



# Sierra Vista United Methodist Church Newsletter

April 5, 2024

Services for Sunday, April 7, 2024

7:30 AM - 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM

Reading 1: 1 John 1:1-2:2

Reading 2: John 20:19-31

Sermon Title: Open Hearts - Rev. Carl Peterson



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A recording of the Worship Service is on:

SVUMC Website: <https://sierravistamethodist.org/worship>

FaceBook: <https://www.facebook.com/SierraVistaUnitedMethodistChurch>

YouTube: [tinyurl.com/svumc-youtube](https://tinyurl.com/svumc-youtube)

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## Rummage Sale



## SVUMW's Annual Rummage Sale

Drop off donations on Wednesdays 8-10 AM or contact Spit & Shine.  
Volunteers needed for setup on April 28—May 2.

Donations of breakfast & snack foods greatly appreciated!

Contact: Norma Eck 845-800-4146 or Myra Rogers 520-236-9388

### Donations **NOT** accepted:

- no old TVs or computers
- no helmets
- no car seats
- no mattresses
- no cribs
- no clothing



## SVUMC Calendar 5 April 2024 - 12 April 2024

Friday 5 April	Exercise Classes - See schedule on last page of this Jaunt 9:00 AM: Move Around Ladies - Activity Center 12:00 PM: Emmaus Reunion Group
Saturday 6 April	10:00 AM: What's Next Group - Serenity Room
Sunday 7 April	7:30 - 9:00 - 10:30 AM worship services - Sanctuary 9:00 AM: Crossroads Adult Sunday School - Room 1, Fellowship Hall
Monday 8 April	Exercise Classes (see last page of this Jaunt) - Fellowship Hall 9:00 AM: Move Around Ladies - Activity Center
Tuesday 9 April	9:30 to 11:30 AM: Knit Wits - Classroom 1-2 in the Fellowship Hall 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM: Naomi Circle - Serenity Room 10:00 AM: Emmaus Reunion Group
Wednesday 10 April	8:00 - 10:00 AM: Spit & Shine - Campus 8:00 AM: Sonrisers Bible Study - Fellowship Hall, Room 5 9:00 AM: Move Around Ladies - Activity Center 1:30 PM: Grief Share - Serenity Room 6:00 PM: Vespers - Sanctuary
Thursday 11 April	7:00 - 8:30 AM: Walk to Emmaus Breakfast - Country House 8:30 - 10:00 AM: Emmaus Group - Room 5, Fellowship Hall 9:00 AM: UWF Mary Martha Circle - Room 3/4, Fellowship Hall 9:00 AM: PEO Meeting 10:00 AM: Mah Jongg - Fellowship Hall 1:30 - 3:30 PM: Pastor's Bible Study - Serenity Room 2:45 PM: Helping Hands Tutoring - Fellowship Hall 4:00 PM: SPRC meeting - Serenity Room
Friday 12 April	Exercise Classes (see last page of this Jaunt) - Fellowship Hall 9:00 AM: Move Around Ladies - Activity Center 12:00 PM: Women's Emmaus Group - Room 5, Fellowship Hall 7:00 PM: Sierra Vista Sings - Sanctuary

### Prayer Word: Renew (Week 1) by Pastor Carl



Easter brings new life through the resurrection. We are made new. But let's face it, sometimes don't feel like anything has changed. As we age, our bodies ache in more places. Raising families, we can look forward to love and adventures, but we're tired at the end of the day. Renewal, though, is to be into something else; like a parent getting to go out with other adults instead of just being around the kids all day or getting ready for a date. To be renewed in Christ is to bring new energy into relationship with God and to reset our energies for the mission God has for us. We are made new by a breath of fresh air and by the breath of God. How does Easter renew your heart?



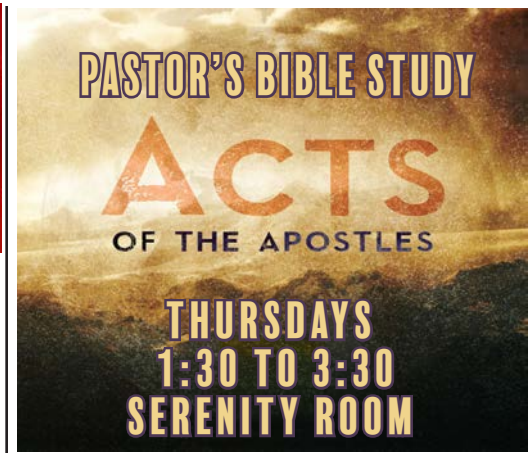
# Prayer Requests

John 15:7 "If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you."

Rebecca Merito  
 Adam (Jim & Sue Godskesens' friend)  
 Sue Banyai  
 Destiny  
 Arnie Davis  
 Alex & Rick  
 Ryan  
 Kim  
 Rev. Beth Rambikur  
 Jackie Zandrews  
 Terri  
 Gary Larson  
 Brandon, Cindy & Paul  
 Jesse  
 Noah, Brooklyn, & Cindy  
 Clayton Black  
 Jenni  
 Susan  
 Cheryl Bruno  
 Arthur Feldman  
 Dashia Richardson  
 Tani  
 Donna T.  
 David Higbee & Family  
 Family of Larry Rooney  
 Dallas Meyer  
 Lori Jenkins  
 Bettye Carson  
 Terry  
 Dan Nucci  
 Pat Garrison  
 Sharron Arcand  
 Jason  
 Dr. Nancy & Dr. Ellen  
 Ryder & his mother  
 Aspen & her mother  
 Larry & Doncella Leach

Martha & Her Family  
 Cheri Beck  
 Ray Arcand  
 Dr. Nancy  
 Shirley Wade  
 Odessa Stewart  
 Lucy Ellen Brown  
 Christina  
 Jake Robinson  
 Andrea  
 Donna Horton  
 Marc Johnson  
 Gary & Robin Weiser  
 Anna Van Horn  
 John  
 Jasmine  
 Dan Wiley  
 Cindy Long  
 Betty Williams  
 Bob  
 Eli O'Connor  
 Greg Juedes  
 Janet High  
 Linda Penn  
 Larry Horton  
 Tricia Weller  
 Ralph & Bree Merito  
 Gayle Bryant & His Family  
 Brenda Langenberg  
 Gary Anderson  
 Joanne McLeod  
 Sid & Carol Downey  
 Ric Becker  
 Carol Glowacki Geyer  
 Lynn Stewart  
 Victoria Nelson  
 Family of Gilbert Ramos

Congregations of St. Stephen's Episcopal Church and the First Presbyterian Church




## WHAT'S NEXT?

First Saturday of Every Month  
 10:00 AM, Serenity Room

If you are a widow or widower who is interested in getting together with others to socialize and be active, please join us to discuss a new ministry opportunity.

Contact Sandi Teems for more information 520-732-1040



You are not alone. At GriefShare you'll receive valuable guidance and tips, leading you to relief, comfort, and peace of mind. GriefShare meets every Wednesday at 1:30 PM in the Serenity Room. Contact the church office or Sheila King (775-691-0023) for more information.



## NAOMI CIRCLE

Naomi Circle will meet Tuesday April 9, 10AM in the Serenity Room. We will have our devotional, a short business meeting coffee and a light brunch. Our focus will be a round table discussion on "Fall Prevention". If time permits we will do a spring type craft. All women of the Church are invited..... please RSVP if you plan to attend so we can provide the supplies for the craft. RSVP at 520-378-0174 or 520-255-5716. mekope@cox.net

Mary Ellen Kope  
 Naomi Circle Leader

## Pray for "General Conference" this month!

Normally, a "general conference" of the UMC meets each 4 years to make decisions which govern the United Methodist Church in both the United States and the other countries with UMC churches. The 2020 General Conference was postponed due to the pandemic, and will finally occur on April 23 to May 3 (in Charlotte, NC).

This year's conference will consider many important matters, most notably a proposed reorganization which, among other things, will allow a US region to make some decisions which now the conferences outside the US can make for themselves. It will also consider procedures for churches to disaffiliate, revision of all the "Book of Resolutions", and a budget for the next 4 years which adapts to greatly decreased income.

You are urged to pray for the delegates who will be attending, discussing, and voting. They need wisdom and grace to follow the mind of Christ.

The Upper Room has prepared a prayer guide to assist you in praying for the General Conference. This includes daily devotions for April 7-23 and may be downloaded free from several places: The most direct is via <https://www.resourceumc.org/en/content/guide-to-prayer-for-the-united-methodist-general-conference>. (If clicking on this link doesn't work, you can try going to [dscumc.org](http://dscumc.org) or [www.resourceumc.org](http://www.resourceumc.org) and searching for "guide to prayer", or to [www.upperroom.org/news/2667](http://www.upperroom.org/news/2667).)

You can also find much more information about this year's general conference (and the UMC) on its webpage: <https://www.resourceumc.org/en/churchwide/general-conference-2020>. J. Knoche

### Sierra Vista Sings! "Faith, Hope, & Love"



SVUMC Worship Center  
Friday, April 12  
Saturday, April 13  
7:00 PM (doors open 6:30)  
To buy tickets, contact Deb at  
520-803-0915  
or contact Carl Coss or  
KJ Wigton.  
Tickets: \$10.00 each  
There will be a free will offering  
to support The Salvation Army

### Nursery Worker Needed

We are in need of another Nursery Worker for Sundays from 8:30 AM until noon. Our Nursery Workers are very important to us and are tasked with taking care of the littlest ones in our congregation. If you or someone you know is interested, email [kayla.flannery18@gmail.com](mailto:kayla.flannery18@gmail.com) or through the church office. The position pays minimum wage.

### Prayers for Our Churches

Please pray for the churches and pastors of the South District of the Desert Southwest Conference.

April

First UMC, Safford

First UMC, Tucson

Campus Ministry, U of A, Tucson

### After-Easter Sale



The chaplains of Canyon Vista Medical Center need \*NEW\* stuffed animals (on sale for after-Easter discounts!)

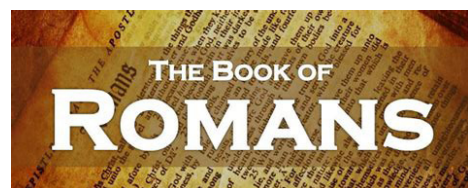
Please drop off donations to the church office.



### American Red Cross

Our blood drive on April 2 was a success... we met our goal. Thanks to all those who gave blood and to those who supported this important cause.

Our next blood drive will be on Tuesday, June 4 in the Activity Center from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM. For more information or to make an appointment, please call the American Red Cross at 800-733-2767 or long onto [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) and use the sponsor code: Methodist.



### Crossroads Adult Sunday School

The Crossroads Sunday school class is studying the New Testament... *the Book of Romans*.

This class is open to all adults, and now is a great time to join us.

9:00 AM - Room 1  
Fellowship Hall



SAWs (Servants at Work) is a ramp-building mission that assists those in the community who are homebound and cannot afford a ramp. For more information on this vital ministry and/or to volunteer, go to [sawssouthwest.org](http://sawssouthwest.org).

### GREEN TEAM!

The Sierra Vista UMC and the Desert Southwest Conference are committed to good stewardship of the earth, God's beautiful creation! For information on our Earth Care Green Team and the resolution on Net-Zero greenhouse gas emissions by 2050, visit our website or use this link to go to the Green Team web page directly:

<https://sierravistamethodist.org/green-team>

# Health and Exercise Classes



Strength Training classes are offered by Nancy Buttke in the Fellowship Hall on Mondays and Fridays as shown on the chart below.

There is no fee. Donations are accepted. For more info contact Nancy at 520-678-0172.

8:30 AM	Strength Class: Lifting weights using dumbbells and ankle weights (about 1 hour)
9:40 AM	Back/Abs Class: For people with back problems who need to strengthen their core (back and abdominal muscles, 30 minutes)

## Sierra Vista United Methodist Church

3225 St Andrews Drive, Sierra Vista, AZ 85650. If you have questions or need assistance, please contact us. The church office is open Monday-Friday, 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Pantry donations may be made at that time. Phone: 520 378-3352 / Email: [svumc3225@gmail.com](mailto:svumc3225@gmail.com)



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