



## Annual Conference Mission & Outreach Projects

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### Asylum Seekers Relief Project

By Billie K. Fidlin, Director of Outreach & Justice

“ICE (U.S. Immigration & Customs Enforcement) is dropping off 140 people sometime today... ICE is dropping off 90 today... Rumor has it there are another 100 at the bus station... Bus station no longer allowing people inside if they don't have a ticket... ICE is dropping off at a location near the bus station as they can't be in the parking lot any more... Can you find a church to let 90 people sleep for the night? Can you find a church to take 40? 140? 200?” “They only need shelter for one night, maybe two, three at the max.” CAN SOMEBODY HELP?

We are so blessed as a Conference to be able to share that many of our churches throughout the geographic area of the Conference *are* responding. They *are* providing shelter and many other needs, such as food, clothing, backpacks, medical help, small stuffed animals, travel sized toiletries, interpretation, and transportation.

As you can imagine, the organization of these efforts takes a considerable amount of time, money, and energy. While the donations of the items mentioned above are needed and are coming in part from our churches, this Annual Conference offering is specific and unique from those requests. We want to provide funding for capital support to help with this emergency shelter and organizing effort. Your generosity will help to support someone to organize the multitude of details that are different each and every day, background checks, basic needs. Your generosity will help to support God's creation who are seeking in a legal manner, entry to this country so that they and their family can experience the peace of being safe from predators. Your generosity will help to pay for a shower truck and so much more. Please give as your heart of prayer nudges you and me to do so.

## Boulder City UMC—May 26, 2019

**Welcome!** We are so delighted to join together in worship with you today. Thank you for being here! If you have any questions or need anything, our ushers are available to help. **Listening assisted devices** are available if you need them, please see an usher. Children will be excused following the children's sermon to go to Sunday School, ages 3 to 5th grade. Nursery is also available for infants and toddlers.

**Movie Night!** Everyone is invited to come to the Boulder City Library on Friday, May 31 at 5:30 p.m. to watch the movie, “On the Basis of Sex” about the life of Ruth Ginsberg.

**John Sneed** interment will be at Veterans Memorial Cemetery on Wednesday, May 29 at 2:00 p.m.



We are starting a new ministry at BCUMC called **PRIDE** so that those part of the LGBTQ community can connect and fellowship with one another. We are going to kick off this ministry with a **Pride Brunch**. It will be held at the Boulder Dam Brewing Company on Sunday, June 9, 2019 following the morning worship service. All are welcome!

We will be **receiving new members** on June 23. Speak to Pastor Sandy if you are interested in becoming a member.

### Church Schedule

#### Sunday, May 26, 2019

**8:45 a.m.** Adult Bible Study  
**9:15 a.m.** Choir Practice  
**10:00 a.m.** Worship

#### Monday, May 27, 2019

**1—2:30 p.m.** Mat Min, Sr. Center

#### Tuesday, May 28, 2019

**7:30 a.m.** Men's Group, Boulder Creek Golf Club  
**2:30—4:00 p.m.** Mat Ministry, BC Library

#### Wednesday, May 29, 2019

**2:00 p.m.** John Sneed Memorial, Vets

#### Thursday, May 30, 2019

**4:00 p.m.** Choir Rehearsal, SB

#### Friday, May 31, 2019

**11:00 a.m.** Cancer Support Group, SB  
**5:30 p.m.** Movie Night, BC Library

#### Sunday, June 2, 2019

**8:45 a.m.** Adult Bible Study  
**9:15 a.m.** Choir Practice  
**10:00 a.m.** Worship  
**11:30 a.m.** Church Council  
**3:00 p.m.** Harmony Handbells Concert, SB

*SB = Smith Building, 700 Wyoming St.*

**Volunteers are also needed to welcome our guests to worship. See Pat Dam to volunteer.**

**Lunchtime Yoga is on hiatus until fall.**

### **Cancer Support Group**

A cancer support group has begun for those currently experiencing a cancer journey. Kathy "Joy" Huijbregts, recipient of the 2018 Nevada Childhood Cancer Foundation's Person of Courage award, is leading the support group. Diagnosed with cancer in 2014, shortly after moving to Boulder City, she continues traditional as well as natural treatments with eight health care providers.

Joy will share her unconventional cancer journey taking participants from their fear and shock diagnosis to experiencing cancer as a sacred journey of self-awareness and personal growth. The group meets at the **Smith Center each Friday from 11:00am - 12:30 pm**. The weekly theme will address individual's needs and concerns in a positive environment while exchanging research and resources, with time for discussion and questions. "Through acts of forgiveness, gratitude, and love; putting faith and research into practice, and understanding 'sign-posts,' one learns HOW to let go of fear and to embrace life." Joy Huijbregts holds a Master's degree in Education, curriculum and program development; is a licensed educator, researcher, and public speaker.

**Harmony Handbells** will be performing a free concert on **Sunday, June 2, 3:00 p.m.**, at the Elaine Smith Building, 700 Wyoming Street. Harmony is a community choir with 14 ringers from throughout the Las Vegas Valley directed by Brad Hendricks. The theme for the concert is "Ring by the Book." The concert will feature music inspired by stories, movies, and musicals! Music will include selections from the classics, jazz, and Disney. A free will offering will be taken.

**RENEW!** The new Wednesday evening worship and dinner experience continues **June 5 at BCUMC/Smith Building**. Worship at 5:30 p.m. and POTLUCK dinner at 6:15 p.m. Join us for a mid-week **RENEW!** and keep focused on Christ and following in his footsteps. Bring a dish to share.

**Mission & Outreach wishes to thank everyone who signed up for the Panera Bread Project this summer! All weeks are filled!**  
**Thank you, Church!**

**Rev. Sandy Johnson** has been appointed to serve as the Senior Pastor at Santa Cruz Valley UMC in Sahuarita, AZ. Her **final Sunday** will be June 23, 2019. A **going away party** will be 6:00 p.m. Friday, June 21 at the Stanton's, 1442 San Felipe.



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October 18, 2018: first responders arrive at the Huachuca United Methodist Church in Huachuca City. The majority of the church is destroyed by a massive fire. Investigators determine the cause is arson. Later that month a second fire occurs; a brush fire near the church. November 27, 2018: a third fire. Debris catches fire in the chapel and fellowship hall – the two areas spared in the October fire. Again, the fire is suspicious in origin. December 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018: a 15-year-old male Huachuca City resident is arrested as part of the ongoing investigation into the arson fires, criminal damage, and trespassing of OUR church.

You'll remember the Zion United Methodist Church (North Las Vegas) fire and our response in 2017. Youths were arrested in that fire as well.

This Annual Conference offering will help our church in Huachuca City rebuild its space on holy ground. A place to share God's word, our faith in action. A place for the church to be the church. Perhaps a place to reach out to troubled youth who need to hear about God's love so very, very much.

Your generosity will go for so much more than bricks and mortar, hymnals and candles. The offering will help our family, our United Methodist family, to be at peace, to know the support of the connec-tional system, to rise from the ashes.