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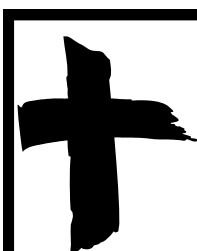
## 2009

## Walk to Jerusalem

Our popular "Walk to Jerusalem" for 2009 will begin on Sunday, February 15<sup>th</sup> and end on Sunday, April 11<sup>th</sup>. To participate, register on the sign-up sheet in the Narthex, which will be available on Sunday mornings. Each Sunday, starting February 22<sup>nd</sup>, log your miles on the progress sheet in the Narthex. You may purchase a pedometer locally if you don't have one from last year. Keep your own records while doing all your daily activities and then bring your total rounded to full miles for each week, whether it's just one mile, 99 miles or many, many more.

The distance as the crow flies from Cottonwood to Jerusalem is 7,500 miles.

Let's work together to make it there and return. Everyone can be involved, no matter what age, even if you use a chair, cane, walker or stroll with your dog. Perhaps you can have a contest with your best friend. Ask others how much they enjoyed participating last year. Join us for fun, faith, fitness, and togetherness.



**Ash  
Wednesday  
February 25, 2009**

**The United Methodist  
Churches of the Verde  
Valley will hold a combined service  
at 7:00 pm at the Sedona United  
Methodist Church at 110 Indian Cliffs  
Road, Sedona.**

### Worship With Us

#### Sunday Worship

9:00 am - 10:00 am  
Contemporary Worship

10:00 am - 11:00 am  
Christian Education

11:00 am - 12:00 pm  
Traditional Worship

Christian Ed. Is for all ages,  
Children, Youth and  
Young at Heart.

*Don't just go to church,  
be the church!*

*Publication Deadlines  
Sunday Bulletin Announcements:  
Tuesday Noon  
Monthly Newsletter:  
15th of the preceding month (holidays and  
vacations may advance or delay these dead-  
lines a day or two. Please submit information  
to patty@mtnvieumc.com*

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## Notes from the Pastor

### LENT A TIME OF INTROSPECTION AND SELF REVELATION

Lent is a season of spiritual preparation. It's about training our hearts for a deeper relationship with God. And, in particular, Lent is a time to prepare our spirits for Holy Week and Easter. This Lenten season let us allow God to reveal himself to us by looking deep into our own spirits, into the depths of who we really are; known and revealed let us let God love and heal us.

"Train yourself in godliness, for, while physical training is of some value, godliness is valuable in every way, holding promise for both the present life and the life to come." (1 Timothy 4:7-8) This advice is good for those of us that desire to give up something for Lent so that we can fit into that old pair of jeans or favorite shirt.

Lent is a time not just to give something up but a time to do something extra -

Blessings,  
Pastor Michael

### MVUMC LENT and HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE



#### **Lent and Holy Week**

February 25 we celebrate Ash Wednesday. On this day we will worship together with the other United Methodist Churches in the Verde Valley - Jerome, Sedona and Camp Verde with a joint service to be held at Sedona UMC at 7:00 pm.

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## Wellness Notes

**FEBRUARY is National Heart Month.** We can think about our hearts in a romantic sense; a physical sense; a spiritual sense; in terms of illness; or in the preventive focus of WELLNESS. Again, as we look toward the Lenten Season, may we accept a challenge from your Congregational Care Committee/Health & Wellness Committee to **rather than delete something for Lent--- add new habits that lead us to better health.** Our Lord died on the cross that we might live more abundantly. Adding the following new habits can move us to more abundant living!! During the days leading to EASTER, we challenge you to include in each day:

### **FAITH----FUN---& FITNESS**

- **A daily time of devotion**, be it prayer, reading, or just quiet time that will strengthen your spirit. The United Methodist Church urges each member to include the Upper Room Discipline in your day.
- **A daily time or humor**, including the actual physical activity of laughter, not only lightens your load, it increases your overall oxygen use, decreases blood pressure and blood sugar, increases helpful hormones, and boosts your immune system. Start collecting things that make you laugh, from internet, e-mails, or comic strips.

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## Calling All Angels

Angel's Attic will begin meeting on the 2nd and 4th Monday of each month starting in February. We will meet from 9:00 am – 2:00 pm in Verde Hall and can use any variety of skills and skill levels. Lunch and snacks will be provided.

Our motto is "Fellowship with a purpose" and that purpose is to make items that will be sold at the annual sale in the Fall. Money from that sale is used for unbudgeted needs at Mt. View. The fellowship occurs as we work on the various projects to be completed.

We can always use fresh ideas and new folks so please come for all or part of the time we meet to enjoy the creativity and fellowship. If you have questions, please call Stephanie Kreunen at 649-2357 or e-mail Stephanie.Kreunen@gmail.com.

We look forward to seeing you there.

### Facts about Hunger from Heifer International

More than 840 million people in the world are malnourished. More than 153 million of them are under the age of 5. The Mt. View congregation has joined with many other faith-based organizations in "passing on the gift", Heifer International's unique and successful approach to ending hunger and poverty. Our program this year raised \$1,610, a most welcome and generous gift to families in need. Blessings and many thanks to all of you.

## Wellness

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- **A daily time of walking** (even moving your feet as you talk on the phone, walk to the mailbox, grocery shop, or park farther from the door) increases overall fitness. You may say "I cannot walk, I have sore feet, back trouble, fatigue, etc.-- but ALL of us move about our day. **Clip on your pedometer** as you get dressed each morning and see how many steps you take now. Challenge yourself to increase that total daily with the **goal** of up to 10,000 steps most days of the week by Easter.
- The American Heart Assn., American Diabetes Assn., Arthritis Foundation, and Prevention all recommend increasing your steps daily for improved health. This will bring you to an optimal fitness level and you will be amazed at the changes!!  
It takes 21 days for an activity to become a habit---and you are challenged to participate for the 46 of Lent (beginning March 1<sup>st</sup>) and have healthy habits for the rest of your life!!  
*Mark your calendar for the beginning of Lent, February 25, 2009, and join in a great time of laughter and motivation toward healthy hearts and wellness!!!!*

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## **You Are Invited!**

You're invited to join us at a reception honoring Freida Killingsworth for her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday celebration. The reception will be held on Sunday afternoon, February 15<sup>th</sup> from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm at Mountain View United Methodist Church. No gifts please - your attendance is her ultimate gift. For more information, please contact Jim Claybaugh at 928-634-6345 or Janet Funderburg at 562-947-1902.

## **From Your Missions Committee**

Jim Kruenen is the new chairman of the Missions Team for 2009, and at the first meeting on January 8<sup>th</sup>, the team set some new goals, and we are ready to go! We're going to focus on outreach programs and have some exciting new ideas. In order to do this, however, we really need more help to implement them. We could use at least 2 more people willing to work on mission projects. Please prayerfully consider joining the Missions Team and experience the rewards from helping others. You can contact Jim Kreunen, Pastor Michael or Diane Swigart if you'd like more information on what we're about.

You're already familiar with some of our projects -- the Friday Night Picnic, our Food Bank, Mighty Mites for Old Town Mission, Hope for the Hopeless child, AZ Inter Faith, Blood drives and Habitat for Humanity. Jim went on a missions trip with Beyond the Storm group to Texas to help out with the clean up from Hurricane Ike. This group will be going on more trips and we'd like some of our Mt View people to be a part of that.

## **Missions Committee** Continued

*Samaritans Purse Christmas Boxes* is a new Christmas project we'd like to get going along with our Heifer project, which was such a success this past year.

Another new project that's getting under way is the Green Team. They are working on making our church more environmentally friendly, starting with changing the light bulbs to the new CFL energy efficient ones, doing an audit of our utilities, and making sure our recycling practices are on track. They're also going to share tips on how to be greener at home.

Your Missions Team thanks everyone for their continued support.

### **United Methodist Men** **Monthly Breakfast**

The program for the February Men's Breakfast will be Reverend Bill Witt, who will be speaking on the ministry of the "Voice of the Martyrs" and the persecuted church. Voice of the Martyrs was founded in 1967 by Pastor Richard Wurmbrand, after being imprisoned by communists for 14 years for preaching the Gospel.

Reverend Witt will be speaking on Christians that are being persecuted in both communist and Muslim Nations. All Men are invited to attend the program on Saturday, February 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 am in Verde Hall.

## **MVUMC LENT and HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE**

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### **Wednesdays in Lent**

Come and join in the "Feeding of Body and Soul" at 5:30 PM on Wednesdays in Lent. (March 4 through April 8) We will begin with a soup and salad dinner followed by a Lenten Meditation or Bible Study. The "Feeding the Body" is sponsored by the Evangelism, Congregational Care, and Worship Ministry Teams. "Feeding the Soul" is provided by Pastor Michael Anderson, Pastor David Treadwell, Rev. Ed Womack and Rev. Paul McCleary.

### **Holy Week**

April 5 is Palm/Passion Sunday - Worship at 9:00 am and 11:00 am.

April 9 is Holy Thursday - Seder and Meal at 6:00 pm

April 10 is Good Friday - Stations of the Cross at 1:00 pm and Tenebrae Service at 7:00 pm.

April 12 is Easter Sunday - Celebration Worship at 9:00 am and 11:00 am.

## **Volunteer Opportunity**

Would you be interested in helping a female resident at Christian Care? This woman needs help with filing papers, organizing paperwork, writing down some of her stories which she would like to share with the children in the Mountain View Preschool. She has caregivers who come to assist her but are unable to complete these tasks. She is in need of a caring individual that is able to listen to her instructions. Patience would be a necessary virtue. If you are interested please contact Michelle Krause, Service Coordinator at Christian Care Manor-Cottonwood at 634-7571 or email [michelle.Krause@christiancare.org](mailto:michelle.Krause@christiancare.org).

## **Community Event**

The Financial Meltdown Hits Home:

### **The Economy and You**

A public event sponsored by  
Northern Arizona Interfaith Council  
**Saturday, February 7, 2009**

9:00 AM to 2:30 PM

Sedona Community Center  
2645 Melody Lane, Sedona

We have all been touched in some way by the challenges of the current economy.

**Are you worried about what this means for you and for so many other individuals facing mortgage, credit and retirement losses?**

Did you know that over 122 houses in Sedona and 92 homes in Cottonwood are in foreclosure?

**Other concerns are mortgage problems, job loss, health costs and debt management.**

This event is a response to apprehensions expressed by members of our churches and community about the economy and what it means for you. Experienced professionals will speak to your problems and questions and there will be opportunities to connect with them for individual help. There is no solicitation at this event – it is a community dialogue and an opportunity to learn what we can do.

**This event is free and the public is welcome. However, space is limited, so please reserve yours now. Lunch is provided at no charge, courtesy of the Sedona Community Center.**

Contact Sandy Boothe at 634-0486 or Esy Fields at 649-0337 to reserve your place and direct questions.

## THE WAY BACK TO MAYBERRY

Lessons from a simpler time

In the fall of 1960, America was introduced to the town of Mayberry and in many ways we've never left. When reflecting on *The Andy Griffith Show* most people say that the show represented a time to which they would like to return. A time when you didn't have to lock your doors, a time when you knew all your neighbors, and a time when life seemed much safer and simpler than it is today.

Obviously it is my opinion that *The Andy Griffith Show* was a very special series, but is it really suitable to be the theme for an inspirational study? Although there are few direct references to the Bible, I believe the show is filled with the basic morals and principles taught by the Scriptures. Each show tended to have a good moral theme that was brought out by the story line. Basic values such as character, personal responsibility, honesty, and integrity were routinely exemplified by the show. I believe these characteristics to be uncommon for most television shows past or present. When George Lindsay, who played Goober in the series, was asked about the idea of using the series for such a class, he replied, "One of the incredible things about every single episode is that Andy insisted each show have a moral point, something good, lofty and moral. It's a shame current shows on TV don't adopt that high road."

Join me and the folks from Mayberry Tuesday Mornings at 9:00 am the worship center for a fun filled Bible Class.

Wandering back together with blessings,  
Pastor Michael

## EVOLUTION WEEKEND STUDY AND DIALOGUE

Evolution Weekend is an opportunity for serious discussion and reflection on the relationship between religion and science. One important goal is to elevate the quality of the discussion on this critical topic - to move beyond sound bites. A second critical goal is to demonstrate that religious people from many faiths and locations understand that evolution is sound science and poses no problems for their faith. Evolution Weekend makes it clear that those claiming that people must choose between religion and science are creating a false dichotomy.

Religion and science are not adversaries. We will have the following opportunities on Sunday, February 15:

9:00 am and 11:00 am Pastor's morning message on "Faith Development"

10:00 am Discussion on the two Creation Stories in Genesis by Rev. Ed. Womack (held in Verde Hall)

1:30 pm Viewing the video "How Great is Our God" followed by group discussion with youth and adults. This is a video that I believe science helps prove faith. All are welcome. (held in the Worship Center)

## Dinner for Six

Did you participate in the prior Dinner for Eight social gatherings? Would you like to try another group experience with a smaller group of friends? Would you like to meet new people? Do you want to learn about the possibilities? If you would like to be part of a committee to organize these groups and have ideas or suggestions, please contact Carol Jeannette at 634-0051.

## 2008 Year End Financial Report

General Fund Receipts (Includes Bail Out Fund and Christmas Offering)	\$235,755.36
General Fund Expenses	<u>\$236,545.65</u> \$ (790.29)
Worship Center Mortgage Receipts	\$ 50,383.22
Worship Center Mortgage Payments	<u>\$ 51,212.64</u> \$ (829.42)
2008 Annual Apportionments	\$ 40,998.00
2008 Apportionments Paid *	<u>\$ 18,382.54</u> \$(22,615.46)

- Apportionments Paid are included in General Fund Expenses

## Directory Updates

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## Attention Safeway Shoppers:

### E-Script comes to Mountain View

Did you know that Safeway will donate 3% of your monthly grocery purchases to Mountain View Church. This program is at no additional cost to you as a customer. Mountain View United Methodist Church has recently signed on as a designated group!

If you would like to have a bonus of 3% of your monthly Safeway grocery purchases go to Mountain View UMC, here is what you do.

1. Complete an Escript registration form (obtained from the Safeway customer service desk or from the MV office or online at [www.escrip.com](http://www.escrip.com) .
2. Enter Mountain View United Methodist Church as your designated group and ID# 9609306 group number.
3. Complete the rest of the application with your personal user information, including your Safeway Card number (if you already have a Safeway card). You can recruit friends, family and neighbors to sign up also.

Safeway Escript monies will then be deposited on a monthly basis to our church bank account.

We have over 100 families attending Mountain View on a regular basis. Think of the income that can be generated for Mt. View for God's work. Please sign up today. Contact Pat Dierks 649-9894 or Big-DisNo1@aol.com if you have questions regarding this new program.

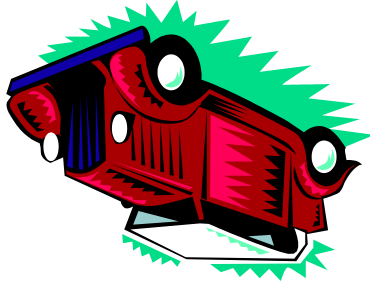
**Sunday Worship**  
9:00 am Contemporary  
11:00 am Traditional  
**Office Hours:**  
9:00 am – 12:00 pm  
1:00 pm – 4:00 pm  
Monday - Friday

Our Mission is

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

MVUMC Pastor: Rev. Michael Anderson  
Pastor Emeritus: Rev. Frank Cartwright  
Retired Pastors: Revs. Ed Womack, Bill Birdsey,  
Paul McCleary &  
David Treadwell  
Administrative Assistant and  
“Crosslines” Editor: Patricia Hilton

## Vehicle Show Coming in April



Our third annual antique/unique/historic vehicle show will be held on Saturday, April 25<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 am to 1:30 pm. This is for cars, trucks, tractors and flywheelers that are 25 years old, or older. Motorcycles are also welcomed! Vehicles do not have to be in pristine condition. The plan is to have a fun day where our church family, and friends of our church family, can share their enthusiasm for their vehicles.  
For those interested in showing a car, you must sign up in advance through David Treadwell, who can be reached through the church office. This show is open to the public, and there is no entry fee to view, or to show, a vehicle.  
A People's Choice Award will be given at the conclusion of the show.  
The United Methodist Men will be selling lunch and the Tribe of Judah Motorcycle Ministry will provide free bottled water. We expect to have another very successful event.

Change Service Requested  
Dated Material, - Do Not Delay

U.S. Postage Paid  
Non-Profit Organization  
Permit No. 31  
Cottonwood, AZ 86326

## February Birthdays & Anniversaries

Happy Birthday To You.....

Anniversaries

1st.  
Herb Browning

18th.  
Frank Falkner

February 6  
Gerald & Dagmar  
Schinagel

2nd.  
Kim Brasher  
Brian Langford

19th.  
Ivan Boothe

February 20  
Larry & Mary Keim

8th.  
Tom Spring

22nd.  
Karen Steele

February 29  
Herald & Norela  
Harrington

10th  
Dick Ritchey

26th.  
Nancy Hagberg  
Howie Usher

12th.  
Joyce Anderson  
Christina Hagberg  
Steve Jackson  
Jimmy Woodburn

27th.  
Freida Killingsworth

28th.  
Lois Starz  
Kelsey Wolstencroft

17th.  
Angie Hillman

## Upcoming Events

### **MARCH**

Wednesday, 4	Lenten "Feeding Body and Soul"	5:30 pm
Sunday, 8	Mexican Train Domino Party and Potluck	2:00 PM
Wednesday, 11	Lenten "Feeding Body and Soul"	5:30 pm
Wednesday, 18	Lenten "Feeding Body and Soul"	5:30 pm
Wednesday, 25	Lenten "Feeding Body and Soul"	5:30 pm

### **APRIL**

Wednesday, 1	Lenten "Feeding Body and Soul"	5:30 pm
Sunday, 5	Blood Drive	9:00 pm
Wednesday, 8	Lenten "Feeding Body and Soul"	5:30 pm
Thursday, 9	Seder Meal	6:00 pm
Friday, 10	Good Friday, Stations of the Cross/Tenebrae Serv.	1:00 pm/7:00 pm
Sunday, 12	Easter Sunday	
Sunday, 19	Concert and Barbecue	2:00 PM
Saturday, 25	Vehicle Show	10:00 AM

### **MAY**

Sunday, 10	Mexican Train Domino Party and Potluck	2:00 PM
Sunday, 17	UMW Sunday	

### **JUNE**

Saturday, 6	UMW Fun Day	
Sunday, 14	Mexican Train Domino Party and Potluck	2:00 PM
Wednesday, 25 – 28	Annual Conference	