

The Vistoso Voice

Friday, October 9, 2020

Weekly

IT'S TIME TO UPDATE OUR PICTORIAL DIRECTORY

Our pictorial directory is currently produced directly from our members and friends database on the computer in the church office. It is also printed on the church copy machine. That means that as information is updated—new members, new friends, new pictures—that information is updated in the church database.

Updating Information

Once a year, however we make a special effort to get all of our members and friends to check over the directory and provide these types of updates:

- **Add new people.** If you are not in the directory and would like to be, we need you to fill out an information form and either get a picture taken or submit one.

thisweek

Sunday, Oct. 11, 9:30 am:

Worship in church and streaming. Limited fellowship following the service.

Tuesday, 10:00 am: Men's and Women's Bible Study in church and streaming.

Wednesday, 10:00 am:

Midweek Bible Hour. Pastor Peter streams New Testament lessons.

Friday, 7:30 am: Men's Bible study in the Fellowship Hall.

10:00 am: Pastor Kevin's Bible study series: *The Christian Life—Starting with the Basics.*

- **Update details.** If you are listed in the directory, check your information to be sure it is correct, especially your phone number, mailing address, and email address.
- **Update pictures.** If your picture needs updating, there are a number of ways to get that done in the month of October.

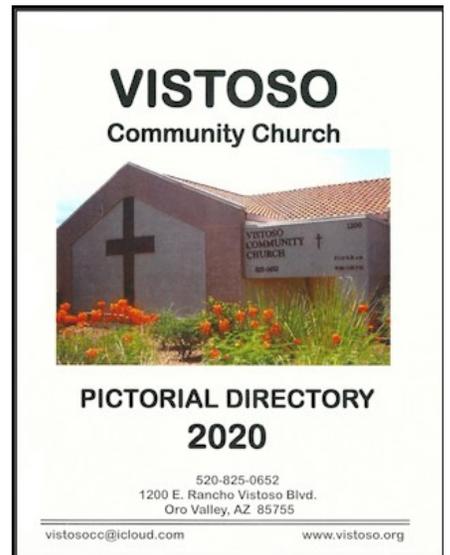
Updating Your Picture

This year is unique in that not all of our congregation is attending church, so we need to be creative about getting pictures updated. There are several options:

- **Submit a picture.** If you have a good, recent picture, it is easy to add it to our database. If it is digital, email the photo to the office. If it is a print, bring it to the office to be scanned.
- **Get a new picture taken on Sunday.** If you would like to have a new picture taken when you come to church on Sunday, come to the Visitor Information Desk any Sunday between October 18 and November 8.
- **Get a new picture taken during the week.** If you do not attend church at this time, there will be someone who can take your picture at Church on Wednesday and Friday mornings during October.

Directory Distribution

The new directories will be placed in the mailboxes in December. See the office if you do not have a mailbox and would like to have one.



If you do not have a copy of the Pictorial Directory, they are available from the church office. The updated version for 2021 will be released in December.

HAPPY 99TH

Pep Draper, a long-time VCC member who is no longer able to attend services, will celebrate her 99th birthday on October 19. Her caregiver says that Pep would much appreciate any birthday cards she would receive. Pep's address is 14279 Rusty Gate Trail, Oro Valley, 85755. Let's shower Pep with cards as our gift to her.



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Ministries

Tuesday marked the beginning of a new approach to our Men's and Women's Bible studies. In the past, we have been able to gather around tables to discuss the lessons we had prepared during the week, a practice that is impossible while maintaining social distancing. Although the studies have the same goal, they now have a new format.

The Same Goal for Our Tuesday Studies

Since inception, the goal of the Tuesday studies has been to teach us as individuals how much we can learn through the leading of the Holy Spirit as we prepare our weekly lessons. Then we would gather on Tuesdays to discuss what we learned and share insights with others who had also been learning on their own. This goal has not changed in our new meeting environment. Participants can either use the study guide they received last spring or they can get the new study guide that just contains the eight lessons for our fall study in John 17. These materials provide questions to ponder and answers as we study the assigned Bible passages.

The New Format for our Tuesday Studies

Although the material and the goal of our studies remains the same, we can no longer gather around tables for our discussion. Instead, VCC is trying two approaches to the discussion portion of our Tuesday gatherings:

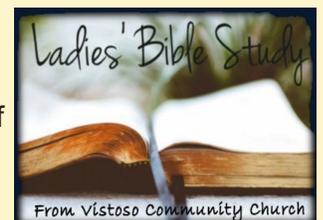
- The men, as shown in the top picture, are gathering in the Fellowship Hall, for a discussion led by Pastor Kevin or Pastor Peter. These discussions work much the same way as Pastor Kevin's Men's Bible Study each Friday at 7:30 am. The men have a lively question and answer session.
- The women, as shown in the second picture, meet in the sanctuary. Their session begins with a short introduction to the lesson by Dorothy Smith. Then the discussion of the questions is conducted by a group on the platform, so that the discussion can be streamed for those who do not feel comfortable attending at this time.

It is not too late to participate in our study of John Chapter 17, the High Priestly Prayer of Jesus. Study guides are available at the church office and there are seven more lessons in the series.



Technical Difficulties Stop Streaming

The plan was to stream the ladies Bible study hour so that those who preferred could view the discussion of the lesson at home. But an overnight power outage caused a number of equip-



ment and telephone problems that were not resolved in time for the first broadcast. This is one of the very few streaming programs VCC has missed since the shutdown in March, thanks to excellent work by our sound room crew. The Ladies' Bible Study will be streamed next week and for subsequent Tuesdays, so be sure to tune in.