

# The Vistoso Voice

Friday, December 3, 2021

## Weekly



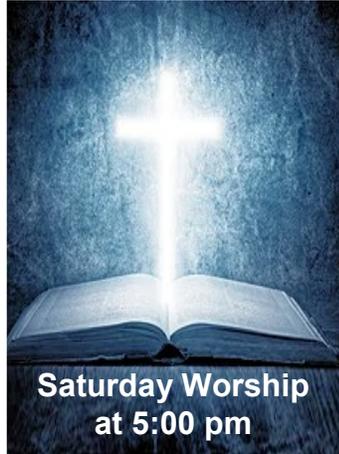
### From the Pastor's Desk

#### SOME NEW CONCERNS FOR OUR CONGREGATION

If you saw the Prayer List this week, then you know we have an increasing number of people in the congregation who have contracted Covid. I certainly encourage you to join me in keeping our brothers and sisters in Christ in prayer as they deal with the symptoms of the infection.

I also want to take this opportunity to remind you of a couple of things that simply constitute good practice while Covid remains a concern:

- Please, if you are not feeling well, avoid group gatherings until your symptoms resolve. I know this tends to make us overly paranoid about every sniffle, but if you are coming down with Covid you are infectious. To the extent possible we must all avoid spreading any infection to others.



Saturday Worship  
at 5:00 pm

- If you have been traveling, entertaining out of town guests, exposed to someone with Covid, or been in large groups, give yourself time to make sure you have not contracted Covid before you attend a church gathering. Thanks to our Sunday streaming, you can still join us for every service while taking reasonable precautions.

- Don't forget to consider our Saturday worship service as a way to lessen the numbers gathering for worship on Sunday morning.

Lastly, for those who chose to get vaccinated, I would ask that you avoid letting political issues interfere with what is a medical decision. The data is unequivocal regarding both increased immunity and a greatly decreased chance of getting an infection for those getting the

booster. Whatever action you take should be in consultation with your health care provider.

When all of this started almost two years ago, we had to find our way and deal with a lot of unknowns. Many unknowns remain, but there are some things we have learned:

**Those who know Your Name will trust in You, for You, Lord, have never forsaken those who seek You.**

Psalm 9:10

**The Lord delights in those who fear Him, who put their hope in His unfailing love.**

Psalm 147:10

In His grace, Pastor Kevin

#### DECORATING HELP

The Fellowship Committee is preparing a cookie fellowship following the Christmas cantata service on Sunday, December 19. They would like to have a nativity set on each of the tables in the fellowship hall to celebrate Christ's birth.

If you have a table-top nativity that you could lend as a centerpiece for one of the tables, please bring it to the church no later than Friday, December 17, at noon. The committee plans to do the decorating on Friday afternoon.

Put a sticker or piece of tape with your name or other identification on the bottom of your nativity set or pieces to help the Committee properly return all the items.



#### TWO TIMELY REMINDERS

The deadline for all the women in the congregation to sign up for the **HeartCall Christmas luncheon** is this Sunday. Sign up in the Church office for the luncheon next Thursday, December 9 at 11:30. The cost for the pasta buffet, catered by Olive Garden, is \$15.

The response to the **Love Thy Neighbor giving tree** has been heartwarming. If you would like to participate in this Christmas outreach to needy seniors in Tucson nursing homes, next Sunday, December 12, is the deadline for collections so that the gifts can be distributed in time for Christmas.

## QUARTERLY BUSINESS MEETING WEDNESDAY

Next Wednesday, December 8, VCC will hold the fourth quarterly business meeting beginning at 5:00 pm. In terms of business to be conducted, this is our most important and packed meeting of the year. All VCC members are urged to attend because our by-laws require a quorum of members in order to conduct any of the business on the agenda

### Financial Votes

Members present at the meeting will vote on several financial issues, including the 2022 budget.

### Church Board Changes

Board Chair John Sellers has now served the three consecutive terms on the Board allowed by the VCC Bylaws. As a result, he leaves the Church Board at the end of the year. John Bechard, who has served as the Board Finance Officer, is nominated on the 2022 slate to fill the position of Board Chair. Rob Grover is nominated to fill John's financial position on the Board and to serve as Finance Chair for the next two years.



Sellers

Bechard

Grover

Although Rob is a relatively new VCC member, he has great professional and church qualifications to fill VCC's financial positions. He served in a similar capacity in his previous church.

### Other Reports

The meeting will also include one or two ministry reports to round out the agenda.

## thisweek

December 6-12, 2021

- **Wednesday**, No Choir practice this week.
- **Wednesday**, VCC quarterly meeting, 5:00 pm.
- **Thursday**, HeartCall Ladies Bible Study at 9:30, followed by the Christmas luncheon.
- **Thursday and Friday**, the Sun City Singers Concerts have been canceled.
- **Friday**, Men's Bible study, 7:30 am.
- **Saturday**, worship 5:00 pm, followed by fellowship and sermon Q&A.
- **Sunday**, worship, 10:00 am, followed by fellowship and sermon Q&A.

## SUN CITY SINGERS CONCERTS CANCELLED

Don Hess, the director of the Sun City Singers, announced Thursday that the 2021 Christmas concerts are canceled. The move was prompted by the news that two of the singers, who attended the rehearsal on Tuesday evening, had tested positive for Covid-19. The Sun City Singers concerts were scheduled to be held in the VCC sanctuary on Thursday and Friday evenings, December 9 and 10.



Don's wife Donna often plays the organ for our Vistoso Church worship services

## A GOOD WAY TO GET TO KNOW YOUR VCC FAMILY

Jan Galyen has been working for the past month to update congregation pictures and records in anticipation of releasing the 2022 pictorial directory. The first copies of the new directory have been printed and are now available in the church office.

The distribution this year will be by request. We will NOT put a copy of the new directory in every mailbox as we have in previous years. We found this to be an inefficient method because

too many of the directories were not picked up.

Just a reminder, you do not have to be a member

to be listed in the VCC pictorial directory. All those regularly attending VCC services are urged to stop at the office and fill out the information form and get a picture taken. Jan is always updating.



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