

CROSSLINES



August 2010



UMM Presents the Annual Ice Cream Social & Talent Show

Sunday, August 15th, is the Annual Ice Cream Social and Talent Show. The talent show begins at 2 PM in the sanctuary followed by the Ice cream Social at 3 PM in Verde Hall.

We are looking for all types of talent: playing an instrument, singing, gymnastics, magicians and illusionists, cowboy poetry or other readings, etc, etc. In addition to talent, if you are into arts & crafts, they may be displayed in the Narthex of Verde Hall.



To enter, call Jim Kreunen at 649-2357 or David Treadwell at 634-1447.

PLANNING FOR OUR CHURCH'S FUTURE

What will Mountain View UMC look like two, five, ten years from now? Will we have a larger faith community of young adults and families? Will our youth education and activity program be even stronger with much increased numbers? Will leadership training opportunities for youth and adults be providing skilled and committed leaders for next generation's church and society?

Undoubtedly these are goals that we have always had. They have certainly been re-embraced by Church Council in the formal Church Goals approved this May. However, this year Council has taken an important additional step. It has asked that we come up with an action plan of steps that we want and decide to take to move our goals from dreams to reality.

It is for this purpose that a special meeting has been scheduled for Saturday, August 21, 9:00 – 10:00/10:30 a.m. in Verde Hall. All church members are invited to come and participate; also all ministry teams have been asked to have representatives present. The meeting will be set-up for us to divide into three groups according to the goals we are most interested in, then re-gather as an assembly of the whole. Rev. Paul McCleary will chair the meeting.

In preparation for this meeting additional copies of the recently approved goals will be available in the church narthex. Please give some thought to any action steps that you would like to recommend. If you cannot be present at the meeting but wish to make an action plan suggestion, a box for your recommendations will be made available.

Action Plan Step One: Mark your calendar now to be present August 21.

Second Quarter Giving Statements

Giving statements for the second quarter are available. You may contact the church office to either pick up your statement or request that it be mailed to you.



WORSHIP *TIMES*

PRAISE - 9:00 a.m.

SUNDAY SCHOOL - 10:00 a.m.

TRADITIONAL - 11:00 a.m.

PRAISE AND WORSHIP - 6:00 p.m. 1st Sun./month

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A Note from Pastor Michael

Sunday Worship

9:00 a.m. Praise

11:00 a.m. Traditional

6:00 p.m. Praise & Worship
1st Sunday/month

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:

Leah Alderson

Finance Treasurer:

Carol Hagberg

Praise Band Leader:

David Flores

Choir Director:

Gayle Benjamin

Organist:

Beverly Hall

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Monday-Thursday 8am-noon

Our Pastor is available at other times

*by appointment and any time for
emergencies.*

WOULDA-COULD-A-SHOULDA

All the Woulda-Coulda-Shouldas
Layin' in the sun,
Talkin' 'bout the things
They woulda-coulda-shoulda done...
But those Woulda-Coulda-Shouldas
All ran away and hid
From one little did.

This little poem, these thirty-two words, by Shel Silverstein speaks volumes about life. It makes me think of the "things" I have put off doing that I Shoulda done. Not the little things, but the "Bucket List" things and the spontaneous. Too many opportunities in life are missed because, as Silverstein alludes, we are falling down instead of "Falling Up".

FALLING UP

I tripped on my shoelace
And I fell up—
Up to the roof tops,
Up over the town,
Up past the tree tops,
Up over the mountains,
Up where the colors
Blend into the sounds...

Life is too short to keep falling down, it's time we start falling up and experience the wonders that God has for us.

AUGUST ANGELS' ATTIC NEWS

"Fellowship with a purpose" is the motto of Angels' Attic. The fellowship aspect is obvious to anyone who takes part in our workshops or who may drop by to request money for something that the church needs but that hasn't been budgeted.

If you are enjoying the new carpet in Verde Hall, the "Angels" along with some of you made the purchase possible. Additional "In Faith We Sing" hymnals were also provided by Angels' Attic funds. We will soon have an ice maker installed in Verde Hall, another purchase with funds from our Fall sale. Other uses of our monies will be noted in future articles about the dedicated ladies who take part in the second and fourth Monday workshops in Verde Hall. New members are always welcome to join the group. Others who do not attend our sessions have generously donated items for our November 5th, 6th and 7th sale and we greatly appreciate those contributions and heartily thank them for their efforts toward a successful sale. Please contact Stephanie Kreunen at 928-649-2357 or e-mail at stephanie.kreunen@gmail.com with questions or comments.

Annual Conference Continues to Work Towards Extravagant Hospitality **By Stephen J. Hustedt, Director of Communications**

As United Methodist from around Arizona, California, and Nevada gathered in Glendale, Arizona, for the twenty sixth session of the Desert Southwest Annual Conference June 24-27, the quadrennial focus of “Extravagant Hospitality...God’s Abundant Grace” took center stage once again. However, this is not just a theme for Annual Conference, it is a focus for the Desert Southwest Conference and the entire Western Jurisdiction throughout the quadrennium. Some of the ongoing work was shared at the Laity Session and later during the laity report to the full Annual Conference.

The primary focus of the Laity Session was on a partnership between the Board of Laity and the Communications Commission designed to bring real tools for making disciples to local churches through training opportunities. Appropriately, the first round of training opportunities will focus on welcoming training, and the resources to make these training opportunities successful were ready in time for Annual Conference.

In April, dozens of Desert Southwest Conference volunteers were equipped as and certified as Communications Ministry Welcoming Trainers through United Methodist Communications. As a result of a successful recommendation to the body of Annual Conference that all Desert Southwest Churches make use of welcoming training, great use will be made of these trainers in the coming year. Plans for similar training opportunities around the Rethink Church Movement and Web Ministry were also revealed.

In support of The Rethink Church movement, the Communications Commission yielded their agenda time to Neelley Hicks from United Methodist Communications. Hicks shared the basics of the Rethink Church movement with the conference and encouraged continuing to embrace the movement. The Conference was also congratulated on their high participation rate in find-a-church. The Desert Southwest Conference has a participation rate over 70% while most conferences are in the mid thirties.

Equipping leaders through training opportunities was also an important part of the twenty sixth session of the Desert Southwest Annual Conference. For the first time in the history of the Desert Southwest Conference a full day of annual conference, Saturday June 26, was dedicated to a time of learning.

The featured speaker was Clif Christopher, author of “It’s Not Your Parent’s Offering Plate.” Christopher shared that today’s church is in competition with the secular nonprofits for the giving dollars of church members and that most churches are not prepared to compete. He further explained that givers are looking for stories of the good that has been done and communications should be targeted to particular audiences. More can be learned in “It’s Not Your Parent’s Offering Plate” and Christopher’s new book “Who’s Offering Plate is it?”

In support of the movement into full communion between The United Methodist Church and The Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, the ELCA Grand Canyon Synod was invited to take part in the time of learning with Clif Christopher. The ELCA was also invited to stay for the service of ordination on Saturday evening in which Bishop Stephen S. Talmage, Bishop of the Grand Canyon Synod of The Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, gave the sermon. The service of ordination saw two people commissioned: Elizabeth Rambikur and Eve Williams and it saw five people ordained as elders: Valerie Fairchild, Jennifer Lee Hageman, Robert Holliday, Saul Montiel, and Robert G. Rynders.

Another important evening in the life of the Annual Conference was the Celebration of Ministry banquet held on Friday night. This year the banquet returned to being a formal affair that honored more than just those retiring from ministry. Conference awards were handed out at the banquet, and outgoing cabinet members were also honored.

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Annual Conference (continued from page 3)

This year there was only one resolution addressed at annual conference. It was Resolution 21.00, a resolution on “persons with special needs”. The result of this resolution passing is that the Conference Board of Church and Society petition the 2012 General Conference to replace the phrase “Persons with Disabilities” with the phrase “persons with special needs” in their writings and documents. A further result is that congregations of the Desert Southwest Conference have been asked to make accommodations for persons with special needs so that they can participate in the life and ministry of their church.

While there was only one resolution directly addressed at this session of the Desert Southwest Conference there were six petitions to the 2012 session of General Conference that were shared this year. Those petitions will be voted on at the 2011 session of the Desert Southwest Annual Conference, and more information on these resolutions can be obtained by e-mailing the Conference Secretary at louie@desertsw.org. The Conference Committee on Youth Ministry also brought a reminder to the twenty sixth session of Annual Conference about a resolution that passed last year called the Oasis Resolution. This resolution called on all churches of the Desert Southwest Conference to have a plan in place to assist homeless youth if the need arises. Appropriately it is a resolution that lives out the theme of Extravagant Hospitality.

Editor’s note : Membership stands at 38,961, down 2.8% from the previous year.
Worship attendance stands at 26,555, down 0.7%.
Church school attendance stands at 5,585, down 11.5%.

As a lay member attending, the conference, I found it very inspirational and informative. In addition to the sessions that were held, there was a large exhibit room with a variety of booths. I especially enjoyed the Camp booth featuring Mingus Camp atop our mountain here and Potosi Pines Camp in Nevada. Another booth that caught my eye was “Methodist Coffee for Methodist Churches”. This is coffee produced and packed in Agua Prieta, Sonora, Mexico and sold to help the families in Mexico live better.

On Sunday morning, churches who met 100% or more of their apportionments were recognized with a certificate. Mountain View UMC was not recognized.

The conference theme concerned welcoming others into our churches. We want to be sure no one who visits our church is overlooked. So, look around each Sunday and speak to anyone you do not know. We should always make every visitor want to return.

We now know more in-depth about the workings of our church and can appreciate it better.

“Though we are not of the same opinion—we may be of the same heart.” Bishop Minerva Carcaño

Respectfully,
Joyce Smith

CENTENNIAL PLANNING UPDATE

The Centennial Committee held its first meeting on July 6, 2010 and began exchanging ideas for activities and other ways to commemorate Mountain View's 100th anniversary in 2012. Below we've listed the ideas brought up at the meeting. **Can you think of any others?** We welcome input from everyone in the congregation. You may contact the church office with your ideas.

- ◆ Historical vignettes
- ◆ Multi-media coverage for community exposure
- ◆ Artifact displays
- ◆ Wesleyan classes
- ◆ Historical tour of area
- ◆ Commemorative quilt
- ◆ Anniversary banners for sanctuary (Maybe elsewhere too?)
- ◆ Time capsule
- ◆ Use artifacts in worship
- ◆ Share stories (memories)
- ◆ Period costumes
- ◆ Choir — use music from past
- ◆ Cookbook display collection (new one?)
- ◆ Blueprints of buildings
- ◆ Church commemorative plates
- ◆ Special worship event each month and/or 5th Sunday
- ◆ 2011— Forums to look into future— Community Leaders; i.e., mayor, realtor, school superintendent
- ◆ Celebration Sunday/Weekend
- ◆ Members— letters re: "What this church means to me"; "The future of my church".
- ◆ Write anniversary hymn—use during 2012
- ◆ Invitations to: Bishop, past clergy, special preachers from the past
- ◆ Survey—"How long have you been a member?"
- ◆ DVD history
- ◆ Booklet of interviews/other information (Evangelism tool)
- ◆ Dinner celebration off campus
- ◆ Day of anniversary Sunday—catered meal
- ◆ Cake with steeple?
- ◆ Poem of history
- ◆ Historical address—"What have been/are the Hispanic concerns/ involvement through the years?"
- ◆ Commemorative T-shirts/caps, etc.
- ◆ Refrigerator magnets
- ◆ Begin a satellite church
- ◆ Historical Moment rather than Mission Moment
- ◆ Spiritual gifts inventory for future ministries
- ◆ Research Jerome Church (Mother church)
- ◆ Create Historical Timeline
- ◆ Establish anniversary budget for 2011 and for 2012
- ◆ Offer opportunities for donated special financial gifts
- ◆ 2011— preparatory meetings for future ministries
- ◆ 2012— January–June address; past July–December address; future

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL REPORT

The number of volunteers who conducted the Galactic Blast: A Cosmic Adventure Praising God Vacation Bible School was truly amazing. As director my job was made easier by the willingness and talents of the more than thirty people who took care of the different centers and aspects needed to plan and carry out a successful VBS. The volunteers worked together to make our church home an inviting, fun and spirit filled place for the 17 to 21 children who attended. There was lively singing, great crafts, meaningful Bible stories, fun recreation and good snacks enjoyed by the "cadets". All the volunteers deserve your gratitude as well as mine for the fine job they did for our Lord during the five day event.

Only three of the children in attendance were members of Mt. View UMC. Six other local churches were represented by those attending. **And** nine of the attendees did not list a church home on their registration forms.

VBS was an invitation to those children to be part of our church community. We hope to see some of them again at our church school and other events.

Thank you for your prayers and support of VBS.

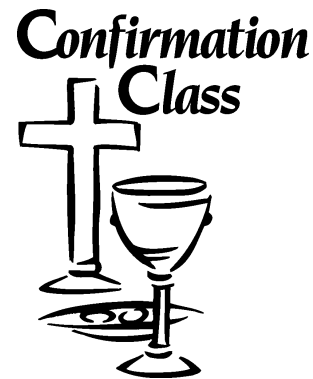
Stephanie Kreunen

THANK YOU FROM UMCOR

Thank you for your generous gift to United Methodist Committee on Relief. 100% of your contribution will go to Nothing But Nets, Advance #982015 through The Advance, the designated giving channel of The United Methodist Church.

Your gift received on 6-8-10 for \$1,113.03 is saving lives by preventing malaria through the use of treated bed nets.

Because you gave, UMCOR is able to "Be There" and "Be Hope" on your behalf. We give thanks for your generosity.



Confirmation class for grades 6-9 begins on September 19, 2010 at 3:30 p.m., prior to Youth Group. Please call the church office at 634-8857 to register.

The UMW will have no General or Circle Meetings in August; however the Board will meet on Tuesday, August 31 at 9:30 a.m. in the Mingus Room.

It's not too early to go through your closets and cupboards to find things you are not using, and set them aside for our annual UMW/ UMM Rummage Sale scheduled for Friday and Saturday, September 24 & 25.

The men will sell larger items - furniture, tools, etc. - outside and the women will set up smaller items in Verde Hall.

We are requesting clean, usable

items such as - clothes, shoes, linens, kitchen articles, toys, books, etc. We do not have storage for these items in advance, but they can be brought to the Narthex of Verde Hall beginning Sunday, September 19.

Ladies of the church, we do need your help Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, September 21, 22, & 23 to sort, arrange and price items in addition to the days of the sale. Then, come to the sale and buy something "you can't live without"!

This is the UMW's main fund raiser to meet our commitments for Mission Giving to the needy, both locally and through our District and

Conference.

Any help you can give us will be greatly appreciated. There will be more detailed information forthcoming.

Shirley Emshwiller



June Financial Report

Reconciled Bank Accounts	
Checking Account Balance	\$17,664.76
Reserve I/O Balance	\$13,308.51
Restricted Balance	\$59,977.02
UM Federal Credit Union	\$201.76
Annual General Budget	\$285,900.00
Needed Each Month	\$23,825.00
June Income	\$19,495.46
June Expenditures*	\$20,091.23
	<u>-\$595.77</u>
Year to Date Income	\$126,350.17
Year to Date Expenditures	\$131,286.79
Receipts over Disbursements y-t-d	<u>-\$4,936.62</u>
Mortgage as of 6/30/10	
Monthly Principal Payment	\$3,224.88
Monthly Interest Payment	\$1,042.12
Total Mortgage Payment	\$4,267.00
Worship Center Loan Balance	\$186,079.11

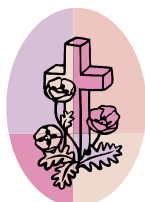
* Full apportionments paid \$3,636.75

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 August please pray for:
 Prescott Valley UMC, Prescott Valley;
 Community Church of Buckeye;
 Liberty UMC, Liberty

IN REMEMBRANCE



Beverly Tardiff
 Will Steele
 Bruce Deland

IN MEMORIUM

Thank you to the families of George Burns and Mary Keim for the memorial gift to purchase a new laptop computer for the worship center.

“– So in Christ we who are many form one body, and each member belongs to all the others We have different gifts, according to the grace given us. If a man's gift is prophesying, let him use it in proportion to his faith. If it is serving, let him serve; if it is teaching, let him teach; if it is encouraging, let him encourage; if it is contributing to the needs of others, let him give generously; if it is leadership, let him govern diligently; if it is showing mercy, let him do it cheerfully.” Romans 12: 5-7

The Congregational Care Committee of SUMC invites you to join in a workshop on Saturday, **September 25, 2010 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at Sedona United Methodist Church, titled GOD'S HEALING GIFTS. AUGUST 15th is the deadline for registration !!** A year of planning has gone into bringing you a day of information, hands-on practice, and inspiration that will leave you with new tools for bringing about your own mind-body-& spirit healing. The traditional church gets a little 'spooky' when "HEALING" is mentioned---conjuring up visions of crystals, exorcism, vortex fields, and loud sermons. However, healing is defined as "THE NATURAL PROCESS BY WHICH THE BODY REPAIRS ITSELF---RESTORING TO HEALTH". This workshop brings to you experts in four areas that share known 'gifts' from God that can help individuals promote the natural processes that help repair our 'broken' or burdened selves and prevent illnesses of mind-body-and spirit.

Judy Asman MS,RN, from Hawaii, who has her Masters in Nursing and is a Parish/Faith Community Nurse and Officer in Health Ministries Association of Hawaii, brings her gift of "HEALING TOUCH". Participants will hear about this healing method and have hands-on experience in skills that can improve their health and aid in self-healing. She will be the keynote speaker and share in afternoon break-out sessions.

Dr. Anne Borik, noted Phoenix Physician and innovator in wellness techniques, will bring her "SIGN CHI DO" method of "the art of moving prayer" and methods of "moving language" as an approach to relaxation that involves posture, movement, and thought. It incorporates breathing, sign language, and mind-body-spirit wellness focus. Sign Cho Do is easy for all ages & abilities to learn and is a delightful approach to healthy outlook and exercise.

Reverend Phyllis Averill will be sharing her gift of "PONDERING PRAYER". Pondering is a rich word describing the discipline of drawing together many things, combining them, and considering them as one wellness force. The workshop will enable an individual to use Pondering Prayer to find release and healing and renewal and strength in Christ Jesus.

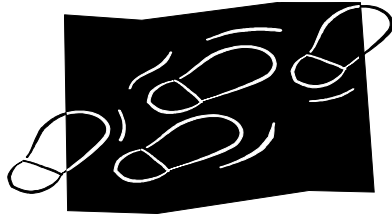
Janet Wilson ,RN from Flagstaff United Methodist Church will be sharing the gift of "HILARIOUS HEALING". This workshop on "good hearted living practices" will help participants learn how laughter works and experience the benefits of laughter exercises. Janet is an active member of the American Holistic Nurses Association and the Association for Applied and Therapeutic Laughter.

Men and Women are welcome for this workshop day. For the \$20 Registration fee you will be introduced to all four healing gifts, be able to choose TWO of the Break Out Sessions in the afternoon, receive a yummy buffet lunch and a day of uplifting inspiration and fun. PLEASE PLAN TO ATTEND.

This one-day special event is sponsored by the Congregational Care Committee and will reflect the combined efforts of this committee, the United Methodist Women, the Men's Group, the Youth Group, and Reverend Matthew Ashley.

Fliers are available with registration forms at your church office. Participants will be limited to 100, so get your reservation in early. For more information, call 282-1780.

Alice Stephenson BSN,RN,CDE,PN
Parish Nurse Consultant



“WALKING IN HIS FOOTSTEPS”

FAMILY CHURCH CAMP REGISTRATION

Friday September 10, 2010
(4:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Arrival-Potluck Dinner at 6:00 p.m.)
To

Sunday, September 12th, 2010
(2:00 p.m. Departure)

Family Name _____
Address _____
Phone _____ Email _____

Please check appropriate category

#Of Adults/Youth

#of Children (4-11)

#of Children (0-3)

Names: First, Last

1. _____

5. _____

2. _____

6. _____

3. _____

7. _____

4. _____

8. _____

NOTE: Parent (s) or another responsible adult must attend with anyone under the age of 18
Pets are NOT permitted on the premises

Total number of participants _____

Special Needs _____

Dietary Needs _____

Registration deadline is August 31, 2010

Fees:

\$55.00 Per adult and youth (Ages 12 +)

\$35.00 Per child (Ages 4-11)

\$10.00 Per child (Ages 0-3)

Total Registration Fees _____ Paid _____

Make check payable to Mountain View UMC, marked Family Camp.
Return to Church Office.

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Publication Deadlines

Weekly Announcements:

Tuesday at Noon

Monthly Newsletter: 15th of the

preceding month.



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Service to Bring Everyone Closer to God
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