

FEBRUARY 2020

Connections

NEWSLETTER OF WESTERN HILLS UMC

EL PASO, TEXAS

ASH WEDNESDAY February 26

ASHES & PRAYER 7AM—9AM * SANCTUARY

Stop by the church on the way to work or school for a time of prayer and to receive ashes. There will be coffee, juice, and a light breakfast available for you as you head out for your daily routine.

9AM—5PM * CHURCH OFFICE

Stop by the church office during the day and either Pastor Kim or Pastor Amy will be available for prayer and imposition of ashes.

ASH WEDNESDAY WORSHIP 6:30PM * SANCTUARY

Join us for a traditional Ash Wednesday service and imposition of ashes.

WE PUT ASHES ON OUR HEAD TO:

- Remind us of all those around the world who are mourning or suffering
- Remind us that we all have sinned, we all need to repent and we must all cling to the promise and love of Christ
- Remind us that in the passage of time, we will all someday die
- Remind us of Christ's suffering, death and resurrection
- Remind us that in the midst of this, we are called, named, claimed and beloved children of God



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

SYMPATHY

- *Family & friends of David Faust
- *Family & friends of Beatrice Phillips (mother-in-law of Pat Phillips)

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYERS

- *Edith Faust, on hospice home care
- Shannon Jernigan, health concerns
- Ron Nelson, health concerns
- Charlotte Nobles, health concerns
- Fran Brandt, health concerns
- Gylene Bostick
- The Pelfrey Family
- Bill Bostick

THE WORLD

- People of Puerto Rico
- Our nation's Armed Forces and their families
- Traveling safety for immigrant families being reunited
- People in the city of Juarez

FAMILY & FRIENDS

- Tesha Hammonds, health concerns
- Kathy Hoffpauir, health concerns
- Zach McFarlin

- Jacob Wood
- Dean Washer
- Wayne, health concerns
- Greg Smith, health concerns

CELEBRATION

- Elijah James, new grandson of DJ & Danny Mora

FAMILY & FRIENDS with cancer

- Gavin Moon
- Fred Fraser
- Tom Lothamer
- Kevin Lawson
- Lee Cahania
- Jerri Taylor
- Carla Mosley
- Claudette Hillis
- Charles Cancellare
- Jeff Jacobsen
- Babette Lucas
- Roy Van Nostrand
- Catherine Laje
- Sylvia Villagrana
- Robert Askelson
- Jill Askelson

WITH OUR PRESENCE

December 1, 2019

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| Worship | 175 |
| Sunday School | 70 |
| Sidewalk SS..... | n/a |
| The Ridge | 46 |

December 8, 2019

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| Worship | 172 |
| Sunday School | 48 |
| Sidewalk SS..... | 27 |
| The Ridge | 51 |

December 15, 2019

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| Worship | 159 |
| Sunday School | 68 |
| Sidewalk SS..... | 113 |
| The Ridge..... | 48 |

December 22, 2019

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| Worship | 148 |
| Sunday School | 40 |
| Sidewalk SS..... | n/a |
| The Ridge..... | 40 |

December 29, 2019

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| Worship | 115 |
| Sunday School | n/a |
| Sidewalk SS..... | n/a |
| The Ridge..... | 38 |

WITH OUR GIFTS

Income MTD December 2019: \$68,659.01
Expenses MTD December 2019: \$68,787.51

Income YTD 2019: \$713,993.53
Expenses YTD 2019: \$787,818.40

Income Budget YTD 2019: \$646,954.00
Expense Budget YTD 2019: \$857,441.68

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

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Our children are leading worship on February 9 and we'd like to use photos of the children in your life during worship. Email mindy@westernhillsep.org with pictures of the children in your life – your kids, grandkids, nieces and nephews, etc.

PHOTOS DUE BY FEB. 5

WESTERN HILLS UMC
Bible Camp
FEB 7 @ 6PM – FEB 8 @ 10AM
GRADES 2ND – 5TH
DINNER AND BREAKFAST PROVIDED

Children will have a fun time learning more about what's in the Bible and how to use it. Each child will be presented with a new Bible. Call the church office at 584-2133 for registration info.

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

SCOUT FOOD DRIVE
 February 8th * WHUMC Parking Lot

SCOUT SUNDAY
 February 9th

Children's Sunday
February 9
11:00am Service

BIBLES WILL BE PRESENTED TO CHILDREN 2ND - 5TH GRADE WHO HAVE NOT ALREADY RECEIVED A BIBLE FROM CHURCH

Children's Bible Presentation
February 9, 2020

If your 2nd – 5th grader has NOT received a Bible from the church, please call the church office at 584-2133 and let us know.

VOLUNTEER

WITH THE CHANGE IN STAFF, WE ARE LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS TO COVER THE FRONT DESK OF THE CHURCH OFFICE ON MONDAYS, TUESDAYS, WEDNESDAYS, AND THURSDAYS FROM 9AM – NOON. OR MAYBE YOU'D LIKE TO VOLUNTEER IN A DIFFERENT CAPACITY. LET US KNOW.

VOLUNTEER INFO MEETING
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9
10AM * LIBRARY

JOIN THE CHOIR
 Wednesday Nights
 7:30pm—9pm
 Choir Room

FEBRUARY UMW CIRCLE MEETINGS

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| ESTHER FEB 18 * 9:30AM JOHN WESLEY ROOM | MARY MARTHA FEB 18 * 11:30AM LOCATION TBA |
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JAN. 31 & FEB. 14

9:30AM LIBRARY
Refreshments & Fellowship

Heart

Coping With Loss
a grief support group

See Marie Conn or Ginny Moe for info.

NEW
OFFICE HOURS

9AM - NOON
MONDAY - THURSDAY

OFFICE CLOSED ON FRIDAYS

NEW STUDY

OPEN DOOR
Adult Sunday School Class

The Prodigal God
by Timothy Keller
A study of God's Extravagant Grace

9:45AM * SFLC LOBBY
Begins February 9th
Book cost: \$4

Contact Frank & Zoe Dean Middleton for a book at 581-3051 or zdmfhm@aol.com

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 4
9:30AM * NARTHEX

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

GENERAL MEETING
Program: Spiritual Growth

FAITH, FICTION, & FELLOWSHIP

Page Turners

FEBRUARY 13
7:00PM
LIBRARY

EVEN IF YOU DON'T FINISH THE BOOK, JOIN US FOR LIVELY DISCUSSION & BRING A FRIEND. REFRESHMENTS PROVIDED.

Altar Flowers

PURCHASE ALTAR FLOWERS IN HONOR OR MEMORY OF LOVED ONES OR TO CELEBRATE A SPECIAL DAY. SIGN UP ON THE CHART IN THE NARTHEX OR CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE AT 584.2133

FOLLOW US ON SOCIAL MEDIA



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INSTAGRAM: WESTERNHILLSMETHODIST

SIGN UP FOR TEXT ALERTS TEXT **WHUMC** To **940-90** OPT IN

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

February 9th

Our children will be assisting in worship during the 11am service. Bibles will be presented to our 2nd—5th graders who haven't yet received one from WHUMC.

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY

WHUMC Bible Camp

FEBRUARY 7 @ 6PM

THRU FEBRUARY 8 @ 10AM

GRADES 2ND — 5TH* DINNER AND BREAKFAST PROVIDED

SEE JENNY FOR REGISTRATION INFORMATION

DIRECTOR OF
CHILDREN'S
MINISTRIES,
JENNY ABBOTT

VBS 2020

JUNE 22-26



"Let the little children come to me..."
Matthew 19:14, NIV

youth group

SCHEDULE

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

Sunday, February 2
Super Bowl Sunday
No WHY Fellowship

Sunday, February 16
No WHY Fellowship

Wednesday, February 26
Ash Wednesday
7am-9am: Ashes & Breakfast
6:30pm: Service

Fun & Fellowship at WHY

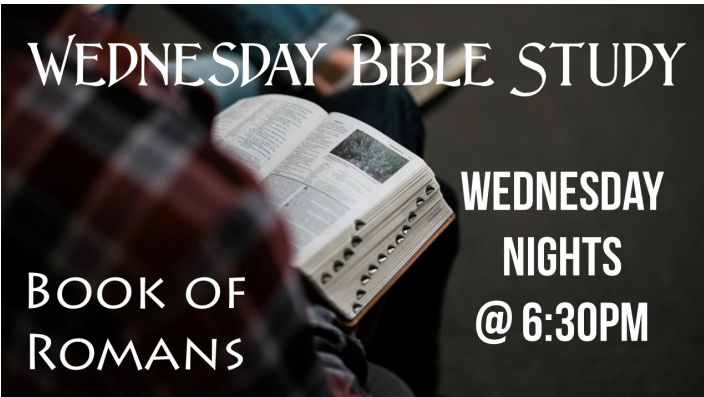


VIEWS FROM THE RIDGE



February Sermon Series:

We are starting our sermon series called, "At The Movies: You Asked For It"! We will be focusing on the sermon topics that The Ridge chose, such as will power and hope.



Ash Wednesday @ The Ridge

Pastor Sal will be at The Ridge from 7am – 9am to offer ashes.

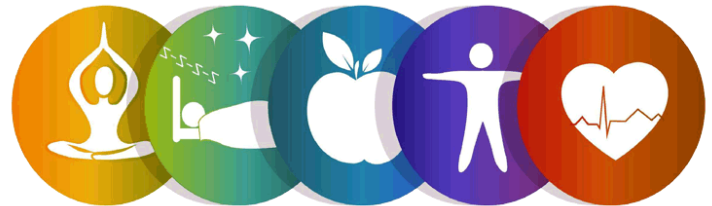
Ash Wednesday Service

February 26th @ 6pm
5500 Doniphan Dr.

Mark Your Calendars:

Health Fair @ The Ridge

May 2nd from 9a - 2p



THANK YOU

Reception for Suzy Snow **Sunday, February 16 @ 3:00PM**



Help us say thank you to Suzy Snow for her 9+ years of serving on the staff at Western Hills. Monetary donations for a love gift for Suzy will be collected until Feb. 10.

Cards/notes of appreciation can be brought to the church through Feb. 10 or brought the day of the reception.

Upcoming Events:

January 31:

Take Heart Group

February 4:

UMW General Meeting

February 7:

Bible Camp

February 8:

Bible Camp

Scout Food Drive

February 9:

Children's Sunday (11am)

Scout Sunday

Bible Presentation

Volunteer Info Meeting

February 14:

Take Heart Group

February 16:

Thank You Reception

February 18:

Esther UMW Circle

Mary Martha UMW Circle



WESTERN HILLS UMC STAFF

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All Members

Rev. Kim Kinsey

Senior Pastor

Rev. Amy Mercer

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Pastor Sal Perales

The Ridge

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