

# Sunnyside Adventist Church Communiqué

## News & Announcements

Sabbath, December 8, 2018



Dear Family,

As I walked Gipper this morning, I was almost swept away by a draft of wind that came directly off the stunning snowy peak of Mt Hood! Its iciness took my breath away, but it also warmed my heart as its presence signals the Christmas season. A season of scarves

and hats and gloves, hot drinks and goodies, and most dearly, a time of sharing and connecting with those we love.

Connection, relationship, is at the heart of the gospel and one of the core reasons for church. God created us to be in a relationship with himself and each other. And so I am thankful for a church that values building relationships, taking time with each other, learning to be vulnerable and grow with each other.

Over the last two years, we have increased our potlucks, not only to provide hospitality for guests, but also to provide time and space for us to grow in our relationships with each other. There is something powerful that happens when we share food together! And so I want to take this opportunity to thank the teams who have put so much time into making this happen.

We are continuing to work on improving this system. One of the challenges that we have found is the use of the kitchen; in having a guest potluck scheduled most Sabbaths, it has made it harder for other ministry groups to initiate their own potlucks as needed. And so for 2019, we have created a schedule that intentionally leaves the third Sabbath of each month free for others to be able to book the use of the kitchen. We hope this alleviates some of the scheduling challenges.

Not all of these third Sabbaths will be booked of course. And so in order to ensure that guests are looked after, a couple of leaders have stepped forward to lead a team that will host a guest potluck on those vacant Sabbaths. They are looking for some volunteers to join this team; if this is something that you would like to be a part of, please contact Darlene Manullang or myself.

Wishing you God's blessing of peace and joy,

**Pastor Kara Johnsson**



**Shout-Out**

Send your "shout-outs" to [info@SunnysideAdventist.org](mailto: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.

*Shout out to Lloyd Wescott and Tom Kramer for changing out our flowers for the beautiful cabbage and kale.*

*Shout out to Kathy Rosenquist for keeping our connection with Sunnyside Symphony Orchestra strong and for the amazing Christmas concert Sunday.*

### News & Notes

#### THIS WEEKEND

**Today we have only one worship service. It will be at 11:15 AM with Pastor Juan Fresse** presenting our Bible message titled "Peace in the Storm."

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Please pray for the families of:**

**Jack E. Betz** who passed away October 20, at the age of 97, a life-long 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](mailto: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](mailto:info@SunnysideAdventist.org). Please sign up to bring one type of food that represents your country of origin to sell at the International Food Fair, January 26 (evening). Contact Lorie Ramey ([L2ramey@bctonline.com](mailto:L2ramey@bctonline.com)) or Dianne Glovatsky with what item you would like to bring. This is an evening of fun, food, and fellowship.

**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.

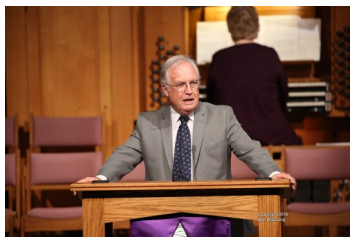
**Family Resource Network** – Thank you for your continued support that has helped so many people in their time of need. Place your funds in an envelope marked Family Resource Network, account number 488.

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

## LIFE ON THE SUNNYSIDE



Christmas at Sunnyside



Pastor Dave Allen



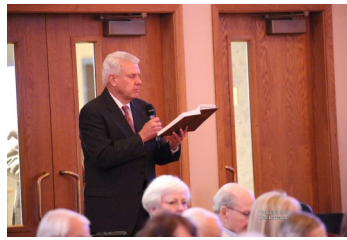
Charla Morford



Dr. Arnold Petersen



Warren Rushold, Rosemayne Thompson



Erik Nielsen



Roger Rosenquist, Bill Hohensee, Erik Nielsen, Bob Cafferky



Lydia Sequar



Pastor Kara



Children's Story – Tim Hill

## ADVENTIST EDUCATION

**Portland Adventist Elementary School**

<http://www.paes.com>

**Portland Adventist Academy**

<http://paasda.org>

## AREA EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**December 1-31. Adventist Book Center Sale.**

Download a flyer at [abcflyer.com](http://abcflyer.com)

**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](http://www.pvclife.com).

Event Location: Pleasant Valley Church.

**December 16: Tualatin Valley Academy** is devastated by the loss of life and property due to the fire in the Paradise, CA community. Our sister school, Paradise Adventist Academy suffered deeply. We want to help our friends in Paradise by holding a fundraiser on

December 16. All the proceeds will go directly to Paradise Adventist Academy to help with tuition for the families who lost everything in this devastating fire. Or visit [www.tualatinvalleyacademy.org](http://www.tualatinvalleyacademy.org) go to the announcement page to read more about this event.

**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 [email GCTours@mac.com](mailto:emailGCTours@mac.com).

**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 [pacsonline.org](http://pacsonline.org) 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](mailto: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](http://oregonconference.org), click the tab Departments, Human Resources, and then click on Employment. Or go directly to [oregonconference.org/employment-home](http://oregonconference.org/employment-home).