

Dear Sierra Vista Presbyterian Church Family and Friends,

Christ is Risen! He is Risen indeed!

We had a wonderful time celebrating the resurrection of our Savior Jesus on Resurrection Sunday/Easter! We had a great worship service and had beautiful lilies adorning the sanctuary.

After service we celebrated with an egg hunt for the kids & youth. We also had fellowship and a potluck thereafter for all. During the Easter egg hunt, Our youth had fun reading and interpreting scriptures leading to the grand prize for each one who participated. Pictures and a video are on our facebook.

Thanks to all those who made our worship and our experience on campus that day a blessing!

Some other highlights from April include:

- Preparing our hearts during the Lenten season included having Palm Sunday and Maundy Thursday services.
- One of our youth received an Eagle Scout award.
- Received a new church member.
- Finished up the 8 weeks God and Country Program. The scouts who participated were awarded badges and certificates during the climax of the program which was the same Sunday as the Palm Sunday!
- Pastor Esteban Escobar and his wife Pastor Yaya Escobar from Cocopah assemblies of God church on April 27. He brought a great message and Pastor Yaya presented two special songs!
- Pastoral visits and home communion with church family members and friends in their homes, care facilities, hospitals, restaurants and places of work in times of joy, pain or otherwise - If you need a visit please contact me or the office to schedule.
- Adult Sunday school led by Brian Claar continues to meet on Sundays after fellowship.
- Wednesday adult Bible study continues in person and on zoom at 6:15pm weekly, led by me, Pastor Dan the man with a plan.
- Men's breakfast continues every Thursday at 8am
- Youth group continues to meet on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month at 6pm.
- One of our youth had a great victory in a weight- lifting championship in Phoenix.
- Prayer team continues to meet weekly on Mondays at 10am.
- Prayer chain continues 24/7

Upcoming plans include:

- I will be on continuous Ed from May 11th- May 17th and vacation from May 18th- May 31st
Please call the office if you have any need that cannot wait.
- The last day of midweek bible study will be on May 07th and will resume on Sept. 10th
- Mother's Day is May 11th. Happy Mother's day to all mothers!
- Water day is Wednesday May 21st. A great day to enjoy time with the scouts and their families.
- Memorial Day is May 26th, when we honor and remember those who have died serving in the U.S. military. The office will be closed that day.

In addition to these things we have some members who enjoy bike rides together and others who enjoy hiking together. If you have an interest in joining in on these activities please let me know.

It is always a joy to worship with you and to bring the Good News of our Lord Jesus Christ. Together we are making a difference in Yuma and beyond.

May God Bless you,
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

May
BIRTHDAYS

MAY

3 Bob Anderton
9 Glenda Newcomer
14 Shelley Hawkins

SCOUTS MAY

4 CJ Allen
5 Gabriel Delgado
6 Madoxx Rabun
6 Kalizza Peynado
7 Silver Dillard
12 LillyAnne Hatley
21 Elijah Rivera
23 Isabella Castro
29 Mikayla Williams

ANNIVERSARIES

8 Glen & Barb Moss
8 Bill & Sandii Leeper

ANNIVERSARIES

21 Myrle & Karen Marlatt
31 Bob & Marty Anderton

June
BIRTHDAYS

JUNE

7 Harriet Brown
12 Colleen Foland
24 Jordan Hill

SCOUTS JUNE

12 Matthew Chavez
13 Lance Westmoreland
16 Jaiden Acosta
23 Erin Little
27 Kenna Riley

CLERK'S REPORT

The April Session Meeting was to handle routine business. The Consent Agenda included the approval of minutes from previous meetings and the service of communion on April 6. The Consent Agenda was unanimously passed.

One new member was added in April. The Session welcomed new member Sharon Roberts on April 6. Sharon comes to us by Reaffirmation of Faith.

Remaining business for the Session included the Pastor's Report, correspondence from the clerk, and receipt and approval of the March financial report.

Committee reports included:

Care Portal – Care Portal cases continue to come in and we support and fulfill needs as we can. Over 1000 children in Yuma County have been served since the inception of the Care Portal in 2018.

Christian Education – God and Country Study for the High School age group was completed with the recognition of the graduates on Sunday, April 13. Easter celebrations including an Easter Egg Hunt and a scavenger hunt for sixth grade and up youth during the Fellowship Hour were held on Easter Sunday, April 20.

Mission Activities – We heard a presentation from Esteban Escobar, Pastor of the Mission Partnership Cocopah Assembly of God congregation on Sunday, April 27.

Worship – It was a blessed Easter season. The Easter lilies which adorned the sanctuary were beautiful and reflected the glory of Christ. On Monday, April 21, all lilies that were not claimed were donated to residents of Casa Sierra Vista apartments, a facility for low income and elderly residents.

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

TREASURER'S REPORT

For the Month of March 2025 ANALYSIS OF MARCH REPORTS

Profit and Loss Report

INCOME

Total income received for March was \$ 19,526.76. This includes all income for the month and consists of donations in the offering plate, and on-line donations through Vanco Services (\$3,847.48). Income for March compared to February appears to be an increase, however the income includes the Baked Potato Bash and a designated \$ 1,000 for Jesus Pan de Vida. ALL donations to Special Funds (such as Care Portal, Jesus Pan de Vida, and Baked Potato Bash) are included in income amounts but are transferred to the Restricted Accounts. Total donations to Special Funds totaled \$ 1,249.00 including donations to CarePortal and Jesus Pan de Vida/ Baked Potato Bash. Not included in this Special Funds amount was a \$ 1,000.00 donation that was designated to go the Jesus Pan de Vida.

EXPENSES

Total expenses for March totaled \$24,276.65.56 including \$ 2,099.00 Designated Monies Expenses to Jesus Pan de Vida (SAM/MAS). There were no extraordinary expenses in March.

Current balances at the end of February were:

Restricted accounts displayed by title of the sub-account	\$ 20,799.52
Wells Fargo checking account	\$ 11,038.11

SUMMARY

Through 2025, we have spent \$ 19,467.57 more than we have brought in. We are fortunate that we had the Investment Account. As of April 15, 2025 we have a bank balance of uncommitted funds of \$ 6,072.49. This balance does not include payroll for April 30, 2025, required PCUSA benefits, or the pending payment for the fire alarm replacement (will be discussed in Trustees Report). The Treasurer will continue to monitor the account balances and will tap the investments if absolutely necessary.

SCOUTS

OVERALL PROGRAM

We are winding down another successful year. The final day of scouts for this activity year is May 21. We have reserved the giant water slide and are planning for a fun afternoon/ evening. Dinner that evening will be a potluck from families and the program will provide lemonade, plates, napkins, and utensils, and hotdogs and buns along with condiments. Each family is requested to bring a dish to share. Suggestions include cheeses and any other popular fixings, desserts, chips, salads, and sides.

The annual family camp in the Laguna Mountains will not be held this summer. We were unable to reserve space at the Horse Heaven Campground where we have traditionally held the event.

GIRL SCOUTS

The final Awards and Recognition ceremony for the Girl Scouts will be held on Wednesday, May 15. Our Sierra Vista Girl Scout Troop sold over 15,000 boxes of the Girl Scout cookies. Although cookie season has wrapped up, we might be able to locate cookies if there is a deep desire.

CUB SCOUTS

The final Pack Meeting with Awards and Recognitions will be held TUESDAY, May 13. Our Wolf Bear Den Leader, Mr. Nate Piatt, has completed his Master's Degree and the Commencement ceremony is on May 7. We are proud of Nate's accomplishment and want to honor his service by holding the Cub Scout event on an alternate evening to allow Nate to participate in both events.

BOY SCOUT TROOP

The Boy Scout Troop received four new members in March when the Arrow of Light scouts from the Cub Scout Pack "graduated" into the Troop. The Troop has a campout scheduled at Mitty Lake the weekend of May 9 and 10.

MAY 2025

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				1	2	3
4 Communion Sunday 3rd Sunday of Easter	5	6	7	8	9	10
11 Mother's Day 4th Sunday of Easter	12	13	14	15	16	17
18 5th Sunday of Easter	19	20	21	22	23	24
25 6th Sunday of Easter	26 Memorial Day Office Closed	27	28	29 Ascension of the Lord	30	31

JUNE 2025

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
<div>1</div> <div>7th Sunday of Easter</div>	<div>2</div>	<div>3</div>	<div>4</div>	<div>5</div>	<div>6</div>	<div>7</div>
<div>8</div> <div>Day of Pentecost</div> <div>Pentecost Offering</div>	<div>9</div>	<div>10</div>	<div>11</div>	<div>12</div>	<div>13</div>	<div>14</div>
<div>15</div> <div>Trinity Sunday</div> <div>Father's Day Presbyterian Men</div>	<div>16</div>	<div>17</div>	<div>18</div>	<div>19</div>	<div>20</div>	<div>21</div>
<div>22</div> <div>2nd Sunday after Pentecost</div>	<div>23</div>	<div>24</div>	<div>25</div>	<div>26</div>	<div>27</div>	<div>28</div>
<div>29</div> <div>3rd Sunday after Pentecost</div>	<div>30</div>					