

## Sierra Vista United Methodist Church Newsletter

February 23, 2024

Services for Sunday, February 25, 2024 7:30 AM - 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM

Old Testament: Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16

Epistle: Romans 4:13-25 Gospel: Mark 8:31-38

Sermon: What would you not give up? - Rev. Carl Peterson

### 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

### Presidents Day



Presidents' Day in the United States is a federal holiday celebrated on the third Monday of February. Originally established in 1885 in recognition of President George Washington, it is still officially called "Washington's Birthday" by the federal government. Traditionally celebrated on February 22—Washington's actual day of birth—the holiday became popularly known as Presidents' Day after it was moved as part of the 1971 Uniform Monday Holiday Act, which created more three-day weekends for the nation's workers.





SVUMC Website QR Code



### SVUMC Calendar 16 February - 23 February 2024

Friday 16 February	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 17 February	10:00 - 11:30 AM: Rehearsal, Last Supper Reenactment - Serenity Room
Sunday 18 February	7:30 - 9:00 - 10:30 AM worship services - sanctuary 9:00 AM: Crossroads Adult Sunday School - Room 1, Fellowship Hall 2:00 PM: Lent Bible Study - Room 1 & 2, Fellowship Hall
Monday 19 February	PRESIDENTS DAY - OFFICE CLOSED  Exercise Classes (see last page of this Jaunt) - Fellowship Hall  9:00 AM: Move Around Ladies - Activity Center
Tuesday 20 February	9:30 to 11:30 AM: Knit Wits - Classroom 1-2 in the Fellowship Hall 10:30 AM: Emmaus Reunion Group 7:30 - 9:00 PM: Rehearsal, Last Supper Reenactment - Fellowship Hall
Wednesday 21 February	8:00 - 10:00 AM: Spit & Shine - Campus 8:00 AM: Sonrisers - Fellowship Hall, Room 5 9:00 AM: Move Around Ladies - Activity Center 1:30 PM: Grief Share - Serenity Room 3:00 PM: Widows & Widowers Meeting - Fellowship Hall 4:30 PM: Lent Soup Supper - Fellowship Hall 5:00 PM: Lent Bible Study - Fellowship Hall 6:00 PM: Vespers - Sanctuary
Thursday 22 February	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 1:30 - 3:30 PM: Pastor's Bible Study - Serenity Room 2:45 PM: Helping Hands Tutoring - Fellowship Hall 5:30 PM: Finance Committee - Serenity Room
Friday 23 February	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

## Prayer Word: Courage (Week 4) by Pastor Carl



Courage is the mental or moral strength to venture, persevere, Courage is the choice and willingness to confront agony, pain, danger, uncertainty, or intimidation. Soldiers who have been recognized for acts of valor on a battlefield have often said that it was not bravery or courage that led them to their actions, but that they simply did what needed to be done. We may not always feel like we have a choice, or may even feel that a choice has been made for us, but we always have choices. Sometimes what is holding us back is the unwillingness to let go of something we have relied on for a long time. We misplace confidence in the things of this world instead of fully relying on God. Faith is a response to God's grace and is also God-given. Trust in God and be brave in your service to God's will.



## Prayer Requests



Noah, Brooklyn, & Cindy

Clayton Black

Jenni

Jim Reynolds

Susan

Cheryl Bruno

Arthur Feldman

Dashia Richardson (Audrey Richardson's Granddaughter)

Tani

Donna T.

Monica's Mother

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

Offiney Wade

Odessa Stewart

Lucy Ellen Brown

Christina

Wendy

Jake Robinson

Andrea

Donna Horton

Marc Johnson

Gary & Robin Weiser

Anna Van Horn

John

Jasmine

Dan Wiley

Cindy Long

Kathy Marvin

**Betty Williams** 

Bob

Jim Godskesen

Tani & Jimmie

Eli O'Connor

Greg Juedes

Janet High

Linda Penn

Larry Horton

Tricia Weller

Ralph & Bree Merito
Gayle & Bryant & Family

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Brenda Langenberg

Gary Anderson

Joanne McLeod

Sid & Carol Downey

Ric Becker

Carol Glowacki Geyer

Lynn Stewart

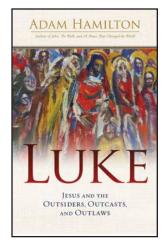
Victoria Nelson

Family of Gilbert Ramos

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

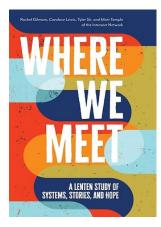


## LENT Bible Study



The Lent Study this year will be Luke By Adam Hamilton. Kayla Johnson will be offering the classes at 9 am on Sunday mornings 2/18-3/24 and Wednesday evenings at 5 pm 2/21-3/27. People can sign up with Kayla J or in the church office. The cost of the books will be \$14.00.

# LENT BIBLE SELF-STUDY



Another option for a Lent Study is to read on your own and then talk in a small group about the book "Where We Meet." One of the contributing authors is Rachel Gillmore from our conference, who some in the congregation have met. For a description of the book, visit the Cokesbury website at:

#### http://tinyurl.com/cokesburyquide

The book may be purchased at Cokesbury for \$17. If you are interested in talking about the book, contact Kayla Johnson kayla.flannery18@gmail.com



ROMEO monthly lunch is on Wednesday, 21 February, 11:30 at Culver's.

The website says the Lenten fish menu is back! Of course, if you are burger guy, there is always one on the grill for you.

## Food Pantry



Food insecurity looms large, and our pantry is in serious need of restocking!

Giving a little helps a lot. Giving a lot helps even more. Our congregation is large enough that we can keep our pantry full... if we want to. And we do want a full pantry, right? So please put donating to the food pantry on your "to do" list.

## **Crossroads Adult Sunday School**

9:00 AM - Room 1 Fellowship Hall

We are now studying the Old Testament book of Daniel.

## Are you giving up something for Lent?

The most common items people give up for Lent tend to be related to personal vices or indulgences. This includes:

- 1. Chocolate and sweets
- 2. Alcohol
- 3. Smoking
- 4. Meat on Fridays

The practice is intended for spiritual growth and self-discipline.

## UMM Fishermen Gathering



#### **OWNED BY THOSE WE SERVE**

Please join us for breakfast and a guest speaker on Saturday morning, February 24. We will meet in the Fellowship Hall starting at 7:30, with breakfast at 8:00. Our speaker will be Mr. Jason Bowling, CEO of Sulphur Springs Valley Electric Cooperative (SSVEC). Jason will tell us about challenges facing electric companies and how SSVEC is responding to change. How the price of electricity is determined, and what the future holds. All of the men and women of the church are invited.

We will also elect UMM Fishermen officers for the 2024.



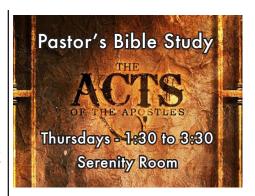
### WHAT'S NEXT?

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.

Wednesday, February 21 Fellowship Hall, 3:00 PM



SAWs (Servants at Work) is a rampbuilding 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.





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 or through the church office. The position pays minimum wage.



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 the church office or Sheila King (775-691-0023) for more information.

#### 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

#### From the desk of the Chair of Trustee's

Sierra Vista United Methodist Church 3225 St Andrews Drive Sierra Vista, AZ 86560

February 9, 2024

A number of things going on behind the scenes as the year progresses.

- 1. Repairs to the Activity Center roof and re-coating the flat roof is looking like a cost of \$8,400.00 which will need to be done in the next month to avoid further damage to the building. (This is not attributable to storm damage per se but to the age of the building)
- 2. The floor of the gymnasium is showing "bubbles" that is due to water coming up from beneath the flooring. At the moment we are keeping an eye on this and have "bled" the water from the bubbles to avoid and further damage.
- 3.We have ordered and received a new reverse osmosis filtering system for the fellowship hall kitchen. Unfortunately, we had to delay installation until some broken in shipment part can be reshipped to us.
- 4. We have ordered and received new door handles for the pre-school classroom doors that were worn out and not working properly. These will be installed once they have been re-keyed.
- 5. We have been installing new motion censors in the bathrooms of our buildings to avoid having lights left on overnight.

With our aging campus we are faced with a need to support our church with our gifts of money, of our time, of our service to others. WE NEED YOUR **SUPPORT** 

Thank you.

Jon M Grindle Chair

## nit(U)its

Knit a little... Talk a little... Knit a little... Talk a little... Knit - knit - knit - knit

Talk - talk - talk - talk

9:30 to 11:30 AM Classroom 1-2 in Fellowship Hall

> Don't know how to knit? We will teach you.

> Don't know how to talk? We will teach you.







Sierra Vista United Methodist Women of Faith and Naomi Circle will be sponsoring a SILENT CROSS AUCTION starting February 25th and ending March 24th. The crosses are hand crafted and donated by Lanny and Mary Ellen Kope. All the wood for the crosses are from left over wood from other projects or weathered wood from fences and barns. The monies earned from the Silent Auction will go towards special needs on our church campus and the Food Pantry.

## **Last Supper Reenactment**



We are working on the set, working on the costumes, and learning our lines! James Harper is the Producer and Susan Harty is the Director (a winning combination). The Last Supper Reenactment will highlight the meaning of Easter.

Rehearsals:

Tuesdays, 7:30 - 9:00 PM, Fellowship Hall Saturdays, 10:00 - 11:30 AM, Serenity Room

Performances in the Worship Center: Saturday, March 23, 7:00 PM Sunday, March 24, 2:00 PM Thursday, March 28, 7:00 PM

Contact Susan Harty at 702-539-2316: or susanharty441@gmail.com

Or James Harper at 520-458-5983 or harperih@earthlink.net



## Health and Exercise Classes 10



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: <a href="mailto:svumc3225@gmail.com">svumc3225@gmail.com</a>

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