

## QUE PASA

## The Newsletter of the Sierra Vista United Methodist Church

October 17, 2025



Services for Sunday October 19, 2025

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

Treasure: Tend - Rev. Amanda Corella

Scripture Readings Exodus 35:4-22 Luke 21:1-4 Wednesday, October 21, 2025

Vespers Service - 6:00 PM, Sanctuary

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

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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 Newsletter Calendar**

## Friday, Oct 17 – Friday, Oct 24, 2025

Friday, Oct 17	Saturday, Oct 18
8:30 a.m. – Strength Classes (Fellowship Hall)	7:00-9:00 a.m Produce Outreach (Parking Lot)
9:00 a.m Move Around Ladies (Activity Center)	9:00 a.m Fishermen Board Meeting (Serenity Room)
9:35 a.m. – Back & Abs Class (Fellowship Hall)	3:00 p.m. – Church Picnic (Church Campus)
11:00 a.m Dust Bunnies (Worship Center)	
1:00 p.m. – Worship Design (Worship Center)	
Sunday, Oct 19	Monday, Oct 20
7:30 a.m Informal Service (Worship Center)	8:30 a.m. – Strength Classes (Fellowship Hall)
9:00 a.m Crossroads Bible Study (Rm 1, Fellowship Hall)	9:00 a.m Move Around Ladies (Activity Center)
9:00 a.m Contemporary Service (Worship Center)	9:35 a.m. – Back & Abs Class (Fellowship Hall)
10:30 a.m Traditional Service (Worship Center)	1:00 p.m. – Zoom Bible Study (Online)
4:00 p.m. – Bell Choir Rehearsal (Worship Center)	5:00 p.m Praise Band Rehearsal (Worship Center)
	6:00 p.m Sierra Sings Rehearsal (Worship Center)
Tuesday, Oct 21	Wednesday, Oct 22
9:30 a.m. – KnitWits (Room 1, Fellowship Hall)	8:00 a.m Spit & Shine (Church Campus)
11:30 a.m Emmaus Reunion Group (Rm 1/2 Fellowship Hall)	8:00 a.m Sonrisers (Room 5, Fellowship Hall)
1:00 p.m. – UWF Bible Study (Room 5, Fellowship Hall)	9:00 a.m Move Around Ladies (Activity Center)
1:15 p.m. – Parkinsons Support Group (Location TBD)	1:00 p.m Party Bridge Lessons (Fellowship Hall)
4:00 p.m. – Sierra Sings Rehearsal (Worship Center)	1:30 p.m GriefShare (Serenity Room)
	6:00 p.m. – Vespers (Worship Center)
	7:30-9:00 p.m Choir Rehearsal (Worship Center)
Thursday, Oct 23	Friday, Oct 24
7:00 a.m. – Emmaus Breakfast (Restaurant)	8:30 a.m. – Strength Classes (Fellowship Hall)
8:30 a.m Emmaus Group (Room 5, Fellowship Hall)	9:00 a.m. – Move Around Ladies (Activity Center)
9:30 a.m Mary Martha Circle (Room 3/4, Fellowship Hall)	9:35 a.m. – Back & Abs Class (Fellowship Hall)
10:00 a.m. – Mah Jongg (Fellowship Hall)	11:00 a.m. – Dust Bunnies (Worship Center)
	1:00 p.m Hand & Foot Card Game (Fellowship Hall)
2:45 p.m. – Helping Hands Tutoring (Fellowship Hall)	1.00 p.m. — Hand & Foot Gard Game (Fellowship Hall)



## The Salvation Army Kickoff Breakfast

As in past years, we'll reserve a table for the Salvation Army's annual Kickoff Breakfast on Friday, November 7, beginning at 7:30 a.m. at the Salvation Army building.

I always like to say, "It's free—but bring your checkbook!" In the past, the organizers never knew how much food to prepare, so last year they began asking for a \$10 donation per person in advance to reserve a seat. They'll still have a donation container on each table for our annual offering.

If you're interested in bell ringing or plan to attend the kickoff, please let Gary Larson know. Those attending the breakfast should give \$10 to Gary, who will deliver our group's payment to the Salvation Army office and reserve our table.

# Sunday School and Bible Studies

Sunday 9:00 AM
Crossroads Adult Bible Study

Fellowship Hall, Rm I Studying: I Samuel Leader: Harry Magargee

Sunday 9:30 - 10:15 AM
Children's Sunday School
Preschool - 4th grade
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 I: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



Tuesday, November 25

6:00 PM—Worship Center: ECUMENICAL WORSHIP (led by ELCA)

7:00 PM—Fellowship Hall: PIE FEST

More information forthcoming! Contact the church office





## Lay Servant Ministries 2026 Classes

#### **LEADING WORSHIP**

(Jan. 31 & Feb. 7) St. Paul's UMC, Tucson

### TRANSFORMING EVANGELISM

(Feb. 28 & Mar. 7) St. Paul's UMC, Tucson

## FOR THE COMMON GOOD (SPIRITUAL GIFTS)\*

(Dates & Times TBD)
St. John's UMC
\*required class on the path to
Certified Lay Speaker

Are you called to lay ministry?

Don't miss these upcoming classes!

Contact the church office for more info or to register syumc3225@gmail.com





The **knitWits** have been making hats for the Kiwanis to be distributed as Stocking Stuffers for schools in Sierra Vista, Huachuca City, and Palominas. KnitWits meet Tuesdays, 9:30 AM in Fellowship Hall.



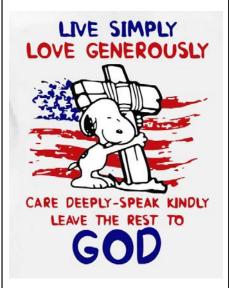
**Book Buddies** will read "These Is My Words" by Nancy E. Turner. We will discuss it on October 27, 2025 from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm in Room 5 Fellowship Hall. Contact Leslie Sansone at 520-732-1339 or **bhlas100@msn.co**m if you have any questions.



Building Freedom One Ramp at a Time

For more information on this vital ministry or to volunteer, go to sawssouthwest.org.





# Food Pantry

The Food Pantry needs:

Cereal
Peanut butter
Mac & Cheese
Canned fruit
Pasta
Spaghetti sauce



Looking for Party Bridge players. We are playing on Wednesdays in the Fellowship Hall from 1 to 4 PM. We need 4 for each table.

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

## Diwali

Diwali (sometimes spelled Duwali, Deepavali, or Dipavali) is one of the most important festivals in India and among Hindus, Jains, Sikhs, and some Buddhists around the world. It's often called the Festival of Lights, symbolizing the triumph of light over darkness, good over evil, and knowledge over ignorance. The cover photo of this Que Pasa shows traditional foods served at Diwali.

Diwali usually falls in October or November, based on the lunar calendar. This year it is on October 21st. In the U.S., Diwali has grown far beyond its South Asian roots. It's now celebrated by Indian-American communities, city governments, Universities, and even the White House, which holds an annual Diwali event.





## All Church Picnic

**Come one! Come all! Celebrate SVUMC in the Fall!** Join us for the umpteenth annual All Church Picnic

When: October 18th 2025, 3-5 PM

Where: Fellowship Hall and grassy field south of it

Who: YOU

Bring your favorite pot luck to share: main dish, side

dish, or dessert

The Fishermen will have a grill for you to use

The Fishermen will have ice cream for you to eat

Join us to brag about the wonderful finds you scored at the UWF Rummage Sale the week before!

### **Ruth Circle - Donna's Adventure**



Ruth Circle will be having a special guest speaker at their meeting on Tuesday, October 28th. Rev. Donna Otto will be sharing about her trip through Greece which traced the second missionary journey of Paul.

All ladies of the church are invited to come and hear about Donna's adventure!

Date: Tuesday, October 28th
Time: 6:00pm
Where: Serenity Room
- Light snacks will be provided -

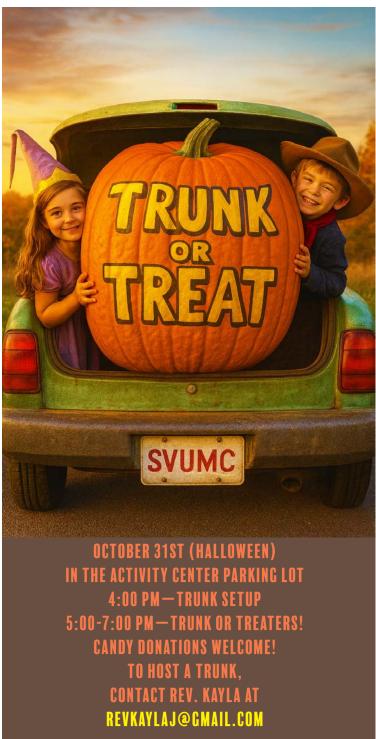


# GRIEF SHARE®

Serenity Room, 1:30 - 3:30 PM, Wednesday
Contact Sheila King at:
skinglayleader@gmail.com
or Frances Ranaccelli at:
rantaztik1@gmail.com

1st Thursday:
Trustees
2nd Thursday:
Finance
3rd Thursday:
SPRC / Nominations
4th Thursday:
Church Council





## ALERT!

The smelll of gas was detected, and at our request, Southwest Gas came out and found that the Fellowship Hall oven has a leak in the flex pipe. The stove/oven will be unusable until the issue is resolved. Please do not turn anything on.

## **American Cancer Society**



More than just a fundraising walk, Relay For Life is a movement.

Relay for Life will be held on Saturday, October 25, 2:00 - 10:00 PM, in Veterans' Memorial Park.

For More information and to register for the SVUMC Team, contact Rev. Kalya Johnson (revkaylaJ@gmail.com) or Gary Larson (larson1967@protonmail.com).

<u>Celebrating survivors</u> – Honoring those who have faced cancer with courage and resilience.

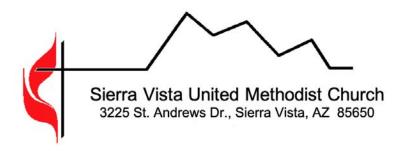
<u>Recognizing caregivers</u> – Acknowledging the strength and support of those who stand by their loved ones.

<u>Lighting the way</u> - Please ask about luminaries (memorial bags!)

<u>Taking action</u> – To build a future free from cancer. Even if you cannot join us at this event, please donate to this very worthy, life-saving cause!









#### Dear Beloved Community,

Why do we do what we do at Sierra Vista United Methodist Church? Everything we do is to "Spread the Love of Jesus"! We do this through our many ministries, which are the product of your time, talents, treasures, testimony, and prayers. Numerous ways exist to be a steward of what our church does. In Matthew 25:40, Jesus told us "Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me." Therefore, we are challenged to "Be The Light!"

Our ministries provide security for many in our community. Our food security ministries serve others through our food pantry, our produce ministry, our partnership with the Southern Arizona Food Bank, and our cooking support to Good Neighbor Alliance. r health security ministries include exercise classes, as well as one designed for Parkinsons sufferers, hosting blood drives for the American Red Cross, an Alcoholics Anonymous support group, grief support groups, a medical equipment lending closet, building ramps for low-income, permanently disabled neighbors, and comfort shawls and protheses provided by our KnitWits. We provide financial security through the Pastor's Discretionary Fund and community partners like St. Vincent DePaul and Good Neighbor Alliance. We provide educational security through Helping Hands Tutoring and plan to re-start English as a Second Language and Citizenship classes. We have opportunities throughout the year to partner with Huachuca Mountain Elementary School and support our very own Village Christian Pre-School. We financially support monthly special causes worldwide through additional offering opportunities.

2 Peter 3:18 tells us to "grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ." Our Worship ministries extend well beyond in person and online services, including regular worship and special services throughout the year and outreach to Mountain View Gardens. Many hands are involved in every service. We have Christian education opportunities, music ministries, and small group ministries for a wide range of interests. Food is a key component to fellowship, and we sponsor regular opportunities to break bread together.

Our faith journey is not just a personal journey but also a shared experience. By giving back we not only help others but reinforce our own commitment to Jesus and spiritual growth. Giving back helps us stay centered and focused on what is really important in life. Opportunities exist for everyone to share their time, talents, treasures, and testimony at Sierra Vista United Methodist Church. Please take some time to pray - ask God and listen to His response - regarding how you can share what you have to "Spread the Love of Jesus." We will be celebrating and blessing our efforts on Commitment Sunday, October 26th!

## Blessings,

Stewardship Committee

John Marvin Donna Horton Leslie Sansone James Harper Rev. Amanda Corella



Lucy Ellen Brown Mary Ellen

Lanny

Antonia Hernandez Gonzales

Krash

John & Caroline N.

Pastor Amanda & Her Family

DJ

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Julie

Family of Benjamin Jones

Jana

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Terri

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Noah, Brooklyn, & Cindy

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Bettye Carson Dan Nucci

Jason

Ryder & his mother Aspen & her mother

Cheri Beck
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Jasmine
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### Sierra Vista United Methodist Church Roster

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Director of Music: Samuel Vaughn Choir Director: Aenea Ferguson Finance Chair: Donna Horton

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SPRC Chair: Sheila King

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