

Vista de la Montaña United Methodist Church

Rev. Fred Baum

3rd Sunday after Epiphany

January 22nd, 2023



“Foolishness, Division & Power”

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

“Ultimate Sacrifice”

WELCOME & GREETING

Rev. Fred Baum

*OPENING HYMN “The Church's One Foundation” (vs 1,2,4,5) No. 545

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 145:1-8

Leader: The Lord is my light and my salvation—whom shall I fear?
The Lord is the stronghold of my life—of whom shall I be afraid?

People: One thing I ask from the Lord, this only do I seek: that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to gaze on the beauty of the Lord and to seek him in his temple.

Leader: For in the day of trouble he will keep me safe in his dwelling; he will hide me in the shelter of his sacred tent and set me high upon a rock.

People: Then my head will be exalted above the enemies who surround me; at his sacred tent I will sacrifice with shouts of joy; I will sing and make music to the Lord.

Leader: Hear my voice when I call, Lord; be merciful to me and answer me.

People: My heart says of you, “Seek his face!” Your face, Lord, I will seek.

All: Do not hide your face from me, do not turn your servant away in anger; you have been my helper. Do not reject me or forsake me, God my Savior.

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We know that God is in the world—was and is and will be. God made it all, and continues to renew and remake and resurrect. We

know God best in the life of Jesus, who was and is our maker of hope, the one who saves.

We know the power and energy of God in the Holy Spirit. We are filled with God's joy and pledged to discipleship and love. We trust in God. We celebrate God.

We work together for justice and freedom and peace through God. We are never alone. We are set free in Christ. Thanks be to God. We are the people of God. Amen.

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

1 Corinthians 1:10-18

¹⁰I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you agree with one another in what you say and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be perfectly united in mind and thought. ¹¹My brothers and sisters, some from Chloe's household have informed me that there are quarrels among you. ¹²What I mean is this: One of you says, "I follow Paul"; another, "I follow Apollos"; another, "I follow Cephas"; still another, "I follow Christ."

¹³Is Christ divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Were you baptized in the name of Paul? ¹⁴I thank God that I did not baptize any of you except Crispus and Gaius, ¹⁵so no one can say that you were baptized in my name. ¹⁶(Yes, I also baptized the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I don't remember if I baptized anyone else.) ¹⁷For Christ did not send me to baptize, but to preach the gospel—not with wisdom and eloquence, lest the cross of Christ be emptied of its power.

¹⁸For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

CHILDREN AND YOUTH

Valerie Hammons

INVITATION TO PRAYER

"Jesus Calls Us" (vs 1)

No. 398

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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 our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

PRAYER RESPONSE

“Jesus Calls Us” (vs 5)

No. 398

OFFERTORY

“Prelude” (Purcell-Smith)

Mary Bellah

OFFERTORY RESPONSE

“For the Beauty of the Earth” (vs 4)

No. 92

Mary Bellah

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 4:12-23

¹² When Jesus heard that John had been put in prison, he withdrew to Galilee. ¹³ Leaving Nazareth, he went and lived in Capernaum, which was by the lake in the area of Zebulun and Naphtali— ¹⁴ to fulfill what was said through the prophet Isaiah:

¹⁵ “Land of Zebulun and land of Naphtali,
the Way of the Sea, beyond the Jordan,
Galilee of the Gentiles—

¹⁶ the people living in darkness
have seen a great light;
on those living in the land of the shadow of death
a light has dawned.”

¹⁷ From that time on Jesus began to preach, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.”

¹⁸ As Jesus was walking beside the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon called Peter and his brother Andrew. They were casting a net into the lake, for they were fishermen. ¹⁹ “Come, follow me,” Jesus said, “and I will send you out to fish for people.” ²⁰ At once they left their nets and followed him.

²¹ Going on from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John. They were in a boat with their father Zebedee, preparing their nets. Jesus called them, ²² and immediately they left the boat and their father and followed him.

²³ Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and healing every disease and sickness among the people.

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

People: **Thanks be to God!**

ANTHEM	“You Have Come Down to the Lakeshore” Guitar: Jim Galka and Carolyn Dwyer	
SERMON	“Foolishness, Division & Power”	Rev. Fred Baum
*CLOSING HYMN	“Lift High the Cross” (vs 1-4)	No. 159
STEPHEN MINISTER		Dottie McIntyre
ANNOUNCEMENTS		Rev. Fred Baum
*BENEDICTION	“Praise, My Soul the King of Heaven”	No. 66
POSTLUDE	“Psalm XIX” (Benedetto Marcello)	Mary Bellah

Welcome to Vista UMC

Thank you for joining us during worship today.

-- Please note that the Red Registration Pads may say San Manuel. You are in fact in the right place, we are using up some old pages (recycling in creative ways). Thank you for signing in and joining us for worship.

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, Ami Hernandez, Peggy Hoeft, Jackie Holden,
Pam Holder, Jim Holman, Jan Hopke-Almer, Ken & Sharon Hunt, Margaret Overman,
Allen Phillips, Barbara Phillips, Sharon Poole, Karen Rice,
Walt & Mary Louise Roberson, Fern Salava, Art Schweitzer, Leo Smith, Meagan Spencer,
Tiffany Spencer, 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

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:

January 2023

Catalina UMC, Tucson

San Pedro Valley UMC, Benson

Desert Skies UMC, Tucson

and our sister church, Fuente de Vida in Agua Prieta, Mexico

Donating

Instructions to use QR code for donations

1. Open the camera app on your phone.
2. Focus the camera on the QR code by gently tapping the code as it appears on your camera.
3. Tap on the yellow button - myvanco.com
4. Fill in the card, amount etc.



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.

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.

WOW!! WORSHIP ON WEDNESDAYS, you are all invited to experience **WOW** - Worship on Wednesdays at 6PM for an intergenerational evening of fun, fellowship, food, music, classes for all ages. There will be Love and Logic study for the parents, An Apostle Creed book study based on “Rooted” (book can be ordered on Amazon) and classes for the kids. Please contact Valerie Hammons for more information.

Save the Date!

Drive through Ashes at Vista -- **February 22nd** 8am – 4pm

It's going to be SOUPER.....
Super Bowl Sunday @ Vista!
Will your team win?

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 January. The grocery cart will be on the Patio each Sunday. **Rice, Peanut Butter, Tuna, Pasta, Boxed Dinners, Canned Goods, Dried Beans, Shelf Stable Items**

THE COMMUNITY OF CATALINA (AND IMPACT)
THANK YOU FOR YOUR DONATIONS OF WARM CLOTHING!

ENDOWMENT A gift to Vista's endowment is a testimony to your faith and the confidence you have in the ministry of the church.

Connect & Grow

Vista UMC Weekly Calendar

Day

Events

This Sunday 01.22

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 01.23

2:00 PM Bell Choir Practice – Sanctuary – J Anderson

Tuesday 01.24

9:00 AM Vocal Seniority – Sanctuary – B Bellah
 10:00 AM Worship – St Matthew Room – B Phillips

Wednesday 01.25

1:00 PM Choir Practice – Elizabeth Room – J Anderson
 10:00 AM Adult Bible Study – Elizabeth Room – Rev. Lubach
 6:00 PM WOW & Family Game Night – Elizabeth Room – V Hammons

Thursday 01.26

8:00 AM Landscaping Volunteer Crew – Patio – R Olson
 10:00 AM Women’s Lectionary – Zoom Only
 11:00 AM Huddle Group – St Matthew Room – Pastor Baum
 1:30 AM Stephen Ministry – St Matthew Room – D McIntyre

Friday 01.27

Office Closed
Echoes Articles DUE

Saturday 01.28

Next Sunday 01.29

8:45 AM Adult Sunday School – St Matthew Room – M McIntyre
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Scan here
for online
calendar

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

The UPPER ROOM

Sun
Jan 22
2023

TWO TYPES OF PEOPLE

Read Mark 2:4 (CEB)

They couldn't carry him through the crowd, so they tore off part of the roof above where Jesus was. When they had made an opening, they lowered the mat on which the paralyzed man was lying.

-Mark 2:4 (CEB)

Early in Jesus' ministry, he was preaching at a home. A large crowd gathered to

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

With God's help, I will not hesitate to help those in need.

hear him, many of whom had been healed of sickness by Jesus in the weeks before. Now they and many others returned to hear him preach. It was so crowded that a group of people who brought a friend to be healed could not get anywhere near Jesus. So they climbed

up to the roof of the house, cut a hole in it, and lowered their friend down to Jesus.

As I considered the story, it seemed to me that there were two types of people in the story. People who wouldn't get out of the way so a man who needed Jesus could get to him and people who would do anything to get their friend to Jesus. *Which one am I?* I wondered. I thought of the times I noticed people that need Jesus - at work, on the street, friends, family. God doesn't always ask us to cut a hole in the roof. Maybe we are called to offer a kind word, a meal, a listening ear, or sometimes just to get out of the way. Now when I come upon a need, I ask Jesus to open my eyes and my heart so that I am helping and not standing in the way.

Prayer: Dear God, open our eyes to those in need around us so that we can offer help in your name. Amen.

Jim Weems (Mississippi,
USA)

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Prayer Focus: TO KNOW WHEN TO GET OUT OF THE WAY

2023 Church Leadership

Vista UMC

Church Council:

Council Chair	Marty Lenzini
Senior Pastor	Rev. Fred C. Baum
Council Secretary	Robin Conner
Adult Education	Donna Boring
Family Ministry Chair	Jean Rupe
Endowment	Jay O'Donald
Evangelism	Leslie Hawkins
Finance Chair	Sharon Scanlan
Co-Finance Secretary(s)	Mary Berg & Linda Davis
Lay Leader	Donna Boring
Lay Member	Nancy Yob
Lay Member	Pete Schwartz
Lay Member	Stuart Watkins
Live Stream	Rev. Fred C. Baum
Membership Coordinator	Valerie Hammons
Mission Outreach	Linda Galka
SPRC Chair	Nancy Yob
Stephen Ministry	Dottie McIntyre
Stewardship	Jim Galka
Treasurer	Darrell Parson
Trustee Chair	Leo Smith
UMM	Jim Bless
Women in Faith	Amy Butkovich
Worship Support	Barbara Phillips

For further information contact the church office at 520.825.1985

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

Flowers Given in Memory of Jackie Schaefer
(Arranged by Lue Satterfield)
Liturgist: Gene Bywater

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

Staff

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