

### Greetings Sierra Vista Presbyterian Church Family and Friends,

Schools are back in session.! Let's continue to pray for all the students and safety in our learning institutions. The scouts are back to meeting. They have a huge registration and it is a joy to have them here! I have had an opportunity to visit with some of the parents who told me it is their first time at SVPC. I had some time to invite them to the church.

The Scouts are starting back an old tradition of making and serving dinner once a month on the 1st Wednesday of the month at 5:30 pm on a trial basis. They did this in the past but it was stopped because of COVID. It is exciting to see the tradition making a return! The cost is \$4 a person or \$15 a family. Please take this opportunity to make scouts and their families feel welcome by visiting with them. It is also a great opportunity for you to tell your story and listen to other people share their stories. It would be great to invite your friends, families, scouts and their families to our Sunday service and Bible study.

Midweek Adult Bible Study will resume on Wednesdays starting on September 17th at 6:15 pm and is available in person and through ZOOM. It is led by me, Pastor Dan the Man with a Plan.

We love having new people join us to study the bible with us. If you or someone you know would be interested, please join us! We typically study the reading that will be the sermon subject the following Sunday. We have good discussions, some fun and some laughter along the way.

We use the same zoom link every week. Join Zoom Meeting <a href="https://us04web.zoom.us/j/78157116453?pwd=EBQVzjgV35Kt34TEWclpHzYbmlTh4d.1">https://us04web.zoom.us/j/78157116453?pwd=EBQVzjgV35Kt34TEWclpHzYbmlTh4d.1</a>

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Adult Sunday School will be starting back up on Sunday, September 14th and takes place about 10:30 am following fellowship. This study is led by our own Brian Claar.

We enjoy great fellowship after the service where we have the three Cs, Cookies or cupcakes or cake, Coffee and Conversation. A big thanks to all those who have hosted this fellowship and those who are planning to host in the future! If you want to host, the signup sheet is at the DFH. We have continued with great mission partnerships locally and internationally.

I take this opportunity to thank you for all your continued support for those in need in Yuma and around the world. Most recently we had a food drive for Crossroads. An Undie Sunday for ABCs is coming soon. Thanks to all who continue to contribute.

One of our young adults joined the boot camp. We believe he is doing well and our prayers are with him and his family and friends. We appreciate the service he will give to this country and the world.



Pastoral care and ministry are available for home communion, hospital visits, and prayer ministry. If you are in need of these services, please reach out to us by giving us a call during office hours Monday - Thursday 8:30am - 1:30pm or by sending an email anytime.

Other highlights from August include:

- Men's breakfast continues every Thursday at 8am
- Prayer team continues to meet weekly on Mondays at 10am.
- Prayer chain continues 24/7
- -In addition to these things although it has been slow in summer, we have some members who enjoyed outside activities together; bike rides, walks, swimming and hiking. If you have an interest in joining in on these activities, please let me know.

The new TV monitors which were installed at the sanctuary have made our worship experience better!

Please continue to encourage your friends and family to subscribe to our YouTube channel. This will help us in qualifying to broadcast our services live on YouTube on top of Facebook live. Here is the link

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9aedSWEfu3M&t=14s

I look forward to sharing the good news and connecting with you during these and any other opportunity.

May the Lord be with you, Pastor Dan

May the Lord richly bless you, Pastor Dan

## DRAYER 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

Odober

- 2 Sandii Leeper
- 6 Darren Hawkins
- 10 Cody Hill
- 11 Elsie Caley
- 28 Sandy Willen
- 29 Paul Schlehr

Scorts

- 2 James Powell
- 12 Henry Sabo
- 14 Veronica Kinslow
- 17 Esmeralda Rios
- 17 Winter Tate

September

- 2 Cortney Scott
- 9 Sandy Schlehr
- 12 Myrle Marlatt
- 16 Shelley Burge
- 19 Wayne Williams
- 26 Barb Moss
- 29 Karen Marlatt

Scouts

- 7 Abigail Niewiek
- 11 Aaron Poor
- 11 Evolett Rios
- 15 Jesus Jaramillo
- 16 Leah Glass
- 19 Kwiipaw Ruiz
- 25 Neveah Boggess
- 29 Henrik Niewiek

September Anniversaries

- 2 Tom & Judy Rushin
- 8 Darren & Shelley Hawkins
- 12 Harold & Sam Maxwell

## MISSION COMMITTEE NEWS





The August Session Meeting was to handle routine business. The Consent Agenda included the approval of minutes from previous meetings and the service of communion for July and August. Also included on the consent agenda was the official recording of communion to home bound members and friends of the congregation. 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 July financial report.

#### Committee reports included:

Care Portal – September meeting is scheduled to review commitments and how we can be more involved.

Christian Education – Both Youth and Adult Sunday School will start on September 14; Adult Wednesday night study will start on September 17. Adult Sunday class will continue the "Believe" curriculum that the group started last year. Youth Sunday School (assuming we get kids) has its own curriculum. Pastor Dan's Wednesday study discusses the sermon for the coming week.

Mission Activities – Mission support activities such as the monthly support of Mission Partners continued.

Worship - Ongoing support of worship continued.

### Scout Program schedules:

The Cub Scout Pack hosted a "Back to Pack" and new member orientation in DFH on August 20. The first night of Den meetings was August 27.

Troop 8054 kicked off on August 13 in DFH with returning scouts and parents and any new registrants (attendance was 8 out of 16 registered boys plus one potential youth and several parents.

Girl Scouts held Orientation on August 20 in Sanctuary and first night of meetings was on August 27.

Scouts will coordinate among ALL scout programs to host a return of the pre-scout meeting dinners on a monthly basis The Session asks for prayers for the Pastor Nominating process and the continuing work of the Session.



#### INCOME

Total income received for June was \$ 13,965.11. This includes all income for the month and consists of donations in the offering plate, and on-line donations through Vanco Services (\$4,332.75). Income for July compared to June is down. July donations to Special Funds (such as Care Portal) are included in income amounts but are transferred to the Restricted Accounts. Total donations to Special Funds totaled \$50.00.

#### **EXPENSES**

Total expenses for July totaled \$26,474.38 including \$1,857.00 identified as "Designated to other sources" expenses. This expense was for the electricians to get power to the TVs and the removal of the rear screen and patching the hole. This expense was taken from the Designated funds.

#### **NET INCOME**

Net income is the income less the expenses. The net LOSS for the month of is (\$ 12,509.27). That is the difference between income for the month and expenses for the month. We did transfer funds (\$ 9,000) from the Schwab Account in June to meet our obligations.

If you are in arrears on your 2025 pledge, we would appreciate any efforts to catch up.

#### **SUMMARY**

Through 2025, we have spent \$ 58,008.74 more than we have brought in. We are fortunate that we have the Investment Account however we cannot continue to deplete this resource.

We need to also remember that our Winter Family has returned home so the projected income will continue to decrease.

The Sierra Vista Scouting program has kicked off and groups are meeting. We continue to see new families interested in the program.

After one week, our numbers are sitting as follows:

GIRLS:

Daisy 7; Brownies 11; Juniors 8; Cadettes 11; Seniors/Ambassadors 6

CUBS:

Lions 7; Tigers 6; Wolfs 7; Bears 9; Webelo I 3; AOL 4

Our goal is to cap group size at 12 scouts, but some leaders have added additional youth. This year, we have split the combination Lions/ Tigers den. Lions are kindergarten aged and Tigers are first graders. We are still recruiting for Cub Scouts at most levels until we reach the cap of 12. Our Boy Scout Troop is sitting at 16 boys.

#### Our schedule for the coming weeks is:

eptember 3, and September 10, September 17 Regular meeting for all groups

September 24 - Rain Gutter Regatta Event for Cub Scouts Regular meetings for Girl Scouts and the Scouts BSA Troop

October 1 - Regular meetings

We are happy that the year is underway and hope that you will continue to support your 8054 scouting program. If you haven't checked us out yet, please visit any Wednesday for a great time.

If you know of youth who might be interested in getting involved in scouts, please have them contact Mr. Moss at 928-580-7005 or leave a message on the church answering machine at 928-726-6680.

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after Pentecost			Bible Study 6:15pm			
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15th Sunday after Pentecost			Scouts 6pm			
			Bible Study 6:15pm			
28	29	30				
16 th Sunday after Pentecost						

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