

Sunnyside Adventist Church Communiqué

News & Announcements

April 20, 2024

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Hello, Sunnyside family!

It's wonderful to witness divine power unveiling the beauty of the changing seasons. This force also breathes life into us and our community. Experiencing God's faithful patterns in our church life is truly delightful.

Last week was filled with meaningful moments in Sunnyside. We celebrated a baby shower for African families, welcomed nursing students from Walla Walla Campus, had wonderful Sabbath services, enjoyed a moving Evensong led by Karl Helton and Richard Fenn, and honored Lane Bibb during a heartfelt memorial service. Thank you to all the Sunnysiders who supported and nurtured our family and guests during these events.

Pastor Seth has safely arrived in Australia, and our prayers are with him as he ministers to our brothers and sisters there. Pastor Kevin has returned from California, where he spent time with Elynn's family as they grieved the loss of their grandmother.

This week, we've had a consistent stream of our usual activities: the Bread Night dinner, Bible study groups, the history class, and practices for the praise team and choir. The financial and nominating committees, along with the elders and church board meetings, have been active as well. Many other vital components of our church ministries have been diligently fulfilling their roles with dedication and passion. Thank you all for being conduits for God's boundless energy.

A special thanks this week goes to Pastor Shirley, who is leading the work of the nominating committee with wisdom and grace, as well as the team of dedicated deacons working on restructuring and tuning the deacon ministries at Sunnyside.

Next week, we eagerly anticipate welcoming our PAES friends, who will lead us in worship.

Our prayers are with the Miller family as they mourn the loss of Linda, who passed away last Saturday. May the divine presence and the love of your community bring comfort during this time of grief.

May we all continue witnessing God's life breathing presence in our lives, both personally and within our church community.

Pastor Violeta Bilan

ANNOUNCEMENTS



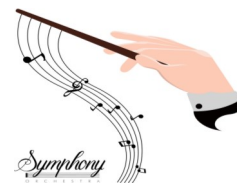
Welcome to Sunnyside! We are happy you are here to worship with us. Let us know who you are by filling out one of the Connect Cards and handing it to the deacons before you leave. **Also, a very special welcome to Elizabeth Fresse, Vice Principal of PAES, her students, and their families.** They will be providing our service today.

Please pray for the family of Linda Miller. Linda passed away last Sabbath. A memorial service is not being planned.



Spring Tea Party, April 28, 2:00 PM, in the fireside room! Ladies, this event is for you, if you are 2 or 102! Come enjoy pearls of wisdom from our resident tea expert, Pastor Kevin Wilson, and help raise money for Portland Adventist Community Services (not required, but we will be collecting donations). Don't forget your tea party attire, either! It might just land you a prize for creativity. RSVP please by April 21 to Kathy Kramer 360-553-8464 or Dianne Glovatsky 503-706-5611.

Please join the Sunnyside Symphony Orchestra family for a special vocal recital featuring soprano, Saori DeBruyn, Sunday, April 28, at 3:00 PM, here at Sunnyside Church. You may have heard Saori sing at the October Sunnyside Symphony Orchestra concert and she is back with a special benefit concert to support the SSO. This is a free event. See you there!



The Sunnyside Symphony Orchestra will be in concert May 5. Their repertoire consists of Randall DeBruyn — St. John Suite (World Premiere) and Camille Saint-Saens — Symphony No. 3 "Organ." This concert will be outstanding, don't miss it, and bring your friends and family. Remember **the pre-concert talk** by SSO Music Director Jonathan DeBruyn, starts at **3:00 PM**, and ends 15 minutes before the concert begins at **4:00 PM**. See you there! A reception will follow the concert.

If you haven't signed up already, our Sri Lanka tour is still open. Contact Pastor Kevin Wilson for any and all of your questions. If you aren't able to go on the tour, you may also contribute to the project; mark your check in the memo area "Sri Lanka." Click on the QR code for more information or talk to Pastor Kevin Wilson.





This spring, churches around the conference will host the annual opportunity to worship and connect as a broader church with our **Together in Mission town hall meetings**. Every member is invited to

participate in a gathering near them to experience the blessing of connecting with members from neighboring churches and with conference leaders. "Together in Mission" is a reminder that while we live, work, and worship in communities all across the Oregon Conference territory, we all share a common spiritual identity: children of God looking forward to Jesus' soon return. Our *Together in Mission*

May 18, at 3:30 PM and 7:00 PM, Oregon Adventist Men's Chorus

annual Festival Concerts will be presented at Sunnyside Adventist Church. Joining OAMC will be Portland Adventist Academy's Bell Canto handbell ensemble. OAMC is a group of Christian men who join in worship, praise and public sharing of their faith through music. Under the direction of Ben Purvis, OAMC performs anthems, selections from the master composers, traditional hymns, newer inspirational works, and spirituals. For more information about the 2024 Festival Concert and OAMC, visit oamcministry.org.



History class meets on Tuesdays, 7:00 PM. Come and join us. Check "At-A-Glance" in the bulletin for topics.

Wednesdays are busy days. Come and join us.

- FaithLift at 10:00 AM, a group for ladies, meets in the Willamette Room.
- Men's Bible Study meets at 10:00 AM, in the Columbia Room.
- Book Club meets at 6:00 PM via Zoom.
- Our mid-week devotional service is at 7:00 PM, in CherryWood Village's chapel.



Our flower calendar is posted in the hallway and [online](http://www.SunnysideAdventist.org). (Go to our website, www.SunnysideAdventist.org, click on "Our Ministries.") Please choose a date to share flowers with your church family for our worship service and

place your name on it. As the date gets closer, we will contact you to what you would like in the bulletin about them.



The Church Library is open! The library will be open on the 1st and 3rd Sabbaths of the month. Hours are 10:45-11:15 AM, and 12:30-1:00 PM. The church library has a wide selection of books available for our members to borrow, so please stop by.

We would like to publicly recognize special milestones in your life.

Please take a moment to share with us special birthdays, anniversaries, or any other celebrations. We are family and we would like to share with each other. Also, please let us know when you are sick or need other prayers. We want to be a part of your life and pray together with you. Send an email to info@SunnysideAdventist.org or call the office at 503-252-8080, and let us know the latest with your family!



Directory photos — just a reminder. We have a photo directory, but we are missing many photos or several need to be updated. Please let us know who you are by picture. Send a snapshot or professional picture and we will upload it for you to the directory.

During these difficult times, if you are in need of financial help let us know. Call the church office at 503-252-8080 or send an email to info@SunnysideAdventist.org.



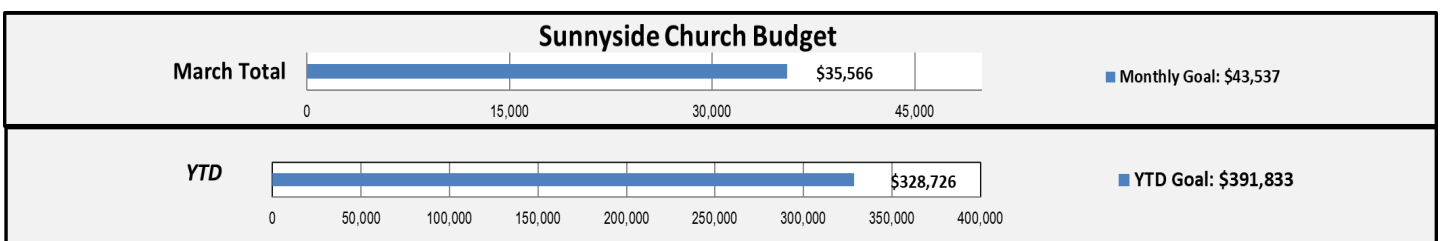
Today: Warren Gough, Ana Siminel; **Sunday:** Rosemayne Alison; **Monday:** Ingrid Schmidt; **Tuesday:** Deborah Boskind, Gabriela Hutuleac, Kathy Schaffer; **Wednesday:** Susan Chin, Peggy Collin; **Thursday:** Milo Denham, Oliver Eichele, Donald Frood, Allenson Gepford, Charlton, Gepford, Genevieve Gepford, Andrei Gramada; **Friday:** Suzie Harwood

ADVENTIST EDUCATION



<http://www.paes.com>

Portland Adventist Elementary School



Portland Adventist Elementary School is excited to announce an Auction Banquet Fundraiser! Our school cannot exist without community and church support, and this is a great opportunity to come enjoy an evening of fun together while supporting PAES.

There will be Themed Baskets to bid on, as well as Class Art Pieces that can brighten your home or work space. All proceeds go towards our Roof Project.

Price: \$10.00 (includes meal)

RSVP to admin@paes.com by APRIL 15TH

When: Sunday, April 21, 2024 at 5:30pm



Portland Adventist Academy
<https://www.paasda.org/alumni>

UPDATE: Alumni Reunion May 4

2024 PAA/PUA Alumni Reunion is May 3-5, 2024 for alumni and friends. We're pleased to share that our Alumni Sabbath Worship Speaker will be Elder Dick Duerksen, a popular speaker and storyteller, and friend of PAA.

Honor classes are: '49 (75-year class), '54, '64, '74 (50-year class), '84, '94, '99 (25-year class), '04, '14, '19 (5-year class) Sabbath, May 4, 10:30 am – Worship Service

You can find all the details on the Alumni page on the PAA website here: <https://www.paasda.org/alumni>

PAA & Fred Meyer

You may support PAA through the Fred Meyer Community Rewards Program. Just connect a Fred Meyer digital account and connect it to your Shopper's Card, and designate Portland Adventist Academy as the organization you wish to support. You can get it all done on the Fred Meyer website here: <https://www.fredmeyer.com/i/community/community-rewards>



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Visit: jobs.wallawalla.edu.

EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Adventist Book Center's Spring Food and Book Sales runs from April 15-May 5, 2024. Visit the Adventist Book Center site for a sales flyer.



Oregon Conference Women's Ministries Leader's Retreat. You're invited to this year's Women's Ministries Leader's Retreat, April 26-28, at the Gladstone Park Conference & Event Center. For women's

ministries leaders, assistant leaders, and women who want to be leaders in their church communities. If your church doesn't have an official women's ministries leader you are welcome to send someone anyway. You don't even have to be from the Oregon Conference territory! This year's theme is "What a Great Idea!" Your NPUC women's ministries directors will present practical and fun ideas and tips for creating and growing your women's ministries programs. Lots of questions and answer opportunities are planned. We will have networking and planning times so you can help each other out too, because we know you have wonderful things to share! Learn more about this great event at <https://orad.us/WMLeadersRetreat2024>.

Do you grieve for children and loved ones that are no longer attending church?

Gladstone Park Adventist Church will be presenting a workshop called Claim Your Children Back, April 26-27. This 3-part workshop will help bring joy, peace, healing, and encouragement. It will build your faith in the word of God that reveals how the Lord plans to save your family and what he expects from you and others. Presentations will be held Friday, April 26 at 7:00 PM and Saturday, April 27 at 11:00 AM followed by potluck and a 2:00 PM afternoon seminar. Our presenter will be Grant Agadjanian, president of Creative Media Ministries. Gladstone Park Adventist Church is located at 8378 Cason Road in Gladstone,



CLASS OF 1974 LAURELWOOD ACADEMY 50th Class Reunion
 May 24-26 at the Oregon Conference's Gladstone Park Conference Center & May 28 at the LACE Center in Laurelwood
 We're looking for all 1974 class members. Please text or call 503-709-3030 and leave a message or email LA1974reunion@gmail.com for additional details. RSVP appreciated.

The Laurelwood Academy Class of 1974 will celebrate it's 50th Class Reunion, May 24-26. The class would love to connect with all of their 1974 members. The May 24-25 reunion activities will be held at Gladstone Park Conference Center in Gladstone, Ore.

The May 26 reunion event will happen at the LACE Center in Laurelwood. Please text or call 503-709-3030 and leave a message, or email LA1974reunion@gmail.com for additional details. RSVP appreciated.



"Thinking Well, Living Well, a women's mental health series, is coming to Stone Tower Church this spring! This is a 10-week series with sessions to be held on Thursday evenings, beginning April 18th, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. To sign up and for more information Visit

<https://www.stonetowersda.org/events/thinking-well-living-well/>

Marriage Workshop: There are still cabins available for the Bloom in Marriage Cruise, a Christian marriage seminar at sea for couples of all ages, taking place May 13-20, 2024. Join Adventist marriage ministry leaders Rick and Cindy Mercer on a relationship-enriching Alaskan cruise, sailing roundtrip from Seattle on the Quantum of the Seas. For more information and to register, go to bloominmarriage.com.



Big Lake Youth Camp is looking for a gently used golf cart or a side-by-side/Ranger-style of vehicle for camp use during the summers. If you have one you'd like to donate, please reach out to our office: office@biglake.org or call (503) 850-3583.



PACS UPDATE

PACS Food Pantry Drive-thru is OPEN Mon-Fri from 9:00 am – 11:00 am with an after-work option once a month from 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm every first Thursday of the month. If you or someone you know needs food, please tell them about us.

PACS Thrift Store is OPEN Sun 11 am-4 pm, Mon-Thurs 9:00 am-5:00 pm, & Friday 9:00 am-2:00 pm. Our donation drop-off center is open and needs your donations! Mon-Thurs 9:00-1:00 pm, and Sun 11:00 am-2:00 pm. If you have any questions about what items we accept, please give us a call at 503-252-8500. Depending on volunteer availability, we offer pick-up service for a small fee. If you have furniture or larger items and no way to get rid of them, give us a call and we'll do our best to help you out! Located at 11020 NE Halsey St, Portland, OR 97220.

Gateway Grace Dental Clinic at PACS is OPEN

Gateway Grace Clinic at PACS is open and accepting uninsured patients for low-cost preventative dental care. If you or someone you know needs to schedule an appointment with us, please call 503-907-6768 or email dental@pacsonline.org.



SAVE THE DATE: Cruise with a Mission December 2024.

Center for Youth Evangelism is happy to invite you to an incredible cruise adventure to The Caribbean, December 8-15, 2024. Registration is open so don't wait! Embark on a

convenient round trip Caribbean adventure where we will be visiting the Bahamas, Jamaica, Mexico, & the Cayman Islands. Departing from Fort Lauderdale, Florida. Stops in Bahamas, Jamaica, Mexico, and the Cayman Islands. Returning to Fort Lauderdale, Florida. There is more information to come, but if you have any questions, please send an email to cwm@cye.org.

The 2024 Camp Meeting Team Registration form is now available online!

Join the camp meeting team July 11-13 for Spanish-language and/or July 16-20 for English-language Gladstone Camp Meeting. Information on the areas where you might want to volunteer or work are available on the conference website (www.oregonadventist.org/campmeeting). Sign up today at <https://orad.us/CM2024signup>. If you are interested in one of the limited paid positions available, you must speak with that department supervisor before filling out the registration form. Thank you for your willingness to help with camp meeting!



Adventist Health Hospice is looking for compassionate

volunteers to provide companionship to patients, provide a much needed brief break for a tired caregiver, make phone calls on Thursdays to check on patient supplies, or assist with light housekeeping, errands or pet support. Thorough training and support are provided by Adventist Health Hospice team members. If interested to learn more, contact Karen Hartmann, Bereavement/Volunteer Coordinator, at 503-251-6192 or email Hartmakl@ah.org. You can make a loving difference in someone's life at a challenging time.

Are you interested in becoming a hospital spiritual care

volunteer? Adventist Health Portland Spiritual Care department invites individuals of all ages to apply. Volunteers will have the opportunity to offer pre-surgery support for patients and their families, ensure patients have access to spiritual resources and more. If you feel called to be part of our team, take the first step by filling out our application form: <https://www.volgistics.com/appform/769001903>



Tabernacle SDA Church is looking for a Janitor and an Administrative Assistant. Both positions are part-time and require you to pass a background check. If you would like a job description & application, please email office@tabernaclesda.org.

Job Opening: Adventist Book Center - Part-Time Customer Service. For full details, download the job description and application at oregonadventist.org/support/human-resources#job-opportunities

Better Life Television (BLBN) is a network of more than 15 stations and translators serving over 60,000 square miles throughout southern Oregon, with satellite stations in northern California and Reno, Nevada. Better Life is currently seeking a broadcast engineer. The broadcast engineer position is responsible for assisting the executive director in maintaining, operating, and developing the technical systems that enable BLBN to fulfill its mission. This position is a full-time, regular status position. Learn more about this position and how to apply at <https://bit.ly/BLTVjob>.

PACS is Hiring! Come join our non-profit organization in the Portland area that serves the community with a Thrift Store, Food Pantry, and Dental Clinic. **We are hiring a Social Media Coordinator.** If you are interested in these positions, please visit our website (pacsonline.org/jobs) for job descriptions or email jobs@pacsonline.org for more information. PACS INFORMATION (Located at 11020 NE Halsey St, Portland OR 97220)



HOUSING AVAILABLE!

Room for rent, furnished with bed, in Damascus, Oregon, with shared living area, kitchen, laundry washer/dryer, female tenant preferred. Will also consider someone who would need some basic care and assistance with living. For more information call the church office, 503-252-8080.

Last Week's Worship Service in Pictures

