 17<sup>th</sup>).

**New Member Class**-February 23rd at 4:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall. If you are interested in becoming a member and would like some more information, please sign up on the Connection Card.

**Ash Wednesday Soup Suppers/Worship Services**-Join us on February 26th at 5:30 pm at our Houghton campus for a soup supper followed by our worship service at 6:00 pm or at the Vail Innovation Center at 6:30 pm for a soup supper followed by our worship service at 7:00 pm. Hope you can join us for one or the other.

**UMW**-Let's Get Acquainted! All women are invited on Saturday, February 22<sup>nd</sup> at 9:15 am in the Fellowship Hall for a continental breakfast. "Let's Get Acquainted" is a Social Event for ladies from both the Houghton and Vail campuses. Whether you are new or have been at Desert Skies for many years, come...enjoy the fun. Before you leave you will have made friends with someone new... and THAT'S A GUARANTEE!

### Thank You

Dear Rev. Candace and friends,

Thank you for the beautiful flowers, and thinking of us. Residents here were amazed how beautiful they were and immediately wanted to know the name of our church! A good time to witness. Thanks again, Clyde and Mary Jane Van Arsdale

DID YOU MISS OUT ON GETTING YOUR LOVELY PICTURE AND CONTACT INFORMATION INCLUDED IN THE 2018 PHOTO DIRECTORY?

Well now is your chance to jump in. We will be doing an update to our directory in March. Therefore, anyone that is not already in the 2018 photo directory may be added at this time.

Do you need to change any of the details that are in the current directory, such as address, phone numbers etc? We can make these changes now too.

On Sundays, Feb 16, 23 and March 1, there will be a table on the patio to review your contact information and or to sign up for a photo shoot time.

New photos will be taken on Friday March 6<sup>th</sup> from 1pm – 6pm and Saturday March 7<sup>th</sup> from 10am – 5:30pm.

Please call Doc if you have any questions.

You may also email Sandy Kleen with any changes that you would like to make.

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