

Vista de la Montaña United Methodist Church
Rev. Fred Baum

3rd Sunday in Advent

December 11th, 2022

Chancel Choir Cantata



“Touched by a Child, Touched by a King”

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 email vistaumc.org@gmail.com or text 520-349-9216 with your Celebrations and Concerns. These will be read and prayed for during the Prayers of the People.)

COUNTDOWN

“Joy”

WELCOME & GREETING

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LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE “Joy” Walter & Jane Reifsnyder
“Come Holy Child” vs. 3

*OPENING HYMN

“Joy to the World” (1,2,4)

No. 246

GOSPEL LESSON (NIV)

John 1:1-14

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. ² He was with God in the beginning. ³ Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made. ⁴ In him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind. ⁵ The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

⁶ There was a man sent from God whose name was John. ⁷ He came as a witness to testify concerning that light, so that through him all might believe. ⁸ He himself was not the light; he came only as a witness to the light.

⁹ The true light that gives light to everyone was coming into the world. ¹⁰ He was in the world, and though the world was made through him, the world did not recognize him. ¹¹ He came to that which was his own, but his own did not receive him. ¹² Yet to all who did receive him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God— ¹³ children born not of natural descent, nor of human decision or a husband’s will, but born of God.

¹⁴ The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.

CHILDREN AND YOUTH

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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LORD’S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us

Prayers for Our Members & Guests

Please use a Prayer Card so we may give praises to God and/or to lift up your concerns.
See an usher for the Prayer Card.

Compassion Connection

In Need of Continued Prayers for Healing

George Bauder, Orland Burbey, Rev. Alan Campbell, Jan Crown, Dr. Chuck Crown
Slim Crowson, Steven Extract, Alexis Extract, Kay Gragg, Jack Groenier Sr.,
Bill Gureck, Fran Hampton, Leslie Hawkins, Peggy Hoeft, Jackie Holden,
Pam Holder, Jim Holman, Jan Hopke-Almer, Ken & Sharon Hunt, Dottie McIntyre,
Margaret Overman, Allen Phillips, Sharon Poole, Karen Rice, Fern Salava,
Art Schweitzer, Leo Smith, Jan Springer, Marilyn Waldo

Home Bound

Rev. John Davies, Florence Duckett, Bob & Eileen Herd, Barbara Horton,
Don & Betty Little

Hospice Care

Dorothy Conner, Barry Shuman

In Memorium

Jeanne Farnum

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:

December 2022

Chaplains & Counselors in the South District

The Inn Project, Tucson

TMM Family Services – people served and staff, Tucson
and our sister church, Fuente de Vida in Agua Prieta, Mexico.

Adult Education Opportunities Advent 2022

The Adult Christian Education Committee is offering the following classes. Sign up is easy at vistaumc.org@gmail.com OR contact Donna Boring to sign up and with any questions.

BEFORE WORSHIP SERVICE CLASS FOR ADULTS

Sunday 8:45AM - 9:45 AM St Matthew Room M. McIntyre

The Wired Word will be offered before church Sunday morning. The Wired Word applies Biblical principles to current events. Mid-week you will be emailed the lesson including- In the News, Confronting the News With Scripture and Hope with Discussion Questions. Check out the wiredword.com for more information and a sample lesson.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES FOR ADULTS Come join us.

Sunday 11:20 AM - 12:45 PM St Matthew Room L. Whittington

This class has been meeting for some 20 yrs. There has been a variety of teachers. Currently, Linda Whittington is the teacher now for over 8 yrs. The class has a wonderful opportunity to pray, watch a meaningful video study with discussion following & fellowship.

Sunday, Nov. 27, we will be starting a 4 week study for Advent called "Who Needs Christmas" by Andy Stanley. It will conclude Dec. 18. This ongoing class provides a welcoming atmosphere for everyone and especially enjoys including new members.

LECTIONARY BIBLE STUDY FOR WOMEN

Thursdays 10:00-11:00 AM

This class has been in weekly session for over 2 years. It uses the Upper Room Lectionary study entitled Disciplines, A Book of Daily Devotions. The class includes daily Bible and devotional readings which are discussed during the class.

THE REDEMPTION OF SCROOGE (DECEMBER 7, 14, & 21)

Wednesdays 10:00 AM Elizabeth Room

This Advent class takes the familiar story of Scrooge and applies it to our Christian Faith. Is redemption possible for Scrooge? The book by Max Rawle is available at both Amazon and Cokesbury for \$9.79. Be sure to buy the book and not the leader's guide because the guide doesn't have the material you will need.

*For further information or to register for a class, contact Donna Boring
or the church office at 520-825-1985*

Opportunities to Connect, Serve & Support

FELLOWSHIP AFTER CHURCH Join us after service today for coffee and fellowship. You can also sign up to sponsor a Fellowship hour one Sunday – See Anne Hilton.



BLUE CHRISTMAS SERVICE THIS WEEK – Wednesday December 14th
The Blue Christmas service is for those who feel at odds with or estranged from the general feeling of joy and happiness typically associated with this time of year. Service will be in the Sanctuary.

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS As in Christmases past, Vista again offers you the opportunity to make memorial donations to purchase poinsettias which will be added to our sanctuary decorations beginning on Saturday December 24th. Names of those honored by these contributions will be printed in the bulletin. Envelopes in which to place these order forms and your payment will be available in a basket in the back of the sanctuary on Sunday December 4th – 11th. Wednesday December 14th will be the very last day to place your order.

MISSION MINISTRY NEED Impact Food Bank needs our help! Supplies are critically low as more and more families are in need of assistance. Please consider purchasing one or two of these items each week throughout the month of December. The grocery cart will be on the Patio each Sunday. **Rice, Peanut Butter, Tuna, Pasta, Boxed Dinners, Canned Goods, Dried Beans, Shelf Stable Items**

ALL OCCASION CARDS IN THE NARTHEX Would you like to share a bit of cheer and support our sister church in Agua Prieta? See Dee Berman-Tompkins in the Narthex where she will have handmade cards available for 50¢ each. Birthday, Christmas, Thankful, and so MUCH MORE!

SHARE THE WARMTH Reminder – The warm clothing/bedding drive continues now through January 22nd. Please consider donating gently used or new items to this worthy cause. Items placed in the Missions donation box in the Narthex will be taken weekly to the Clothing Bank at IMPACT.

FLOWER SIGN UP CHART FOR 2023 is available for flower arrangement SIGN UPS in the Narthex. It is filling up so sign up for your special day TODAY.

ENDOWMENT Avoiding probate or minimizing estate taxes at death requires proper planning. When you are doing this planning, consider making a gift to Vista's endowment.

Connect & Grow

Vista UMC Weekly Calendar

Day

Events

This Sunday 12.11	8:45 AM	Adult Sunday School – St Matthew Room – M McIntyre
	9:15 AM	Choir Rehearsal – Elizabeth Room
	10:00 AM	Worship – Sanctuary
	10:15 AM	Child/Youth Sunday School – Education Building
	11:20 AM	Adult Bible Study – St. Matthew Room, L Whittington
Monday 12.12	2:00 PM	Bell Choir Practice – Sanctuary – J Andersen
Tuesday 12.13	10:00 AM	Evangelism – St Matthew Room – L Hawkins
	2:00 PM	Finance – Elizabeth Room – S Scanlan
	3:00 PM	Church Council – Elizabeth Room – L Lenzeni
Wednesday 12.14	10:00 AM	Advent Bible Study – Elizabeth Room – G Parson
	1:00 PM	Choir Practice – Elizabeth Room – J Andersen
	1:30 PM	Missions Committee– St Matthew Room – D Berman-Tompkins
	3:00 PM	Blue Christmas Service – Sanctuary – D McIntyre
	6:00 PM	WOW / Family Ministry – Elizabeth Room – V Hammons
Thursday 12.15	8:00 AM	Landscaping Crew – Patio – R Olson
	10:00 AM	Women’s Lectionary Group – St Matthew Room
	10:00 AM	Huddle Group – St. Matthew Room – Pastor Baum
	2:00 PM	Memorial Service – Paul Hampton
Friday 12.16		
Saturday 12.17		
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Scan here
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calendar

Church Office Hours: Monday – Thursday 9AM – 5PM (closed 12-1 for lunch)

Welcome to Our Visitors & Guests!!

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

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

Assisting Our Worship Today

Liturgist: Rev. Jim Lubach

Stephen Minister: Dr Larry Holden

Flowers Donated by: Gene & Diane Bywater

In honor and joyous celebration of their Anniversary on December 18th.

And in loving memory of Brian & Theresa

(Arranged by Janet Arnett)

Thank you to ALL the volunteers that made this service possible.

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