



## How You Can Serve

CASA ALITAS is looking for volunteers to welcome immigrant families at our hospitality house. Casa Alitas is a program Rincon has contributed to for the last couple of years. Immigration and Customs Enforcement releases asylum

seeking family units, mostly Central American women and children, to the Alitas House.

Volunteers offer support by providing food, shelter, legal orientation, and travel assistance. Volunteering is a wonderful hands-on multicultural experience. Conversational Spanish is desirable, but not essential.

David Buss is a current volunteer and can give more information ([fldcbuss@cox.net](mailto:fldcbuss@cox.net) or 743-7419). Or contact the Alitas Program at [Alitas@ccs-soaz.org](mailto:Alitas@ccs-soaz.org), call/text 591-6390.



**Sunday Service Reader-** Looking for an easy way to serve your faith community on Sunday mornings?

Opportunities to serve during either worship service are available for volunteers of all ages and talents! Volunteers lead the call-to-worship, read the scripture and assist the pastor with communion (at the 10:45 am service). New volunteers are always welcome. Training is available. Call Donna (520)745-6237 or email her at [Donna@RinconUCC.org](mailto:Donna@RinconUCC.org) to add your name to the list.

The Worship Music and Arts Ministry Team is building a pool of **Ushers & Greeters** who serve at the 10:45 am service. If you can arrive a little early, assist with greeting guests and handing out bulletins your help would be greatly appreciated. Our goal is to have enough people so we each volunteer will serve only once per month. If interested or you have questions, please contact WM&A chair, [Nancy Congdon](#).

**Primavera Meal Prep**— On the fourth Tuesday of each month (**Nov. 22**) at 3:00 pm Rincon volunteers prepare a



meal in the Rincon kitchen

for the Five Points transition housing unit run by Primavera and at 5:00 pm they deliver the meal and eat dinner with the residents. For more information or to volunteer or dine with the residents, contact [Ann Geiger](#)

**Casa Maria** –Every four weeks Rincon volunteers prepare nearly 1,500 sandwiches for the Casa Maria free soup kitchen. We start at **8:30 am** in the Fellowship Hall. We are also responsible for sending two volunteers to Casa Maria Soup Kitchen on the Sunday following our Sandwich Saturday. These volunteers arrive at Casa Maria at 7 am and make and serve the soup. *See the story below in which one recent volunteer shares his experience and invites others to volunteer for this important part of the Casa Maria ministry.* They are finished around 10:30 am. **The 2016 dates are: 10/29, 11/26, 12/24.** For more information contact the coordinator, Anne Esborn 520.477.7447 or [anne@esborn.org](mailto:anne@esborn.org). A special offering to support this ministry is taken on the first Sunday of each month. Please indicate “Casa Maria” on your check or offering envelope.

**Ushers and Greeters**—Teams of friendly volunteers needed every Sunday to distribute bulletins, welcome guests take the offering and assist with communion. A sign up sheet is posted on the wall at the back of the sanctuary. Contact [Nancy Congdon](#).

**Refreshment Hosts**—Thank you to those who enable us to be a welcoming community every Sunday by preparing and serving simple treats and beverages after worship. The opportunity to visit with one another and welcome guests helps all of us to be members of an active and welcoming community. New volunteers are always welcome! Please contact [Jean Bronson](#) to add your name to the list or sign up on the sign up sheet posted on the wall at the back of the sanctuary.

**Sanctuary Attendants** - We're seeking a few volunteers to restock the pew pockets weekly. This service opportunity takes about 1 hour per week, can be done anytime during normal office hours, and can be completed by one person (but it's more fun with two!). It does require bending, standing and stooping. If you're interested in volunteering for 1 or more weeks per month contact Donna at the church office 520.745.6237 or [Donna@RinconUCC.org](mailto:Donna@RinconUCC.org).

**Memorial Service Volunteers** - The Congregational Life Ministry Team is recruiting volunteers to help host memorial service receptions. If you can help with this important ministry please contact Ann Geiger 520.529.6223 or Jean Bronson 520.795.9171.



## Small Groups

**Pastor's Bible Study - 1st & 3rd Thursdays, (November 3 & 17) 9-10:30 in the Sanctuary Room**

**12.** All are welcome, regardless of your familiarity or comfort level with scripture. Bring yourself, an open mind and heart, and willingness to explore how scripture forms, reforms, and deforms our faith practices. Contact

Pastor [Delle](mailto:revdelle@rinconucc.org) (revdelle@rinconucc.org) for more information.

**“I Love to Tell the Story”- Pastor’s Wednesday Night Bible Study, Third Wed. of each month (November 16), 6:00-7:30 PM, Room 10.** The Wednesday night pastor’s Bible Study will explore formative stories from Hebrew Scriptures. Bring a friend, a brown bag supper, an open mind and heart as we find our way to God’s Good News through these old texts. All sessions will be held on the third Wednesday of the month, from 6-7:30 PM, in Room 10 (by the ADA restrooms).

**November 16: Sibling Rivalry – Jacob and Esau/Leah and Rachel (Genesis 27, 29, 30)**

**December 21: The Exodus Begins (Exodus 1 and 2)**

**Naomi Circle** invites all adults of Rincon Church to join us on the 3rd Tuesday of each month, at 7:30 PM, in Classroom 1A (in back of the patio to the north of the kitchen) - unless otherwise noted — for fellowship, interesting programs and light refreshments. For further information, please contact Jean Granillo (325.4520), Lois Runyon (989.3620) or Nancy Woodling (721.9295). **November 15th guest speakers are Amy Gaiennie and Ken Kingsley. Topic: Our National Parks Turn 100.**

**The Society of Saint Arius—Every other Sunday 12:15-1:30 pm (October 30, November 13 & 27) Room 11** facilitated by Rincon member Scott Shumaker this book and spiritual discussion group focuses on the history of Christian theology and its relevance for today. The current book title is: Moses and Akhenaten by Ahmed Osman. Contact Scott ([srshumaker@aol.com](mailto:srshumaker@aol.com)) for more information.

**A Company of Readers** – Rincon’s book group, meets on the fourth Monday of each month at 7:00 pm in a participant’s home. **The November 28<sup>th</sup> book selection is: The End of Your Life Book Clubby Will Schwalbe . Meeting Place: TBA. Contact Ann Geiger at (520) 529-6223.**

**Prayer Shawl Ministry: Every Wed, 12-1 pm, Stedman room.** Knit or crochet prayer shawls to be blessed and given to those in need of comfort or celebrating a joy! Bring your own yarn and needles. Contact Donna Harrison 745-6237.