



SIERRA VISTA *Community Church*

October 29, 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](https://www.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:

FREE EMERGENCY SHELTER TRAINING – This training for churches and the community will take place on **Thursday, November 2nd from 9 am to 2 pm.** at MVRDA and Doña Ana County Fairgrounds. The training is specifically designed for those who may assist in the setup and operation of an emergency shelter.

Those interested can register at <https://forms.gle/vqJKuuT4YcEaCy3b9>. For more information contact Gayla Ortega at (575) 635-5420 or Amanda Bowen at amandab@donaanacounty.org

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: **Saturday, Nov. 4 (9:30 am – noon).**

TIME CHANGE IS COMING! Daylight Savings Time ends **Next Sunday, Nov. 5 at 2 am!** Remember to set your clocks **BACK 1 HOUR!!!**

BLANKET AND COAT DRIVE (Ministry Outreach Opportunity) - Beginning Sunday, November 5 - We will be collecting NEW or CLEAN, GENTLY USED coats, sweaters, sleep bags and blankets (NO THROWS) for the homeless in our community, as well as other winter accessories, such as stocking caps, gloves and NEW **socks thru the month of November.** Please place your donations in the designated box located in the foyer.

⁶ **Put to death** therefore what is earthly in you: sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. ⁶ On account of these the wrath of God is coming. ⁷ In these you too once walked, when you were living in them. ⁸ But now you must **put them all away**: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and obscene talk from your mouth. ⁹ Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have put off the old self with its practices ¹⁰ and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge after the image of its creator. ¹¹ Here there is not Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free; but Christ is all, and in all.” (Colossians 3:5-11)

What We Need To “Put To Death - Eradicate” (v. 5)

- Sexual** _____: fornication/adultery - sex outside of marriage
- _____: uncleanness - all sorts of perverted sex
- _____: lust - strong and barely controllable erotic passions
- Evil** _____: mental/emotional uncleanness
- Covetousness** (_____): greed

What We Need To “Put Away - Take Off” (vv. 8 & 9)

- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____ **talk**
- _____

“Here there is no Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free; but Christ is all, and in all.” (v. 11)

Why Do These Things Need To Be Eradicated or Be Put Away?

“... **your life is hidden with Christ in God.**” (v. 3b)

“On account of these, **the wrath of God is coming.**” (v. 6)

“In these you too once walked, when you **were living in them.**” (v. 7)

A Personal Prayer of Repentance:

¹ Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions. ² Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin! ³ For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me. ⁴ Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight, so that you may be justified in your words and blameless in your judgment. ⁵ Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity, and in sin did my mother conceive me. ⁶ Behold, you delight in truth in the inward being, and you teach me wisdom in the secret heart. ⁷ Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow. ⁸ Let me hear joy and gladness; let the bones that you have broken rejoice. ⁹ Hide your face from my sins and blot out all my iniquities. ¹⁰ Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. ¹¹ Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me. ¹² Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with a willing spirit. ¹³ Then I will teach transgressors your ways, and sinners will return to you.” (Psalm 51:1-11)