



**SUNDAY ADULT CLASSES 10:10 – 11:00 a.m.**

**Beginnings: Journey to Faith**

Chancel Choir Room

This 3-part series published by Abingdon Press takes you through the fundamentals of Christian faith, Christian living, and Christian community.

**Disciples Class -**

Assembly Room

On February 21<sup>st</sup> we will begin a 7 week Lenten class "24 Hours That Changed The World."

**Merry Mates -**

Office West Conference Room

We are a group of senior adults using an Adult Bible Studies series published by Cokesbury which explores the meaning of Scripture and encourages deeper faith in God.

**Really Bad Girls of the Bible -**

Room 4

"Liz Curtis Higgs has broken new ground in a refreshing and exciting approach to the study of women in the Bible" – Jere Carlson

**S.A.L.T. – Seekers After Life’s Truths**

Room 5

We are a family oriented adult bible class. Our studies are usually video based with discussion following. We also plan social events and other service opportunities. Come enjoy the fellowship.

**Willing Workers -**

Adult Lounge

We are a caring group of senior adults who welcome you with open arms. Class begins with sharing, followed by a hymn and prayer before we discuss our quarterly lesson.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**SUNSHINE ACRES CHILDREN’S HOME**

Join us today March 28<sup>th</sup> starting at 10:30 am for a BBQ fundraiser. \$8 adults, \$5 children. (located on Higley near the 202)

**SOCIABLE SENIORS**

Join us on the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month from 12-2:30 pm in the Family Life Center Café. We are playing an easy game called "Millionaire Rummy". Bring a snack or lunch and join the fellowship.

**NEW MEMBER CLASS**

Join us on Sunday, March 7<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, & 21<sup>st</sup> in the Family Room off the Sanctuary narthex. We will meet during Sunday school hour at 10:10 am. New members will be welcomed into the congregation on March 28<sup>th</sup>.

**HAVE YOU seen someone carrying a blue bag?**

Those blue bags with the FUMC logo are our gift to first-time visitors. Please be sure to demonstrate our RADICAL HOSPITALITY by greeting our guests!

**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. **March 3<sup>rd</sup>** : meatloaf and potatoes.

**THURSDAY AM YOGA**

We have moved the Thursday Yoga class to 8:15 am in the Family Life Center, Patterson Room.

**WOMEN’S RETREAT**

The DSC United Methodist Women’s Retreat is planned for March 12-14, 2010 at the Redemptorist Renewal Center in Tucson. For more information and to download a registration form go to: [www.desertsouthwestconference.org](http://www.desertsouthwestconference.org)

**ALL CHURCH WORK DAY on March 6<sup>th</sup>**

8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Come on down and help clean and spruce up the campus. Large and small jobs.

**WEEKLY CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**First United Methodist Church of Mesa**

15 E. First Avenue  
Mesa, AZ 85210  
(480) 969-5577  
[www.firstchurchofmesa.com](http://www.firstchurchofmesa.com)

**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. 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 if weather allows (or Fellowship Hall). Enjoy some refreshments before attending Sunday School.

**PREACHING SCHEDULE – March 7<sup>th</sup>**

9:00 & 11:11 a.m.

Pastor Jim

Sermon: *Let the Laity "Move Up"*

Text: 1 Peter 2:4-5, 9-10

**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

**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 <sup>st</sup> & 2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade -	Room 2
3 <sup>rd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Grade -	Room 3
5 <sup>th</sup> & 6 <sup>th</sup> Grade -	Room 6

**Youth Ministry**

Grades 7-12 -	Family Life Center
Sunday School	10:10 – 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Night	6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

**TONIGHT ONLY**

**Mystery Dinner Theatre**

Sponsored by FUMC Youth Drama Group  
**“And So They Had None”**

Fellowship Hall, 6:00 PM

Adults \$7, children 4-12 \$3.00

(\$20 Max per family -2 adults and children.)

Get tickets at the welcome booth between services.

## **PRAYER CORNER**

### **COMMUNION OFFERING**

On March 7<sup>th</sup> our communion offering will be allotted to the Wesley Foundation.

### **CHILDREN'S CHOIRS**

The Bethlehem, Celebration, Cherub and Kingdom Kids Choirs will be singing at the 9:00 a.m. service on Sunday, March 7<sup>th</sup>.

### **ENERGIZE SERVICE**

This special service is coming Sunday, March 28<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm. Read all about it in the March Spire.

### **Do you feel a draft?**

The Hospitality Team has decided to open our doors on Sunday mornings in order to portray a welcoming environment to our visitors and the community. The doors will be open for 15 - 20 minutes prior to each service. We are aware that it may be a bit chilly, so we appreciate your tolerance in order to exhibit our RADICAL HOSPITALITY!

## **This Week –February 28 – March 6, 2010**

### **Today**

8:00 AM Prayer Team -	East Conference Room
9:00 AM Worship -	Sanctuary
10:00 AM Coffee Time -	Courtyard
10:10 AM Sunday School	
11:11 AM Worship -	Sanctuary
6:00 PM Mystery Dinner -	Fellowship Hall

### **Monday**

6:00 PM Girl Scouts -	Outreach Center
6:30 PM Cub Scouts -	Outreach Center
7:00 PM Boy Scouts -	Family Life Center
7:00 PM WestWood HS Concert -	Sanctuary

### **Tuesday**

12:00 PM Seniors -	Family Life Center
4:30 PM Yoga -	Patterson Room-FLC
6:00 PM Hospitality -	Assembly Room
7:00 PM Carla's Group -	Home
7:00 PM Holt Study -	Home
7:00 PM Youth Band-	Fellowship Hall
7:15 PM SDC Rehearsal -	Sanctuary

### **Wednesday** (FLC = Family Life Center)

10:00 AM Women's Bible Study -	Assembly Room
10:00 AM Men's Bible Study -	Room 5
5:00 PM Dinner -	Fellowship Hall
5:30 PM Youth Band -	FLC
6:00 PM Companions In Christ -	Assembly Room
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 (Grade1-3)-	FLC
6:00 PM Youth Team -	FLC
6:00 PM Carillon Bell Choir -	Adult Lounge
6:15 PM Debt Class -	Chapel
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
8:15 AM Yoga -	Dobson Room FLC

### **Friday**

### **Saturday**

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.

### Hospital

Jeanette Bartlow, Helen White

### Military Prayers

Stateside: Jeff Barta, Robert Dole, Justin Gilbert, Douglas Holt, Kyle Haggard, Chelsea Powelson, Robert Ruiz

Stationed Overseas: Ed Dingle Jr., Garrett Clark, Justin Norman, Dean Oswald, Curtis Powelson, Olin Sells, Matthew 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:

Ron Bartlow, Laura Brown, Katie Doty, Felipa Escobedo, Victor Escobedo, Wanda Foster, Burdett House, Barbara Jackson, Ginny Kovalsky, Rev. Cecil Lackore, Robert Logan, Elane McGee, George McGee, Don Meldrum, Iris Perkins, Margo Reed, Neal Salam, Inez Sheline, Aubrey Smith, Rosemary Smith, Chris Titcomb, Adam Weatherbee, James Weatherbee, Lois Yerkes

### Community Concerns:

Alan Backer, Ben Barleen, Sandy Budach, Hope Cadena, Chandler Dunlavy, Paul Eddy, Lynne Engerman, Suanna Fitzpatrick, Mary Frey, Lee Fryar, Dorothy Guido, Bernie Harwood, Blanche Harris, Dave Henrickson, Cindy Hogman, Christine Hutchings, Jackie Irvine, Bonnie Jean, Craig Kilgore, Shirley Knight, Sandy Ling, Carolyn McReynolds, Ken Meyer, Mary Micheletti, Esther Morris, Chris Mewell, Ruben Parrish, Jill Peterson, Theresa Prysorski, Bernice Putz, Pat Radella, Emily Richardson, Don Roberts, Russell Rodriguez, Bernie Russell, Betty Russell, Jared Sakren, Allen Smith, Dorothy Sutton, Beverly Tenney, Frank Vice, Cindy Walz, Larry Warden, Tobi Williams, Russell William, Paula Wirth

**Pray this week for:** (remembering our church family in prayer), LaVern Nohren, Justin & Kimberly Norman, John, Jennifer and John (Dominic) O'Dowd, John & Dorothy O'Neal, J.W. Oaklief, Steven and James Oden.

### **OUR PRAYER FOR TODAY AND THIS WEEK**

Gracious Heavenly Father,  
Thank You for this day. We bask in the beauty You have made. You will be exalted in all the earth!  
Indeed, Father, we praise Your power and grace, might and mercy, glory and forgiveness. We are appointed for the praise of Your glory, and if we do not praise You, then the stones will cry out.  
Father, use us today for Your Kingdom. The work of love is always worthwhile. The labor of reconciliation is never in vain. We praise You Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

In Jesus' Name, Amen

The Prayer Ministry of our church asks for special prayers for our church during the coming year. Each month the area of prayer focus will change. In March please pray for our Music Ministry, our choirs, choir directors and accompanists. Every prayer makes a difference! Thank you.