

Agape Potluck Meal—the first Sunday of each month.





Mission Bonanza

The Holiday Season is almost here and that means decorating for Advent.

Our **Mission Fest** tree will go up and we'll start collecting items on December 3 - 17 <u>One Nation</u> – Elder Boxes (see above) (deadline – December 10)

Los Pobres - \$25 Walmart gift cards (see below)

<u>Family Promise</u> - \$20 gas cards at King Soopers and \$20 cards at CVS for pharmacy needs.

Inside Out – New Makeup of all kinds

<u>Chinook Center</u> – People's Grocery – canned goods, pasta, rice, noodles

<u>Spreading Sandwiches and Smiles</u> – hats, scarves, gloves, handwarmers, and coats

Meet our new Covenantal Partners.



On November 4, we received several new covental partners; Zach and Bre Davis; Matthew Waters; and Adam Wells. Reach out to them either in person or via e-mail.

Zach Davis, zach42davis@gmail.com; Bre Davis, Winters.breanna.marie@gmail.com; Matthew Waters, kidblink00@gmail.com; Adam Wells, Gawcosco@gmail.com

Sandwiches and Smiles -

Calling all Smiles and Sandwiches makers: we will meet on Saturday November 18 at 10 am at church to make peanut butter and preserves/jam sandwiches. Please bring 2 loaves of bread, any kind.

Los Pobres - \$25 Walmart gift cards: Sister Nancy (head of The Center for Los Pobres) confirms that "The Walmart cards are ALWAYS such a wonderful Gift. The clients use them exclusively for Food. They are so grateful when they receive one." (Deadline is December 17)

Family Promise – Thank you to Dave B, Judy D, Carol B, Jerima, and Jackie for putting the meal together for last Monday. We fed 5 houseless adults, 5 children, and 7 hosts. Thank you for your participation. The children were 7 years and under so there was a lot of running, laughing, and friend building. A total success!

Calendar Events:

- 1. Sundays Percolate our Sunday morning Adult Faith Formation. Feel free to join us Sunday mornings at 8:30 a.m.
- 2. Oct 3 at 6:30 p.m. begins a 12-week curriculum, "Fear Not: Creating a Plan to Respond to Active Violence" It's not too late to join in. (Weekly Zoom link)
- 3. Dec 10 Executive Council Mtg.
- 4. Dec 13 8 a.m. Men's Breakfast IHOP
- 5. Dec 16–10 a.m. Sandwich Making for Smiles and Sandwiches.
- 6. Dec 17—Deliver Sandwiches
- 7. Dec 24—10 a.m.—Multi Generation Service
- 8. 5:30 p.m.—Candlelight Service
- 9. Jan 7 Agape Meal



December Birthday

- 5 Maggie Tanner
- 6 Ruth Eastwood
- 7 Mel Druelinger
- 10 Jan Morgan
- 10 Charlie Morgan
- 13 Amanda Udis-Kessler
- 19 Brenda Griffin-Collins

January Birtdays

- 8 Stella Bongirno
- 12 Jeanne Harrington
- 12 John Tinsley
- 18 David Bristow
- 20 Zach Davis
- 23 Josiah Timotheus Cross
- 29 Bill King



December and January Anniversaries

Dec 18 – Jon and Erika Forshee

Dec 21 – Jerima and Bill King

Jan 9 – Jud and Maggie Jusell

2023 Executive Council

Elected: Moderator—Dave Lee; Treasurer—Matt Spencer **Appointed Position:** Financial Secretary—Denise Lee;

Continuing Positions: Assistant Moderator—David Nath; Recording Clerk—Erika Forshee;

Vista Grande's Vision Statement – adopted April 13, 2020

"We covenant together to imagine and live into a world where God's Kin-dom vision of human and planetary flourishing comes to pass through the work of love, justice, peace, equality, and extravagant hospitality. We envision nothing less than a world restored to wholeness, wellness, joy, and gratitude for all of God's Creation."

Our core values as discerned by the executive council:

- Connecting with the Divine
- Engaging in community
- Fostering diversity
- Embodying our values
- Leading with care