

TONIGHT

“South-of-the-Border” Church-Wide Supper

TONIGHT AT 5:30 PM, will find the Federated community gathering for a wonderful “South-of-the-Border” meal, followed by a presentation from members of United Christian Ministry’s recent mission trip to Guatemala with Healing Waters International. The evening promises to be a special one in several respects. A freewill offering will be received; the proceeds benefitting church secretary Carol Denmark’s upcoming five-day Professional Association of United Methodist Church Secretaries Institute held at the Chandler School of Theology, Emory University, Atlanta Georgia. The institute is from July 19 to 24. It will be an introduction to business concepts required for understanding the financial operation of the church as well as relationships with the pastor, church employees and members of the congregation. The proceeds from the freewill offering will be used for airline travel and incidentals. Carol has already received a scholarship to cover the cost of registration and room and board.

Plan to come and enjoy a delicious meal, support our church secretary, and hear about United Christian Ministry’s recent mission trip to Guatemala with Healing Waters International.



"South of the Border"

NEWS IN THE PEWS

ON THURSDAY, APRIL 30TH Eudora Larson will be honored for her church and community service at the 25th Senior Service Awards ceremony of the Presbytery of Grand Canyon. If you would like to attend, please notify the church office by Tuesday morning. The van will be going to Valley Presbyterian Church. The cost of the luncheon will be \$8.00.

PLEASE TAKE A MOMENT to have your picture or your families picture taken this morning so the new church directory project can be completed. John Weber will be in the Northeast corner of Rees Hall.

NEXT SUNDAY is Earth Sunday and we look forward to hearing the perspectives of Arne Hassing (Christian), Dahamane Mahamane (Muslim), and Lanny Morrison (Jewish).

RUMMAGE SALE NEWS - The youth are having a rummage sale on Saturday, May 16th. Please hang on to all your rummage sale treasures if you want to donate them to the youth rummage sale. If you are interested in volunteering, call Karen Appleby at the church. The “departments” we will have at the rummage sale are: Holiday Table, Green House (plants*, pots, garden items), Arts and Crafts, Small Furniture (can be lifted by one person), Accessories and Jewelry, Small Appliances and Electronics, The Kitchen Cupboard, Bed and Bath, Home Décor, Games, Toys, Sports and Books, The Tool Shed, and The Junk Drawer (everything else). No clothes or large furniture. **THIS WEEK’S SUGGESTION** - One of our departments is “Arts and Crafts”. We are collecting everything from sewing items, yarns, paints and brushes, easels, fabric and craft supplies. If you have left overs, bring them in.

KATIE HARTMAN has compiled a cookbook with wonderful Federated Church recipes. It will be for sale between services in Rees Hall and in the church office during weekdays. The cost for 1 book is \$20.00, but if you purchase 3 or more the cost is \$15.00 per copy. The proceeds from sales will help Katie with expenses for her trip to Australia with the *People to People* program. Be sure to drop by and check out the cookbook. Remember Christmas is only 9 months away!

A SPECIAL THANK YOU to *Paseo Stoneworks* (Kerri & Bill Pritchard, Richard, and the Boyz) for donating materials, time, and labor for the pavers under the Peace Pole.

THE CHURCH NURSERY - For the safety of small children, we request that children over the age of 7 please stay in worship. We also believe that children, at the age of 7, should be learning the joy of the worship service. Please share with your children about the worship service and the mystery of our faith community in time with God. If you need resources or help, please speak to Karen Appleby.



BIKE RACK DEDICATION SERVICE, Sunday, April 26th, 9:30 am, outside at the bike rack. Come join in this short, 10 minute dedication. The ceremony will be over in time for Sunday school.

DO YOU HAVE A GREEN THUMB? The Buildings and Grounds Team is looking for some help with the planter beds around the church. If you can help, please contact Mick or Renee Henry at 774-5892.

THE UPDATED APRIL DIRECTORY is available in the church office. Look for the bright yellow copies on the table, under the office window.

OUR CHURCH WEEK

Sunday, April 19th

8:30 & 11:00 am Worship Services
 9:30 pm Parish Nurse Rees Hall
 9:45 am Coffee Hour & Fellowship Rees Hall
 9:45 am Sunday School Various Locations
 5:30 pm Youth Group Rm. 24

5:30 pm South of the Border Dinner and Program

Monday, April 20th

4:00 pm Disciple Class Rm. 14

Tuesday, April 21st

6:30 am Emmaus Men Macy's
 1:30 pm Strategic Planning Group Meeting Rm. 14
 Pastor Advisory Meeting Pastor's Office
 7:00 pm Boy Scouts Rees Hall, B1, B3

Wednesday, April 22nd

9:30 am Prayer Shawl Ministry Rm. 14
 11:45 am Christian Feminist Perspectives Rm. 14
 3:00 pm Open Sanctuary Sanctuary



Thursday, April 23rd

6:00 am Emmaus Women Rm. 14
 7:00 am Men's Group Rees Hall
 9:00 am Emmaus Women Shirley's
 11:45 am Emmaus Women Coco's
 3:00 pm Open Sanctuary Sanctuary
 6:00 pm Celebration Singers Sanctuary
 6:00 pm Vesper Bells Rehearsal Choir Room
 7:15 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal Sanctuary

Friday, April 24th

9:00 am PB&J Group Rees Hall

Saturday, April 25th

7:00 am Emmaus Men Call 774-9048

Sunday, April 26th

EARTH SUNDAY

HUNGER AWARENESS NEXT WEEK

COFFEE SHOP OPEN NEXT WEEK

9:30 am Bike Rack Dedication
 9:30 am Coffee Hour & Fellowship Rees Hall
 9:45 am Sunday School Various Locations
 5:30 pm Youth Group Rm. 24

STRATEGIC PLANNING TEAM

UPDATE: The team is now ready to conduct small group meetings in homes. Please note the sign-up board in Rees Hall. There are several times and places to choose for your convenience. Come and share your feelings and ideas about our church!

THE D-BACKS SEASON HAS STARTED!

The "knothole gang" will be taking the church van down for the game against the Washington Nationals on Friday, May 8th.

The game starts at 6:40 pm.

Cost for tickets will be \$10.00 (unless they are sold out) and \$5.00 for gas.

If you would like to go to the game, please sign up in the church office.

It's time, once again, for popcorn, peanuts and hot dogs!



SATURDAY, MAY 2nd FAITH IN ACTION

Faith in Action is a movement to bring people of different faiths together for the common goal of serving our community. Invite your friends of varying faiths and world views to gather at Bushmaster Park for a light breakfast at 9 am. After breakfast, join Federated Community Church at the Alternative Center for painting, organizing, cleaning, gardening and otherwise adding cheer to this home for at-risk and homeless youth ages 8 to 18.

THURSDAY, MAY 7TH INTERFAITH PRAYER BREAKFAST

Federated Community Church is hosting the Interfaith Prayer Breakfast to commemorate the National Day of Prayer. Come and join with others from different faiths in our community and hear interesting and dynamic speakers from each of the attending faith groups. The event will be held in Rees Hall at 7 am. Please bring a meatless breakfast dish to share. Invite a friend to join you for this very special event.