



SIERRA VISTA Community Church

October 15, 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

Online: give.svccfamily.org

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www.svccfamily.org or
youtube.com/@svccfamily



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 this month's meeting **NEXT Saturday, October 28 at 7:00 am**, at Rudy's BBQ Restaurant, located at 1020 N. Telshor Blvd. Bring a friend, enjoy a burrito, fellowship and God's Word.

"DISCOVERY CLASSES" – SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28th (9:00 am – 2:00pm) 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. **Registration deadline: Wednesday, October 25**

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"!

CLASS 201: "Discovering Spiritual Maturity" Do you desire to grow in your relationship with Christ? Come to discover the "Four Basic Habits" that every Christian needs to develop as we equip you with the skills and tools necessary for healthy spiritual growth! (***Prerequisite: Class 101**)

GRIEFSHARE MINISTRY - Holiday Survival Seminar - Holidays can be difficult enough as it is! But, when you compound it with dealing with the loss of a loved one, it feels as if it's impossible to cope with the festivities while also experiencing pain and loneliness! That's why we're offering this one day seminar: **Sat., Nov. 4 (9:30 am – noon)**. Space is limited and guidebooks must be ordered, so **registration is required**. **Cost: \$10** (for guidebook and includes a continental breakfast.) **Registration and payment deadline: TODAY** either at the Resource Table or emailing the office. For more details, call Robin at (301) 452-0942

Speaker: Larry Floyd (Executive Director El Paso Baptist Association)

“¹ Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ² Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things. ³ For you died, and your life is now hidden with Christ in God.

⁴ When Christ, who is your life, appears, then you also will appear with him in glory...” (Colossians 3:1-4)

How To _____ As Christians _____ ...

1. ... **now that you** “... have been _____ with Christ ...” (v. 1^a)
2. ... **now that you have** “... set your _____ on things above ...” (v. 1^b)
3. ... **now that you have** “... set your _____ on things above ...” (v. 2^a)
4. ... **now that you are** “... hidden with _____ in God.” (v. 3)
5. ... **now that Christ** “... is your _____ ...” (v. 4^a)

“¹⁰ Son of man, say to the Israelites, ‘This is what you are saying: “Our offenses and sins weigh us down, and we are wasting away because of them. How then can we live?”’ ¹¹ Say to them, ‘As surely as I live, declares the Sovereign LORD, I take no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but rather that they turn from their ways and live. Turn! Turn from your evil ways! Why will you die, people of Israel?’”
(Ezekiel 33:10-11)

“¹ Dear friends, this is now my second letter to you. I have written both of them as reminders to stimulate you to wholesome thinking. ² I want you to recall the words spoken in the past by the holy prophets and the command given by our Lord and Savior through your apostles. ³ Above all, you must understand that in the last days scoffers will come, scoffing and following their own evil desires.

⁴ They will say, “Where is this ‘coming’ he promised? Ever since our ancestors died, everything goes on as it has since the beginning of creation.”

⁵But they deliberately forget that long ago by God’s word the heavens came into being and the earth was formed out of water and by water.

⁶By these waters also the world of that time was deluged and destroyed.

⁷By the same word the present heavens and earth are reserved for fire, being kept for the day of judgment and destruction of the ungodly. ⁸ But do not forget this one thing, dear friends: With the Lord a day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years are like a day. ⁹The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. Instead, he is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance.

¹⁰But the day of the Lord will come like a thief. The heavens will disappear with a roar; the elements will be destroyed by fire, and the earth and everything done in it will be laid bare. ¹¹Since everything will be destroyed in this way, what kind of people ought you to be? You ought to live holy and godly lives

¹²as you look forward to the day of God and speed its coming. That day will bring about the destruction of the heavens by fire, and the elements will melt in the heat.

¹³But in keeping with his promise we are looking forward to a new heaven and a new earth, where righteousness dwells. ¹⁴So then, dear friends, since you are looking forward to this, make every effort to be found spotless, blameless and at peace with him.” (2 Peter 3:1-14)