

Panorama

Des Moines United Methodist Church
We feed all people in body, mind and spirit for the
transformation of the world.

Holy Week



Palm Sunday March 25th at 9:30 am

Palm Procession, Choir Music

Holy Thursday (Maundy) - March 29th at 7:00 pm

Harvest Choir

Good Friday - March 30th at 7:00 pm

Hand Washing, Foot Prints, Communion, Chancel Choir

Easter - April 1 at 9:30 am

Special Music featuring our Choral and Hand Bell Choirs. Easter egg hunt following our Easter Service

Saltwater Music Series

Next Concert:

Une Soirée Parisienne

An Evening of French Art Songs

Saturday, March 17, 2018 - 7pm

Des Moines United Methodist Church Sanctuary

Celebrate St. Patrick's Day at the Saltwater Music Series with an evening of French music! Pianist **Steven Luksan** will be joined by Dr. Liz Frazer, soprano, for a concert of French *mélodies*, or art songs, by some of the under-represented masters of Romanticism: Reynaldo Hahn, Ernest Chausson, Gabriel Fauré, and Amy Beach. Steven will also present music for piano by Claude Debussy, his own piano composition, *Suite Parisienne*, and original songs for voice and piano (in English) inspired by French poetry.

Soprano Liz Frazer completed a Doctor of Musical Arts at the University of North Carolina-Greensboro and recently relocated to Seattle. An active teacher, performer, and choir director, Liz enjoys performing in a variety of styles, including opera, chamber music, and art song. Liz is the director of the French Choir at the Alliance Française de Seattle and has recently begun performing with Opera on Tap and Seattle Opera's Education Outreach Programs.

As always, admission to Saltwater Music Series concerts is free. We will be collecting donations to benefit UMCOR, and encourage attendees to make a donation of \$10. Transportation will be available from Wesley Homes.

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Staff/Pastor Parish Relationships - March 2018

*Nurture and support our Pastor and Staff
in their individual contributions to the ministry of DMUMC*

Opportunity Still Awaits!

Announcing that an opportunity to support our Church mission is still available!

Pastor Jan Rowe is our Visitation Coordinator, but has been conducting this important ministry virtually unaided. Her work load is exacerbated by Pastor Gloria's restricted schedule. If you feel called to help in any capacity by visiting our shut-ins or indisposed, please contact Pastor Jan at: janicerowe.rowe@gmail.com or text and phone (206) 370-1541. Please coordinate planned visits with her to avoid duplication.

Other Activity

Subsequent to the untimely death of our custodian, Johan Keister, Kevin Leach was hired at the same salary and job description. His weekly hours have been subsequently increased from 30 to 32 because he will now perform a security check on the church premises each Sunday afternoon; an additional \$1,679.00 annually. It was also decided to write a job description for a Substitute

Custodian, at an hourly rate of \$15.00. This results in the potential for a \$1,350.00 expenditure to fund this position. We cannot expect volunteers to always perform the tasks of cleaning our toilets, re-stocking toilet tissue and all of the other tasks needed to keep our facilities in a clean and sanitary condition.

We have worked to revise the Employee Handbook in line with the 2018 Sick Leave law adopted by the Washington State Legislature, (which provides sick leave to all employees). These changes were reviewed and discussed with our staff, resulting in suggestions which were included before adoption. Our nursery attendants did not previously have this privilege. This is an additional annual expenditure of \$168.00.

The State Minimum Hourly Wage was also increased in 2018. After research on the minimum wage adopted by local communities, we set the hourly rate at \$14.00, for our nursery attendants who are

paid the minimum wage. This increases the annual salary for each of these two positions from \$1,067.00 to \$1,358.00. Procedures for the reimbursement of employee expenses have been developed with staff input and also included in the revised Employee Handbook. These procedures were previously undefined. They now clarify the way mileage is calculated, etc., and require the approval of the Pastor or SPPR chair before reimbursement. This is an addition not anticipated to significantly affect expenditures.

Pastor Gloria

The SPPR team is also valiantly trying to keep Pastor Gloria from exceeding her reduced work load as she recovers from the effects of medications.

Please help us to succeed!

Comment or questions? Jim Downey SPPR Chair
tjandmnd@gmail.com

Come and Join Us in the Neighborhood!

We are currently knocking on the doors in the neighborhood and politely inviting our new friends to join us for Holy Week. Please consider gathering with us under our rainbow umbrellas and chatting with our wonderful neighbors. Talk to Martin for more information.

Children's Music Time

Each Sunday after service during Lent our Harvest Choir will be leading the children in music and song. They will remain in room 235 after Sunday school for approximately 30 minutes.

The group will share what they learned in worship time at a future date. Snacks for the kids will be provided and Terry will be available next door in room 232 for conversation. We encourage the

children to attend as often as possible to make this time as fruitful as it can be.



Easter Fun Day - Saturday, March 24

Easter Fun Day is coming! Free for all children 4-10 years old. We will play games, create crafts, listen to a story, and watch a movie as we enjoy lunch,

all while learning about God's amazing Love in Jesus Christ. This takes place Saturday, March 24 from 10:00-1:00 in Fellowship Hall. Look for invita-

tion cards in the Narthex. Invite your family and friends to this fun event.



In honor of National Women's History Month, we will be viewing *Suffragette* (PG-13), a drama that tracks the story of the foot soldiers of the early feminist movement, women who were forced underground to pursue

Community Movie Night

a dangerous game of cat and mouse with an increasingly brutal State. These women were not primarily from the genteel educated classes, they were working women who had seen peaceful protest achieve nothing. Radicalized and turning to violence as the only route to change, they were willing to lose everything in their fight for equality - their jobs, their homes, their

children and their lives. Maud was one such foot soldier. The story of her fight for dignity is as gripping and visceral as any thriller; it is also heart-breaking and inspirational. Invite your family and friends to the fun and fellowship that happens at Movie Night!

Save the Date - Habitat Auction April 28

This year's Habitat for Humanity Auction will be on the evening of **Saturday, April 28th**. This is a fun event for a great cause! You will be able

to preview and bid on items starting at 10:00 am. Hot dogs, sandwiches, salads and refreshments will be available at 4:30 pm and the first auction table

closes at 6:05 pm. There is a live auction starting at 7:15 pm.

Habitat for Humanity Mission Week in Yakima, June 5-9

DMUMC members and friends have transformed neighborhoods throughout the Yakima Valley building homes with Habitat for Humanity over the past 25 years. Join the gang this year from June 5-9

for another build. No experience is required. Mission participants raise money for their own travel costs. Other mission expenses (including food, housing, building and materials fees) are paid through dona-

tions and fundraisers like the Habitat auction. Contact Kris Van Gasken at (206) 679-8742 for more information or to let her know you are interested.

Food Bank Update

- In January 2018 the food bank received 103,852 pounds of donated food for distribution. The Des Moines Area Food Bank has started preparing meals for an After School Meal Program at Matt Griffen YMCA. This program provides meals to about 30 at-risk teens each day. The fresh meals (such as salads and

sandwiches) are prepared on a daily basis (M-F) in the Fellowship Hall kitchen each day. The food bank is looking for 1 or 2 volunteers each morning for 1.5 - 2 hours to assist Steven Luksan with the preparation and packaging of meals. Please contact Steven via email (feedinghungrykids@gmail.com)

or by calling the food bank at 206 878-2660.

- Volunteers are needed for substitute drivers, regular drivers, Tuesday morning helpers and Friday desk help. Please contact Kris or Barb if you are interested in helping.
- Cash, food and brown paper sack donations are always welcome.

Chocolate Sale Coming in March

Our amazing UMCOR sponsored chocolate sale will be in March with the addition of our Palestinian hand made olive oil and a new coffee: "Congo", the sale of which

will help UMCOR sponsor a home for abused women in this African Country. We will also have some trial products from "Women's Bean Project" that supports unemployed women

learning to work in a safe, positive environment. Your purchase also helps us pay our own DMUMC green power electric bill!!



Order Bricks for Memorial Garden

We will soon be placing our annual order for engraved bricks to be placed in the Memorial Garden. They can be in memory of a loved one, to honor someone special, or list family members. Please drop off or mail your order to the church by **March 31, 2018** with cash or check payable to DMUMC. Additional order forms are available at the Welcome Desk in the church narthex.

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Brick \$50.00 / Clip Art additional \$10.00 per brick (circle one: traditional cross or cross & flame)

Print exactly as it is to appear on the brick. If no clip art, three lines with 18 characters max. With clipart on the left, 3 lines with 15 characters max. With clipart in the center of the brick, 2 lines of 20 characters per line. **NOTE:** spaces and punctuation count as characters.

Volunteers Needed

We are urgently seeking volunteers to fill positions as people shift to other volunteer jobs. We need your support as these committees help our church run smoothly. We have chairpersons and we now need additional volunteers. Please consider trying, even temporarily, one of these areas. There will be training for each area.

COFFEE HOUR HOSTS:
Pick a Sunday to come earlier to help set up the Coffee Table in the Olympic Room, serve where needed and clean up after the social time. We need 2-4 volunteers. Alice Whisman, Chair, will help train you.
206-246-2128

COMMUNION STEWARDS:
Your commitment would involve three Sundays a year (with an additional volunteer). Come early on their chosen Sunday and set up the Lord's Table with tablecloth, get the Communion Bread and Juice ready and Clean Up after the Service. We need 2 - 4 volunteers and one person to take on the Chair role. Call Carol Davis 206-824-2215

HOSPITALITY:
Hospitality needs volunteers as Greeters on the Sundays they are scheduled. Come at 9:00 a.m. to be at the Doors to greet and mingle during the Coffee Hour seeking out new visitors

to make comfortable and welcome. Contact Karen Borowiak at 206-653-7080 if you are interested.

USHERS:
Ushers come 1/2 hour before the service begins and hand out bulletins and seat people. They stay for the service, help with the collection of the offering, check the pews, replace books, and pick up papers and bulletins before leaving. Chair, Eldon Davis is always looking for volunteers to fill the usher role. 206-824-2215



March UMW Schedule.

UMW BOARD MEETING: Tuesday, March 6th, 1:00 pm at the church in the Olympic Room.

COFFEE TEA AND THEE: Saturday, March 10th, 9:00 am, at the Tuscany Restaurant.

EUNICE ALLEN GROUP: Monday, March 12th, from 2 - 3:30pm at Wesley Gardens in the Music Room.

SHARE AND CARE: Tuesday, March 13th, 11:30am, at Wesley Terrace in the dining room for lunch.

QUILTERS: Tuesdays, March 13th and 27th at the church in Room 232.

Finance

Last year the church ended the year with a \$12,951 deficit. To keep the congregation informed each month the Finance Committee will report the total monthly income and total monthly expense from all sources as requested by the Council.

January monthly income	\$42,914.65
January monthly expenses	27,414.94
Balance for the month	\$15,494.71

AUTOMATIC ELECTRONIC PAYING IS AVAILABLE

The procedure is in place and available to anyone wishing to set up an automatic monthly payment process with their bank/credit union to pay their tithing, giving/gifting. There is no charge to the church and probably is no charge from your bank. Contact Barbara Campbell if you want more information.

The Finance Committee THANKS EVERYONE WHO IS ABLE TO CONTRIBUTE FINANCIALLY TO THE CHURCH FOR OUR MANY PROGRAMS.

A Big Thank You!

The youth offer their deepest gratitude for your generous contributions to the Super Bowl Subs and

Annual Spaghetti Dinner fund raisers! Both were successful and a lot of fun to provide for the congregation

and local community. The funds raised help with our mission trip and other events throughout the year.

Rummage Sale

Please remember to let your family and friends know that no donation is too small

for the Rummage Sale. We are collecting items now for the sale in May. Contact Ter-

ry or the office to schedule a pick up or drop off time if you have any donations.

March

Sundays:

Worship and Children's Sunday School	9:30 am
Children's Music Time	10:30 am
Faith Studies - Adult Study	10:45 am
Junior/ Senior High Youth Group	6:30 pm

Mondays:

Food Bank open	9:00 am - 11:45 am
05-Worship Team	7:00 pm
12-Finance Team	7:00 pm
19-Church Council	7:00 pm
26-Trustee	7:00 pm

Tuesdays:

Handy Persons	8:30 am
AA, Al-anon	7:00 pm
20-Community Dinner	5:00 pm

Wednesdays:

Food Bank open	9:00 am - 11:45 am
Hand Bell Rehearsal	6:30 pm

Thursday

Harvest Group	3:30 pm
Chancel Choir Rehearsal	7:00 pm
29-Holy Thursday Service	7:00 pm

Fridays:

Food Bank open	9:00 am - 11:45 am
02-Movie Night	7:00 pm
30-Good Friday Service	7:00 pm

Saturdays:

17-Salt Water Concert Series	7:00 pm
24-Easter Fun Day	10:00 am

March Birthdays

02 - Julie Ziegler
03 - Ahnika Hendrickson Robin Lamoureux
04 - Alice Whisman
05 - Steve Mannard Ken Rogers
07 - Ellie Clark
11 - Richard Hogg
16 - George Fisher
22 - Jim Douglass
26 - Tom Speer H. David Gingerich Jeffery Ziegler
29 - Eldon Davis
31 - Charles Hoff

If we have missed your birthday, please let the church office know so that we can list it next year.

Coming after Easter

Unpacking White Privilege

We have heard the term "White Privilege" a lot. Many of us don't really understand the issue, the implications, or what we can do to make a difference. The Faith Studies class will take on this "loaded" topic on Sundays in the near future. You are encouraged to talk to Grant Knechtel for details and to register your interest.

Let's Pray for:

June Hendrickson	Mary Weseman	Gwen Patton
Bill Garvin	Jim Thuirer	Sidney Raines
Velna Steiner	Charles Clemans	Rob Hogg
Gwen Whyte		

... And all our Friends and Church Family in Health Centers

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If you have questions regarding any of the articles, please free to contact the church office at (206)878-8301 or email Kathy@desmoinesumc.org.

Church office hours:

Monday - Friday 9:30 - 3:00

As a community of faith, Des Moines United Methodist Church welcomes each person who comes here to seek and worship God. As a Reconciling Congregation, we invite everyone to full participation.

Safe Sanctuaries

DMUMC is a safe sanctuary church . . .

To ensure our congregation is a place of safety, trust, and compassion, we practice Safe Sanctuaries which includes background checks of staff and adult volunteers, preventative education, and proper response to disclosures of abuse.