

The Vistoso Voice

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Weekly



WISHING YOU THE
Spirit of Christmas

WHICH IS

Peace

THE
Blessing of Christmas

WHICH IS

Hope

FROM THE

Heart of Christmas

WHICH IS

Christ



Let no one seek his own good, but the good of his neighbor.
I Corinthians 10:24

A GENTLE REMINDER AND A FEW CHANGES

As we close out this most unusual of years, I am so very thankful to the Lord that we have been able to gather for worship the past months, both in person and via streaming. I am also grateful for the Lord's hand of protection upon our fellowship. Undoubtedly, we can continue to trust Him to see us through whatever may come our way in the year ahead.

What You Can Do!

Having sought the Lord's will on what it means to *be the Church*, while at the same time protecting those who make up this fellowship, I don't want to fail to be discerning at this point. So, because of the increasing infection rate in both Pima and Pinal counties, we are going to *fine-tune* Sunday morning precautions as follows:

- **Singing.** As I mentioned this past Sunday, we will return to singing while seated. We will also seek to sing reflectively rather than with our normal full-voiced vigor.

- **Fellowship.** We will also temporarily suspend our coffee and fellowship time between our two services. You continue to be welcome to use the patio or the socially-distant seating in the Fellowship Hall, but please make every effort to maintain spacing.



- **Gathering.** It is just natural to stop and talk with friends in the congregation before and after the service, but make a special effort not to congregate in the foyer or the entrance/exit areas.
- **Wearing masks.** Thank you to all those who have made an effort to wear a mask while arriving and departing from services.

How We Can Protect!

Further, let's not forget the most important aspects of our response to the virus—prevention:

- **Monitoring health.** If you are not feeling well, or even think you might be coming down with something, please don't risk the possibility of bringing an infection into our church gathering. Instead, join us via streaming until you see how things develop with your health.
- **Limiting contact.** This same kind of prevention is very important after receiving a visit from family or friends. Don't take a chance of bringing an infection into the fellowship. Join us via streaming for a full two weeks after a visit.



What We Are doing!

We will continue to sanitize the building prior to services and the sanctuary between services. We have also been working to achieve a desirable building temperature before services so that we can turn off the ventilation system during service times. Turning off those systems minimizes the mixing of the air while we are gathered for the service.

What I Am Doing!

I am going to listen to my own advice, as I have grandkids coming in for Christmas. I'll enjoy them for a few days, staying home this weekend just to be safe, while leaving the preaching in Peter's capable hands. Then, anticipating a negative test result by midweek, I look forward to rejoining the fellowship for worship at the start of the New Year. I feel compelled to err on the side of caution, which is much less painful given that we can still worship and fellowship around the teaching of God's word via streaming.

In His grace,



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Reminder:
 The Church Office will be closed the week between Christmas and New Year's. The office reopens on Tuesday, January 5.
 There will also be no Midweek Bible Study on Wednesday, December 30.