



# QUE PASA

The Newsletter of the Sierra Vista United Methodist Church

November 21, 2025



Services for Sunday  
November 23, 2025

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

Remember Me, Remember Creation  
- Rev. Amanda Corella

Scripture Readings  
Micah 6:1-8  
Matthew 22:34-40

Tuesday, November 25, 2025

Ecumenical 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  
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 Calendar – November 21–28, 2025

<b>Friday, Nov 21</b>  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 11:00 a.m. – Dust Bunnies – Worship Center 1:00 p.m. – Worship Design – Worship Center	<b>Saturday, Nov 22</b>  7:30 a.m. – Fishermen's Breakfast – Fellowship Hall
<b>Sunday, Nov 23</b>  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 12:00 p.m. – Membership Class – Serenity Room	<b>Monday, Nov 24</b>  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
<b>Tuesday, Nov 25</b>  9:30 a.m. – KnitWits – Room 1, Fellowship Hall 11:30 a.m. – Emmaus Reunion Group – Rm 1/2 Fellowship Hall 6:00 p.m. – Ecumenical Worship – Sanctuary 7:00 a.m. – Pie Fest – Fellowship Hall	<b>Wednesday, Nov 26</b> <b>Vespers—Holiday Cancellation</b>  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. – Fluffing of the Greens 1:00 p.m. – Party Bridge Lessons – Fellowship Hall 7:00 p.m. – Choir Rehearsal – Worship Center
<b>Thursday, Nov 27</b> <b>OFFICE CLOSED—Thanksgiving</b>  7:00 a.m. – Emmaus Breakfast – Restaurant 8:30 a.m. – Emmaus Group – Room 5, Fellowship Hall 10:00 a.m. – Mah Jongg – Fellowship Hall	<b>Friday, Nov 28</b> <b>OFFICE CLOSED—Thanksgiving obs.</b>  9:00 a.m. – Move Around Ladies – Activity Center 11:00 a.m. – Dust Bunnies – Worship Center

## Sunday School and Bible Studies

Sunday 9:00 AM  
**Crossroads Adult Bible Study**  
Fellowship Hall, Rm 1  
Studying: I Samuel  
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

## UMM Fishermen's Monthly Gathering

**22 November 2025 - Fellowship Hall**  
All men and women of the church are welcome!



### - Life on the Border at Naco -

At this month's UMM Fishermen's Gathering, we'll welcome Robert Montgomery, a representative from the U.S. Border Patrol station at Naco (Brian A. Terry Station), one of the Tucson Sector stations that patrol 262 miles of the Arizona-Mexico border. He will talk about what agents actually do from day to day—patrolling remote desert areas, using technology, responding to people in distress, working with other agencies, and serving in small border communities like Naco. There will be time for questions and conversation. This is a chance to hear directly from someone who serves on the border just down the road from us.

Coffee is ready by 7:30 AM and the Gathering kicks off at 8:00 AM with breakfast followed by our guest speaker.

### 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)  
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Pianist: Dorothy Scheafer  
Director of Music: Samuel Vaughn  
Choir Director: Aenea Ferguson  
Finance Chair: Donna Horton  
Treasurer: KJ Wigton  
Financial Secretary: Paul Horka  
Bookkeeper: Kayla Empey  
Trustee Co-Chairs: Michael Lawrence / Bruce Houston  
SPRC Chair: Sheila King  
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Webmaster: George Graves  
Stephen Ministry Leaders: Sheila King  
Desert Southwest Annual Conference: [www.dscumc.org](http://www.dscumc.org)

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



## November Worship Series (thru 11/23): Remember Me: Thanks-Giving

Communion is a sacred meal where we feed both body and spirit — remembering the love of Christ not only shown in the shared meal around the table but also in the kneeling of Christ to wash the feet of the disciples so they prepare to be filled. In this series, Remember Me: Thanks-Giving, we will explore what it means to live out that invitation to “do this in remembrance of me.”

Throughout November, we'll reflect on how remembering Christ inspires us to mission, gratitude, and community. We'll recall our roots of faith in the celebration of All Saints, the service that demonstrates a call to care in the celebration of our Veterans, and the way we look toward mission on behalf of our United Methodist Church with the celebration of our Social Principles.

As gratitude comes alive in Thanksgiving, we'll move from reflection to action, culminating in a special “Work-Ship Sunday” where we'll embody our faith through service and shared mission as we support the work of our Food Pantry.



*Come, remember, give thanks, and live the love of Christ.*



**FOOD PANTRY!**

We are seeing a significant increase in people coming to the food pantry. Items that are greatly needed are:

- Peanut butter
- Jelly
- Canned fruit
- Canned chicken
- Canned tuna
- Pasta sauce
- Canned soup
- Cereal

Donations can be dropped off in the church office during the week or the church lobby on Sundays



## Ecumenical Service

**AND**

## Pie Fest

Tuesday, November 25, 6:00 PM—Worship Center  
ECUMENICAL WORSHIP (led by ELCA)

7:00 PM—Fellowship Hall:  
PIE FEST

We need volunteers to:

- > Sign up to make pies\* (25 pies needed)
- > Sign up to serve pies (5 servers needed)

We will need nut-free pies for those with food allergies.

Contact Rev. Kayla with questions or to sign up:  
[revkaylaj@gmail.com](mailto:revkaylaj@gmail.com)

### Committee Meetings



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



## Real Wishes Foundation's Annual "Coats for Kids" Drive

Now-December 15th!

### **2025 Drop Off Locations**

Ace Hardware: 3756 E. Fry Blvd, Sierra Vista

Culvers: 632 S. Hwy 92

Doc's Watering Hole: 1959 Frontage Road

ERA Four Feathers Realty: 1993 Frontage Road

Haymore Real Estate 500 E. Fry Blvd. (upper level)

Julie & Sammy's 33 Flavor Ice Cream: 268 W. Fry Blvd.

Landmark Cafe: 400 W Fry Blvd Ste 1

Long Realty: 2363 E Fry Blvd

Tierra Antigua Realty: 77 Calle Portal Ste C140

Warrior Healing Center: 1838 Paseo San Luis

WeSERV: 500 E Fry Blvd Ste L-1

Drop off **NEW** and **GOOD** condition **KIDS** coats, jackets, scarves, & gloves

All Coats are distributed in Cochise County

**PLEASE** continue this effort in keeping Cochise County Kids warm.

<https://bit.ly/24RWF-CoatsForKids>



Scan this QR Code to Donate directly to Coats for Kids!

Cash & Check donations accepted at Real Wishes Foundation, 500 E. Fry

<https://bit.ly/24RWF-CoatsForKids>

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## Exercise Classes



Strength Training classes are offered by Nancy Buttke in the Fellowship Hall on Mondays and Fridays. At 8:30 AM, Strength Class: Lifting weights using dumbbells and ankle weights (about 1 hour). At 9:40 AM, Back/Abs Class for people with back problems who need to strengthen their core (back and abdominal muscles, 30 minutes).

There is no fee. Donations are accepted.

For more information, contact Nancy at 520-678-0172.

**Blue Christmas**

**Wednesday, December 17**  
**6:00 PM**  
**Worship Center**  
**Sierra Vista UMC**  
*Brought to you by Stephen Ministries*



## KNIT WITS

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



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



## Coffee Hour Helpers!

After each worship service, we gather in the Fellowship Hall for coffee and snacks—but we need hosts. This is a volunteer-run ministry, and several Sundays still need helpers to brew coffee, set out goodies, and tidy up. Individuals, families, and groups are all welcome. Christmas is a great time to help! Contact the church office to volunteer.





**26 November - Wednesday:**  
**10:00 AM - 2:00 PM (After preschool chapel)**  
 Getting Christmas Items from storage and  
 fluffing of the greens

**29 November - Saturday:**  
**8:00 AM - 12:00 PM**  
 Worship Center - Hanging of the Greens

## Red Kettle Bell Ringing - Can you Help?



As a means of contributing to the Salvation Army's yearly Red Kettle drive, 23 volunteers from SVUMC have signed up to ring bells to help collect funds for the needy. Our church has participated for several years in helping the Salvation Army with its biggest annual fundraiser. We will take both doors at Walmart and the door at Hobby Lobby on Monday, December 1st from 10:00 am until 7:00 pm.

While we have enough volunteers for coverage, we would like to have a few extras on tap, in case of last-minute problems. If you are willing to be in reserve, please contact Gary Larson at 520-236-8872.

## "Sierra Vista Sings" presents Holiday Concerts:

*Angels and Shepherds and Miracles*

Featuring:

**Vocalise**, The High Desert Singers, and the Note-ables  
 providing traditional and new holiday music!

Under the direction of Debie Godwin

and accompanied by Dorothy Scheafer and Billy Hayes

Friday, December 5, 2025 at 7:00 PM (doors open at 6:30 PM)

with a matinee performance on

Saturday, December 6, 2025 at 2:00 PM (doors open at 1:30 PM)

Tickets on sale for \$10. Deb Koltviet: Text or Call 520-895-9645.

Tickets will be available in limited quantities at the door.

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## HANDEL'S MESSIAH

**DATE: SUNDAY, DECEMBER 21, 2025**

**TIME: 7:00 PM**

**PLACE: ST ANDREW THE APOSTLE CHURCH,  
 800 TAYLOR DR, SIERRA VISA**

**Concert Admission is Free**

**A freewill offering to assist the  
 St Vincent de Paul Society to support  
 those in need this holiday season.**

**For additional information call 520-456-5555**

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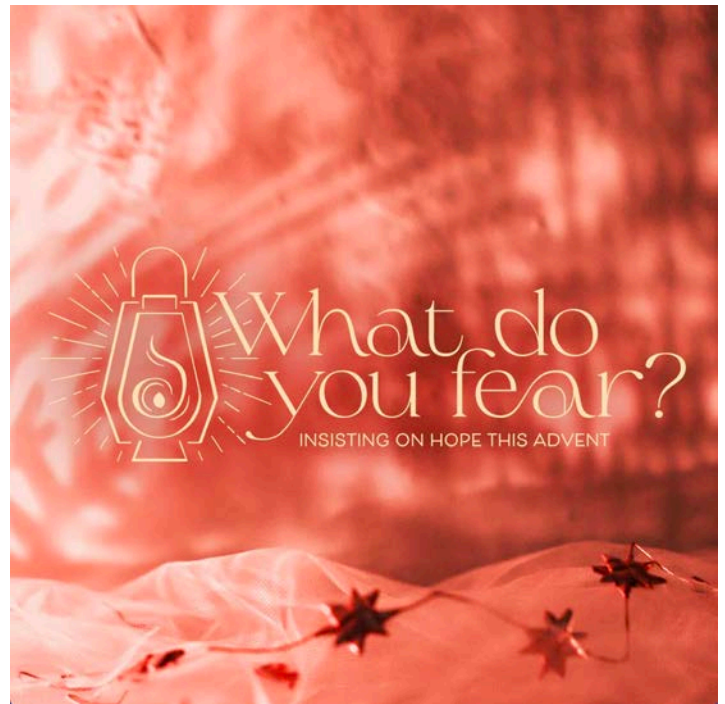
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# Advent is Coming!

Advent begins on Sunday, November 30 and we are inviting you to join us for our Series, What do you fear?, prepared by A Sanctified Art.

This series acknowledges that Jesus entered a fearful world, one filled with rampant oppression, economic disparity, uncertainty, and instability. A world that is just as filled with heartache as ours. And yet, throughout the stories of Christ's birth, we hear the whispers of angels delivering a surprising message: "Do not fear."

As we journey through this season, may your hope become gritty and resilient. May you remember: hope that trembles is still hope. This season, let us insist on hope and trust that good news is greater than fear!



## Here is an overview of our series:

Week 1- In the Time of Herod, We long for God to Break in

Luke 1:5-13 | Lamentations 3:55-57

Week 2- !!CHRISTMAS CANTATA!!

Week 3- Even in our Fear, We are Called Forward  
Luke 1:26-39 | Jeremiah 1:4-10

Week 4- When You're Afraid, Give Me Your Hand  
Matthew 1:18-25 | Isaiah 41:5-10

## Advent Study:

"What do you fear?" Devotions

Start Sunday, Nov 30 at 12 PM, Serentiy Room  
Join Rev Kayla and Rev Amanda for this year's Advent Study inspired by our worship series' devotions.

Please contact the office if you would like attend and a free accompanying devotional book.

## Special Services:

Blue Christmas:

Keeping Vigil for Hope through the Longest Night  
Wednesday, December 17 at 6pm

Christmas Eve Services

Wednesday, December 24

Family Service at 5pm

Candlelight Service at 8pm

Watch Night Service

December 31

5:00 PM Pot-luck Dinner

6:00 PM Games & Conversations

7:00 PM Worship Service

## Communion Sunday:

Usually held the first Sunday of the month  
(December 7th) will be held early on November 30th for the start of Advent.



**Lay Servant Ministries**  
**2026 Class**

Are you called to lay ministry? Here are some upcoming classes.  
Contact the church office for more information and to register.

### **Leading Worship**

Jan 31 & Feb 7

St Paul's UMC, Tucson

### **Transforming Evangelism**

Feb 28 & Mar 7

St Paul's UMC, Tucson

### **Introduction to Lay Servant Ministries**

Jan 30 & Jan 31

St Joseph's UMC, Kingman

### **Leading Public and Intercessional Prayer**

Jan 30 & Jan 31

St Joseph's UMC, Kingman





**Contact the office for  
additions and deletions**

Grant  
Katherine Schneider  
Dianna  
Donna Horton  
Deanna  
Ashton E.  
David Israel  
Nolan & His Family  
Anne & Stacy Carter  
Dillon  
Shyam  
Arnold Davis  
Ralph & Sabina  
Janet High  
Eliza  
Curt Tipton  
Sidney  
Families of Jane Risner  
Scottie Dion  
Linda Mullard  
Lucy Ellen Brown  
Lanny & Mary Ellen Kope  
Antonia Hernandez Gonzales  
Krash  
John & Caroline N.  
Pastor Amanda & Her Family  
DJ  
Attila Honti  
Marge Petrello  
Patti Baltunis  
Julie  
Family of Benjamin Jones  
Jana  
Betty Williams  
Jaidon Braswell  
Cheryl

Jolene & Family  
Lois Banyai  
Kathy Hobel's Family Friend  
Mike Hartman  
John & His Family  
Marilyn  
Nancy Buttke  
Curtis Tipton  
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  
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Jim Buttke  
Susie Arcand  
Joe Glowacki  
Joe Delapast  
Bev Mahlmann  
Laurie  
Brian Cole  
Marty Glowacki  
Art & Judy Marvin  
Rev. Michelle  
Larry Horton  
Jennifer  
Bill Glowacki  
Kris  
Destiny  
Alex & Rick  
Ryan  
Kim  
Terri  
Brandon, Cindy & Paul  
Jesse  
Noah, Brooklyn, & Cindy  
Susan Holcombe  
Cheryl Bruno  
Arthur Feldman  
David Higbee & Family  
Bettye Carson  
Dan Nucci  
Jason  
Ryder & his mother  
Aspen & her mother  
Cheri Beck  
Dr. Nancy  
Odessa Stewart  
Christina  
Jasmine  
Tricia Weller  
Sid & Carol Downey  
Ric Becker  
Lynn Stewart  
Victoria Nelson