

The Vistoso Voice

Friday, December 18, 2020

Weekly

SPECIAL MUSIC FOR CHRISTMAS

Both our Sunday services this week and our special service on Christmas eve will be blessed by two types of recorded Christmas music presentations. The first presentations will be by our choir. The Sunday service will feature the Choir's *Christmas Joy Medley* and for Christmas Eve, the choir has recorded their standard cantata finale, *O Holy Night*. Thanks go to Dan Detloff who led the choir during the practice, to the sound room who recorded the choir in our sanctuary, and Yoojin Muhn who prepared the final videos for the service.

In addition, to preparing the choir videos, Yoojin worked with a musician from her university who plays the flute to prepare the second videos—piano/flute duets of *Silent Night* and the *Christmas Joy Medley*.



thisweek

Sunday, December 20, 9:00 and 11:00 am: Christmas service. Limited fellowship between services.

Wednesday, 10:00 am: Mid-week Bible Hour.

Thursday, 5:00 pm: Christmas Eve Service.

Friday: Have a BI

Note: The Church office will be closed from Christmas Day until Tuesday, January 5.

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10 am-2 pm;
Friday: 8 am-12 noon

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SHOEBOX UPDATE

Sharon Stark received a report from friend who helped process the shoeboxes this year. The Tucson Samaritan's Purse's boxes went to the Ukraine, Peru, Ecuador, the Philippines, and undisclosed countries. Sharon's friends participated in processing the 500,000th shoebox.

VACCINE QUESTIONS?

Because of the number of questions he has received, Pastor Kevin is considering, with the help of appropriate medical expertise, putting together an informational booklet on the new vaccines, much like the COVID booklet distributed in March. There is a basket of cards on the Information Desk in the church foyer on which you can write your vaccine questions or you can email your questions to [vistoso@icloud.com](mailto:vistosocc@icloud.com).

REACHING OUT

This year your generous giving to Benevolence allowed our Deacons to meet many physical needs both within the congregation and in our local community. One way we have reached into the community is through IMPACT of Southern Arizona, a local non-profit that assists northwest Pima county and southeast Pinal county. Of particular note is its assistance to seniors, including meal delivery to homebound seniors. As we close the year, Pastor Kevin thought he would bring them to your attention in the event you felt led to do more by way of benevolence in our local community. IMPACT is recognized by the State of Arizona as a Qualifying Charitable Organization and contributions to them are potentially eligible for a state tax credit. For more information consult your tax professions or the following website [https:// www.impactsoaz.org/charitable-tax-credits](https://www.impactsoaz.org/charitable-tax-credits).



But if we walk in the light, as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another...
I John 1:7

A SWEET REMINDER

This Sunday would have been our traditional time of Christmas fellowship following the morning service. Given current circumstances, it is hard to imagine celebrating in a completely-packed Fellowship Hall with everyone happily chatting and sampling the many goodies. I don't know about you, but I miss our fellowship gatherings around the things of the Lord! Nonetheless, we can take great comfort in the truth that the plan of God moves on without pause, and we have been able to faithfully continue to proclaim the Word of God week in and week out.

Although we know that we can look forward to the blessing of increased fellowship in times to come, the Fellowship Committee has a small reminder for you this year, a special Christmas cookie. It can't take the place of our *normal* Christmas fellowship, but let it be a reminder of the fellowship we have enjoyed in the past, the unity in Christ we still share, and the expectation of God's grace to us in the future.

The Fellowship Committee has individually packaged the cookies so that you can pick up your Christmas remembrance following this Sunday's service or any time during next week's office hours. If you are unable to make it to the church, contact the Office and we have delivery volunteers that will bring your cookie to you. What a blessing you are as a church fellowship.



Members of the Fellowship Committee (Karen Redig and Lynette Prout shown) placed each cookie in a plastic bag.

MERRY CHRISTMAS FROM YOUR VISTOSO COMMUNITY CHURCH STAFF



Your Pastors: Kevin Redig and Peter Tranvik

Your Music Team: Yoojin Muhn and Dan Detloff

Your Office Team: Jan Galyen, LouAnn Detloff, and Beth Hopkirk