

Reaching... Nurturing... Transforming...



MAY 2018

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF WESTERN HILLS UMC * EL PASO, TEXAS



CHANGE THE WORLD

MAY 16-19, 2018 * EXPERIENCE A 1/2 DAY MISSION PROJECT

SIGN UP SUNDAY
MORNING OR CALL
AMY AT THE CHURCH
OFFICE. 584-2133

Wednesday May 16th 5:00—7:30pm

“KNIT-IN” in the Narthex—WHUMC

The Prayer Shawl ministry is hosting a mini - knit- a- thon to make 8” knitted or crocheted squares for HIV AIDS blankets that will be assembled by a women’s team in South Africa. Bring a sack dinner. Drinks/cookies provided. Direction sheets are available with “how-to” instructions.

Team Leader: Becky Martin

Friday May 18th 7:00—9:30pm

TURQUOISE TABLE: Interfaith Ramadan Dinner

Location: Western Hills UMC—SFLC Gym or Narthex
Consider this a window into another faith—as we gather to learn about the importance of fasting in both Islam and Christianity. Our friends from the Turkish Raindrop House will be providing the meal for us—which will begin after sundown—to honor their tradition during Ramadan. RSVP by Monday 5/14. Set up and Clean up volunteers needed.

Team Leaders: Amy Mercer, Jack Phillips

Saturday May 19th 9:00am—3:00pm

NAPKINS for Operation Turkey Sandwich

Location: Western Hills UMC—SFLC Meeting Room
Come help sew and iron 250+ cloth napkins for our Thanksgiving grace meals. Materials provided. Bring your own portable sewing machine or serger. Bring a sack lunch; drinks and snacks will be provided.

Team Leaders: Dawn Wheeler, Barb Birchler

Saturday May 19th 8:30am—Noon

SFLC KITCHEN—Spring Cleaning

We’ve got the Sobremesa Food Truck—now we need to make sure the kitchen is in tip-top shape for use as our central food preparation facility for licensing with the city. Strong backs and a ladder climber needed for this project.

Team Leader: Mary Bell Haney

Saturday May 19th 8:30am—Noon

GOD ROCKS TRUCK—Spring Cleaning

Sweeping, vacuuming carpets, wiping down and cleaning the inside of the truck and cab (ready to be stored for the summer) in anticipation our 16th season of Sidewalk Sunday School.

Team Leader: Jane LaGrone



NEED PRAYER?

If you have a prayer request or would like to be a part of our Prayer Chain, email ZDMFHM@aol.com or call 915.581.3051.

Our mission is to reach out with the love of God to those beyond our church, to nurture our church body in the Christian faith and life, helping all to be transformed participants in the mission of Jesus Christ through the power of the Holy Spirit.

ELECTRONIC GIVING

Scan the QR code to be taken to our electronic giving website.



OUR FAITHFULNESS IN MINISTRY

WITH OUR PRAYERS

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYERS

Christy Gasman, health concerns
Marietta Ervin, health concerns
Harold Alexander, health concerns
Bill Bostick, health concerns
Bob Phillips, health concerns
Esther Reynolds, health concerns
Gylene Bostick, health concerns
Gayle Kipp, health concerns

THE WORLD

***Migrant caravan at border**
People living in war zones
People in the city of Juarez

FAMILY & FRIENDS

***Ann**, daughter of Ann Hallmark, health concerns
***Ron Miller**, health concerns
Jacline Rossol, health concerns
Donna, caring for loved one through cancer treatments
Mary McKay, cousin of Janis Hillis, health concerns
John Rudinger, health concerns

FAMILY & FRIENDS with cancer

Lori Rockwell
Billy
Babette Lucas
Roy Van Nostrand
Catherine Laje
Katherine
Stephanie Fisher
Debbie Sites
Linda Daniels, mother of Christy Gasman
Rosemary Graves
Ron Richards
Debby Carovella
Linda
Gail Hill
Hector Salcedo
Sylvia Villagrana
Robert Askelson
Jill Askelson
Rick

WITH OUR PRESENCE

April 1, 2018 * Easter

Worship.....405
 Sunday School.....64
 The Ridge.....113
 Sidewalk SS.....65

April 8, 2018

Worship.....197
 Sunday School.....106
 The Ridge.....73
 Sidewalk SS.....65

April 15, 2018

Worship.....199
 Sunday School.....107
 The Ridge.....71
 Sidewalk SS.....28

April 22, 2018

Worship.....180
 Sunday School.....104
 The Ridge.....75
 Sidewalk SS.....39

April 29, 2018

Worship.....199
 Sunday School.....80
 The Ridge.....94
 Sidewalk SS.....39

WITH OUR GIFTS

Revenue MTD March 2018: \$66,363.46
 Expenses MTD March 2018: \$62,025.06

Revenue YTD March 2018: \$163,752.70
 Expenses YTD March 2018: \$197,415.85

Revenue Budget YTD March 2018: \$165,637.50
 Expense Budget YTD March 2018: \$216,861.75

If you would like further detail, please call Laurie in the church office. (584.2133)

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When *mothers* know
 WHO THEY ARE AND
 WHO GOD IS
 and have made *covenants*
 with *Him*, they will have
 GREAT POWER AND
 INFLUENCE FOR GOOD
 on their *children*.
Julie B. Beck



Happy
Mother's
 Day

BLUE BIN
 COLLECTIONS

MAY
 2018

**new
 items
 only**

**HAND TOWELS
 WASH CLOTHS
 GALLON ZIPLOCKS**

NM Annual Conference Collection

SPONSOR A FLAG 2018

**YOUR GIFT OF \$30 SPONSORS A FLAG TO BE FLOWN AT
 WESTERN HILLS UMC ON MEMORIAL DAY, FLAG DAY,
 INDEPENDENCE DAY, LABOR DAY, AND VETERANS DAY.**

Make checks payable to: WHUMC

*If you'd like for the flag to be flown in honor or memory
 of a loved one, please put that info in the check memo.*



MAY UMW CIRCLE MEETINGS

MARY MARTHA

MAY 15 * 11:30AM

Hostess: Ann Hallmark

Co-Hostesses: Carol
 Ripley & Shirley Morrison

Devo: Suzette Zaboroski

Program:

Spring Missions

Rev. Amy Mercer

Love Gift: Donations
 for Missions

ESTHER

MAY 15 * 9:30AM

JOHN WESLEY ROOM

Program:

Martha Jo Cavanna

Refreshments:

Margaret Horn

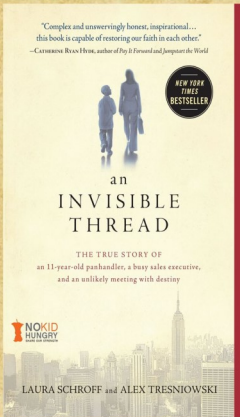
Devotion:

Angie James

FAITH, FICTION, & FELLOWSHIP
Page Turners

May 10
7:00PM
SFLC Lobby

An Invisible Thread
Laura Schroff & Alex Tresniowski




Even if you don't finish the book, join us for lively discussion & bring a friend.
Refreshments Provided

Mother's Day
WORSHIP



May 13
10:00am

join us for one worship service this mother's day

CHANGE THE WORLD 2018



**TURQUOISE TABLE
INTERFAITH
DIALOGUE
RAMADAN DINNER**

MAY 18TH * 7PM

**SIGN UP TODAY IN NARTHEX
OR CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE**

EL PASO MISSIONAL GATHERING

THURS., MAY 24 * 5:30PM
ST. MARK'S UMC


WORSHIP, FELLOWSHIP, DISCUSSION, AND DINNER

**RSVP TO WHUMC OFFICE
584-2133 BY 5/20** **BRING A POTLUCK
DISH TO SHARE**

The El Paso District
Vision

Every person in the geographical span of the El Paso District, will find a place to...

**BELONG,
BELIEVE
& BE USEFUL**



session four

purposeful PARENTING



**Sunday, May 20
5:00 - 7:00pm
SFLC Meeting Room
childcare provided**

ALL PARENTS INVITED
(PARENTS OF YOUNG, TEEN, OR EVEN ADULT CHILDREN)
TEACH/VOLUNTEER WITH KIDS? YOU ARE INVITED TOO!

**CHILDCARE PROVIDED
INFANT THRU 5TH GRADE**

Purposeful Parenting...
a new ministry designed to create a community of loving support

Thank You

THANK YOU TO ALL THOSE WHO HELPED MAKE THE ANNUAL UMW BAKE SALE A HUGE SUCCESS. OVER \$800 WAS RAISED BY THIS YEAR'S SALE AND WILL GO TOWARDS THE UMW MISSION PROJECTS.



NEWS FROM THE Children's + Ministry

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

JUNE 25 - 29

8:30AM - 11:50AM

4YRS - 6TH GRADE

***MUST HAVE TURNED 4 BY 9/1/17**

REGISTER TODAY

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SAFE SANCTUARIES

Reducing the Risk of Abuse in the Church for Children and Youth



SAFE SANCTUARY TRAININGS

June 10 at 4:00pm
& June 14 at 6:00pm
Attending one yearly Safe
Sanctuary Training is required
for any volunteer helping with
VBS, Children/Youth Sunday
ministries, etc.

VBS CREW LEADER TRAINING

JUNE 10TH * FOLLOWING THE 4PM SAFE SANCTUARY TRAINING

VBS WORK DAY—JUNE 19TH * 9AM—NOON

VBS KICK-OFF MEETING—JUNE 24TH * 4PM

Summer Sunday School

Starts June 3

All children will be together for the summer.

No Children's Church during the summer



LOVE



GROW



SERVE

CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES MISSION STATEMENT
**TO LOVE THE LORD OUR GOD WITH ALL
OUR HEART, WITH ALL OUR SOUL,
WITH ALL OUR STRENGTH,
AND WITH ALL OUR MIND.**

WHY WERE HIS YOUTH

WHY Fellowship
Sunday Evenings
5:00 to 7:00 p.m.
Stewart Family Life Center

Sun., May 13, Mother's Day
Youth-Led Worship
One Svc. 10:00 a.m.

No WHY Fellowship

May 15
Deadline for Early Bird Reg.
Sacramento Youth Camp

Deadline for Deposit for
Mystery Weekend

Sun., May 20
Purposeful Parenting
5 to 7 p.m., SFLC Mtg. Rm.



Sun., May 27
Memorial Day Weekend
No WHY Fellowship

IT'S THE WEEKEND



relax. ENJOY. HAVE FUN

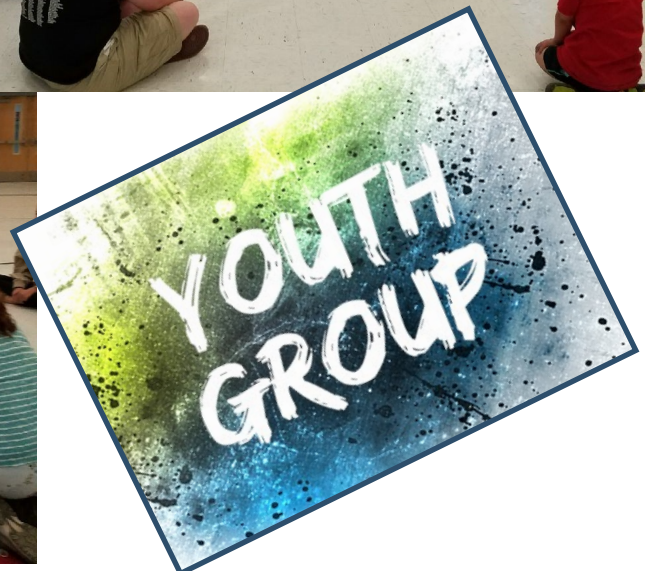
**WHY Mystery Weekend
& Sacramento Youth Camp**
June 15 to 22

Register for SYC at
SYCamp.com/register
\$290

Early Bird Before May 15

\$50 Deposit for
Mystery Weekend
Due to Mitzi by May 15.

Call Mitzi With Any Questions



VIEWS FROM THE RIDGE

TRANSITION IS UPON US AT THE RIDGE!

Here's all the info on our transition to our new location at 5500 Doniphan!

May 20—Celebration Sunday



**May 27 & June 3
Summer Camp
Worship
@ Brown Middle
School**

We'll start summer off with easy going and casual worship in the spirit of Summer Camp. Singing camp songs, great snacks, & powerful preaching from Robert Pelfrey and Daniel Miller. You won't want to miss this time to celebrate the start of the season!

June 10 – First Sunday in our New Location @ 5500 Doniphan!

Kick-off celebration worship in our new location and building dedication with lots of fun. Bring a dish for potluck following worship. (Last names A-O bring main dishes or sides, last names P-Z bring desserts)



CELEBRATION SUNDAY
MAY 20

JOIN US FOR A CELEBRATION OF OUR 9 YEARS OF MINISTRY AT HUT BROWN MS

May 20th will be a joy-filled day of worship where we will celebrate how far we've come since our first Sunday in the school. We will also have a reception following worship to celebrate our 2018 Confirmation Class and to thank the Hut Brown custodians.

**IT'S A GREAT NEW DAY AT THE RIDGE! WE ARE SO
EXCITED FOR THE NEW OPPORTUNITIES GOD HAS IN STORE
FOR US IN THIS NEW PHASE OF MINISTRY.**

IT'S NOT CHURCH, IT'S HOME

SOBREMESA Food Truck Ministry

You may or may not be aware that the church has been pursuing the idea of starting a Food Truck ministry for several years. We've been raising money by hosting the Sobremesa Café at the UMC Fall Bazaar the last few years and have prepared the meal for the Youth Mystery Dinner Theater. With a recent grant that was received, we were blessed to find a vehicle to make this idea a reality. Now, the really hard part begins. We need the congregation to come together to put this ministry into action! Sure, there will be a need for people who will work in the kitchen to cook the meals that will be served from the Food Truck (1), but the real need will be for **dedicated teams** to sign up to (2) identify the opportunities in our area to whom we can serve meals; (3) help plan the food to be served for each opportunity; (4&5) prep and clean the food truck before and after each event; (6) serve the meals on site; (7) clean the kitchen following the cooking activity; and (8) maintain the food truck. There are so many ways and so many opportunities to serve. If you have participated with Operation Turkey Sandwich in the past, then you have an idea that there will be plenty of ways to serve at different skill and commitment levels with the Food Truck. Come by the church during the Change the World weekend to take a look at our new Food Truck. We hope to have its debut at the July 4th Parade. Please look into your heart for where the Lord is calling you to serve in this new ministry and sign up to get engaged. This ministry cannot happen without the congregation's involvement.



FOOD TRUCK MEETING



WESTERN HILLS UMC STAFF

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All Members

Rev. Robert Pelfrey
Senior Pastor

Rev. Amy Mercer
Mission & Discipleship

Rev. Josh Kouri
The Ridge

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Ministries

Jenny Abbott
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