



The Trumpet

Mountainside United Methodist Church
*Making Disciples of Jesus Christ for the
Transformation of our Community and the World.*

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Mission Happenings At A Glance

Isaiah 6:8

Then I heard the voice of the Lord, saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for Us?" Then I said, "Here am I. Send me!"

September 9,10,11,13,15th- Serving at the Asbury Pie Café during State Fair. **Contact Bob & Janet Van Allen at 379-9830 or rvanallen5@comcast.net**

September 16th- Habitat for Humanity Home building. **Contact Rob or Suzie Easterling at rgeaste@comcast.net**

October 8th- Pet Blessing at our new outdoor chapel. Volunteers needed. For more details **contact Paul Mizell 286-9984 or 915-471-3994.**

October 15th- Beacon on the Mountainside. Worship Service, catered meal and revival.

October 18-21- Mission to put new siding on the Sunday School building at the church at White Rock Point, UT. Interested Mountsiders should contact **Rob Easterling (379-9683, rgeaste@comcast.net).**

Note: The Mountainside Newsletter is interested in becoming more Missions-oriented. If you have a Mission that you would like to share, please email the Newsletter Editor, Jeanne Bowman at: **jeanneillustrates@gmail.com**



Using Social Media For The Benefit Of Mumc

Eight out of ten American internet users have a Facebook account. Four of every ten Americans between the ages of 18 and 34 use Snapchat. Eighty percent of world leaders, including President Trump, have a Twitter account.

A few years ago, our church had a choice of whether or not to have a web page. Now, we no longer have a choice! More than ninety percent of the people who come to our church for the first time—for any activity, whether it be for worship, youth, or Upward Sports—will check us out online first. Most people will look at our web page or our Facebook page before coming in our doors. The vast majority of our neighbors spend hours every day on social media. And most people access their social media accounts using their cell phones.

We can fight it, but it seems a losing battle. And it's a battle with no benefit in fighting, but lots to lose if we do.

Let's decide now that instead of chastising one another for using our cell phones, let's put those smart devices to work for our church. Certainly, you can put your phone in the silent or vibrate mode during worship. But let's also encourage one another to put those smart phones and social media to work for us and for Mountainside United Methodist Church.

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Do you have a Facebook page? Do you Snap? Do you Twitter? Do you blog?

Here are some things you can do. I challenge you to do as many of these things as you can:

- Like the church page on Facebook.
- Share the church's Facebook posts frequently.
- Every Sunday when you come to the church, check in on Facebook
- Tweet out a few words or a phrase from a hymn or the sermon
- Post a short video of worship to your own Facebook page, Twitter account, or Snapchat
- And when you see the posts from others, like them. Every time you "like" a post on Facebook or Twitter, our church's reach increases exponentially.

It's better than compound interest. I can say something in worship and 150 to 200 people will hear me. But I can post the same words on Facebook, and more than 800 people will see them! And the number increases as more people like the post.

If you are one of the few who doesn't use social media, then encourage those around you to do so on the church's behalf. If you see someone in worship capturing a video or sending a message, then thank them for reaching out in the name of Mountainside UMC.

So, I hope to see you Sunday. And don't forget to bring your phone!

In Christ,
Pastor Mills

The Forgotten Initiative Pillow Project

The Forgotten Initiative is now working on its next project for this year. As foster children are being moved out of their current situation and to a foster home, they often have no belongings of their own. We have helped by providing Journey Bags, which are backpacks packed full of clothes, personal care and comfort items. We thought it would be extra special to provide a pillow along with these Journey Bags. The best part of this is that we are going to have our congregation pray over the pillowcases! Our gift of prayer may be the greatest thing we can do for these children. Here is how you can get involved:

1. You may purchase a standard size pillow.
2. You can pick up a pillowcase kit from the Fellowship Hall. The kit contains pre-cut material with sewing instructions.

The pillows and pillowcases can be placed in our collection bin in the closet next to the Prayer Room. We will then have our congregation pray over these pillowcases and deliver them to The Bair Foundation in Albuquerque.

Thank you for your involvement and support! If you have any questions, you can **contact Mandy Burke at 401-3911 or mandy.burke@yahoo.com**.

UMC Market Donations

Perhaps you are a regular online shopper. Or perhaps you have caught a whiff of the holiday season in the air and have vowed to start early with your Christmas shopping this year. Either way, you can do a little bit of extra good with each purchase when you use the UMC Market. Perhaps you have experienced this shopping model before: You buy from your favorite online outlets and they send a percentage of your donation to a charity. At the UMC Market, you will be directly supporting Mountainside Methodist Church with your purchases.

From the website of the United Methodist Church: "UMCmarket, is an easy way to provide contributions to your United Methodist ministry through your everyday online purchases. With the rapid growth of online sales, your ministry could benefit from using the UMCmarket portal, in which a percentage of your online spending at thousands of participating retailers is contributed to the UMC ministry of your choice.

In addition, there are several opportunities to save money with special merchant offers and promotions announced each week. UMCmarket is a great way to shop, save, and support your ministry, at no cost to the shopper or the receiving ministry."

Go to <https://umcmarket.org/featured> to participate.

Jugband Schedule



September		
Thursday, 7th	5:30pm	Practice at MUMC
Saturday, 9th	3pm	Canyon Transitional
Saturday, 9th	6:30pm	Jugband Downtown 606 Gallery
Thursday, 14th	5:30pm	TBD Practice at MUMC
Thursday, 21st	5:30pm	Practice at MUMC
Wednesday, 27th	5:15pm	1st UMC Prayer and Praise
October		
Thursday, 5th	5:30pm	Practice at MUMC
Tuesday, 10th	6:30pm	La Vida Ilena
Saturday, 14th	3pm	Canyon Transitional
Friday, 27th	5:30pm	Grace UMC Jeans and Jammin'

Beacon on the Mountainside

It's coming! Look for it! **Oct 15!** The kickoff for the "Beacon on the Mountainside...Connecting people with Jesus!" It's the next big thing for MUMC with an emphasis on demonstrating a community open to all letting God's "light shine before others, that they may glorify our Father in heaven." Details to be provided in the coming weeks so save the date. It's going to be really good!

Oct 15 will feature a combined worship service, a John Wesley "Revival" experience, and a wonderful catered meal.

Now Hiring Facility Manager

Christy Mills will be serving as the interim facilities manager while we take applications for the job. You can reach **Christy on her cell, 732-614-0281**, and you can continue to send scheduling requests to the church office, office@mountainsidemethodist.org. We will be creating a dedicated email address soon. And we are currently accepting applications for the facility manager position. Send a letter of interest to the pastor or the church office.

Budget Report

As of 08/30/2017

Budget Needs 08/30/2017	\$304,920.00
Received for General Budget	\$299,520.00
Difference	- \$ 5,400.00

Asbury Pie at the State Fair

Asbury Pie Cafe will be serving at the state fair.

The Cafe is open for three shifts each day of the Fair. Mountainside will be providing a first shift of 10 workers on **Monday, Sep 11 (8:30am - 2pm)** but if you are interested in other days or times, there are always plenty of opportunities to serve with other churches or groups.

Asbury Pie Cafe baking schedule: We bake pies in accordance with when the Cafe needs the pies at the Fair. This year we will be baking/delivering 25 pies on each of four days. The way it works is, on the day before the pies are to sold at the fair, the are baked in the church ovens (or at people's homes), delivered that same day to the kitchen at MUMC, put into special wooden carriers at the end of the day and take to Asbury Methodist church that evening. The next morning, a team of workers delivers all the pies needed that day to the fairgrounds before 8am. This year we will be baking:

25 pies on Saturday, Sept. 9

25 pies on Saturday, Sept. 10

25 pies on Wednesday, Sept. 13

25 pies on Friday, Sept. 15

If you would like to participate, please contact Bob VanAllen at rvanallen@comcast.net or 505-379-9830

Church Garage Sale a Success

Thank you to everyone who helped out with the Garage Sale! Your generosity was seen in both the material donations as well as the time spent in service of this great fund-raiser. In addition to making some really good connections in the community, we raised over \$2,300 between the two days. This money will go towards the projects that we will be working on when we go on our Appalachian mission trip in May 2018. *Thank you.*

Fellowship Fire



Come sit by the Fellowship Fire with us and get uplifted! On **Saturday, September 16th, 6:30 - 8:30 pm**, we will be gathering on the east side of the sanctuary and lighting a fire of love for our community. Join us and embrace your Mountainside family in conversation and laughter while roasting hot dogs and marshmallows and sharing in prayer for our community and the world. Everyone is encouraged to invite someone to share in this experience. If you would like to offer a prayer or serve at this event, please **contact Tifani at 417-6309**. See you at the Fire!

Sunday School

Our Faith Finders Sunday School class is proud to have kicked off the new school season with a great new team of teachers. Please welcome Lu Brisbin, Jennifer Cashman, and Anne Anderson. We are very grateful they have joined Diane Turner and Sue Walter, of our Bible Beginners, and Tifani Vincent, of our Spirit Seekers, to guide our Children and Youth in Sunday School. Do your kids attend these meaningful small groups? What a great way to experience and grow our relationship with Christ. We meet every Sunday between services at 10:15, during which our various Adult Sunday School classes would be glad to welcome YOU! If you are not already involved in one, please see below for a list of the different groups and where they are located. Try one this Sunday!

Sunday Morning Adult Groups 10:15 a.m:		
Grace	Round Room	
Fellowship	Fellowship Hall	
Life	Pastor's Office	
Families in Faith	Room 203, upstairs	
Young Adults	Room 110 (Gym)	
Sunday Morning Youth and Children Groups 10:15 a.m:		
Nursery	Nursery	Newborn-4 year old
Bible Beginners	Room 201	4-8year olds
Faith Finders	Room 202	9-13 year olds
Spirit Seekers	Room 205	14-18 year olds
These weekday classes and groups are also available:		
Home Group	7pm	44 Windmill Road, Edgewood, NM Contact Linda Mizell, 286-9984

Pet Blessing

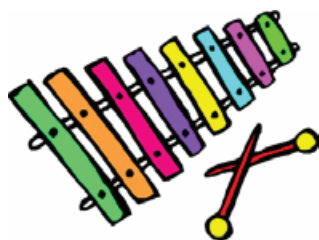
6th Annual Pet Blessing is coming to Mountainside on **October 8, 2017, at 2:30 PM**. It will be held at our new outdoor chapel. It will consist of a simple service of music, scripture, prayers, and individual animal blessings to celebrate the animals that share and enrich our lives. We will need volunteers to help with all phases of this event. There will be a sign up sheet in the church for those who can help and a list of various needed talents. We will also accept pet food donations for distribution through the East Mountain Food Pantry. We hope to have some area vets and pet services at the event. This event is open to all members of our community. Be sure to share this with you neighbors and friends.

For more details contact Paul Mizell 286-9984 or 915-471-3994.



Jubilee Band Practice

Have you been wondering what to do with that musical instrument that seems to take up space in your closet? Now is your chance to increase your closet space and to breathe new life into your instrument. String, percussion, and woodwind instruments and their players are welcome. The Jubilee Band will practice on **Wednesday evenings from 5:50- 6:30 pm, starting October 4, 2017**. Let's make a joyful noise unto the Lord together! **Call Susan Walter @ 286-2139** if you have any questions.



Youth Ministries Meets Quarterly

Our Youth Ministries will be holding their Quarterly Meeting **September 16th, at 4pm**. All youth, parents, and anyone who would like to be involved are encouraged to share their input. This is also great place for newcomers to inquire about the program. We will be discussing upcoming events such as holidays and a Fall Retreat, deciding on our Next Steps as we make some changes toward growth, and providing opportunities to sign up to serve, for both youth and adult. If you are interested in how your Youth Ministry moves forward, don't miss this informative and interactive quarterly meeting, held in the **Fellowship Hall**, right before Ignite youth group. Come for the planning, stay for the dinner!

MUMC Lock In 2017

Calling all Youth! On **Friday, September 22th**, all youth 6th grade and up, are invited to join your friends and spend the night at Mountainside. Beginning at **5 pm**, doors will lock and we will take over the church with our loud laughter, favorite music, blacklight dodgeball and other glow games, creative activities, late night movies, yummy snacks, and more. Bring a friend to enjoy this completely free overnight experience. You do not have to stay overnight to attend. Please bring blankets, pillows, bean bags, fort cushions, and anything else you may want to build your sleep nest out of! You do not have to sleep to attend. Breakfast will be served in the morning. **All youth must be picked up by 9:00 am**. Come well rested and ready for some fun!

Youth Skate Night

Don't miss the Youth Skate Night on the last Monday of every month. If you are looking for a chance to take over the skate rink, with lots of room to skate, race, or play tag, join us next time, **Sept 25th, 6pm-8pm** No RSVP necessary. Event is open to all youth families, siblings, and friends. If you would like to sign up for car pool, to chaperone, or to get your youth's entrance and skate rental paid for, **please contact Tifani at 505-417-6309 or at tvincent@mountainsidemethodist.org**.

Christian Concert Fun

Andy Mineo is coming to Albuquerque on his Friends and Family Tour. This hip hop recording artist is known for his reflective lyricism and for sharing his personal experience to Christ. By special request, our Youth group will be attending this concert at Sunshine Theater on **Tuesday, October 3rd at 7pm**. If you would like to attend, please reserve your discounted tickets for \$15 in the Narthex or speak with Tifani. We will meet in the MUMC parking lot and leave at **5:30 pm**. If you would like to sign up, or join us as a chaperone and receive a free ticket, please **contact Tifani at 505-417-6309 or tvincent@mountainsidemethodist.org**. The last day to sign up and pay for your tickets is **September 17th**. Tickets may be picked up on October 1st or on the day of the concert. Come worship our Lord through this meaningful music.

Ignite

Calling all Youth, 6th through 12th grade! Join us **5 p.m. – 7 p.m. on the first and third Saturdays** of every month and ignite your passion for Christ with like-minded peers. All youth can bring a friend to join this growing youth group! We start with dinner at 5 p.m., and enjoy fellowshiping, either adult or youth-led devotionals, and a variety of fun activities. Do you know of a youth who has not attended Ignite yet? Pass the word and let them know about us. Yes, adults are welcome to do a devotional for the youth too! Contact **Tifani today at 505-417-6309 or tvincent@mountainsidemethodist.org** for more information or to sign up to HOST the next Ignite, either with food or your own devotional.

50 Years at Mountainside

The following article is from The East Mountain Historical Society. "Local Church Celebrates 50 Years in the East Mountains." *East Mountain Historical Society Newsletter (Aug. 2017): 5. East Mountain Historical Society. Web. 26 Sept. 2017.*

"The history of Mountainside United Methodist Church began in 1956, when population growth prompted the Men's Mission Club of Christ (of UMC) to start looking for a location in the East Mountains. Land was bought in 1957 at the current location, now Penny Lane and North NM 14, and in 1960, other UMC congregations joined the "New Church Club." When the final payment was made on the land in 1965, a sign was erected on-site as the future home of UMC.

The first service was held Feb. 19, 1967 (50 years ago) in a triple-wide trailer with a steeple. During warmer months, ice cream socials were held as fundraisers and church youth stood on North 14 (then a two-lane road with no shoulders) encouraging people to come in and buy a dish of ice cream.

That first four months, pastors rotated in weekly from Albuquerque until more permanent arrangements were made. In 1968, ground was broken for a permanent structure, which was completed in June 1969. This 1969 building is part of the current structure, which has been added on and remodeled several times, most recently in 2008, when a two-phase project commenced that expanded the parking lot and created greatly expanded space.

Notable in the church's history is June 1976, when Pastor Elizabeth Lopez Spence became the first female pastor in the New Mexico Conference; she served seven years. And Joan Roberts, who was pastor from June 1988 to June 1993, went on to become the first female district superintendent in the New Mexico Conference. The current church also is notable, among many other distinctions, for having a bell choir (since the 1990s) and a jug band (since 1977).

Editor's note: This history was edited and condensed from "History of Mountainside UMC" by Gene Church, August 2016; updated by JoAnn Cahill and Tomi Taylor; provided to your EMHS editor by Janet Van Allen."



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September Birthdays

Winnie Pearsall 9-1
Skyler Woods 9-1
Barbara Rech 9-1
Lila Nimick-Lopez 9-2
Toni Edwardson 9-3
Linda Ellis 9-8
David Thompson 9-6
Connie Patterson 9-9
Wanda Mason 9-9
Judy Hall 9-9
Glenda Bachelor 9-10
Janeen Counts 9-10
Mary Hancock 9-10
Katharine West 9-10
Penny Morris 9-11
Julia Beach 9-13
Carla Foster 9-20
Kathryn Foster 9-20
Nicholas Edwardson 9-21
Christy Mills 9-23

Rob Easterling 9-25
Bill Hallett 9-28
Eileen Boehm 9-28
Anastacia West 9-29
Flossie Blackwell 9-30

