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March 2010



Lenten Schedule

Holy Thursday—April 1st: Seder Service and Dinner at 5:30 p.m.

Good Friday—April 2nd: Stations of the Cross at 12:00 p.m.

Palm Sunday
March 28th

Walk to Jerusalem 2010

The Walk to Jerusalem is going from Feb 14th to Easter Sunday, April 4th. Let's all walk together and make the 7500 miles and then back to Cottonwood. Last year's total was 8283 miles; we don't want to be stuck out in the ocean this year! So clip on your pedometer and get your feet moving! Remember to bring your miles in each Sunday so we can see how far we've gone that week.



Congregational Care Team

We still need your help with the Fellowship Hour if we want to keep this going. It's baking some cookies or bringing some cheese & crackers, or fruit for those that can't do sweets. Brew up some coffee and there you have it! It's not hard to do and a great way to meet church family. We're serving it in the narthex of Verde Hall, there's a handy cart with wheels to take the coffee & food out to the narthex. The sign up sheet is in the narthex of our worship hall on the left side as you come in the front doors.

The power of prayer is awesome! Ann Gohman & Carol Lucas keep us informed with the prayer chain. If you're not on the list and would like to be you can email the church office or give Sue a call and we'll get your name added so that you receive the prayer chain.

Anyone interested in a cruise to Alaska with fellow United Methodists? The Desert Southwest UM Foundation is offering a cruise in Alaska July 25- August 1. The information pamphlet is in the narthex if you'd like to consider going on this trip.

We're working on several more projects for the up coming months, look for more info to follow!
Diane Swigart

Lenten Soup Suppers

Join us each Wednesday during Lent at 5:30 p.m. for a delicious light supper and afterwards a short time of reflection and meditation. If you missed this special time together last year, make sure you join us this year as often as possible. You'll be glad you did. March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31.



WORSHIP *TIMES*

PRAISE - 9:00 a.m.

TRADITIONAL - 11:00 a.m.

PRAISE AND WORSHIP - 6:00 p.m.

SUNDAY SCHOOL - 10:00 a.m.

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A Note from Pastor Michael

I often receive questions about beliefs of the United Methodist Church. This article answers questions of many people. This is the first in a series about Methodism. Pastor Michael

Sunday Worship

9:00 a.m. Praise

11:00 a.m. Traditional

6:00 p.m. Praise & Worship

Sunday School

10:00 a.m.

Preschool—6th Grade

Harmony Class (Adult)

Bible Study

Tuesdays (Men's) at 6:30 am

Tuesdays at 6:30 pm

Wednesdays at 1:30 pm

Pastor:

Rev. Michael Anderson

Pastor Emeritus:

Rev. Frank Cartwright

Retired Pastors:

Revs. Ed Womack, Bill Birdsey,
Paul McCleary, David Treadwell,
Jean Dumas

Church Secretary:

Sue Shortridge

Finance Treasurer:

Carol Hagberg

Praise Band Leader:

David Flores

Choir Director:

Gayle Benjamin

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Monday-Thursday 8am-noon

*Our Pastor is available at other times
by appointment and any time for
emergencies.*

Our Christian Roots

United Methodists share a common heritage with all Christians. According to our foundational statement of beliefs in The Book of Discipline, we share the following basic affirmations in common with all Christian communities:

Trinity

We describe God in three persons. Father, Son, and Holy Spirit are commonly used to refer to the threefold nature of God. Sometimes we use other terms, such as Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer.

God

- We believe in one God, who created the world and all that is in it.
- We believe that God is sovereign; that is, God is the ruler of the universe.
- We believe that God is loving. We can experience God's love and grace.

Jesus

- We believe that Jesus was human. He lived as a man and died when he was crucified.
- We believe that Jesus is divine. He is the Son of God.
- We believe that God raised Jesus from the dead and that the risen Christ lives today. (Christ and messiah mean the same thing—God's anointed.)
- We believe that Jesus is our Savior. In Christ we receive abundant life and forgiveness of sins.
- We believe that Jesus is our Lord and that we are called to pattern our lives after his.

The Holy Spirit

- We believe that the Holy Spirit is God with us.
- We believe that the Holy Spirit comforts us when we are in need and convicts us when we stray from God.
- We believe that the Holy Spirit awakens us to God's will and empowers us to live obediently.

Continued

Human Beings

- We believe that God created human beings in God's image.
- We believe that humans can choose to accept or reject a relationship with God.
- We believe that all humans need to be in relationship with God in order to be fully human.

The Church

- We believe that the church is the body of Christ, an extension of Christ's life and ministry in the world today.
- We believe that the mission of the church is to make disciples of Jesus Christ.
- We believe that the church is "the communion of saints," a community made up of all past, present, and future disciples of Christ.
- We believe that the church is called to worship God and to support those who participate in its life as they grow in faith.

The Bible

- We believe that the Bible is God's Word.
- We believe that the Bible is the primary authority for our faith and practice.
- We believe that Christians need to know and study the Old Testament and the New Testament (the Hebrew Scriptures and the Christian Scriptures).

The Reign of God

- We believe that the kingdom or reign of God is both a present reality and future hope.
- We believe that wherever God's will is done, the kingdom or reign of God is present. It was present in Jesus' ministry, and it is also present in our world whenever persons and communities experience reconciliation, restoration, and healing.
- We believe that although the fulfillment of God's kingdom--the complete restoration of creation--is still to come.

- We believe that the church is called to be both witness to the vision of what God's kingdom will be like and a participant in helping to bring it to completion.
- We believe that the reign of God is both personal and social. Personally, we display the kingdom of God as our hearts and minds are transformed and we become more Christ-like. Socially, God's vision for the kingdom includes the restoration and transformation of all of creation.

Sacraments

With many other Protestants, we recognize the two sacraments in which Christ himself participated: Baptism and the Lord's Supper.

Baptism

- Through baptism we are joined with the church and with Christians everywhere.
- Baptism is a symbol of new life and a sign of God's love and forgiveness of our sins.
- Persons of any age can be baptized.
- We baptize by sprinkling, immersion or pouring.
- A person receives the sacrament of baptism only once in his or her life.

The Lord's Supper (Communion, Eucharist)

- The Lord's Supper is a holy meal of bread and wine that symbolizes the body and blood of Christ.
- The Lord's Supper recalls the life, death and resurrection of Jesus and celebrates the unity of all the members of God's family.
- By sharing this meal, we give thanks for Christ's sacrifice and are nourished and empowered to go into the world in mission and ministry.
- We practice "open Communion," welcoming all who love Christ, repent of their sin, and seek to live in peace with one another.

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United Methodist Women News

The United Methodist Women's Board will meet at 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday March 9 in the Mingus Room.

The General Meeting will be held in Verde Hall on March 9 at 1:00 p.m. Ruth Circle will give the program.

Circles will meet on Tuesday, March 23 at 1:00 p.m. as follows: Martha Circle at June Kley's home; Priscilla Circle in

the Mingus Room; Ruth Circle in Verde Hall; and Sarah Circle at Darlene Mellon's home

Our newly organized Library in the narthex of Verde Hall, is up and running. Come "check it out".

COMING UP - On Sunday April 18 the women will have a Soup Sale between services.

May 16 will be our UMW Sunday. The Lost Boys of Sudan will be the recipient of our donations.

Ladies, be sure to put Saturday, June 12 on your calendars. You won't want to miss our "Special Event" which will be held on that day with Rev. & Mrs. McCleary speaking on their Missionary work in Bolivia.

Prayers for Our Churches

The Conference Laity Team and District Superintendents are requesting that your church commit to praying for other churches in your district. Several churches will be listed each month for your prayer concerns. Please pray for the pastors, congregation and the community. For March please pray for: Chino Valley UMC, Chino Valley; Camp Verde UMC, Camp Verde; Mission Bell UMC, Glendale; Spirit Song UMF, Peoria

News from the United Methodist Men

We still need volunteers to sign up for the new, upcoming project, the **Upper Room 24 Hour, 1-800 Prayer Line**. This requires a minimum of 12, 2 people teams to spend a 2 hour shift monitoring the telephone. At a given 24 hour period, the 1-800 prayer line will be routed to the Mtn. View UMC phone where the prayer partners will receive the request, pray with the individual and log the call. It would probably be a period of 6 pm Friday night to 6 pm Saturday night, once a month for starters. We will receive training on how to handle the calls and requests. If you feel led to participate in this, give David Treadwell a call at **634-1447**. We pray that we can implement this project in the next couple of months.

David Treadwell

Please do not make any repairs on the church property without first discussing it with the Trustees. There is a notebook in the trustee's mailbox where request for repairs may be written down. Thanks for your cooperation.

Worship Team

The beautiful new JESUS banner in the sanctuary was made by our own Naomi Thede. Thank you so much Naomi for using your talent to create this lovely new banner. Worship Team co chairman, Jean Dumas & Joan Spring

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To sign up with eScrip

1. Go to www.escrip.com
2. Click on: Sign Up - It's Free!
3. Enter the Group name: Mountain View United Methodist Church and ID # 9609306
4. Follow the instructions to register your Safeway grocery cards and your existing credit/debit cards.

If you do not have internet, please call the church office and we will sign up for you.



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Chris Julian would like you to have his address and phone number if you wish to contact him.

Chris Julian

C/O Phoenix Job Corps

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2nd Floor Male Dorm #159

Phoenix, AZ 85004

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Trainee Phone Numbers:

602-253-1309 or 602-528-0541

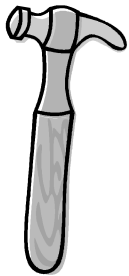
Call only between 3:30 p.m. and

10:00 p.m. Monday—Friday

The Desert Southwest Conference is holding a contest to showcase the many talented Methodists within the Conference. All kinds of entertainers-singers, dancers, comedians, jugglers, musicians, acrobats and more are encouraged to audition to win a \$250.00 prize and a chance to perform at the "Celebration of Service" Banquet during the 2010 Session of Annual Conference on Friday, June 25 at the Renaissance Hotel in Glendale, AZ. Auditions can be submitted as a DVD until April 30 to: "United Methodists Got Talent," c/o The United Methodist Center, 1550 E. Meadowbrook, Phoenix, AZ, 85014-4040 or as a URL to

communications@desertsouthwestconference.org .

Contestants will then be judged by a panel of DSC leadership. All submissions will become the property of the Desert Southwest Conference and may be posted online or in other public forums. For questions, please contact Janet Keffer at 623-977-0701, janet@desertsw.org or the communications department at the UM Center, 602-266-6956.



TOOL COLLECTION

Do you have old or tools not being used at home and want to donate them to a worthy cause? The Methodist Men are beginning to collect tools only now in preparation for their Annual Fall Garage and Parking Lot Rummage Sale. Any tools power or hand tools that are in working order can be donated by simply calling Ron Black (928) 232-9915, Bill McCully (928) 639-2115 or Jim Kreunen (928) 649-2357 to ask for a pick up. Please no broken tools.

UMYF will meet March 7th and 21st between 4:30 — 5:45 p.m.

The UMYF group is open to all students in grades 6th-9th. We have many exciting events planned between now and the end of the school year. Call Angie with any questions at (928) 274-1071 or email her at athillman@q.com

Certified volunteers will be offering free tax preparation to individuals who made less than \$49,000 in 2009. During tax season (Feb – April) there will be free tax prep in Prescott and Cottonwood on Saturdays and in Prescott Valley and Rim Rock on Wednesdays. Individuals are urged to call 928-778-2531 for more information or to schedule a tax appointment. Catholic Charities is providing this free service in partnership with the IRS, New Horizons Independent Living Centers, Yavapai County Long Term Care, United Way of Yavapai County, City of Cottonwood, NACOG, and Beaver Creek Schools.

CARING FOR CREATION

Recycling News: Congratulations! Our church members and community members were responsible for saving 4000 pounds (2 tons) of electronics from going into a land fill through our January collection. The Verde Valley Fire Department is sponsoring another **electronics** recycling event to be held at Wal-Mart Saturday, March 6; electronics can also be dropped off at either the Godard Road or Cornville fire stations before then.

CFLs: there is now a container for used CFLs by the return counter at Home Depot.

Batteries: These are being accepted on the first Thursday of each month at New Frontiers in Sedona; there is a fee of \$1 a pound. We are hoping to have a set up for collection at church soon.

Printer cartridges and toner containers: there is a collection box near the restrooms in the narthex.

(submitted by the Green Team)

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WELLNESS NOTES

“He wakens me morning by morning, wakens my ear to listen....” Isaiah 50:4 (NIV)

March is popped right in the middle of our Lenten experience. Many of us are taking this Lenten time to add something in our life that glorifies the Lord, such as exercise, improved nutrition, wearing our sunglasses & visor, or reading the bible daily. This wellness focus adds dimension to our mind-body-spirit growth and gives us new strength to experience Easter Week and Celebrate New Beginnings. One thing we often forget as we “do something more”, is to **LISTEN**. Listen to nature as we take our daily walk---being uplifted by the sounds around us; Listen for God’s direction as we pray for strength to eat the correct foods for our body’s needs; Be aware of the sights around us as we go about our daily activities, rejoicing in the gift of vision; and listening to what the Word of God is telling us as we read His word and digest the wonderful words meant to guide and strengthen us. During MARCH, let’s make an effort to be better listeners. Really hear what the Sunday Sermon says; really hear what our friend is telling us; really hear the words and feelings our loved ones express; really hear what today’s Bible passage is saying. “WAKEN OUR LISTENING EARS” as we march toward improved wellness.

Alice Stephenson BSN,RN, CDE, PN
Parish/Faith Community Nurse Consultant

JFON Helps Haitians in US Find Balance

For tens of thousands of Haitian immigrants in the US, trying to maintain some semblance of balance among home, job and extended family is an ordinarily demanding task. The certainty of their own permanence in this country is often tenuous. And since the disaster in their homeland, they are further burdened by fear for their loved ones and the urgency of bringing them to safety. JFON is a ministry of the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) and offers free, professional legal services to immigrants in monthly clinics. It represents the response of the United Methodist Church and its local congregations to the needs of immigrants seeking to reunify their families, secure immigration status, and enjoy the right to work.

(Submitted by the Mission Ministry)

We Need Your Pictures!

Anyone who has digital photos of events from December 2009 to present please copy onto a CD and turn into the office or email them to office@mtnviewumc.com Please put the name of the event and the names of people in the photo if known. Continue to do this throughout the year. Thank You!

Diamond Back Baseball

The United Methodist Men are sponsoring the Third Annual D Back baseball game again this year for Saturday, June 5 for a 5 PM game with the Colorado Rockies.

Ticket prices which include transportation in a beautiful tour bus will be \$35 in Section 201 or \$28 in the upper level. Please put this on your calendar. Tickets will go on sale in April. There will be only 45 seats on the bus. Ticket sales will be limited during the month of April to only Mountain View Church members and their guests with the remaining seats for non church members going on sale in May.

Youth under 18 years of age must be accompanied by an adult. Persons interested in anonymously sponsoring tickets for persons or families who cannot afford this event see Ron Black for details.

We have been sold out the last two years so be ready to purchase your tickets in April.



January Financial Report

March 2010

Reconciled Bank Accounts	
Checking Account Balance	\$20,111.16
Reserve I/O Balance	\$11,238.22
Restricted Balance	\$58,454.31
Preschool Checking Balance	\$2,363.30
UM Federal Credit Union	\$201.64
Annual General Budget	\$285,900.00
Needed Each Month	\$23,825.00
January Income	\$21,156.78
January Expenditures	<u>\$23,772.85</u>
	-\$2,616.07
Year to Date Income	<u>\$21,156.78</u>
Year to Date Expenditures	<u>\$23,772.85</u>
Receipts over Disbursements y-t-d	-\$2,616.07
Mortgage as of 1/31/10	
Monthly Principal Payment	\$3,136.04
Monthly Interest Payment	\$1,131.68
Total Mortgage Payment	\$4,267.72
Worship Center Loan Balance	\$198,945.83

MARCH 2010 ANGEL'S ATTIC NEWS

Our motto is "fellowship with a purpose" and we are fulfilling both parts of that motto. The projects we do for our Fall sale - ornaments, purses, aprons, decorations, etc. - are fun to work on. Talking and sharing as we work is great fellowship time. But what we do isn't just for our own enjoyment. The proceeds from last year's sale have enabled us to give money to church needs that aren't covered by the church budget.

We'd enjoy your presence at our meetings the 2nd and 4th Monday of each month, March 8th and 22nd this month. We meet from 9-2 in Verde Hall and can use any variety of skills and skill levels. Lunch and snacks are provided and any amount of time you can contribute will be welcomed. We especially need your ideas for items to make for our Fall sale. Please contact Stephanie Kreunen at 928-649-2357 or stephanie.kreunen@gmail.com with suggestions or questions. We hope to see you there.

HURRAH MOMENT

The Finance Committee would like to note that full apportionments of \$3,636.75 were paid for January.

Congratulations Althea Terry Burns
Newest member of Flagstaff High School
Hall of Fame, February 5, 2010

Althea Burns, at 103 years young is the oldest known living graduate of Flagstaff High School. She was a member of the second graduating class in 1925. As a senior she served as Senior Class President and Senior Editor of the "Kinlani" Yearbook.

Althea came to Flagstaff in her junior year from Oklahoma, where she had played basketball. She was told that the F.H.S. team was full, but her hard work and determination paid off. During the 1924 - 25 season she was Captain of the F.H.S. Green Streaks ladies basketball team.

During the 1924 - 25 season the Green Streaks finished 7-0-1. They played such teams as Winslow, Holbrook, Jerome, Prescott, and Clarkdale. That season ended in a loss to Round Valley in the championship tournament. The final score was 13-21.

Althea was honored at half time, on center court, of the girls F.H.S. basketball game and prior to the boys F.H.S. basketball game. At this time she was presented with a clock that had an engraved plaque and a basketball with all the girls' team members' signatures. Almost 30 members of Althea's family joined her in this wonderful celebration. The lady Eagles also added to the celebration by triumphing over the Lady Panthers (Coconino High School) 5-24.

As is written on the plaque of Althea's clock, "Once an Eagle. Always an Eagle".

Continue to soar, Althea!

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