THE SKYLINE

An e-news blast of Desert Skies United Methodist Church: Your One Stop Weekly Communication **November 03, 2026**

Church Office Hours:
Monday-Thursday: 9:00 am ~ 3:00 pm

Pastor Heath's drop-in office hours:
Mondays: 10:00 am-2:00 pm
or by appointment

Wednesdays: 10:00 am-2:00 pm
or by appointment

1st Thursday of the month
9:00 am-10:30 am
Jerry Bob's Family Restaurant
7545 S. Houghton Rd.

If you live in Vail, so does Pastor Heath. If you'd like to get together to meet, call or text him. Cell Phone: (410) 758-7707
email: pastorheath@desertskiesumc.org

We are offering In-Person Worship Services at both Campuses:

Traditional: 9:00 am
Houghton Campus-Sanctuary
Praise Band plays the
2nd & 4th Sunday
at our Houghton Campus

Traditional w/Contemporary Music
11:00 am
Vail Campus-Arizona Senior Academy
13715 E. Langtry Lane

You can watch our 9:00am service live at:
https://www.youtube.com/@desertskiesumc7262/streams

You can also watch the 9am service later by going to: https://www.desertskiesumc.org/sermons

TRUNK OR TREAT

The weather cooperated and a great time was had by all at our Houghton campus for our Trunk or Treat event.





Building the Great Wall of Soda/Water

It's not too late to bring in your donations for our Great Wall of Soda (and water). For soda, we primarily need cans of Pepsi, Coke, 7-Up, Sprite, Dr. Pepper and Root Beer, including Diet versions, and are accepting name brands only, not generic store brands.

For water, any brand is fine, but please get the normal 500 ml size bottled waters. You can leave your donations in Office work room by the copier.

We Need Bakers

Cookies, cakes, pies, brownies, lemon bars, and more are welcome! Drop off this week to the kitchen for our Flea Market Sale! Thank you!

Announcements



Celebration of Life Service for Molly Squire-Join us on **Thursday, November 12th at 10:00 am in the Sanctuary at our Houghton campus** with reception to follow on the sanctuary patio. All are welcome.

Houghton Bible Study-Tuesday mornings, **10:30–11:30 am in Rm. # 2 at our Houghton Campus.** Pastor Heath is facilitating the class on Romans. All are welcome! **** We will not meet TODAY due to the Annual Flea Market sale.****

Alternative Gifts Q & A– Q: What can I get for a handyman who owns every tool ever made?
A: An Alternative Gift for Habitat for Humanity!!

Esther Circle Meeting -The Esther Circle Vail will meet at 12:45 pm on Sunday, Nov. 8th at Baggins; 10235 E Old Vail Rd in the Houghton Town Center. ALL WOMEN ARE WELCOME. We will be finalizing plans for events through December. SEE YOU THERE!

Sanctuary Advent Decorating-Saturday, November 28th at 9:00 am all are invited to decorate the sanctuary for Advent. Any amount of time that you can give would be greatly appreciated! Cookies/donuts and hot chocolate will be served! Please let Allison Roberts know if you are available to help. Thank you in advance!

CASA MARIA: Peanut Butter & Jelly Sandwiches-The soup kitchen at Casa Maria provides about 400 sack lunches a day, each including one PBJ and one meat sandwich. Peanut butter and jelly sandwiches freeze well and can be made ahead of time. There is a freezer in the Fellowship Hall kitchen with designated space for these sandwiches and also hot dogs for the soup kitchen. PB&J sandwiches can be made and placed in the freezer in Fellowship Hall at any time during the church office work week (Monday ~ Thursday: 9 am ~ 3 pm).



God's Beauty Oil Painting Classes-Monday, November 9th, 16th, & 23rd from 1:30 pm-3:30 pm at our Houghton Campus, Rms. 5 & 6. Sign up on the Connection Card or call the church office at 520-749-0521. Supplies included, questions contact facilitator, Lorna Niven-520-360-1084.

Exciting News at Vail Campus Sunday School!-All children are invited to join us for Sunday School on Sunday, November 22, 2026! We are having a "Harvest Festival" for Thanksgiving in Sunday School! Come join us to celebrate the many things we are "Thankful For" as a child of God with crafts, games and some goodies, too!

PRIMAVERA: What is Primavera? It is a foundation dedicated to help people move out of poverty and homelessness. Once a month on the 2nd Tuesday, Helping Hands (Desert Skies volunteers) help the "Work Program" by making and delivering lunches for workers in training. For further information on how you can help contact Bev Bly at 520-403-7881.

Shared Youth Ministry- *Updates & Upcoming Events*

November 1: Glow-in-the-Dark Volleyball Night -Our youth had a great time at our Glow-in-the-Dark Volleyball Night at St. Paul's! With blacklights, glowing volleyballs, colorful bracelets, and glow tape, the gym was full of bright colors and fun. We enjoyed playing volleyball, sharing snacks, and spending time together!




This weekend, our youth group will meet twice at Desert Skies UMC *(3255 N. Houghton Rd.)* to help with their annual Flea Market fundraiser!

Saturday, November 7th-1-2 pm: We'll help take down and clean up after the Flea Market. This is when help is needed the most, so we encourage **our youth to join us.**

Sunday, November 8th, 4-5:30 pm: We'll continue to help with cleanup and play some pickleball afterward!

Upcoming Youth Events: View the calendar here. **We will update that link weekly.**

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Online Coffee Hours, Book Studies and Groups via Zoom to Help us Connect!!

Houghton Worship, Traditional Service Online at 9:00 am-You can find us on YouTube at:
https://www.youtube.com/@desertskiesumc7262/streams
(Past archived services are also available at this link)

Video Disclaimer: This service is being live streamed. Your image may appear in certain parts of the video. If you prefer to be mostly off camera for our live stream, please sit in the pews farthest to the left. The video will be available for replay on YouTube channel: www.youtube.com ~ Desert Skies UMC.

Vail Worship, Traditional with Praise Band Service Online-via Zoom at 11:00 am-**All our welcome!**
Zoom Link: https://dscumc.zoom.us/j/83330071030?pwd=dMHpJRvJbuUypbjmmvvmP6sGvQ1t5q.1
Meeting ID: 833 3007 1030 Passcode: 319209

The Wired Word-Wednesdays from 5:00 pm-6:00 pm-The Wired Word applies the news stories, asks the BIG questions, connects scripturally and confronts the news with hope. Join us for another lively discussion!
Zoom Link: https://dscumc.zoom.us/j/83469754585?pwd=Vwyt032QaX13MpynDEdaf2BKUHcXQc.1
Meeting ID: 834 6975 4585 Passcode: 707466

Thursdays at 10:00 am-Coffee Chat-
Zoom Link: https://dscumc.zoom.us/j/98653811783?pwd=YVFVbFJCbHhzRVZuM2hJVkhOTmliQT09
Meeting ID: 986 5381 1783 Passcode: 333879

Mark Your Calendars for Upcoming Events at Desert Skies



Desert Skies' 22nd Annual Harvest Festival!

Sunday before Thanksgiving, November 22, 2026

Harvest Festival gives us an opportunity to share God's bounty of nutritious food with less fortunate neighbors at this special time of giving thanks for our blessings. Our gifts of FRESH FRUITS AND VEGETABLES will benefit the homeless and needy served at Casa Maria Soup Kitchen, and St Luke's Home, a holistic, assisted-living facility for older citizens with limited financial means.

Please bring only FRESH, FIRM FRUITS such as apples; pears; oranges; melons and pineapples, and/or FRESH VEGETABLES such as potatoes; sweet potatoes; yellow and red onions; carrots; squash; bell peppers; broccoli; cauliflower; eggplant and celery.



St. Luke's Home
Homemade breads are welcome and we are accepting monetary donations for St. Luke's as well!

Checks can be made out to DSUMC and in the memo write: St. Luke's Home/Harvest Festival or you can donate on line at: https://desertskiesumc.org/donate/

Gifts of FRESH FRUITS, VEGETABLES and BREADS may be brought to the worship service at Houghton or Vail on Sunday, November 22, 2026.



PLEASE - NO CANNED OR PACKAGED FOOD!

Thank you!



1st Produce Distribution Event
Saturday December 5th ~ 8 am-11am

Borderlands Produce Rescue

BORDERLANDS' P.O.W.W.O.W.
(Produce On Wheels With-Out Waste)
at Desert Skies United Methodist Church

DESERT SKIES UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

1st Saturdays
December - May
70 POUNDS of FRESH RESCUED PRODUCE

$15 Farmer's Market Style (cash only/select your own produce)
$21 DUTA reservation (pre-order online/pre-packaged box ready for pick up)
OR
$15 for 25 POUNDS delivered to your home
(pre-order online DoorDash/10 mile radius)

FOR MORE INFORMATION:
Visit our websites, sign up for our newsletters, visit our social media sites (Facebook/Instagram)
https://desertskiesumc.org
PRE-ORDER ONLINE (starting on the Monday of each event week):
https://borderlandsproducerescue.org

For more information or to volunteer contact Carrie Radomsky

Attention Bakers!



Now is the time to start thinking about the UWF Cookie Walk on Sunday, December 13th.

We need lots of cookies to make this happen! If you have time between now and then, start baking and freezing those special cookies you make each year!

All proceeds will be to Sister Jose Women's Center. They provide shelter and other services for unaccompanied homeless women. More information to come.

Thank you in advance–United Women in Faith