



# QUE PASA

The Newsletter of the Sierra Vista United Methodist Church

January 2, 2026



## Services for Sunday

January 4, 2026

7:30 AM, 9:00 AM, 10:30 AM

“Stargazers and Revelations”

Rev. Amanda Corella

## Scripture Readings

Matthew 2:1-12

Ephesians 3:1-2

January 7, 2026

Potluck at 5:00 PM / Vespers at 6:00 PM

The church office is open Monday-Friday, 9:30 AM to

12:00 and 12:30 to 2:30 PM

3225 St Andrews Drive, Sierra Vista, AZ 85650

Phone: 520-378-3352

SVUMC  
Website  
QR Code



A recording of the Sunday Worship Service can be viewed at:

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

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

# Que Pasa

## QPnews Calendar: Jan 2 - Jan 9, 2026

### Fri Jan 2

9:00 a.m. -> CFBSA Food Distribution -> Activity Center  
9:00 a.m. -> Move Around Ladies -> Activity Center  
11:00 a.m. -> Dust Bunnies -> Worship Center  
1:00 p.m. -> Hand & Foot Game -> Fellowship Hall

### Sun Jan 4

7:30 a.m. -> Informal Service -> Worship Center  
9:00 a.m. -> Crossroads Bible Study -> Rm 1, Fellowship Hall  
9:00 a.m. -> Contemporary Service -> Worship Center  
9:30 - 10:15 a.m. -> Youth Sunday School -> Fellowship Hall  
10:30 a.m. -> Traditional Service -> Worship Center  
10:30 - 11:30 a.m. -> Children Sunday School -> Fellowship Hall  
2:00 p.m. -> Attila Adam Honti Concert -> St. Andrews Catholic Church  
4:00 p.m. -> Bell Choir Rehearsal -> Worship Center

### Tue Jan 6

9:30 a.m. -> KnitWits -> Room 1, Fellowship Hall  
11:30 a.m. -> Emmaus Reunion Group -> Rm 1/2, Fellowship Hall  
1:00 p.m. -> UWF Bible Study -> Room 5, Fellowship Hall

### Thu Jan 8

7:00 a.m. -> Emmaus Breakfast -> Restaurant  
8:30 a.m. -> Emmaus Group -> Room 5, Fellowship Hall  
9:00 a.m. -> PEO Meeting -> Serenity Room  
9:30 a.m. -> Mary Martha Circle -> Room 3/4, Fellowship Hall  
10:00 a.m. -> Mah Jongg -> Fellowship Hall  
1:00 p.m. -> Finance Meeting -> Serenity Room  
2:45 p.m. -> Helping Hands Tutoring -> Fellowship Hall  
5:30 p.m. -> Trustees Meeting -> Serenity Room

### Sat Jan 3

#### Ain't Got Nothing

### Mon Jan 5

8:30 a.m. -> Strength Classes -> Fellowship Hall  
9:00 a.m. -> Move Around Ladies -> Activity Center  
9:35 a.m. -> Back & Abs Class -> Fellowship Hall  
1:00 p.m. -> Zoom Bible Study -> Online  
5:00 p.m. -> GNA Meal -> GNA Building

### Wed Jan 7

8:00 a.m. -> Spit & Shine -> Church Campus  
8:00 a.m. -> Sonrisers -> Room 5, Fellowship Hall  
9:00 a.m. -> Move Around Ladies -> Activity Center  
10:00 a.m. -> UWF Meeting -> Room 5, Fellowship Hall  
1:00 p.m. -> Party Bridge -> Fellowship Hall  
5:00 p.m. -> Potluck Dinner -> Fellowship Hall  
6:00 p.m. -> Vespers -> Worship Center  
7:00 p.m. -> Choir Rehearsal -> Worship Center

### Fri Jan 9

8:30 a.m. -> Strength Classes -> Fellowship Hall  
9:00 a.m. -> Move Around Ladies -> Activity Center  
9:35 a.m. -> Back & Abs Class -> Fellowship Hall  
1:00 p.m. -> Worship Design -> Worship Center

## Sunday School and Bible Studies

**Sunday 9:00 - 10:00 AM**  
**Crossroads Adult Bible Study**  
**Fellowship Hall, Rm 1**  
**Studying: Galatians**  
**Leader: Harry Magargee**

**Sunday 10:30 - 11:15 AM**  
**Children's Sunday School**  
**Preschool - 4th grade**  
**Starts in the Sanctuary**  
**Room 3/4 Fellowship Hall**  
**Contact: Rev. Kayla**

**Sunday 9:30 - 10:15 AM**  
**Youth Sunday School**  
**5th grade-12th grade**  
**1st Sunday in the Narthex**  
**Otherwise Room 3/4 Fellowship**  
**Contact: Rev. Kayla**

**Monday 1:00 - 3:00 PM**  
**Zoom Bible Study**  
**Contact the office for logon**  
**Studying: Gospel of Mark**  
**Leader: Rev. Stewart Lewis**

**Tuesday 1:00 to 2:30 PM**  
**UWF Bible Study**  
**Fellowship Hall, Rm 5**  
**Studying: People of the Bible**  
**Leader: Sara Evans**

**Wednesday 8:00 - 9:15 AM**  
**Sonrisers Bible Study**  
**Fellowship Hall, Rm 5**  
**Studying: Sunday's Scriptures**  
**Leader: Jim Evans**



**Holden James Johnson**  
Born on 14 Dec 2025 to the his proud parents - Brent and Rev Kayla Johnson



We are playing Party Bridge on Wednesdays in the Fellowship Hall from 1:00 to 4:00 PM.

For more information, please call KJ Wigton, 520-234-1018



### *Unhanging of the Greens*

We will be taking down the Advent decorations on Saturday, January 10, 2026, from 9:30 AM to 12:00 PM.

**We Need Volunteers**

### Sierra Vista United Methodist Church Roster

Senior Pastor: Rev. Amanda Corella, [pastor.svumc@gmail.com](mailto:pastor.svumc@gmail.com)

Associate Pastor: Rev. Kayla Johnson, [revkaylaj@gmail.com](mailto:revkaylaj@gmail.com)

Office Manager: Kayla Empey, [svumc3225@gmail.com](mailto:svumc3225@gmail.com)

Lay Leader: Open

Church Council Chair: James Harper

Christian Education Director: Rev. Kayla Johnson

Organist: Sue Trukken

Pianist: Dorothy Scheafer

Director of Music: Samuel Vaughn

Choir Director: Aenea Ferguson

Finance Chair: Donna Horton

Treasurer: Donna Horton

Financial Secretary: Paul Horka

Bookkeeper: Kayla Empey

Trustee Co-Chairs: Michael Lawrence / Bruce Houston

SPRC Chair: Sheila King

Que Pasa Newsletter Editor: George Graves

Webmaster: George Graves

Stephen Ministry Leaders: Sheila King

Desert Southwest Annual Conference: [www.dsccumc.org](http://www.dsccumc.org)

*Individuals on this list can be contacted through the church office*

## New Fridge for the Fellowship Hall Kitchen



Thanks to the generosity of a parishioner, there is a new commercial refrigerator in the Fellowship Hall kitchen. Delivered to the church on 24 December and moved into place by JB Houston, his son and the son's two friends. Also, thanks to JB, the old one was removed and recycled.

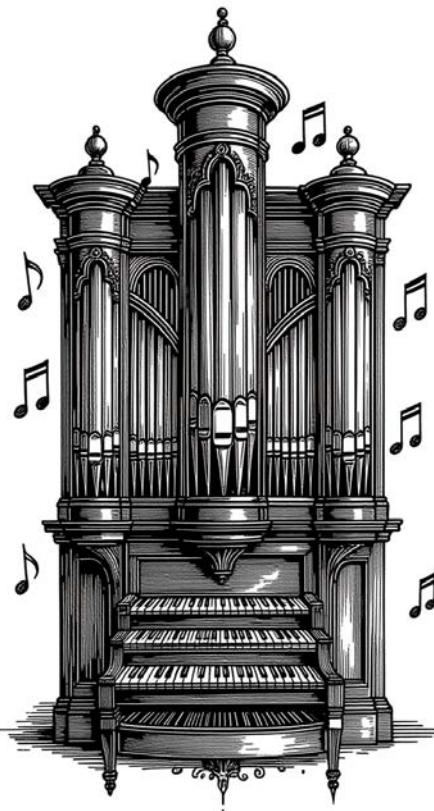
### HAND AND FOOT



### CARD GAME

1:00 PM - Friday, January 2, 2025  
Fellowship Hall  
For more information, call:  
Mary Hudson, 520-346-1878.

## ATTILA ADAM HONTI in Concert



Sunday, January 4

2:00 PM

St. Andrews Roman Catholic Church.  
Free-will offering will be taken.  
Contact Curtis Foster for more info.

520-368-2121



## Watch Night Cheer!

Mary, Rev Amanda, Fran, Katie and Nancy. Happy New Year!

### HELP US KEEP IN TOUCH!



We are still accepting  
**CARE & COMMUNICATIONS SURVEYS**  
from our congregation.  
Available at the Info Table in the Narthex.



## KNIT WITS

Meets Tuesday mornings  
Classroom 1-2  
Fellowship Hall  
9:30am - 11:00am

## Committee Meetings

1st Thursday:  
Trustees

2nd Thursday:  
Finance

3rd Thursday:  
SPRC / Nominations

4th Thursday:  
Church Council



## *A good potluck rivals Gold, Frankincense, and Myrrh!*



Our month first-Wednesday Potluck will be held on January 7th at 5:00 PM in Fellowship Hall. Come join us for good food and fellowship; bring a dish to share if you can. Vespers follows in the sanctuary at 6:00 PM.



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- CVLI License #: 503962647 -
- CCL Streaming License #: 20447149 -

## MONTHLY FOOD DISTRIBUTION



COMMUNITY  
FOOD BANK  
OF SOUTHERN ARIZONA

**FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH**

**2 January 2026**

**9 AM - 11 AM**

**VOLUNTEERS ARRIVE AT 8 AM**

**ACTIVITY CENTER AT  
SIERRA VISTA UMC**

## One Christmas Eve...



Norman Vincent Peale wrote: On one Christmas Eve when I was 12, I was out with my minister father doing some late Christmas shopping. He had me loaded down with packages and I was tired and cross.

I was thinking how good it would be to get home when a beggar—a bleary-eyed, unshaven, dirty old man—came up to me, touched my arm with a hand like a claw and asked for money. He was so repulsive that instinctively I recoiled.

Softly my father said, "Norman, it's Christmas Eve. You shouldn't treat a man that way."

I was unrepentant. "Dad," I said, "he's nothing but a bum."

My father stopped. "Maybe he hasn't made much of himself, but he's still a child of God." He then handed me a dollar—a lot of money for those days and for a preacher's income. "I want you to take this and give it to that man," he said. "Speak to him respectfully. Tell him you are giving it to him in Christ's name."

"Oh, dad," I protested, "I can't do anything like that."

My father's voice was firm. "Go and do as I tell you."

So, reluctant and resisting, I ran after the old man and said, "Excuse me, sir. I give you this money in the name of Christ." He stared at the dollar bill, then looked at me in utter amazement. A wonderful smile came to his face, a smile so full of life and beauty that I forgot that he was dirty and unshaven. I forgot that he was ragged and old.

With a gesture that was almost courtly, he took off his hat. Graciously he said, "And I thank you, young sir, in the name of Christ." All my irritation, all my annoyance faded away. The street, the houses, everything around me suddenly seemed beautiful because I had been part of a miracle that I have seen many times since—the transformation that comes over people when you think of them as children of God, when you offer them love in the name of a Baby born two thousand years ago in a stable in Bethlehem, a person who still lives and walks with us and makes His presence known.

That was my Christmas discovery that year—the gold of human dignity that lies hidden in every living soul, waiting to shine through if only we'll give it a chance.

# Prayer Requests

Contact the office  
for additions and deletions

Family & Friends of Marcia  
Sharron Arcand

Jack  
Ric Essman  
Al  
Roberta

Chuck & Sharon Shaffer

Doris Magargee

Samuel

Aunt Pat

Grace

Scott

Miranda M.

Family & Friends of John Russell

Lauren & Baby

Cassie

Nolan

Jeanne Festa

Jeanine

Patrick

Paul

Sylvie

Kyle

Linda Davis & Her Family

Uncle Frankie DeWald

Terry Johns

Dianna Strand

Family & Friends of Judy N.

Tracy & Her Family

Tom Rogers

David Magargee

Christine

Family of Bill Collins

Grant  
Katherine Schneider  
Dianna  
Donna Horton  
Deanna  
Ashton E.  
David Israel  
Nolan & His Family  
Anne & Stacy Carter  
Dillon  
Shyam  
Ralph & Sabina  
Janet High  
Eliza  
Curt Tipton  
Sidney  
Scottie Dion  
Linda Mullard  
Lucy Ellen Brown  
Lanny & Mary Ellen Kope  
Antonia Hernandez Gonzales  
Krash  
John & Caroline N.  
DJ  
Attila Honti  
Marge Petrello  
Patti Baltunis  
Julie  
Jana  
Betty Williams  
Jaidon Braswell  
Cheryl  
Jolene & Family  
Lois Banyai  
Kathy Hobel's Family Friend  
Mike Hartman  
John & His Family  
Marilyn  
Nancy Buttke  
The Merito Family  
Jason (Sheila's Son)  
Don & April Tucker  
Karen  
Christian  
Anita  
JoAnne McLeod  
Bryan C  
Jim B  
Finn  
Mary Beth & Don Martin  
Gloria  
Sue Banyai  
Jeanne M.  
The Thomas Family  
Audrey Richardson  
Sandra  
Nuala  
Jason  
Eugene McCray  
Dani  
Ron  
Brenda Langenberg  
Walter Partridge  
Bernie  
Susan  
Samantha White  
Tristan, Hannah & Baby  
Doug & Jo Ann  
Larry Kirk  
Cindy  
Richard Cole  
Ervin Wegscheid  
Larry & Doncella Leach  
Shawntel Tedford  
Trina  
Michael Rooney  
Elizabeth  
Louie  
Sophie  
Jim Buttke  
Susie Arcand  
Joe Glowacki  
Joe Delapast  
Bev Mahlmann  
Laurie  
Brian Cole  
Marty Glowacki  
Art & Judy Marvin  
Larry Horton  
Ryan  
Kim  
Jackie Zandrews  
Jesse  
Susan Holcombe  
David Higbee & Family  
Ryder & his mother  
Odessa Stewart  
Jasmine  
Tricia Weller  
Sid & Carol Downey  
Ric Becker  
Lynn Stewart  
Victoria Nelson