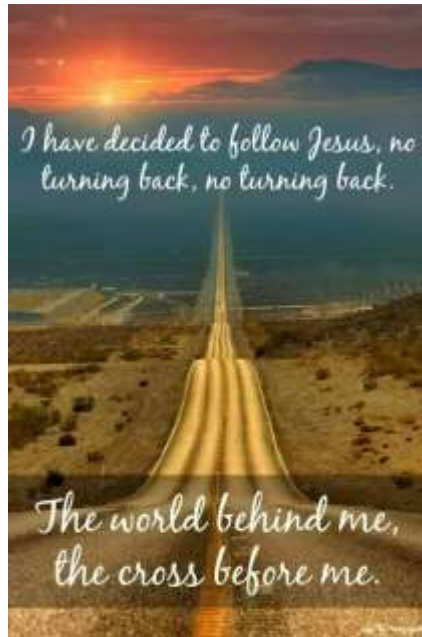


Vista de la Montaña United Methodist Church

11th Sunday after Pentecost

August 25, 2019



“I Have Decided To Follow Jesus”

United Methodist Church Mission

To make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

OUR MISSION

Our Mission is to reach out to others to help them meet their needs and to welcome them into our family of faith as we gather for worship, fellowship, education and service.

Vista de la Montaña United Methodist Church

*** Please stand as you are comfortable**

(Please write your Celebrations and Concerns in the Prayer Book on the stand in the back of the Sanctuary. These will be read and prayed for during the Sharing of Concerns and Celebrations.)

COUNTDOWN

“Psalm 23”

WELCOME & GREETING

Rev. Fred Baum

*OPENING SONG

“O Worship the King” (1,2,4,5)

No. 73

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 111:1-4, 10

Leader: I will extol the Lord with all my heart in the council of the upright and in the assembly.

People: Great are the works of the Lord; they are pondered by all who delight in them.

Leader: Glorious and majestic are his deeds, and his righteousness endures forever.

People: He has caused his wonders to be remembered; the Lord is gracious and compassionate.

Leader: The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; all who follow his precepts have good understanding.

All: To him belongs eternal praise!

*CONFESSION OF FAITH

I Cor. 15:1-6 and Col. 1:15-20

Leader: This is the good news which we have received, in which we stand, and by which we are saved:

People: Christ died for our sins, was buried, was raised on the third day, and appeared first to the women, then to Peter and the Twelve, and then to many faithful witnesses.

We believe Jesus is the Christ, the Anointed One of God, the firstborn of all creation, the firstborn from the dead, in whom all things hold together, in whom the fullness of God was pleased to dwell by the power of the Spirit.

Christ is the head of the body, the church, and by the blood of the cross reconciles all things to God. Amen.

GOSPEL LESSON

John 21:18-23

¹⁸Very truly I tell you, when you were younger you dressed yourself and went where you wanted; but when you are old you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will dress you and lead you where you do not want to go.” ¹⁹Jesus said this to indicate the kind of death by which Peter would glorify God. Then he said to him, “Follow me!”

²⁰Peter turned and saw that the disciple whom Jesus loved was following them. (This was the one who had leaned back against Jesus at the supper and had said, “Lord, who is going to betray you?”) ²¹When Peter saw him, he asked, “Lord, what about him?”

²²Jesus answered, “If I want him to remain alive until I return, what is that to you? You must follow me.” ²³Because of this, the rumor spread among the believers that this disciple would not die. But Jesus did not say that he would not die; he only said, “If I want him to remain alive until I return, what is that to you?”

TIME WITH CHILDREN & YOUTH

Valerie Hammons

VIDEO CLIP FROM

“ALIVE INSIDE”

PREPARATION FOR PRAYER

No. 399

“Take My Life and Let It Be”

PASTORAL PRAYER

Rev. Alan Campbell

SHARING OF CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS

Rev. Fred Baum

LORD’S PRAYER - SUNG

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS: Robert and Cheryl Grant, Leo Smith,
Tom Wittkoski, Bill and Sandy Gureck

OFFERING

“Dona Nobis” (*W.A. Mozart*)

Mary Bellah

“Then he said to them all: “Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross daily and follow me.” ~ *Luke 9:23*

*DOXOLOGY “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

No. 95

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Rev. Fred Baum

GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 9:57-62

⁵⁷ As they were walking along the road, a man said to him, “I will follow you wherever you go.”

⁵⁸ Jesus replied, “Foxes have dens and birds have nests, but the Son of Man has no place to lay his head.”

⁵⁹ He said to another man, “Follow me.”

But he replied, “Lord, first let me go and bury my father.”

⁶⁰ Jesus said to him, “Let the dead bury their own dead, but you go and proclaim the kingdom of God.”

⁶¹ Still another said, “I will follow you, Lord; but first let me go back and say goodbye to my family.”

⁶² Jesus replied, “No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for service in the kingdom of God.”

Leader: This is the word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God!

SERMON

“I Have Decided to Follow Jesus”

Rev. Fred Baum

*CLOSING HYMN

“Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus” (1,3)

No. 514

STEPHEN MINISTER

Lila Homan

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BENEDICTION

Rev. Fred Baum

CONCORD PRESENTATION AND TOURS OF WORK SITE

All church services are live-streamed and recorded. CCLI #1030786 CCS #8841 CVLI #504149878

A Season of Prayer

During this series on prayer seek to set aside a time each day to pray:

Pray the Lord’s Prayer. Pray for our Denomination.

Pray for Vista Church Catalina. Pray for our satellite in San Manuel.

Pray for our Building project. Pray for the churches listed. Pray!

Listen for the voice of God!

Welcome to Our Visitors!!

All visitors are invited and encouraged to explore membership in Vista's Congregation.

If you are interested in membership, please contact the church office at 825-1985 and Pastor Fred or Valerie will call you.

Our next New Member Luncheon will be held October 13th, immediately following the service.

Prayers for Our Churches

Each month churches in the South District pray with and for each other. Please pray for the pastors, congregation and community of the following:

August 2019

Saint Mark's UMC, Tucson

Sierra Vista UMC, Sierra Vista

Vista de la Montaña UMC, Tucson

Fuente de Vida (our sister church in Agua Prieta, Mexico)

SOUTH DISTRICT LAY SERVANT CELEBRATION

The Fourth Annual Lay Servant Celebration will be held at First Church Tucson on Saturday, September 21st. Registration & Continental Breakfast will begin at 9 am. District Superintendent, Mark Conrad will be delivering the sermon during Worship at 11. A catered lunch will be served following Worship. It will be Mexican Food and there is no cost to the Lay Servant. **Please RSVP to Gretchen Lofgren, gretchie22@cox.net if you plan to attend. A correct count is needed for the lunch. You may bring a guest (spouse, etc.)**

Vista de la Montaña United Methodist Church
3001 E. Miravista Lane, Tucson, AZ 85739
Office: 825-1985 E-mail: VistaUMC@aol.com
Sunday Worship 10:00 am
Visit our website: www.vistaumc.org

Assisting Our Worship Today

Acolyte	Sinai Penuelas
Liturgist	Peggy Hoeft
Greeters	Dick & Ilene Nevins
Welcome Desk	Jane Rytter
Ushers	Cliff Terry, Sharon Scanlan, & Dennis Kimmel
Children's Moment	Valerie Hammons
Audio & Video	Nancy Yob, Teresa Sanders and the Live Stream Team
Snacks	Carla & Dan Radke and Cheryl McGuire
Hospitality Partners	Kathleen Greer, Carla & Dan Radke and Cheryl McGuire
Coffee	Jane Stump
Flowers	Mary Berg in memory of her parents
Floral Arrangements	Jill Spiva of Joyful Expressions
Stephen Minister(s)	Lila Homan
Sunday Lock-Up	Cheryl McGuire

We need two volunteers to assist with the communion preparations for services on Communion Sundays and for the multiple services during the Christmas and Easter seasons. With several assistants the duties can be rotated and only require 4-6 services a year.

If you can help with this important stewardship, please contact Connie Simonds at 520-904-2228 or call the church office@ 825-1985

UPPER ROOM

THE PELICAN

READ Matthew 6:25-34

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Jesus said, *“Don’t worry about your life Look at the birds in the sky. They don’t sow seed or harvest grain or gather crops into barns. Yet your heavenly Father feeds them.”*

— Matthew 6:25-26 (CEB)

I love pelicans, not for their beauty but for their grace. Watching them glide through the sky calms my soul. Lately, my soul has needed calming. I have been diligently searching for work, but I have met rejection at every turn. Despite my constant pleading prayers, God has remained silent.

One day I was sitting on the beach praying as I watched the turquoise waves roll onto the shore. I saw a pelican soaring through the sky, and as I watched it searching the waves for fish, I pleaded with God again to show me what I should do with my life. As the bird soared above the water keeping watch for its next meal, it spotted a fish and immediately dove in to catch it. Then the pelican emerged from the water and floated atop the gentle waves as it enjoyed its dinner.

As I watched the pelican, my heart recognized God’s message: *Trust me. I am taking care of you.* It was a balm for my weary soul. As God provides for the pelican, so God provides for me.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY
I will trust God to provide
for me today.

Prayer: Source of all that we have and are, help us to trust that you will provide for us and to be courageous enough to dive in when new opportunities come along. Amen.

Pamela Hutto (Florida, USA)

Prayer Focus: FOR PERSEVERANCE

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Compassion Connection

Hospitalized

Peggy Marks

At Home In Need of Continued Prayers for Healing

Bob Authur, Loretta Tom, Fran Hampton, Betty Jean Emberton,
Dave Brackett, David Ewing (son of Rosetta Schemenauer),
Steven Extract, Shawn Oelrich, Kay Gragg, Bob Sherman, Bob Langwig,
Barb Madden, George Dunkel, Norm Williams, Linda Whitlatch,

Home Bound

John & Joan Davies, Bob & Eileen Herd,
Grant Robinson, Mary Raynor,

NEW GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP BEGINS SEPT 5

Many people who are grieving wonder if they would benefit from joining a support group. Each individual grieves in his/her own way but many have found that learning about grief and what to expect and discovering that others have the same feelings they do helps them gain insight into their own grief and learn ways of coping. Most people find that besides receiving support, giving support to others benefits them as they go through their own grief journeys.

The group will be led by Pastor Fred and Gerry Alberts and will begin Thursday, September 5th at 10:30 in the Patio Room. The sessions will be 1 1/2 hours and will run 8 - 10 weeks.

If you have questions or wish to register, call Pastor Fred at 825-1985 or Gerry Alberts at 825-4642. You are welcome to attend even if you have not registered. Non Vista people are welcome.

DON'T MISS GAME NIGHT!

Join us Tuesday evening, August 27, 6 pm, in the Sanctuary for fun and games! Bring a friend and bring a snack to share. Ice tea and water provided. If you have a favorite game, bring that too! See you there!

NEW ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION CLASSES

We are proud to announce that the next class in our series will be an eight week study of the New Testament Book of Acts. The course will be taught by Reverend Alan Campbell and will begin on Wednesday September 11 through October 30th at 10:00. Please sign up by texting Donna Boring at 703 980 0750 or emailing her at dlboring@comcast.net.

The Adult Sunday School class will begin the study of the book The Clash of Kingdoms starting in August following the Sunday service in the patio room. For more information check with Linda Whittington.

Vista Song of Joy Chorus

TODAY, August 25th, a short clip of "Alive Inside" will be shown during the worship service. The clip introduces Henry, an African-American man with dementia, who is almost mute and needs total assistance with daily living. Earphones are placed over Henry's ears and the music stimulates his brain in a number of areas. As a result, he begins to sing old songs, converse with the researchers, and excites the entire room. Henry demonstrates the power of music on the brain. The film can be viewed free of charge online by googling: "Alive Inside Legendado" (A showing at the church can be arranged by contacting Jane Stump at Jane_Stump@comcast.net.)

The Vista Song of Joy Mini-Chorus will sing at Vista on September 1st!

The Song of Joy Team is so pleased to present our mini-chorus to the congregation on September 1st. The mini-chorus will perform three hymns and ask the congregation to join them in singing the fourth: " Oh, when the saints go marching in".

Our chorus is composed of the memory impaired, caregivers and members of the Song of Joy Team. The music director is Sue Boerding. Al Spooner will accompany the singers on the saxophone.

The mini-chorus members will greet the congregation on the patio after the service.

The next rehearsal of Vista Song of Joy Chorus is Friday, August 23 at 10:30 am in the Patio Room.

Jane Stump, Director, Vistas Song of Joy Mini Chorus

Creative Hands will meet again on Sept. 13 at 9:00 a.m. in the Patio Room. We will use patterns and fabric to cut out children's clothes and then take them home to sew. We would love to see some new faces. Jan Bohe 825-9725.

CONSIDER GIFT TO VISTA

Did you know that there is no limitation on the size of a charitable gift that can be given to Vista at the time of your death? Think about giving into active accounts for the health and growth of the church. Here are some of the different places to think of: Education, Streaming, Youth, Building Fund, Music, UMM, Mission. No matter how large the gift it is deductible for Federal estate purposes.

For more information call: Darrell Parson (520-275-8114); or Sharon Scanlan (928-308-3115);

Birthday, Birthday, Birthday!



Are you celebrating a 90th birthday this year? If so, please contact Delores Brindle to have your name added to the "90 Plus Birthday Celebration". If you signed up last year, your name is already on the list. We will be celebrating those who are 90 plus years old on September 15 following the church service. Contact Delores by phone at 520.907.5706, or email deloresjb@gmail.com.

Knitters and Crocheters.

Do you knit or Crochet? Vista Sanctuary needs a few, nice shawls for Sunday mornings. Our ushers will share them when we have a member or guest that is feeling a chill. They will be kept at Vista to be shared each Sunday when needed. Please contact Cliff Terry or Valerie Hammons with your shawl.

CONSIDER ENDOWMENT

Consider naming the Church's endowment as a beneficiary of your life insurance or retirement plan. If you have named other beneficiaries, consider naming the Church's endowment as a secondary or backup beneficiary in case the first beneficiary is deceased at the time of your death.

For more information, call Boyd Carpenter @ 909-9795 or boyd naz@gmail.com, or John Witt @825-7017, cajo55@icloud.com



Think Vista's Endowment!

Vista Calendar

SUNDAY, AUGUST 25, 2019

10 AM WORSHIP SERVICE – TRADITIONAL
ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL, 11:15 AM
SAN MANUEL WORSHIP, 4:00 PM

MONDAY, AUGUST 26, 2019

TUESDAY, AUGUST 27, 2019

PRAYER SHAWL GROUP, 1:00 PM, PATIO ROOM

**Game Night, 6:00 pm,
Sanctuary**

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 28, 2019

INTERCESSORY PRAYER, 8:45 AM, WYCLIFFE
CYFM, 1:00 PM, PATIO ROOM

THURSDAY, AUGUST 29, 2019

LANDSCAPING CREW, 7:00 AM

FRIDAY, AUGUST 30, 2019

SONG OF JOY CHORUS, 10:30 AM, PATIO ROOM

SATURDAY, AUGUST 31, 2019

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2019

10 AM WORSHIP SERVICE – TRADITIONAL
ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL, 11:15 AM
SAN MANUEL WORSHIP, 4:00 PM

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2019 **LABOR DAY – OFFICE CLOSED**

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2019

VOCAL SENIORITY, 9:00 AM, SANCTUARY
EVANGELISM MEETING, 10:00 AM, PATIO ROOM
SPRC MEETING, 4:00 PM, PATIO ROOM
TRUSTEES MEETING, 6:30 PM, PATIO ROOM

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2019

INTERCESSORY PRAYER, 8:45 AM, WYCLIFFE
CHANCEL CHOIR, 7 PM, SANCTUARY

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2019

LANDSCAPING CREW, 7:00 AM
BELL CHOIR, 6:30 PM, SANCTUARY

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2019

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2019

UMM BREAKFAST, 7 AM, CLAIRE'S
UMM MEETING, 8 AM, PATIO ROOM

5-day academy at Redemptorist Renewal Center in Picture Rocks.

The **Five Day Academy for Spiritual Formation** is a retreat experience for highly motivated persons (clergy and laity) who seek the mind, heart and way of Christ. The program follows a daily rhythm of worship, study, silence and covenant community designed by The Upper Room

See <https://academy.upperroom.org/>. This year the Desert Southwest Conference is proud to offer a Five Day Academy at the Redemptorist Renewal Center near Tucson September 15-20, 2019. Interested persons should check out the website at www.az5dayacademy.org or contact Jerry Haas, retreat leader, at jndhaas@gmail.com or our very own Gail Parson at gailma@comcast.net or (520)-275-7117. **Gail is planning to attend; you may want to talk to her about why she decided to sign up for this experience.**

Information Available in the Narthex

Upper Room Devotionals, **Care Notes** (provided by Stephen Ministry) **2019 Flower Calendar**

Information from Other Groups and Committees at Vista UMC,
and Offering Envelopes (if requested)

If you requested a name tag from Vista, please check with the greeters.

Ministers	The Congregation of Vista UMC
Pastor	Rev. Fred C. Baum
Pastor Emeritus	Dr. Jonathan Leonard
Pastoral Assistant	Valerie Hammons
Director of Choirs	Marshall Sanders
Accompanists	Mary Bellah, Marilyn Rutkowski
	Donna Langwig
Director of Vocal Seniority	Bill Bellah
Bell Choir Director	Shannon Casey
Church Council Chair	Dan Boring
Finance Chair	Sharon Scanlan
Church Treasurer	Darrell Parson
Financial Secretary	Dennis Kimmel
Trustee Chair	Ken Hunt
Office Managers	Pat Johnson & Pam Holder
Custodian	Cheryl McGuire
Building Committee Chair	Ken Zebal
CYFM Chair	Jean Rupe
Endowment Committee Chair	Jay O'Donald
Evangelism Chair	Al Garcia
Fellowship	Barbara Sherman
Intercessory Prayer	Dorothy Conner
Lay Leader	Jim Bleess
Missions Outreach Chair	Dee Berman
Satellite Fellowship Chair	Pete Schwartz
SPRC Chair	Marty Lenzini
Stephen Ministry Leader	Karen Rice
Stewardship Chairs	Craig & Benith MacPherson
United Methodist Men	Jim Bleess
United Methodist Women	Loni Degen
Worship Support Chair	Gail Parson