

September 17, 2023

Our Core Values:

(Matthew 22:36-40 & Matthew 28:19-20)

WORSHIP: "Love God with all your heart..."

MINISTRY: "Love your neighbor as yourself."

EVANGELISM: "Go...make disciples/followers..."

DISCIPLESHIP: "...teach them...all things..."

COMMUNITY/FELLOWSHIP: "Baptize them..."

Our Mission Statement:

"Loving God, loving others and reaching the world for Christ!"

Our Vision Statement:

Sierra Vista Community Church exists to help people know, love, and serve God; bonding them into Christian community, equipping them to grow and to minister to those in need; all for the purpose of glorifying Him!

Financial:

GIVING In-person: Offering envelopes are in the seatbacks & collection baskets are as you exit

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First Time Guests:

CONNECT & RESPONSE CARD - First time guest? Make a decision today? Need prayer or just want to connect with us? The CONNECT & RESPONSE Card (located in the seatback in front of you) is an effective and immediate way to communicate with us! Please take a moment to legibly complete one and then give it to an Usher or place it in the Offering Basket at the end of the service today or if watching online, please email the office@svccfamily.org with your information or decision.

CHILDCARE is provided and encouraged for all young children (birth - 3yrs). Because our Worship Services are recorded, it is requested you check-in and drop off your child in the Nursery or Toddler's classroom BEFORE the service begins. Please wait to pick up your child until AFTER the service has been dismissed to help minimize any distractions and avoid upsetting the other children thinking it's time to go.

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP AND CLASSES - All children (5 yrs.- 5th grade) are to attend the worship / singing portion of our service with their parent(s), then be dismissed to their class with their teachers waiting in the hallway to walk with them to class. Parents are still required to pre-register their child(s) **before** the Worship Service begins whether or not they will be attending class or remaining in the service.

FAMILY ROOM - Located in the children's hall, just inside the Northwest entrance, this room is provided for parents of young children who may be ill, nursing, or new to SVCC who'd like to remain with their child and still be able to enjoy the service via live streaming in the room.

RESTROOMS are located just outside the Worship Center next to the drinking fountains. We also have a **Family Restroom** next to the bulletin board in the Children's Hall that has a changing table and is designated specifically for adults assisting their child or disabled family.

Sunday Activities:

PRE-SERVICE PRAYER TIME (9:00 am - 9:30 am) - The Worship Center is open and available at 9:00-9:30 am for anyone wanting to have prayer before the service or join others in praying for today's service.

FELLOWSHIP CONNECTION (9:15 am) - Stop by the kitchen counter and have a complimentary cup of coffee and donut to enjoy in the gathering area or out on the patio.

EQUIPPING TIME (9:00 am) - This Adult Bible Study meets in the multipurpose room and covers various topics designed to teach you God's Word and help you in your spiritual growth.

announcements:

MEN'S BREAKFAST FELLOWSHIP - Join us for our monthly Men's Breakfast Fellowship Saturday, July 22nd, at 7:00 am at Rudy's BBQ Restaurant, 1020 N. Telshor for a great time for fellowship and Bible study.

<u>COMING SOON!!</u> "DISCOVERY CLASSES": Join us for this informal time of dialogue and refreshments. Breakfast, lunch and childcare (birth-10 yrs.) are provided, so **REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED**! Please complete a Connect Card stating your interest, call the office at 575-526-9535 or email to office@svccfamily.org to register.

CLASS 101: "Discovering Sierra Vista" (*Prerequisite for membership and ministry!*) Come and discover what Sierra Vista is all about, including: our purpose and vision; our beliefs and structure; as well as ministry opportunities and how YOU can become a part of our "family"!

"ARE YOU FAITHFUL TO HIS CHURCH?"

(Faithful Hearts and Faithful Servants - Part 3) September 17, 2023 National Back-To-Church Sunday

⁴¹⁷ And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together. ^{18a} And he is the head of the body, the church." (Colossians 1:17-18^a)

Noticeable Relationship Between The "Head" and The "Body":

• Christ is the _____ of the church.

"And he (Jesus Christ) is the head of the body, the church." (Colossians 1:18^a)

• We are the _____ of Christ.

"Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it." (1 Corinthians 12:27)

• The body is _____ to the head.

"²² And he put all things under his feet and gave him as head over all things to the church, ²³ which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all." (Ephesians 1:22-23)

• We ought to _____ what Christ loves.

⁴²² Wives, submit yourselves to your own husbands as you do to the Lord. ²³ For the husband is the head of the wife as Christ is the head of the church, his body, of which he is the Savior. ²⁴ Now as the church submits to Christ, so also wives should submit to their husbands in everything. ²⁵Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her …" (Ephesians 5:22-25)

Christ _____ for His church.

"But I want you to understand that the head of every man is Christ, the head of a wife is her husband, and the head of Christ is God." (1 Corinthians 11:3)

"⁹ For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, ¹⁰ and you have been filled in him, who is the head of all rule and authority." (Colossians 2:9-10)

"And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock, I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it." (Matthew 16:18)

• The Church is Christ's _____ in the world.

"⁸ To me, though I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given, to preach to the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ, ⁹ and to bring to light for everyone what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God, who created all things, ¹⁰ so that through the church the manifold wisdom of God might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places." (Ephesians 3:8-10)

• head • body • submissive • love • change, agent

