

# The Jaunt



## Sierra Vista United Methodist Church Weekly Newsletter July 17, 2020

The Jaunt is a weekly newsletter that reports on upcoming events and highlights church activities.

For information on many of our programs, visit our website: [sierravistamethodist.org](http://sierravistamethodist.org)

SVUMC Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/SierraVistaUnitedMethodistChurch>

### The Prayer Word: Resilience

Lord, may we be buoyed by our faith in Jesus Christ.

Love God. Love People. Spread the Love of Jesus.



— Upcoming Service ~ Available on Facebook and Zoom —

July 19: Music Prelude at 10:15 AM

Worship Service at 10:30 AM - Live stream



## FROM THE KNIT WITS

During this challenging time with the Sanctuary closed, people have been unable to pick up Prayer Shawls. Be assured that the Knit Wits have continued to produce beautiful shawls for anyone who needs a bit of comfort. Nicole has graciously agreed to let people pick them up in the Fellowship Hall. Starting next week shawls can be picked up between 10 and 12 Monday through Friday. We are still willing to make custom shawls if requested. Contact Sheila at [skingquits88@gmail.com](mailto:skingquits88@gmail.com).

The church office remains closed until further notice but Nicole still operates the Food Pantry from 10 to Noon Monday through Friday and will accept donations during that time period. Sunday's worship service will be streamed each week on Facebook and Zoom at 10:30 and a video of the service will be available on Facebook thereafter.



# FACEBOOK

To watch the Sunday Worship Service live or after the broadcast:

1. Go to:  
<https://www.facebook.com/SierraVistaUnitedMethodistChurch>
  2. Select "Video" in the list of options on the left of your screen.
  3. Click on "Live" or the video you want to watch.
- A Facebook account is not needed so there is no login or password.

# ZOOM

To watch the Sunday Worship Service live  
Go to: <https://dscumc.zoom.us/j/398498097>  
OR

1. For audio only, phone 669-900-6833.
2. When prompted, enter ID number: 398498097
3. When prompted, enter ""#"

You've just entered The Quarantine Zone



## PANDEMIC FATIGUE GOT YOU DOWN?

What you need is a healthy dose of Christian fellowship and a chance to share your thoughts on Pastor Carl's sermons. Meet with the Sonrisers for a brighter day and better outlook.



## SONRISERS MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

The Sonrisers meet on Zoom every Wednesday at 8:00 AM and discuss the previous Sunday's sermon. Join us, it will lift your spirits!

Click on the link below at the meeting time.

Topic: Sonrisers Meeting

Time: Wednesday, July 22, 2020, 08:00 AM Arizona

Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82517550879?pwd=S2ZaSOJwYXhoWjltVmU2MmFuUW9sQTO>

Meeting ID: 825 1755 0879

Password: 012549

### #MaskUpAZ

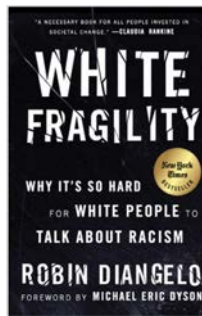
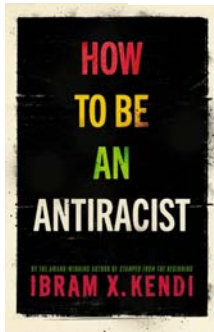
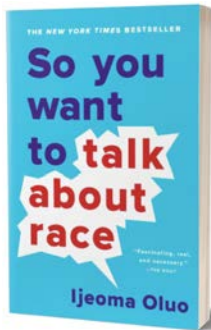


STAY HEALTHY. | RETURN SMARTER. | RETURN STRONGER.

## COVID-19 in Cochise County

**Confirmed Case: 1,161   Active Cases: 417   Deaths: 27**

## We have new books!



New Books recommended by our Conference and United Methodist Women.

"How to Be an Antiracist" – "Ibram X. Kendi addresses our society where so few people consider themselves to be racist", yet "the divisions and inequalities of racism remain so prevalent".

"White Fragility: Why it's So Hard for White People to Talk About Racism" by Robin Diangelo. A book for those of us who are working for a change in society's racism.

"So You Want to Talk About Race" Ijeoma Oluo presents the media spotlight on racism in our society and how it has heightened our concern for equality for people of color.

These books may be found on a table in the UMW Room #5 to make it easy to find them. Just sign your name & date you check them out, and put the card in the front of the library card box on the book cart.

Thank you!

Lea Benson

UMW Program Resource Secretary

## Food Pantry



Help support our food pantry. Every item helps! Donations accepted at the church office from 10 AM to noon, Monday through Friday.



## Need a Mask?

Kathy Marvin is making masks for the Pandemic. They are available free for the asking and come in 2 sizes: men's and women's. If you are interested, let her know what color you like, light or dark, and which gender. You will be able to pick up the masks in the church mailbox for the UMW #44 Monday through Friday from 10-12 pm.

There is no cost because Kathy is doing it as a mission to save lives during this pandemic. Call her at 803-6697 if you are interested. If you would like to make a small monetary donation, to the UMW or the church, that would be appreciated. ~Kathy



Hello, POWWOW supporters!

We are sorry to announce the **cancelling of SVUMC's POWWOW** distribution site for July and August. Due to AZ's COVID rise, a change in our district's site use policy, lack of volunteers, and HEAT, we have cancelled POWWOW for July and August.

September and October is between seasons, so we will start distribution for the POWWOW produce outreach up again on the 3rd Saturday in November! Hopefully our pandemic will be in remission by then!

Have a great summer!

Holly Bell

## Live-Stream Team



Church will come again soon. Before it does, we're looking for a few people to help launch our new live-stream team! We'll train you, so don't let fear keep you in your seat!

If you or someone you know might be interested, contact Mark Racicot at [svumctechnology@gmail.com](mailto:svumctechnology@gmail.com), and let's get technical!



# THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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July 15, 2020

Dear Members and Friends of the Desert Southwest Conference,

There are very critical concerns being addressed in our communities these days. This update is written in a time of increasing numbers of cases of COVID-19. Medical staff and facilities are being taxed perilously close to the maximum. All of us are asked to do our part in bringing about a solution to the spread of COVID-19.

I am reminded of a passage from I Corinthians that reminds us that God creates us and places us in community with one another. From the Message: “The way God designed our bodies is a model for understanding our lives together as a church; every part dependent on every other part . . . If one part hurts, every other part is involved in the hurt, and in the healing. If one part flourishes, every other part enters into the exuberance.” (I Corinthians 12:25-26)

We rejoice that the medical community knows more today about how to better treat COVID-19 patients. We also now understand that wearing a mask inhibits transmission of the virus and can be a major factor in reducing the number of persons that become infected. At the same time, we now know more about which situations allow transmission of the virus, and that the list of vulnerable persons encompasses a much wider age range than we first thought. Those being infected include both young and old and transmission also can occur when a person does not exhibit symptoms of the disease.

For this update, there is no change in our Desert Southwest Conference response to the COVID-19 pandemic. We will continue the suspension of in-person worship and gatherings with the exceptions detailed in my update issued two weeks ago on July 1. To request an exemption, please contact your District Superintendent. Other exemptions are being studied but are not being allowed as of yet. The next update will be published on Wednesday, July 29, 2020.

If you have not already begun to work with a team of leaders in your congregation to create a re-opening plan as well as a companion congregational covenant, please do so. The plan and the covenant are essential to re-opening when the time is right to do so. Guidance for this is on the conference website found [here](#).

At the risk of sounding redundant, please observe safety measures. You can help stop the spread and help us recover from this pandemic sooner. Please:

- Wear a mask and wear it correctly;
- Observe social distancing of 6 feet or more;
- Wash your hands and sanitize commonly used surfaces frequently;
- If you do not feel well, stay home;
- If you can continue to work remotely do so.

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Like you, I long for the day when we can return to in-person gatherings without concern about COVID-19. And yet, I also celebrate the strength, persistence and the depth of faith of our congregations and pastors. I give thanks for the ingenuity of the human mind and heart as I see adaptations. Not only wonderfully moving worship services, but new ways of connecting have been evident. Those congregations who said farewell to pastors and welcomed new pastors did so in new and creative ways. It may not have been “business as usual,” but the celebrations of farewell and welcome seemed extraordinarily creative and meaningful.

As United Methodists, we are reminded of the ways we are a connectional church and how we are called by God to care for one another in mutuality. When we hear statistics of so many who are dealing with the Coronavirus, of the frontline workers who are being stretched to the limit, to the concerns of parents and children, and the sorrow of those who have lost loved ones, we share their pain and sorrow. We care for others and therefore, are called to share in the actions that will contribute to the end of the pandemic. As we do so, we are living into the reality of the word from I Corinthians: “If one part hurts, every other part (of the body) is involved in the hurt, and in the healing.” Let us all be part of the healing because we do not want others to hurt. And “If one part flourishes, every other part enters into the exuberance.” What joy we will all share when the day comes when we are released from the hold that the Coronavirus has on our lives.

I am holding you in prayer! Please keep praying.

In Christ,  
Bishop Bob

# Health & Exercise Classes

Strength Training classes are offered by Nancy Buttke in the Fellowship Hall on Mondays and Fridays as shown on the chart below.

There is no fee. Donations are accepted. For more info contact Nancy at 520-678-0172.

8:30 a.m.	Strength Class: Lifting weights using dumbbells and ankle weights (about 1 hour)
9:45 a.m.	Back/Abs Class: For people with back pain. Focus on their core (back and abs)
10:30 a.m.	Senior Caregivers Class
3:00 p.m.	30 minutes
4:00 p.m.	Senior strength class

**- Classes Suspended Until Further Notice - Stay Safe!**

## Sierra Vista United Methodist Church

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Our church office is currently closed. The Food Pantry is open Monday-Friday, 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.

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