

Sunnyside Adventist Church Communiqué

News & Announcements

Sabbath, February 16, 2019



Dear Family,

I had to get new tires on a vehicle today. Since I didn't want to just sit and wait for an hour I decided to Uber to the gym I workout at and pass the time spinning on a stationary bike. It was a good workout. When I cooled down I summoned another Uber driver to pick me up.

As I got into the car I noticed that she quickly silenced what seemed to be a sermon playing through her sound system. I told her that I didn't mind at all if she wanted to play the sermon as we drove back to the tire store. As she turned it back up she asked, "So, what do you do for a living?" I told her that I am a pastor. That's when she lit up. "Really? That's so cool!" She said.

She asked me if I was familiar with the pastor that she was listening to. I was. Then she asked, What church do you pastor? I told her that I was the pastor of the Sunnyside Seventh-day Adventist Church. Again she lit up. She told me she's passed it several times and then said, "One of my good friends is a Seventh-day Adventist." As we talked she told me what she knew of the denomination and that she really liked her friend. Before I got out of the car I invited her to join us one Sabbath for our second service and then prayed over her.

It was a wonderful opportunity that God gave me to share the good news and fellowship with a fellow believer. Let's all look for opportunities like this to share our faith. I believe that when we do, we bring a smile to the Creator of all these little God moments.

Pastor Mark Witas



Shout-Out

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 those who showed up during our snow storm last week and helped to make our facility ready for those who ventured out. Thank you to all of our helpers!

News & Notes

THIS WEEKEND

This Sabbath, our worship services are at, 8:45 AM and 11:15 AM. Pastor Mark Witas will present our Bible message titled "All About Jesus – Repent and Submit."

Tonight, February 16, 7:00 PM, Walla Walla University's I Cantori will be in concert here at Sunnyside Church. **I Cantori** is Walla Walla University's select choir, an auditioned group chosen from the 1,900-member student body. They have enjoyed a history of touring extensively that began in 1929. Kraig Scott is currently their director.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The 2018 tithes and offering receipts are now ready for pick up in the lobby. Look for the box containing alphabetical tabs, then, please look through the envelopes and retrieve those with your name on it.

February 23 weekend, Walla Walla University's Center for Bible, Faith and Mission will present "Inching Toward the Trinity: The Astonishing Adventist Story." The schedule and speakers are as follows:

7:00 PM, Friday: "How to Change a Doctrine: The Biblical Foundation for what Adventists Have Done with the Trinity" – Alden Thompson

8:45 AM & 11:15 AM Sabbath: A Pilgrim Journey – Dave Thomas

2:30 PM, Sabbath, "Uncharted Territory: Adventists Plot Their Way Toward the Trinity." – Alden Thompson

3:45 PM: "The Trinity: So What?" – Dave Thomas

February 24, 4:00 PM, the Sunnyside Symphony Orchestra will be in concert here at Sunnyside Church.

March 1, 7:15 PM, First Friday will feature Curtis Young from the YMCA sharing his story. Music will be provided by the Oasis Church. Registration for the free March First Friday soup and salad dinner will open on March 21, and will run through Wednesday, March 27. 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 PM on Friday, March 1.

Friday, March 15, 6:30 PM. Mark your calendar!

Jean Boonstra, associate speaker for the Voice of Prophecy will present her testimony and other devotionals. Sponsored by Women's Ministries.



Vacation Bible School will be conducted

June 28 and 29. We are now looking for volunteers to help us this year. If you can help in any capacity please see Beverly Merino or call the church office 503-252-8080.

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. **Immediate needs are:** Living room / dining room set, kitchen items, and blankets — any house furnishings will help.

Mel and Betty West will be celebrating their 89th birthdays this year in March. It would be nice to send a "blitz" of greetings (one card for both of them) on March 2 (Mel's birthday). It might be helpful for those that may not know you well, to include a sender snapshot. They enjoy phone calls as well. Contact information: Mel and Betty Ann West, 1500 Catherine Street, Apt. 319A, Walla Walla, WA 99362; 509-24-4140. Thank you.



Pastor Mark Witas



Wendy and Pastor Mark

LIFE AT SUNNYSIDE



Carl Buchanan



Arnold Petersen



Patrick Knapp, Guy Dove



Eli Makoko



Karl Helton



Kimberly Goodwin-Helton



Arnold Petersen



Pastor Dave, Margaret Lacatus



Wendy Witas (Pastor Mark)



Wendy Witas

ADVENTIST EDUCATION

Portland Adventist Elementary School

<http://www.paes.com>

Portland Adventist Academy

<http://paasda.org>

May 3-5, Portland Adventist Academy Alumni Weekend.

We're so excited to invite our alumni and friends back to campus for a full weekend of activities designed to reconnect friends, teachers, and community. For details, visit <https://paasda.org/alumni/>. Event Location: Portland Adventist Academy.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND AREA EVENTS

February 23, 2:00 PM: Adventist Community Services and Prison Ministries Afternoon Meetings with Byron Dulan

Pastor Dulan is Vice President for Regional and Multicultural Ministries and Human Relations at the North Pacific Union Conference. He would like to connect with volunteers involved in prison ministries at 2 pm and volunteers involved in Adventist Community Services at 3 pm. Event Location: East Salem Adventist Church.

February 24, 9:00 AM-4:00 PM: S.N.O.W (Spiritual Needs Of Women) party. Presented by Lents SDA Church Women's Ministry. The fee is \$10.00 per person. Please bring a \$5.00 gift to exchange. There will also be a book exchange table for used books, limit of five books. Please RSVP to Jackie Flores at 503-989-5049 or Linda Dahl at 503-577-1285. There is a limit of 90 attendees, so an RSVP is required. Breakfast will be served at 9:00 AM; lunch will be at approximately 1:00 PM. Event Location: Lents SDA Church.

March 2, 3:00 PM: Memorial Service for George Ulloa.

George Ulloa passed away January 25. A celebration of life will be conducted for him at Meadow Glade Adventist Church.

March 3, 12:00-3:00 PM: Women and Kid's clothing/small items SWAP.

Come freshen up your closets for free and have fun! Only bring items in good repair please. Spread the word! Questions? Contact 503-223-0623. Event Location: Tabernacle Adventist Church, Fellowship Hall.

May 3-5, Men's Summit – Men save the Date! The Oregon Conference Men's Summit is featuring Dick Duerksen. Pre-registration (Early Bird Discount) is \$125 through March. Registration in April is \$135.00, and the At-The-Door rate is \$140.00. Registration will be opening soon. Watch your bulletin for updates. Have any questions? Please call me, Bret McKay at 503-577-4686 or send me an email at bret_mckay@fulfillmentcorp.com. Event Location: Grove Christian Camp.

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:GCTours@mac.com).