



The Jaunt

SVUMC Weekly Newsletter MAY 18, 2018

The Jaunt is a weekly newsletter that addresses upcoming events and highlights church activities. For information on many of our programs, small groups, and the United Methodist Church as an organization, visit our website at www.sierravistaumc.org.

This month's Prayer Word: **Bible!**

Living Word, speak to us through the words of the Bible.

- Sierra Vista United Methodist Church -

Love God. Love People. Spread the Love of Jesus.



Upcoming Services

May 20: Sunday Services, 7:30 a.m., 9 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

Scripture Reading: Genesis 11: 1-9; Acts 2: 1-21

Sermon: "The Gift of Babel" - Rev. Jeanne Festa

May 23: Vesper Service at 6 p.m.

Tonga Cyclone Relief



Churches throughout our Desert Southwest Annual Conference are collecting relief supplies for devastated areas of Tonga following the recent cyclone. Supplies will be brought to Annual Conference and loaded into a shipping container. The following bulk food items are needed: Rice, Bottled Water, Peanut Butter, Oatmeal, Tea, Coffee, Salt, Flour, Sugar. Needed school supplies include new and unopened packages of paper, pens, and pencils. Please drop off your donations in the Narthex or Fellowship Hall no later than Sunday, June 10th.

P.O.W.W.O.W.

Produce On Wheels Without Waste

The next POWWOW will be held Saturday, May 19 in the SVUMC parking lot. Produce is available from 7 to 10 a.m. as usual, but the truck comes at 6 a.m., and there will be lots of cleanup help needed from 10 to 11 a.m. So we will have two shifts, 6 to 8:45 a.m., and 8:15 to 11 a.m. If you are wondering which to pick, we always need more help at the end!



Fishermen's Gathering

United Methodist Men



Saturday - May 19th

"A Soldier's Story: Pvt. Osgood Knox Jones, 15th Virginia Cavalry Regiment," will be the subject of this month's talk presented by Curtis Tipton, author of the book, "Been in Two Fights!" Curt is a retired U.S. Army Sergeant Major and a member of SVUMC.

All men of the church are invited. Coffee is ready by 7:30, breakfast is served at 8:00. The Gathering includes a time of devotion and good fellowship, and lasts 60 to 90 minutes in the Fellowship Hall.

[Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men - Matt 4:19](#)

Memorial Day

Sierra Vista UMC will be honoring Veterans and Active Duty Military in celebration of Memorial Day on Sunday May 27th. All Retired and Active Military are welcome to wear their uniforms.

- Projector Operators Needed -

Volunteers are needed to run the projector for each worship service, but especially for the **10:30** service. It is not difficult (in fact, you might say it is child's play). Let Pastor Matt know you are willing to give it a try!



Capital Campaign

The Finance Committee is currently preparing a comprehensive update for the congregation on campaign pledges and contributions, and on how the campaign is progressing. We thank you for your support, the church is moving in a positive direction. Wise planning and prudent spending will enable us to accomplish our Christian mission while becoming financially stronger.



Donations needed for the Nursery

4 boxes of Goldfish
(large boxes not small bags)

8 bottles of rubbing alcohol

2 boxes of Band-Aids
(fun colors or cartoon print makes kids happy)

1-Full First Aid Kit

1-Temporal Thermometer

10 - Packages of wipes

We DO NOT need toys at this time. If you are willing to donate any of the above items please drop them off in the church office. Feel free to contact Jolene Coffman at Jlagocki19@gmail.com with any questions.

Knit Wits

We are a knit/crochet group that meets every Thursday from 9 to 11 in classroom 1-2. We use plastic bags to make sleeping mats for the homeless, and we need your help. We also teach knitting and crocheting.

For more information contact Sheila King, 775-691-0023.



COFFEE FROM CAFE LA COLONIA

Our church has an ongoing project to sell coffee from Mexico. It benefits an impoverished Colonia in Agua Prieta, and the Fuente de Vida United Methodist Church. We sell the coffee after each Sunday morning service at the Fellowship Hall or it may be obtained by calling Anita Oquita at 520-208-4547. Thanks for your support of this important project.

Vacation Bible School



VBS Is Fast Approaching!

This year our kids will be on The Great Treasure Hunt. So be on the lookout for pirate ships, treasures and God's Voice! The crew is almost complete... We still need a few group leaders and Assistant Group Leaders as well as a PowerPoint operator. If you have a heart for kids, a love of God and Pirate Booty you are needed! We also have a list of needed supplies to make our Treasure Hunt go smoothly, please consider picking up one or two of the craft or food items on your next shopping trip. There will be a Treasure Chest in the lobby of the Sanctuary and in the Fellowship Hall to collect your donations. T-shirts will once again be available for purchase. Please consider purchasing one for yourself and one for a participant!

Parents—Don't forget to sign up your kids! There are paper registration forms on the Sunday School table in the lobby and outside the church office. The Hunt begins on June 4th at 9am. We will be gathering in the Sanctuary Monday thru Friday. You will need to pick up your mates by 12:30pm each day. On Friday, parents are invited to stay and enjoy the fun.

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AHOY MATES SIGN UP NOW!



Wanted:

- ⚡ Kids in elementary school to come along on our Treasure Hunt!
- ⚡ Adults and youth to lead crew
- ⚡ People to fill our treasure chests

Questions, e-mail Liz Racicot
Lizzy0335@gmail.com



VBS Donation List

- Shoe boxes
- Blindfolds/bandanas
- Crafting gems—large quantities both larger and smaller gems
- Colored sand
- Plastic pirate coins
- Fabric markers (broad tip)
- Sharpie Markers (colored)
- Empty and washed out water bottles
- Cotton balls
- Medium google eyes
- Pencils
- Small prizes
- Apples, strawberries, and grapes for snacks (please bring in on Monday afternoon!)
- Peanut butter cookies (needed for Monday snack)
- Cream cheese (we need these for Monday snack)
- Ricotta Cheese (we need these for Monday snack)
- Large container of Goldfish
- Celery
- Carrots
- 8 oz paper cups
- Napkins
- Plain hummus
- Creamy peanut butter
- Graham crackers
- Hershey's Chocolate Nuggets

Trustees Accomplishments from January – May 2018

- We had the North side roof replaced on the Fellowship Hall to stop leaks from coming into church offices.
- We had the church sign fixed by High Desert Sign.
- We approved for a new checking account to be opened at South West Credit Union.
- We approved and oversaw the sale of the church parsonage in May 2018. The sale brought over \$140,000 to the church.
- We had Cool Dreams tint one of the large windows in the Sanctuary.
- We replaced the thermostats in the Sanctuary with programmable units in order to reduce energy usage in the future.
- We cut down the dying tree at the South West corner of the Fellowship Hall.
- We used the portable stage, from the Fellowship Hall, to expand the stage in the Sanctuary in order to make more room for the Bell Choir.

SVUMC



TRUSTEES

Trustees Approved/Planned Project Between May – July 2018

- We are currently installing a video system in the Cry Room in order to broadcast live services from the Sanctuary.
- We are currently switching our phone and internet providers in order to provide the church with more reliable phone and internet.
- We are currently writing a policy for the usage of our parking lots by the elementary school and other organizations. The policy will make our parking lots safer and better utilized, and will be implemented in August 2018.
- We are currently replacing the faded Fire Lane and Handicap signs in the parking lots.
- We will be repainting all the lines and curbs in the West and North parking lots.
- We will be filling the cracks, resurfacing, and repainting the lines in the South Parking lot.
- We will be replacing the flat sections of the roof on the education building in order to stop leaks from coming in.
- We will be replacing the Fellowship Hall carpeting with carpet squares.
- We will be removing the large sycamore tree in front of the Fellowship Hall due to it causing roof and plumbing damage.

If anyone would like to attend our next Trustees meeting, it will be held on June 5th at 5:30pm in the Fellowship Hall.

Health and Exercise Classes

In the Fellowship Hall, Nancy Buttke is offering strength training classes. Classes are held each Monday and Friday as follows:



8:30 a.m.	Strength Class: Lifting weights using dumbbells and ankle weights (about 1 hour)
9:45 a.m.	Back/Abs Class: For people with back problems who need to strengthen their core (back and abdominal muscles, 30 minutes)
10:30 a.m.	Class for People with Parkinson's (PWP) and their caregivers
3:40 p.m.	Another Back/Abs Class: 30 minutes
4:15 to 5 p.m.	Another strength class

There is no fee. Donations are accepted. For more info contact Nancy at 378-3765.



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