

**SUNDAY WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES  
AVAILABLE IN PERSON & ONLINE**

8:00am Traditional Worship with weekly communion  
Childcare is provided.

9:30am Traditional worship; 1st Sunday communion  
Childcare and Sunday School for kids and youth.

11:00am Contemporary worship; 1st Sunday communion  
Childcare is provided. Sunday School for kids

**SUNDAY YOUTH GROUP**

11:00am – 12:00pm, Service Opportunities

12:00pm – 2:00pm, 6th-12th grades

Altar flowers are in memory of  
our beloved son Patrick Brown

**FLOWERS FOR THE ALTAR** are a meaningful way to honor a memory or celebrate an occasion. They can be sponsored on any available Sunday for a recommended donation of **\$65.00**. Before making your donation, please contact the church office ([office@desertspringchurch.com](mailto:office@desertspringchurch.com) or 702.256.5933) to reserve the date you would like to provide flowers. Thank you for celebrating your memories and events with Altar Flowers.

**LOVE DSUMC ON SOCIAL MEDIA!**

Tag Desert Spring Church with **#DSUMC**  
in all your pictures and selfies!

**DOWNLOAD OUR APP!**

Get exclusive discipleship tools and connect with our community. Worship, chat, calendar and more! Search your app store for "Desert Spring Church", or text the word "app" to 702-766-6641.



**Desert Spring Church offers Stephen Ministry care**

Stephen Ministry caregivers provide confidential, one-to-one Christ-centered emotional and spiritual support to anyone who is experiencing a life-altering transition, challenge or crisis. For information, please go to [desertspringchurch.com/stephen-ministry](http://desertspringchurch.com/stephen-ministry) or email [stephenministry@desertspringchurch.com](mailto:stephenministry@desertspringchurch.com).

**WELCOME TO WORSHIP**

9:30 am  
January 19, 2025

**Desert Spring  
United Methodist Church**

*"We welcome all people to discover and live a  
life of purpose through Jesus Christ,  
as together we make a meaningful difference in  
the lives of others."*

**GREATER THINGS  
The Open Invitation**

Rev. Sharon Williams

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# WELCOME TO WORSHIP

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

Gathering Song #158 vs 1-2	<i>Come, Christians, Join to Sing</i>	
Greeting		Rev. Sharon Williams
*Opening Song #158 vs 1 & 3	<i>Come, Christians, Join to Sing</i>	
*Opening Prayer		Mark Wilhite
*Hymn #327 vs 1 & 3	<i>Crown Him with Many Crowns</i>	
Scripture	John 1:35-39	Mark Wilhite
Special Music	<i>Silver &amp; Gold</i>	Kirk Franklin
Sermon		Rev. Sharon Williams
Pastoral Prayer		Rev. Sharon Williams
Offering		Rev. Sharon Williams
Offering Music		Voltaire Verzosa
*Doxology #94		Voltaire Verzosa
*Offering Prayer		Mark Wilhite
Ministry Spotlight		MLK Day of Service
*Closing Hymn #170 vs 1 & 3	<i>How I Love Jesus</i>	
*Benediction		Rev. Sharon Williams

\*You are invited to stand as you are able

### TEXT TO GIVE

Text "GIVE" to 833-837-2895

### ONLINE GIVING

<https://desertspringchurch.com/give>

## PRAYER REQUESTS

Do you or someone you know need prayer support? Desert Spring Church would love to help. Confidential prayer requests can be submitted by using a prayer request card from the backs of the pews and dropping it in the prayer boxes at the back of the Sanctuary.

If you would like to submit a prayer request to our email prayer chain where hundreds of prayer warriors will see your prayer, please email [prayerchainrequests@desertspringchurch.com](mailto:prayerchainrequests@desertspringchurch.com).

## NEWCOMER ORIENTATION

Desert Spring is a church where all are welcome, and we love to welcome newcomers into our church family! If you are interested in learning more about Desert Spring, you are invited to attend our Newcomer Orientation on Sunday January 26 at 12:30pm in Room 17/18 of the Education Wing. Drop-ins are always welcome!

## CALL FOR ARTWORK & A STUDIO WORKSHOP - JANUARY 26!

We would love to have new participants, from beginners to advanced, who might be gifted in oil, fiber arts, watercolor, photography, or other medium join us! Submit your (or a family member's) original artwork (up to 2 pieces) for the February 2 – April 13 showing. Current artists should pick up and submit new artwork as well.

While dropping off your pieces, stay for fellowship and an instructor-led mountain landscape workshop! Sunday, January 26, Classroom 2, 11:30 am – 1:30 PM. Please bring your own lunch and \$5 per person. Maximum: 20 attendees. Contact: Jeanne Tsai Fiumara (202) 602-6421, [tsaij41@gmail.com](mailto:tsaij41@gmail.com) or visit <https://desertspringchurch.com/art-guild/> for details.

## BOOK CLUB

The pick for February is THE ALICE NETWORK, by Kate Quinn. Eve is a spy who's recruited to the real-life Alice Network in France during WWI. Charlie, a pregnant, unmarried socialite, is banished to France to have "the problem" solved. She connects with Eve in a mesmerizing story of courage and redemption. Don't miss the discussion on Thursday, February 13, at 11:30 a.m. in Room 2. Join us!

## A DIFFERENT KIND OF CHRISTMAS – A SUCCESSFUL CAMPAIGN!

2024 Partner – The Western North Carolina Conference of the United Methodist Church and UMCOR. Our goal was to raise \$55,000.

The remnants of Hurricane Helene led to record rainfall over the mountains of Western North Carolina, caused catastrophic flooding and spawned tornadoes. Helene killed more than 100 people across the state. It increased food insecurity in the region dependent on agriculture, tourism, or a single large employer. People lost jobs and several large food banks lost their warehouses.

Our congregation generously donated \$68,681.78 to UMCOR during our DKOC 2024 campaign with \$51,378.90 going directly to the Western North Carolina Conference.

## ANGEL TREE

The support of St. Jude's Ranch for foster children was amazing. Desert Spring's generosity provided the entirety of Christmas for the children living at St. Jude's Ranch in Boulder City. All ornaments were returned with gifts. Additionally, we were able to provide 45 \$25 gift cards and a \$1,000 donation. Those additional resources were utilized by the foster parents and staff to fill in any additional needs of the children. Thank you for your generous donations, exemplifying the spirit of Christmas.