

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR

The flowers today are in loving memory of lone Gobble from the Women's and Men's Wednesday Bible Study.

NEW MEMBER CLASSES - TODAY

Are you interested in becoming a member of FUMC of Mesa? Join us Sunday December 13 and 20th in the Family Room off the Sanctuary narthex. We will meet during Sunday School hour at 10:10 a.m. New members will be welcomed into the congregation on December 27th.

ANGEL TREE GIFTS

Gifts are **due today** please place them under the Angel Trees in the Sanctuary and Fellowship Hall. Thank you for your support.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNER

Visitors and friends come join us in the Fellowship (Earl North) Hall from **5:00 – 6:00 pm**. Adults \$3.50, children 10 & under \$2.00. **December 16:** Pork tenderloin and vegetables. **December 23 & 30th:** No Dinners

ORPHEUS MALE CHORUS

Will hold a concert in our Sanctuary on Tuesday, December 15 at 7:30 p.m. For more information go to www.orpheus.org.

PHOENIX BOYS CHOIR

Will hold a concert in our Sanctuary on Friday, December 18 at 7:30 p.m. Pick up a post card from the narthex which has a 10% off ticket discount.

DIRECTORY PHOTOS

We have started taking family photos. Please be on time. If you can not make an appointment please call Kay ASAP 480-969-8375. Do you have a special group photo you want to submit for the directory? Please submit them ASAP.

CHRISTMAS STOCKINGS

Gifts for the children of El Divino Salvador Church in Agua Prieta, Mexico are **due back December 20th**. For questions call Favio or Christina Verdugo 480-242-9389.

FUNERAL SERVICE

We wish to inform you that Ed Henderson's funeral service will be held December 19th at 1:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

FINANCE MEETING

On December 15th the Finance Board will meet at 6:30 p.m. in room 1 (kindergarten SS room) on the East side of the building facing the parking lot.

CHURCH COUNCIL

On December 17th Church Council is moved to the Chapel due to directory photos.

NEXT SUNDAY, DECEMBER 20

Kingdom Kids and Celebration Choirs will sing at the 9:00 & 11:11 a.m. services.

SPECIAL CANTATA SERVICE, DECEMBER 20

Join the Chancel Choir next Sunday, December 20th at 9:00 & 11:11 a.m. for this special musical service. Invite your neighbors and friends. Come see our live nativity.

NO ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL – DECEMBER 20

Come to the Fellowship Hall and greet the choir. This is your chance to say "Thank You" for all their hard work through the year.

Sunday Adult Classes 10:10 – 11:00 a.m.

Parent Class	Room 5
Disciples Class (ages 40 +)	Assembly Room
Serendipity (ages 30's-50's)	Family Life Center
Willing Workers (ages 60+)	Adult Lounge
Merry Mates (ages 60+)	West Conference Room
Beginnings: Christian Faith	East Conference Room

Children's Sunday School 10:10 – 11:00 a.m.

3 & 4 year olds Preschool Room B
Room located on the West side of the building facing the courtyard.

Rooms located on the East side of the building facing the parking lot.

Kindergarten	Room 1
1 st & 2 nd Grade	Room 2
3 rd & 4 th Grade	Room 3
5 th & 6 th Grade	Room 6

Youth Ministry (Grades 7-12)

Sunday School	10:10 – 11:00 a.m.	Family Life Center
Sunday Night	5:00 – 8:00 p.m.	Family Life Center

This Week – December 13-19, 2009

Today

8:00 AM	Prayer Ministry Team -	East Conference Room
9:00 AM	Praise & Worship -	Fellowship Hall
9:00 AM	Traditional Worship -	Sanctuary
10:00 AM	Coffee Time -	Courtyard
10:10 AM	Sunday School	
11:11 AM	Traditional Worship -	Sanctuary
12:00 PM	Photos Begin -	Assembly Room
5:00 PM	Youth -	Family Life Center

Monday

1:00 PM	Photos Begin -	Assembly Room
6:00 PM	Girl Scouts -	Outreach Center
6:30 PM	Cub Scouts -	Outreach Center
6:30 PM	Youth Ministry -	Family Life Center
7:00 PM	Boy Scouts -	Family Life Center

Tuesday

12:00 PM	Sociable Seniors -	Family Life Center
1:00 PM	Photos Begin -	Assembly Room
6:00 PM	Hospitality -	Office Conference Rooms
6:30 PM	Finance -	Room 1
7:00 PM	Praise Band Rehearsal-	Fellowship Hall
7:30 PM	Orpheus Concert -	Sanctuary

Wednesday (FLC = Family Life Center)

10:00 AM	Women's Bible Study -	Fellowship Hall
10:00 AM	Men's Bible Study -	Room 5
5:00 PM	Dinner -	Fellowship Hall
5:30 PM	Youth Band -	FLC
6:00 PM	Peaceful Quilters -	Quilt Room
6:00 PM	Stained Glass -	Room 5
6:00 PM	Youth Volleyball -	Gym
6:00 PM	Adult Open Gym -	Gym
6:00 PM	Bethlehem Choir (Grade K) -	FLC
6:00 PM	Kingdom Kids Choir (Grade 1-3)-	FLC
6:00 PM	Youth Team -	FLC
6:00 PM	Carillon Bell Choir -	Adult Lounge
6:35 PM	Cherub Choir (ages 3-4)	FLC
6:40 PM	Celebration Choir (Grade 4-6)-	FLC
7:00 PM	Chancel Choir -	Sanctuary
7:20 PM	Youth Choir -	FLC

Thursday

8:00 AM Ugly Quilters -	Outreach Center
9:15 AM Yoga -	Dobson Room FLC
6:30 PM Church Council -	Chapel
7:00 PM The House -	Outreach Center

Friday

1:00 PM Photos Begin -	Assembly Room
7:30 PM Phoenix Boys Choir -	Sanctuary

Saturday

12:00 PM Photos Begin -	Assembly room
1:00 PM Ed Henderson Funeral -	Sanctuary
6:00 PM Singles Trip, Zoo Lights -	Off Campus

PRAYER CORNER

If you have a prayer request, please contact the church office, Virgil Schatz 480-380-9693, e-mail firstmesa@fumcmesa.org.

Prayer Team Members are available for prayer between services.

Pray for all who are unemployed.

Military Prayers

Stateside: Captain Jeff Barta, Major Robert Dole, TSGT Justin Gilbert, Captain Douglas Holt, Private Kyle Haggard, Chelsea Powelson

Stationed Overseas: CW2 Justin Norman, AO2 Robert Ruiz, Dean Oswald, Curtis Powelson, Commander Olin Sells, Mathew Sublett

Ongoing Prayer Needs:

Please remember all these whose attendance may be limited by their health or circumstances.

If you can provide any updated information on these loved ones, please call the church office or Tom Richgels (641-7655).

FUMC Members Concerns:

Jeanette Bartlow, Ron Bartlow, Margaret Desenberg, Katie Doty, Felipe Escobedo, Victor Escobedo, Burdett House, Barbara Jackson, Ginny Kovalsky, Rev. Cecil Lackore, Arnie Lehman, Robert Logan, Elane McGee,

George McGee, Iris Perkins, Margo Reed, David Rizzo, Neal Salam, Inez Sheline, Rick Smith, Chris Titcomb, Trenton Wade, Adam Weatherbee, James Weatherbee, Helen White. Lois Yerkes

Community Concerns:

Lance Ammon, Allen Backer, Ben Barleen, Sandy Budach, Chandler Dunlavy, Paul Eddy, Suanna Fitzpatrick, Mary Frey, Dorothy Guido, Bernie Harwood, Blanche Harris, Dave Henrickson, Christine Hutchings, Shirley Knight, Sandy Ling, Ken Meyer, Mary Micheletti, Esther Morris, Chris Mewell, Allison Norwood, Jill Peterson, Theresa Prysorski, Bernice Putz, Pat Radella, Glenn Robertson, Russell Rodriguez, Bernie Russell, Betty Russell, Jared Sakren, Allen Smith, Dorothy Sutton, Frank Vice, Cindy Walz, Larry Warden, Tobi Williams, Russell William, Paula Wirth

Pray this week for: (remembering our church family in prayer), Bonnie Loney, Megan Loney, James & Lois Long, Richard, Giovanna, Hayden and Tatum Love

OUR PRAYER FOR TODAY AND THIS WEEK

God of light and life,

We thank You and praise You for this beautiful day. We are captivated by the surety of the sun rising and setting and the stars appearing. From everlasting to everlasting You are God! Father, Your love is the most powerful thing that is. We pray for more love in our hearts and in our world. Your love gives us our confidence and our victory.

Father, today and always Your message to us is to not be afraid. Walk along side us, we pray, and strengthen us as we live beyond worry and without fear. We praise You!

In Jesus' Name, Amen

Our Vision

We strive to reach out to the community through:

- A ministry of continuous spiritual growth
- A ministry with children, youth and families in all their diversity
- A ministry of music and the arts



WEEKLY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

First United Methodist Church of Mesa

15 E. First Avenue
Mesa, AZ 85210
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Information for Visitors

1. Nursery care is available from 8:45 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. (infants to age 5) in the Nursery.

2. Large Print Bulletins and Hearing Enhancers are available for persons needing assistance in the 9:00 and 11:11 a.m. services. Just ask an usher.

3. Pastoral Care: If you have a pastoral need and would like a pastor to contact you, please call the church office Monday – Thursday 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. or Friday 8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. For after hours and weekend emergencies, press 5 for pastor emergency contact numbers.

4. We warmly welcome our visitors. A great place to get to know us is during Fellowship and Refreshment Time at 10:00 a.m. in the courtyard. Enjoy some refreshments before attending Sunday School.

PREACHING SCHEDULE – December 20th

9:00 & 11:11 a.m. Traditional Service –
Special Choir Cantata

9:00 a.m. Contemporary – Pastor Jeri
Sermon: *Bound Together*