

Dear Sierra Vista Presbyterian Church Family and Friends,

"Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ" Philippians 1:2(NIV)

February may be a short Tmonth but we had plenty going on.

- Cleaning and fix-it day at the church went very well. We accomplished even more than we thought we might. A big thank you to all who participated!
- We had Scout Sunday, welcoming scouts and their families and recognizing scouts who participated. Those scouts who were present received a special badge.
- The 8-week God and Country program kicked off.
- We had the Souper Bowl of Caring with great soup and chili. Certificates were given for the top winner in each category. We raised over \$400 Crossroads Mission. Thank you for your generosity!
- I and others participated in a charity bike ride. One of the charities benefitting was Crossroads Mission. I took first place in my category. All praise and honor to the Lord! It was also an opportunity to share about His Love and the church with some people who were participating.
- Adult Sunday School led by Brian Claar continues to meet after fellowship time on Sundays.
- Wednesday Adult Bible Study meets in person and on zoom at 6:15pm weekly, led by me, Pastor Dan the man with a plan.
- Youth group meets 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month at 6 pm.
- Prayer team meets weekly on Mondays at 10am.
- Prayer chain continues 24/7.

Planned events during the month of March include:

Ordaining a new elder.

Installation of two elders.

Making many sandwiches for Crossroads on March 2.

Ash Wednesday on March 5th.

Receiving new members on March 09th.

A visit by PC(USA) Young Adult Volunteers (YAVs) on March 09th

Pastor Caesar will be visiting and bringing the message on March 23rd.

We will have the Baked Potato Bash on March 23rd.

I appreciate everyone who participates in the life of this church by attending, helping in various ways, and your donations (time, talents and resources). We continue to make a difference in Yuma and beyond!

May God bless you all,

Pastor Dan

# PRAYER LIST

Crystal Echols, Mary and Bob Schaal; Makyla Ruttle; Cindy Michels; Natalie Rivera; The Unrest in our Country; Police and Law enforcers; Total Recovery Ministry; leaders of our country; Missionaries around the World, the unsaved; Our military and their families; Border Patrol; And all those affected by COVID-19;

## UPCOMING BIRTHDAYS

*March*  
BIRTHDAYS

### MARCH

6 Darryl Morteson  
10 Jane Bruemmer  
12 Daniel Kai Troxel  
14 Paula Claar  
21 Bill Leeper  
22 Lynette Hamilton

### SCOUTS MARCH

4 Sammy Yazzie  
6 Natalie Deguina  
7 Leonardo westmoreland  
12 Daniel Kai Troxel  
19 Zarlina Basolet  
22 Aizeha Siciaros  
29 Anabelle Hergesheimer

*April*  
BIRTHDAYS

### APRIL

4 Judy Apple  
5 John Plate  
21 Harold Maxwell  
29 JoAnn Livingston

### SCOUTS APRIL

7 Hendrix Morales  
8 JJulietta Carrasco  
9 Deanna Allen  
22 Ruby Regalado  
22 Rylan Poor

# MISSION COMMITTEE NEWS

The Souper Bowl Chili and Soup Cookoff was a success!

**We raised \$420.10**

*for Crossroads Mission to help tackle hunger.*

Harold Maxwell won the Chili contest

Haley Hill won the Soup contest.

Thank you to those who brought chili and soup. It was delicious!

Sandwich making for Crossroads Mission will be on March 2 during fellowship time. Please bring lunchmeat, cheese, and/or peanut butter and jelly. Bread, mayonnaise, and tuna will be provided.



## BAKED POTATO BASH

Sunday, March 23th 2025  
During fellowship time in DFH

**PASTOR CESAR VAZQUEZ**

will be here to tell us about

*Jesus Pan de Vida*

one of our Mission Partners

Proceeds from the fundraiser will go to:  
"Jesus Pan de Vida" in San Luis, Sonora

# CLERK'S REPORT

The February Session Meeting was to handle routine business. The Consent Agenda which contained the approval of the January 21 Session Meeting minutes and the Annual Meeting minutes of January 26, 2025. Other items on the Consent Agenda were the statement of faith for Elder-elect Sharon Brainard, the scheduling of Sharon's ordination on March 2 during the morning worship service, the service of communion on February 2, and service of Home Communion on February 6, 2024. The Consent Agenda was unanimously passed.

Remaining business for the Session included the Pastor's Report, correspondence from the clerk, and receipt and approval of the January financial report. The Trustees presented and were granted approval for several building use requests.

Committee reports included:

Christian Education – God and County Study for the High School age group is underway. Plans for Easter celebrations were discussed.

Mission Activities – Upcoming dates for Mission

Sunday - March 2 – Sandwiches for Crossroads

Sunday - March 16 or 23 – Pastor Caesar visit and report

Worship – Plans for the upcoming

Ash Wednesday – March 5

Palm Sunday – April 13

Maundy Thursday – April 17

Easter Sunday on April 27 were noted.

An update on unused items around the church was given. The choir robes which have not been used for several years have been donated to Arizona Western College music department. The library books were donated to Goodwill Industries, and the room is being renovated to provide some much needed storage.

The Session asks for prayers for the Pastor Nominating process and the continuing work of the Session.

# TREASURER'S REPORT

## FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY 2025 ANALYSIS OF JANUARY REPORTS

### Profit and Loss Report

#### **INCOME**

Total income received for January was \$ 15,862.81. This includes all income for the month. It includes donations in the offering plate, on-line donations through Vanco Services (\$3,928.59), the fourth quarter distribution from the Crossett and Soldwedel accounts at the Presbyterian Foundation (\$ 854.13), and the rental income from Hand In Hand preschool and the Apostolic Church (\$ 4,100.00). If there are any donations to Special Funds (such as Care Portal and Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA)), they are included in income amounts but are transferred to the Restricted account immediately. Total donations to Special Funds totaled \$ 275.00 including donations to CarePortal and PDA.

#### **EXPENSES**

Total expenses for January totaled \$24,169.81 including \$ 200.00 Designated Monies Expenses (to PDA) and \$ 300.00 listed as Unclassified Expenses. This category covered the costs for Esther Howe's memorial service for the Organist and the Pastor. These costs were more than covered by a family donation to the church. There were no extraordinary expenses in January but we did pay the first quarter liability insurance premium payment (\$ 2,744.75) and the Southwest Gas bill is larger than normal due to heat being required in the facilities.

#### **NET INCOME**

Net income is the income less the expenses. The net LOSS for the month of January is \$ 8,307.00. That is the difference between income for the month and expenses for the month. We did not transfer any funds from the Investment Account

#### **Balance Sheet**

*Current Assets at the end of January were:*

Restricted accounts displayed by title of the sub-account	\$ 20,799.36
Wells Fargo checking account	\$ 6,496.70

#### **SUMMARY**

Through 2025, we have spent \$ 8,307.00 more than we have brought in. We are fortunate that we had the Investment Account. As of February 17, 2025 we have a bank balance of uncommitted funds of \$ 4,195.24. This balance recognizes the donation to Crossroads for Souper Bowl donations and a couple of outstanding checks that have not cleared yet.

Let's pray for larger than normal donations for the coming year.

# SCOUTS

## OVERALL PROGRAM

SCOUT SUNDAY was observed on February 9 at Sierra Vista. Twenty-three scouts, including some of the leaders were recognized with a “Scout Sunday” commemorative patch during the worship service.

## GIRL SCOUTS

The Girl Scouts are busy selling the delicious Girl Scout cookies. Ask any Girl Scout for information. Our Troop 8054 girls are out and about all over town selling the goodies. Funds raised from cookie sales go toward the support of our Troop 8054 program.

## CUB SCOUTS

The Cub Scout Pack is continuing with achieving the various rank requirements. The next Pack Meeting where achievements will be recognized is scheduled for a March date. Currently we are planning on a family camping adventure the weekend of April 25-27. This camp will be at the Scouting America Balboa Park Campground in San Diego. More information will be forthcoming.

## BOY SCOUT TROOP

There have been four boys who earned their Eagle Scout Award during this past year. Tim Tolman, Zach Holtry, Cody Hill and Daniel Troxel have all earned this prestigious award. Tim Tolman was recognized at a Court of Honor in the fall. Daniel Troxel will hold his Court of Honor on March 19 and Cody Hill’s Eagle Court of Honor is scheduled for April 3. More information on these awards can be found elsewhere in this Newsletter.



# MARCH 2025

SUN MON TUE WED THU FRI SAT

						<b>1</b>  Fasting Season of Ramadan Begins
<b>2</b> Sandwiches for Crossroad Mission Transfiguration of the Lord Forgiveness Sunday	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> ASH Wednesday	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> World day of Prayer	<b>8</b> International Women's Day
<b>9</b>  1st Sunday in Lent	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>16</b>  2nd Sunday in Lent	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>
<b>23</b> Jesus Pan de Vida Guest Speaker Baked potato Bash 3rd Sunday in Lent <b>30</b> 3rd Sunday in Lent	<b>24</b>  <b>31</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>

# APRIL 2025

SUN

MON

TUE

WED

THU

FRI

SAT

1

2

3

4

5

6

5th Sunday  
in Lent

7

8

9

10

11

12

13

Palm Sunday

14

Monday of  
Holy Week

15

Tuesday of  
Holy Week

16

Wednesday of  
Holy Week

17

Maundy  
Thursday

18

Good Friday

19

Great Vigil  
of Easter

20

Resurrection  
of the Lord  
Easter Day

21

22

Earth Day

23

24

25

26

27

2nd Sunday  
of Easter

28

29

30