

Vistas? Just announcements for now...

The next issue of our **Vistas** newsletter will be a **January-February edition which we HOPE will be full of pictures**, taken by YOU and emailed to svlc.lamesa@gmail.com or jenny.svlc@gmail.com Please send by January 10.

Monday Evening Bible Study resumes January 7 at 6pm, at SVLC.

Quilting this week: All are welcome to join in on Thursday, January 10 from 9am until 1pm in the sanctuary. Lunch will not be served, but perhaps we'll adjourn to a nearby restaurant for lunch afterwards. Contact Camelia Gower or Martha Unger for more information.

The Council Retreat will take place on Sunday, January 13 from 1 to 6pm at the Jordan's house (see your directory or call the church office if you need their address. We will elect 2019 officers and assign liaison positions.

Youth Night returns this month on Saturday, January 26 from 5 to 7pm at SVLC.

The **SVLC Book Worms** will pick up again on January 27, 2018 at 5:30 pm with host Anne Durham. The selection for January is *Before We Were Yours*, by Lisa Wingate. Let me know if you would like to join us! April Froelich @ afroelich7@gmail.com or 423-963-0681. Thanks!!

TACO* has made a call for donations of sleeping bags and socks for the cold winter months ahead. Bring to SVLC or take to First Lutheran downtown.

*Third Avenue Charitable Organization, serving the homeless and working poor in downtown San Diego; a ministry of First Lutheran Church.

Thank you as well to Mary Oestreich, who organized and cared for all the lovely poinsettias in our sanctuary.

The **2019 Flower Chart** is posted on the Kiosk. Sign up for a Sunday to sponsor flowers in honor or memory of someone, to celebrate or commemorate a special occasion, or "just because." Cost per week is

\$40.00 and can be paid/placed in the offering tray any time.

What Do Lutherans Believe? Has it been a long time since your confirmation classes? Did you never have a chance to take confirmation? From January 6 until March 3 (Transfiguration Sunday, the last Sunday before Lent) we will set aside 40 minutes (9:40-10:20) between services to discuss various topics of our Lutheran heritage, what is the difference between the Lutheran denominations, ecumenical vs interfaith, what we believe about the Bible, the Creeds, the Ten Commandments, the Lord's Prayer, the relationship between faith and current events, and whatever topics chosen by the group from what comes up in the course of the discussion. This is for adults and youth, and strongly recommended for anyone who wants to take their faith seriously.

LRCC Family Winterfest at Luther Glen Camp and Farm will be February 8-10. SVLC families pay only \$50 per family if registered by January 20. **Please register online (check the "pay by check" box) and let the church office know if you plan on attending.**