Sunnyside Adventist Church Communiqué News & Announcements

Sabbath, December 1, 2018



Greetings church family,

Roots and Wings

Between the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays, we are grateful for the opportunities to connect with family. One of the stops Shirley and I made during a visit to our children and granddaughter in Baltimore

was at The American Visionary Art Museum. A featured theme there is that of parenting, including the following reference that caught my eye:

A wise woman once said to me: "There are only two lasting bequests we can hope to give our children. One of these is roots; the other, wings." — Hodding Carter, Where Main Street Meets the River.

It strikes me that this may also apply to the way we minister at Sunnyside where in our broader Christian Education we help one another grow roots deep into His Word, His Love, and His Truth while encouraging flight by His Grace and Power.

As we progress through the Advent Season ahead, we continue to be grateful for the first advent of Jesus, who was more than willing to be rooted—even in Nazareth! We continue to give hope-filled thanks for a second-coming Jesus, who models the ultimate flight.

May Hope, Peace, Joy, and Love feed our root systems and free us to fly.

Blessings,

Pastor Dave Allen



Send your "shout-outs" to info@SunnysideAdventist.org so we can include them in next week's Communiqué. This is a place you can recognize someone for doing well or going beyond expectations.

A special shout out to all of our Thanksgiving and Christmas decorators for making our church so perfectly decorated for each of the holidays. Thank you!

News & Notes

THIS WEEKEND

Today we have only one worship service. It will be at 11:15 AM with Pastor Kara Johnsson presenting our Bible message titled "Light In the Darkness."

Our monthly fellowship potluck is today immediately following the second service. You are invited to stay, enjoy great food, good friendships, and make new acquaintances.

Tomorrow morning, Sunday, 11:00 AM, there will be a memorial service conducted for Kathy Manley here at Sunnyside Church.

Tomorrow, December 2, 4:00 PM, Sunnyside Symphony Orchestra will present a Christmas concert here at Sunnyside Church, featuring Jonathan DeBruyn, guest conductor.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please pray for the families of:

Jack E. Betz who passed away October 20, at the age of 97, a lifelong member of Sunnyside and principal contractor of Sunnyside Church. A Celebration of Life service will be held here at Sunnyside Sunday, December 16, 1:30 PM.

Toy Drive – Please bring an unwrapped, new toy for ages 5-11, and place it in the box located in the foyer. We will collect toys until December 10 for students at Cherry Park School. (The students at Cherry Park live in our community.)

Children's Ministry has placed tables in the children's wing containing new and gently used clothing for babies and toddlers. Feel free to take what you need or if you know of someone who could use the clothing, please share with them. If you have any questions, contact Jackee Duvall at 503-309-9400 or jackeeduvall@hotmail.com.

A special International program is being planned for Sabbath, January 26. We want to feature all the nationalities represented in our Sunnyside Church. A comprehensive list can only be developed if you, our members, will contact Rosie, our secretary, with your country of birth or the country you identify with. Call 503-252-8080 or email: info@SunnysideAdventist.org.

Devotional books! It's time to order your new devotional book for 2019. Check the table in the Narthex to see the available books, and sign up for the books you



desire. By ordering through the church, you will receive special pricing. These make great Christmas gifts! They will be ready for pick up Sabbath, December 22. If you should need them sooner, please contact the office at 503-252-8080 or Lorrie Wescott.

During the month of December and the first Sabbath of January, we will be having only one worship service. Our Bible study classes will begin at 10:00 AM and our worship service will begin at 11:15 AM.

December 21, 7:00 PM, the 37th Annual Family Christmas program will be here at Sunnyside. Invite your friends and enjoy an evening of Christmas music presented by some of Portland's finest musicians. Bring your musical score and participate in the finale – Handel's Hallelujah Chorus from "Messiah." An offering will be received to support feeding Portland's homeless each Sunday morning in downtown Portland. Refreshments will be served after the program.

Family Resource Network – Thank you for your continued support that has helped so many people in their time of need. Place your funds in an envelope marked Family Resource Network, account number 488.

December 22, 11:15 AM Church service will be the "Night of Wonder, Night of Joy" Christmas musical with a living animal nativity.

There will be a Celebration of Life service for Bill Wallace, Sunday, December 2, 2:00 PM, at Rockwood SDA Church. In lieu of flowers, donations towards the Rockwood door fund would be appreciated.

ADVENTIST EDUCATION

Portland Adventist Elementary School http://www.paes.com

Portland Adventist Academy

http://paasda.org

AREA EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

November 30, December 1, 2, 7, 8, 9, 2018. Follow the Star.

A live walk-through nativity event will be presented. Doors open Friday at 5:00 PM. Saturday and Sunday at 4:00 PM. Free tickets are available at the doors. More information at http://followthestar01.weebly.com/.

Event Location: Gladstone Park Convention Center.

December 1-31. Adventist Book Center Sale.

Download a flyer at abcflyer.com

December 5, 8:00 PM: Jaime Jorge In Concert.

Jaime Jorge, a world-class violinist will present a free concert, "Silent Night, Holy Night." A free-will offering will be taken. Event Location: Adventist Community Church of Vancouver.

December 7, 7:15 PM. First Friday.

First Fridays are a time of music and spiritual fellowship and we would like you to join us. This December First Friday marks our third anniversary and our celebration program will feature a special Christmas concert from violinist Aaron Meyer. Admission is free with a new pair of socks for our community. Following the concert, experience a special Christmas tree lighting. Registration for the free December 7 First Friday soup and salad dinner will open on November 26 and will run through Wednesday, December 5. Be sure to reserve your spot! Remember that registration is on a first-come, first-served basis and each dinner guest must register separately. Soup and salad will be served from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. on Friday, December 7. Registration

link: https://www.adventisthealth.org/Portland/event/soup-and-salad-dinner

Event Location: AMC Amphitheaters

December 8, 6:00 PM: Home and Heart Christmas Concert.

Make plans now to immerse yourself in the spirit of the Christmas season with bluegrass and traditional songs performed by local artists. Refreshments to follow. All are invited to enjoy a time of down-home Christmas fellowship. This is a great opportunity to invite your friends and neighbors! Visit www.pvclife.com. Event Location: Pleasant Valley Church.

January 15-19. Adventist Agriculture Association Conference.

The Adventist Agricultural Association's (AdAgrA's) 5th annual conference is coming to the Pacific Northwest! Through short courses, seminars, plenaries, and networking, the conference offers information and inspiration for how and why Adventists need to be in the garden.

June 21-July 4, 2019: 2019 Great Controversy Tour.

Dr. Gerard Damsteegt, a specialist in church history and development of prophetic interpretation, will lead this tour. See the prophecies of Daniel and Revelation come alive. Visit Rome and the Reformation sites in the Waldensian Valleys, Switzerland, France, and Germany. These tours give you a new vision of how to inspire church members for Jesus' coming and future challenges. A most exciting experience! Call 269-815-8624, or <a href="mailto:emailto

HOUSING NEEDED

One of our senior couples is in need of housing. They need just a small unit, room, or basement. If you know of anything available, please contact the church office at 503-252-8080.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Help someone by volunteering: PACS (Portland Adventist Community Services) has volunteer opportunities available. Apply online at <u>pacsonline.org</u> or call 503-252-8500 and ask for Kellie for more information.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

PACS (Portland Adventist Community Services) Now hiring part-time **Dental Front Office**, and part-time **Dental Hygienist** Volunteer positions open:

Dentists

For more information contact Carol James, Dental Clinic Manager, carol.james@pacsonline.org, call or text 503-758-1892.

The Oregon Conference Treasury Department is hiring a full time Moving Van Driver. For the job description, please visit oregonconference.org, click the tab Departments, Human Resources, and then click on Employment. Or go directly to oregonconference.org/employment-home.