



Crosslines

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LENT

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.

Congregational Care Sponsors "Walk to Jerusalem"

Our popular "Walk to Jerusalem" for 2009 began on February 15th and will continue through April 11th. Don't miss out! You may purchase a pedometer locally if you do not have one from last year. We can do this! Get together with family and friends and don't forget the dog, for a fun time! Keep record while doing all your activities at work or at play and register your total miles each week, whether 1 or 100 or more at the "Walk to Jerusalem" table in the narthex. The distance, as the crow flies, from Cottonwood to Jerusalem is 7,500 miles – together we can make it there and back as we did last year. Everyone can participate, even in a chair, by cane, walker, or whatever. Join us for fun, faith, fitness and togetherness!



Calling all Choirbirds!

Chancel Choir rehearses from 7:00 - 8:15 p.m. each Wednesday evening, We would love to have you come join our choir and fun fellowship singing praise to the Lord. Call Gayle Benjamin at 639-2963 or the church office 634-8857 for more information.

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. for all
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
deadlines a day or two.*

*Please submit information to
patty@mtnvieumc.com*

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Notes from the Pastor

The late Erma Bombeck lets a little boy named Donald express his views of education: "My name is Donald, and I don't know anything. I have new underwear, a loose tooth, and I didn't sleep last night because I'm worried. What if a bell rings and a man yells, 'Where do you belong?' and I don't know? What if the trays in the cafeteria are too tall for me to reach? What if my loose tooth comes out when we have our heads down and are supposed to be quiet? Am I supposed to bleed quietly? What if I splash water on my name tag and my name disappears and no one knows who I am?"

This may sound trivial to us today, but to Donald these are serious worries. Let's project these worries on first time church visitors, especially those who have not been in church for a long time or perhaps never. Not knowing when to stand or sit, or where the Gospel of John is in the Bible, or not knowing the words to the Lord's Prayer might be trivial to us. BUT, it is a serious worry to many. What if...What if...What if! We are going to make some changes to our worship bulletin that may seem unnecessary to some, but welcoming and informing to others. Please, watch for changes and know that they are necessary to help our brothers and sisters feel comfortable in our worship service.

Blessings from,
Pastor Michael and Donald

With Heartfelt Thanks

Thank you to everyone for the love shown, the prayers, and the cards generously given during the struggle for Jim's life and his recent death. Jim had accepted Christ as a child. In later years, he claimed to be Agnostic. Always, though, Jim was working for the welfare and the uplifting of others. In spite of his doubts and questions, he lived a life in line with Christ's teachings; a life of putting others first. In these last few months the love of Christ enveloped him and he opened his heart to Him again and was comforted. I am so grateful for the months I was able to spend with him at Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit, and his home in Mount Pleasant. Love and prayers to all of you, Dorothy, Ray, Andrea, Chris and Alex Julian

We want to thank everyone for the many cards, calls, and prayers over the past five and half years during our son Clifford's battle with cancer. It is wonderful to have the love and support from such a caring church family. Please know that it meant so much to us. Love in Christ,
Naoma and Cecil Tyner

Members of the Mountain View Church Council would like to express their gratitude to Gayle Benjamin for coming forth to serve as our volunteer Choir Director and Song Leader. Your willingness to serve in this capacity is very much appreciated by all.

I want to express my thanks to my friends and family for the wonderful birthday celebration held in my honor. It was really special to have so many family members come from so many places in the U.S. who had not seen each other for many years. Also a special thank you to the ladies of my Priscilla Circle who helped serve the refreshments.
Freida Killingsworth

News from Our United Methodist Women

The UMW will hold their monthly Board Meeting at 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday, March 10th. The General Meeting will be at 1:00 p.m. on March 10th in Verde Hall. Our offering will go to one of our many areas of Mission Giving - Prayer and Self-Denial. Betty Mathis from the Wesley Community Center in Phoenix will be our speaker. All women are invited; come and learn more about UMW's Mission.

Circles will meet on Tuesday, March 24th at 1:00 p.m. at various locations, which will be listed in the Sunday Bulletin. For more information on any of these functions, call Nancy Bowman, President at 274-1108.

COMING UP on Sunday, April 26th at 5:00 pm the UMW will be sponsoring a "Cultural Fair" in Verde Hall. More news and details to follow!!

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 9th and 23rd 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.

Live Your Belief in God! (B.I.G.)

We have a wonderful group of children in the 3rd-6th grades who meet Sunday morning for Christian Education and welcome having more children join us.

There is a new Bible lesson and related activities each Sunday. Each month we have a new Bible verse and a song that we go over each Sunday. Check out the Live B.I.G. website at www.ilivebig.com. for more great activities and to see what our lessons are each Sunday. Please invite young families to come and bring their children to Sunday School.

Godly Play is a great Sunday School program being offered each Sunday for Pre-School through second grade. Bring your friends and their children and join in the fun.

Fellowship Time

As a congregation, we need to meet, greet and socialize with each other. We also need to welcome visitors to our church. Thus, each Sunday, 2 ladies make coffee and bring cookies and bars to share. This takes only a couple of hours twice a year. We sincerely need your help. Please sign up to keep this activity going year round. Contact Joyce Smith at 649-1950 or LaVersa Barto at 646-6238 as soon as possible. Thank you so very much to all who participate in this program.

Vehicle Show Coming Next Month to Mountain View

Our third annual antique/unique/historic vehicle show will be held on Saturday, April 25th from 10:00 am to 1:30 pm. This is for cars, trucks, and tractors 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. This show is open to the public, and there is no entry fee to view, or to show, a vehicle.

For those interested in showing a car you must sign up in advance through David Treadwell, who can be reached at 634-1447.

We will have a People's Choice Award 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.

Crafting Opportunity

If you are a rubber stamper or would like to learn to make greeting cards by rubber stamping, then please join us. We will meet the first Tuesday of the month at 1:30 pm in the Mingus Room. The first meeting will be March 3rd. Contact Joyce Anderson at 634-8645 for more information.

Calling All Grads!!

The church would like to recognize and honor our school graduates in May. If you know a member or friend of our church that is graduating from high school or college, please inform Patty in the church office (634-8857) so we can have an accurate count of our graduates.



Conference Ministry Opportunities

The Conference Nominating Committee is looking for people who would like to serve on Conference committees. Travel and meal expenses are paid. Elections will be in June but get your name in early to secure your nomination. Contact Joyce Anderson at 634-8645. There are also openings on District committees.

Mission Ministry

The Friday night dinner in the park has been an important mission of our church for the last year. Sandy and her husband Larry (not members of MVUMC) started the program about two years ago, and with the help of a few other individuals developed the ministry into an important outreach to our community. Sandy's work schedule will prevent her from continuing with the dinner after February 13th. Our church has been sponsoring the dinner one week a month. We are in the process of deciding the future of this outreach mission. In your prayers give thanks for Sandy and Larry's faithfulness, and pray that others will step in to help us carry on their efforts.

Missionary of the Month

Terry and Muriel Henderson are missionaries assigned to the Methodist Church of Mexico. Since 1972 they have served in the program "Give Ye Them to Eat". It is a social outreach program that complements the evangelistic work of the Methodist Church of Mexico. They offer classes and workshops in nutrition and family health, environmental sound livestock management, and sustainable agricultural practices that curb erosion and improve the soil. Their ministry reaches into the small villages of Mexico to produce food for their families and faith for their souls. Please keep Terry and Muriel in your prayers.

Directory Updates

- Cole, Delora** 520-586-8913
650 N. Patagonia Ave Unit 3
Benson, Arizona 85602-6034
- Feinblatt, Linda, Alicia** Unknown
 (Jared Browning, Theo Browning,
 Miranda Bellia)
740 S. Granite
Prescott, AZ
- Martin, Stuart, Melissa** 928-649-9838
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4043 E. Del Rio Drive
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- Perfect, Ellen** Unknown
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Note: Underlined items indicate changes or updates.

Loose Change to Loosen Chains

Zach Hunter, a young teenager, started a group at his school in Atlanta, Georgia called Loose Change to Loosen Chains. (LC2LC). LC2LC raises money to help free slaves from all over the world. The way they do that is by sending the money into International Justice Missions (IJM).

Check out <http://www.dosomething.org/project/loose-change-to-loosen-chains>.

The Live B.I.G. Sunday School class is collecting loose change to send as an offering to loosen the chains of enslaved children in our world. We will collect money through Easter to send to this mission. If you would like to donate money towards our Live B.I.G. mission project please contact Gayle Benjamin at 639-

Food Pantry

Thank you to each and every one of you who contribute so graciously to the MVUMC food Bank,

Presently we are in need of canned beets, mixed vegetables, fruit, fresh vegetables, fresh fruit and cereal.

There is a surplus of canned green beans, peas and corn, pasta, macaroni and cheese, dry beans and rice, and Quaker Oats, both individual packages and boxes.

Thanks to Eleanor Fredley and Lily Fatheree for their assistance in distributing the food products so pleasantly and efficiently to all.

Viola Baker
Coordinator, Food Pantry

Holy Week Worship Schedule

Palm/Passion Sunday
April 5, 2009

Feeding of Body and Soul
Wednesday
April 8, 2009
5:30 pm

Holy Thursday
April 9, 2009
Seder and Meal
6:00 pm

Good Friday
April 10, 2009
Stations of the Cross at 1:00 pm
Tenebrae Service at 7:00 pm

Easter Sunday
April 12, 2009
We will hold our regular 9:00 am and 11:00 am services. The United Methodist Men will host the fellowship time between services in Verde Hall.

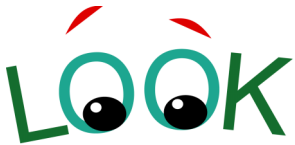
Wellness Notes

“Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path” Psalm 119:105

MARCH reminds us to ‘keep marching (walking) in the light’ toward health of mind, body, and spirit. Be certain that you are continuing your daily exercise, daily devotions and episodes of laughter that help you live more abundantly as we seek to follow our Lord in His journey to Easter. Another “M”---**MEDICATION AWARENESS** was the topic of a recent talk at a recent seminar on “Mindful Aging”. Most all of us take some kind of medications and/or supplements to either treat known conditions or prevent those to which we might be susceptible. As in “Knowing our Numbers”, do we “KNOW OUR MEDICATIONS”?? Take a moment today to review and be aware of the following:

- Have a current list of ALL agents you take either orally, injections, or topically.
- Assure that your Health Care Provider has the up to date list of ALL that you take, including vitamins, herbal supplements, and prescriptions from various pharmacies.
- Put an updated copy in your wallet, in your emergency file, and in your glove compartment. In an emergency, this list could save your life.
- Take a moment to KNOW what each prescription or supplement is for; what the dosage is; and how often it is to be taken. If you are not taking it as suggested it may not be doing it's job.
- Any prescription or supplement that you take should be familiar to you. Ask your Pharmacist if you question any name, change of prescription name, or dosage. It is not unusual for mistakes to be made that cause overdosage or incorrect directions.

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**What's
New!**

eScrip Sign-Ups Still Needed!!

Mountain View congregational members still have the opportunity to sign up for Safeway rebates. Look for the sign up table in the narthex where we will help you complete your application, or go on line for eScrip at www.escrip.com. Mountain View's number is 9609306. Don't forget to sign up at your earliest convenience.

Ministry Opportunities at Mountain View

Do you have a few free hours that you would be willing to volunteer? If so, we are looking for help in the following areas:

Volunteer to vacuum weekly in Worship Center

Volunteer to wash Worship Center glass doors as needed

Prayer Chain Coordinator

If you are interested in finding out more, please contact the church office at 634-8857.

Wellness Notes

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- Dispose of any outdated or unused medications **DO NOT DISPOSE IN GARBAGE.** Do not 'keep for another time' or 'share with someone else'. Check expiration dates carefully and **store all in a safe place.**
- When a new prescription is given you, note action, side effects, and your response. Follow-up with your Provider if changes it makes are not positive. For instance, If you receive a new Blood Pressure Medication and you continue to check your pressure, finding it is not improving or is dropping too low, do not wait 3 mos. to get back to your Provider. Follow-up immediately.

Awareness will light your path toward wellness.

Alice Stephenson BSN,RN,CDE
Parish Nurse Consultant

Financial Report

Annual General Budget	\$261,495.00
Needed Each Month	\$21,791.00
January General Fund Income	\$18,605.53
January General Fund Expenses	\$22,905.32
Receipts over Disbursements	\$4,299.79
Mortgage Payment	
Total Mortgage Receipts	\$3,371.00
Principal Payment	\$2,844.08
Interest Payment	\$1,423.64
Total Mortgage Payment	\$4,267.72
Receipts over Disbursements	\$896.72

March Birthdays & Anniversaries



1st

Bill Birdsey

2nd

Stephanie Kreunen
Jean Stattner

3rd

Janet Fendley
Arlene Ritchey
Steve Tolbert

4th

Beverly Hall
Warren Imus
Gertie Jones/Murphy

5th

Doug Riley

6th

Myron Packer
Rachel Ramsey

7th

Camille Boothe

9th

Ed Womack

11th

Aiden Little

12th

Carl Baker
Jan Langford

13th

Eleanor Fredley
Diane Swigart

17th

Rod Starz

18th

Pat Torrence

19th

Mike Raber

20th

Iona Browning
James Kreunen

25th

Lorraine Godbold

31st

Bill Campbell
Pat Donaghe
Dave Snyder

Anniversary

March 15th

Dave and Beverly
Tardiff

March 28th

Herb and Iona
Browning