

The Jaunt



Sierra Vista United Methodist Church Newsletter

October 27, 2023

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

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The Jaunt is a weekly newsletter that reports on upcoming events and highlights church activities.

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Services for Sunday, October 29, 2023

7:30 AM - 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM in the Sanctuary

Old Testament: Deuteronomy 34:1-12

Epistle: 1 Thessalonians 2:1-8

Gospel: Matthew 22:34-46

Sermon: Giving boundaries - Rev. Carl Peterson

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Fisherman's Monthly Gathering, 28 Oct 23, 8:00 AM in Fellowship Hall, followed by a special presentation at 9:00 in the sanctuary on sex trafficking - we need to heighten our awareness.

Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, 29 Oct 23, in the Fellowship Hall after the 7:30 and 9:00 AM services.

Spread the Love of Jesus!



SVUMC Calendar 27 October - 3 November 2023

Friday 27 October	Exercise Classes - See Schedule on the last page of this Jaunt 9:00 AM: Move Around Ladies
Saturday 28 October	8:00 - 9:00 AM: Fishermen Gathering - Fellowship Hall 9:00 AM: Special presentation on Sex Trafficking - Sanctuary
Sunday 29 October	7:30 AM - 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM: Worship Services - Sanctuary 9:00 AM: Adult Bible Study - Crossroads, Room 1, Fellowship Hall PANCAKE BREAKFAST - Fellowship Hall (after 7:30 and 9:00 AM services) 2:00 PM: Annual Community Hymn Fest - St. Andrew's Church 4:00 to 7:00 PM: Trunk or Treat - SVUMC Parking lot
Monday 30 October	Exercise Classes - See Schedule on the last page of this Jaunt 9:00 AM - 9:30 AM: Move Around Ladies - Activity Center
Tuesday 31 October	9:30 to 11:30 AM: Knit Wits - Classroom 1-2 in the Fellowship Hall 11:30 AM: Emmaus Reunion Group - Classroom 1-2, Fellowship Hall
Wednesday 1 November	8:00 AM: Spit and Shine - Church Campus 8:00 AM: Sonrisers Bible Study - Room 5, Fellowship Hall 9:00 AM - 9:30 AM: Move Around Ladies - Activity Center 1:30 PM : Grief Share - Serenity Room 5:00 PM: Potluck Dinner - Fellowship Hall 6:00 PM: Vespers - Sanctuary 7:00 - 8:30 PM: Choir Rehearsal - Worship Center
Thursday 2 November	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 10:00 AM: Mah Jongg - Fellowship Hall 2:45 PM: Helping Hands Tutoring - Fellowship Hall 5:30 PM: Trustees Meeting - Serenity Room
Friday 3 November	Exercise Classes - See Schedule on the last page of this Jaunt 9:00 AM: Move Around Ladies - Activity Center 12:00 PM: Women's Emmaus Group - Room 5, Fellowship Hall

Prayer Word: Generosity (Week 4) by Pastor Carl



Consider for a moment all the people in your life who have nurtured your faith and formed your core beliefs. You might recall words of wisdom, or perhaps it was the arms of comfort when things weren't going right. Perhaps it was the stability in routines, including going to church on Sunday and perhaps also on Wednesday and praying before meals eaten at the table. Whatever the recollections, we can be certain that the memories are filled with love. Generosity is showing our love through our time, our presence, our gifts, our service, and occasionally by sharing our faith story (called witness in our church vernacular). Do you see yourself as generous? Would others say the same of you?

Red Kettle Bell-Ringing Mission

We are all familiar with the Salvation Army bellringers between Thanksgiving and Christmas. The SVUMC Fishermen rang bells last year at both doors at Walmart for a whole day. This season, we are expanding that mission opportunity to Walmart, Safeway, and Hobby Lobby on November 27. The Red Kettle program is the biggest annual fundraiser for the Salvation Army's disaster response, daily lunches, youth services, veterans' services, senior services, and much more.

Please think prayerfully of taking a 2-hour time slot on Monday, November 27 at one of the three locations. There is a signup sheet in the Worship Center lobby. Or you can contact Gary Larson at 520-236-8872, Email at larson1967@protonmail.com. Some of the time slots are taken, but we still more to fill.



svumc3225@gmail.com

Today: **October 20** Print Week Month Agenda

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Events shown in time zone: Mountain Standard Time - Phoenix



The SVUMC master calendar is now on line!

It is found on our website under CALENDAR on the opening page. Here is a direct link: <https://sierravistamethodist.org/calendar>. The small print of the version on line may be difficult to read. To increase the size to full-screen, click on the box in the lower right hand corner. The calendar is maintained by the office manager, Kayla Empey. Please address questions, comments, additions, and changes to Kayla.

Crossroads Adult Strength School

9:00 AM to 10:00 AM
Room 1, Fellowship Hall

Studying Acts



Tuesday, November 14

6:00 - 8:00 PM

Saturday, November 18

1:00 - 3:00 PM

Sierra Vista UMC

Fellowship Hall

To sign up for this seminar,
contact Sheila King

775-691-0023

www.griefshare.org/holidays



Pancake Breakfast!

The rumor that Fellowship Hall is haunted is not true... well, probably not true. Anyway, don't be spooked even though the Fishermen's pancake breakfast is in the Halloween zone. This is the Fishermen's last pancake breakfast of the year, and it is the best pancake breakfast in Cochise County! All you can eat for only \$50 (actually, it is free). We are serving blueberry and plain pancakes, sausage, fruit, and beverages after the 7:30 and 9:00 AM worship services. Join us on October 29th in the not-haunted Fellowship Hall. Bring your appetite and load up your plate!



**American
Red Cross**

BLOOD DRIVE

ACTIVITY CENTER

November 16, 2023

9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

To register,
call 1-800-733-2767
or visit

RedCrossBlood.org/Give

*This blood drive
is held in honor
of
Ruth Anne
Huston*



PRAYER request

Christina
Wendy
Jake Robinson
Jennifer
Andrea
Donna Horton
Marc Johnson
Gary & Robin Weiser
Barbara Magargee
Anna Van Horn
John
Jasmine
Dan Wiley
Cindy Long
Kathy Marvin
Betty Williams
Bob
Chela
Jim Godskesen

Tani & Jimmie
Eli O'Connor
Greg Juedes
Janet High
Linda Penn
Larry Horton
Larry Rooney
Tricia Weller
Ralph & Bree Merito
Gayle Bryant & Family
Brenda Langenburg
Gary Anderson
Joanne McLeod
Sid & Carol Downey
Ric Becker
Carol Glowacki Geyer
Lynn Stewart
Victoria Nelson
Bobby Justice, his family & doctors

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

Nursery Worker

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 at kayla.flannery18@gmail.com or through the church office. The position pays minimum wage.



Scams involving phishing, fake "family" calls and gift-card cons are prevalent in Arizona. The AARP Fraud Watch Network is holding two free forums with speakers from law enforcement, the Better Business Bureau and other organizations to address these serious threats.

The forum is Saturday, November 4, at 9 a.m., with a breakfast at 8:30 a.m. at Cochise College, 901 N. Colombo Ave., Sierra Vista.

Register at:

events.aarp.org/d/v0qts2

Pastor's Bible Study

ROMANS

Thursdays - 1:30 to 3:30 PM - Serenity Room

An in-depth Bible Study. All are welcome!
Bring your Bible.

Lay Servant Training

The Fall schedule of Lay Servant classes is out and all classes are now open for registration. The schedule is available on the church website (link below).

The West District of Desert Southwest Conference will offer the Advanced Lay Servant Ministries Course - Lay Servants Lead in Intercultural Competency on Saturdays, February 10, 27, and 24 from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. via Zoom. For more information go to:

<https://sierravistamethodist.org/lay-servant-training>



Naomi Circle will meet November 14th at 10 AM in the Serenity Room. We will have fellowship time, coffee, and pastries followed by our special program at 10:30. Sheriff Mark Dannels will give a presentation on the current scams aimed at vulnerable adults.

You do not need to be a member of the Naomi Circle to attend. If you are interested in attending this very important presentation, please RSVP to me 520-378-0174 or mekope@cox.net

Mary Ellen Kope
Naomi Circle Leader

Food Pantry



Because the Food Pantry is a vital ministry at SVUMC, it is important that this ministry be supported by volunteers. Currently a plan is in the works to have volunteers put food bags together as well as volunteers to be in the office and assist in distribution of bags when community members come to the office in need of food. If we have enough volunteers, people will only have to give their time only 1 or 2 times a month. We currently give out 30 to 45 bags of food each week. Kayla E. needs our help. Please consider helping with this ministry. For more information, talk to Kayla E in the office 520-378-3352 or Sheila King 775-691-0023.



OCTOBER 29

SET UP 4 PM - TREATERS 5 TO 7 PM
- CANDY DONATIONS WELCOME -
TO HOST A TRUNK, SIGN UP WITH KAYLA J.

For more information, see the flyer at:
<https://sierravistamethodist.org/trunk-or-treat>



Calling All Crafters

9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Saturday,
December 9th
11 a.m. - 3 p.m. Sunday,
December 10th
Sierra Vista UMC
3225 St. Andrews Dr.

For more info go the church website:
<https://sierravistamethodist.org/craft-fair>

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

SAWS®
SOUTHWEST INC.
Building Freedom One Ramp at a Time

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

HYMN FEST!

The 15th Annual Community Hymn Festival will be held on Sunday, October 29 at 2 PM at St. Andrew's Church, 800 Taylor Drive, Sierra Vista.



CHURCH COUNCIL

Your SVUMC Church Council met October 19th and discussed upcoming events, and took care of some business. Lots of things happening, so mark your calendars for:

- 28 Oct, Fishermen's breakfast followed by special presentation open outside the group.
- 29 Oct, Trunk or Treat
- 1 Nov, 1st Wednesday Pot Luck
- 14 Nov, Surviving the Holidays
- 16 Nov, Blood Drive
- 18 Nov, Surviving the Holidays. / Starting at 3PM, Ministry Fair Set up.
- 19 Nov, Ministry Fair
- 21 Nov, Ecumenical Service and Pie Fest
- 23 Nov, Thanksgiving Day Service and Pot Luck
- 29 Nov, Advent Wed Supper, 4:30PM; Advent Study, 5 PM – 5:55 PM.
- 1 Dec, Sierra Vista Sings Concert
- 2 Dec, Hanging the Greens. Sierra Vista Sings Concert
- 9 Dec, Craft Fair
- 10 Dec, Craft Fair
- 15 Dec, VCP Christmas Program
- 16 Dec, Produce Outreach
- 21 Dec, Blue Christmas
- 24 Dec, Christmas Eve, 3 X Services AM, 2 X Services PM
- 31 Dec, New Year's Eve Watch Night 5 PM

On the business side, your SPRC proposed and we approved a Holiday policy for part-time employees. This allows part-time employees to take Holiday time (with pay) proportional to their work schedule.

Check out the church website, <https://sierravistamethodist.org/>. There are fliers for upcoming events and other useful info. There are still a few things that need converting from stock to SVUMC, but George Graves has done yeoman's work and might even accept help if you have skills and are so inclined.

I'd like to also thank all of you who came to the Church Conference on October 22d. You heard about the vision and goals of the church, passed the budget, approved the slate of administrative committee members, approved the Pastor's 2024 compensation package, renewed the Lay Servants for next year, and reviewed the church membership rolls. Another annual business meeting in the books!

Our next Church Council meeting will be January 18th, 5:30 PM in the Serenity. All are welcome.

James Harper, harperjh@earthlink.net

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 webpage directly:

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



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.

SEX TRAFFICKING - A GLOBAL CRISIS

Sex trafficking, a grave violation of human rights and personal dignity, has burgeoned into a global crisis. This heinous crime involves the recruitment, transportation, harboring, or receipt of people by means of force, fraud, or coercion for the purpose of sexual exploitation. It's essential to shed light on the magnitude of the problem, its root causes, and the steps being taken to combat it.

Victims of sex trafficking endure unimaginable physical and psychological torment. They are often isolated, threatened, and subjected to violent physical and sexual abuse. The trauma can lead to long-term physical health issues, mental health disorders like PTSD, and social ostracization.

Numerous organizations and governments are working tirelessly to address the sex trafficking epidemic. One local nonprofit working to counter sex trafficking is the Beauty from Ashes Ranch. The Executive Director, John George, will address this problem and what is being done to counter it. Public awareness is a crucial first step. By educating the masses about the signs of trafficking and how to report it, many victims can be identified and rescued. How aware are you?

The sex trafficking epidemic is a stark reminder of the darker aspects of humanity. However, by understanding its causes and working collectively, we can pave the way towards a world where dignity and freedom are inalienable rights for all.

Fishermen's October Gathering... Done Differently

The format for a Fishermen's Gather is usually breakfast followed by a guest speaker, then a devotion and discussion of Fishermen business. In the October 28th Gathering, things will be done differently. Here is what will happen and why. The Gathering will be in two parts. Breakfast, devotion, and business in Fellowship Hall from 8:00 AM to about 8:45. All men and ladies of the church are invited. Then we move to the sanctuary for the guest speaker at 9:00 AM. Interest from outside our church led us to open our doors to the public for the guest speaker. Pastor Carl will pass out flyers to some of the other churches. A copy of this flyer is on our website at:

<https://sierravistamethodist.org/gathering-flyer>.

There are flyers on the Welcome-Information table in the Narthex; feel free to take and distribute them to anyone who might be interested.

HOPE

Providing Sanctuary
for Survivors of
Sex Trafficking



Join us for a presentation by, John George, the Executive Director of Beauty from Ashes Ranch, a sanctuary for young survivors of sex trafficking.

Date: Saturday, October 28, 2023

Time: Doors open at 8:30 AM. Presentation at 9:00 AM

Place: Worship Center (Sanctuary)
Sierra Vista United Methodist Church

Cost: Free will donation for the Beauty From Ashes Ranch





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

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