

# Sunnyside Adventist Church Communiqué

## News & Announcements

January 14, 2023



**Greetings Sunnyside family,**

Will Your Anchor Hold?

The above four words are so familiar, or are they? There is only one safe haven for surviving a storm. Peace! Well, of course, dah! Calm the storm, stop the waves, make the clouds go away, and while you're at it, we'd like to have back our sunny, carefree beach party! But it is not what the National Weather Service does to us, but what the Natural Weather of the Soul does to us. Unless we have peace within, it really doesn't make a lot of difference what the elements outside do to us.

Please, consider the following texts, from three translations, each with a unique nudge:

John 14:27: *"Peace, I leave you, My peace I give you; not as the world gives, do I give to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled, nor fearful."* New American Standard Bible

John 14:27: *"I am leaving you with a gift—peace of mind and heart. And the peace I give is a gift the world cannot give. So don't be troubled or afraid."* New Living Translation

John 25-27: *"I'm telling you these things while I'm still living with you. The Friend, the Holy Spirit whom the Father will send at my request, will make everything plain to you. He will remind you of all the things I have told you. I'm leaving you well and whole. That's my parting gift to you. Peace. I don't leave you the way you're used to being left—feeling abandoned, bereft. So don't be upset. Don't be distraught."* The Message

Peace for the soul! It's a gift; unearned, undeserved, and was out of our reach. But there it is; not of this world, which is where we usually shop. Out of this world!!! It comes from the Holy Spirit, sent at the Father's request when we were too weak to ask or seek for it. No longer abandoned, no longer distraught..., just gifted. So, advance to the top of the class, but not as the world might rank you. Advance to the top of God's infinite love. Accepted, forgiven, free, adopted, unconditionally loved, and with no end in sight. You cannot wear it out. So, go and leap for joy! Have a freedom party! Oh, and share it with someone else; you'll always get a renewed supply for yourself!

With you in Christ,

**Pastor Scott LeMert**

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Welcome to Sunnyside today.** We trust you will receive a spiritual blessing today as you worship with us whether you are watching online or here in person — welcome!

**The floral tribute is presented today** in celebration of Marcia Dunham's birthday. Happy birthday, Marcia!

**Please pray for the following families:**

**Rick Butler** — his mother recently passed away.

**Linda Harkins** who passed away right after the first of the year.

**T. W. Philip** who passed away December 21, 2022. A memorial service is being planned on February 19, at 1:00 PM, here at Sunnyside Church.

**Eugene Lysinger** who recently passed away. He was a former member here at Sunnyside with a talent for music. A memorial service is being planned for him on March 26 here.

### Membership Transfers — Second Reading:

Darlynne Allen to Rockwood Church

Mimi McCormick to Journey Church, Kelso, Washington

Sunny Rae Stiles to Journey Church, Kelso, Washington



**There will be a prayer service in the Youth Room** immediately after our worship service. We will have special prayer, especially for our Pastoral Search. Everyone is invited — please join us for just a few moments.

**Join us tonight, Saturday, January 21 at 6:00 PM**, in the fellowship hall, for one-of-a-kind handcrafted drinks, food, and live music! We will also be celebrating and launching a new and innovative ministry. We hope to see you there! This is a social event for everyone.

**Selection Committee for 2023:** As voted last Sabbath the Selection Committee for January 2023-January 2024 will consist of the following people: Ed Betz, Del Colton, Brian Gosney, Ruby Hohensee, Janine Hudkins, Konnie Geschke, Wilfred Geschke, Judith Greene, Matt Mandrones, Shawna Rentschler, and Ann Westermeyer. The Selection Committee will meet Thursday, January 26, 6:30 PM, via Zoom.



**Sunday, January 22, 3:00 PM, The Oregon Sinfonietta**, directed by Donald Appert, will be in concert here at Sunnyside Church.



**Senior Lunch Continues!** Are you age 60 or older? Plan to join other seniors for a brown bag lunch and fellowship on the last Thursday of this month, **January 26 at noon.** We will meet in the Fellowship Hall room 60. Please bring your own sack lunch. Dessert will be provided.

**International Sabbath is January 28.** If you are already signed up to be in the parade of nations, rehearsal is **Friday, January 27, at 6:30 PM**, in the church. Participants who are



in the program but **not** marching in the parade, please meet in the choir room at **11:00**, Sabbath morning. We encourage everyone who has attire representative of their home country to wear it to church next Sabbath as we celebrate cultures from around the world.

**Also be prepared at 6:00 PM, Saturday night, to enjoy the International Food Festival!** Come for an evening of fun, food, and fellowship, along with a fundraiser. We have an amazing array of international foods from which you may purchase your favorite, or try something new — at a bargain price for a great cause! If you want to sponsor a booth, contact Natalia Gramada or the office at (503) 252-8080.

**Conrad Gren has finished translating the book of Daniel from the source languages.** He would like to start a class, similar to what he has done in the past with other books of the Bible, but would be interested in who would like to attend and what day and time might be best. You may contact him at [congren@aol.com](mailto:congren@aol.com) or call him at 503-314-2703, to let him know of your interest.



**Our new flower calendar is now posted** in the hallway and on our website. Please choose a date to share flowers with our Sunnyside family for our worship services and place your name on it. As the date gets closer, we will contact you to see what message you would like to put in the bulletin about the flowers.

**Tuesday evenings are known as “Bread Nights”** when we feed the WWU nursing students a meal once a week. We need more helpers — please consider joining us. Contact David Duffield, 901-481-7875.



**Wednesday mornings at 10:00, FaithLift**, a group for ladies, meets here at the church to study the Bible, share their stories, and pray together over many needs as well as for those that need extra prayers. If this sounds like something you would enjoy attending, please come and join us. If you cannot be here in person, there is a Zoom link available to be able to join remotely.

**Wednesday mornings at 10:00 our Men's Bible Study group** meets to study the Bible together in the Columbia Room. Men, you are all invited to join us for this weekly study.



**Handbells!** Have you ever wanted to try ringing a handbell or a chime, or wondered what handbell music looks like? Every Thursday at 7:00 PM, you are invited to the choir room for an opportunity to look at music, try out the bells, meet our current members, and get more information about our Sunnyside Handbell Choir. For more information, please contact Karl Helton at [sunnysidebellchoir@gmail.com](mailto:sunnysidebellchoir@gmail.com).

**Volunteers are urgently needed!** Call the church office if you can help, 503-252-8080 — please reconsider if you have decided not to help before. We are eager to have your assistance in the following areas:

<b>Decorating Committee</b>	<b>Audio</b>
<b>Adventurers</b>	<b>Video</b>
<b>Greeters</b>	<b>Children's Sabbath Schools</b>

**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](mailto: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 help us know who you are by picture. Send a snapshot or professional picture and we will upload it for you to the directory. Thank you.

**If you are in need** of financial help for rent, utilities, or other needs, the Family Resource Network stands by to help. Or if you know of a fellow church member that may need help and is hesitant to ask, let us know. Call the church office at 503-252-8080 or send an email to [info@SunnysideAdventist.org](mailto:info@SunnysideAdventist.org)



*Happy Birthday*



**Today:** Gabriela Alvarez, Andreea Hutuleac, Wynn Knowing;  
**Sunday:** Ivonne Allen, Marcia Dunham, Josh Miller; **Monday:** Anna-Jean Means; **Tuesday:** Odita Davis, Karl Schmidt; **Wednesday:** Heather Schosnig, Holly Schosnig

Mark your calendar for the upcoming events here at Sunnyside Church:

- ◇ January 22, 3:00 PM, The Oregon Sinfonietta Concert
- ◇ January 28, 11:15 AM, International Sabbath  
6:00 PM, International Food Festival
- ◇ February 11, 4:00 PM, Evensong
- ◇ February 26, 4:00 PM, Sunnyside Symphony Orchestra Concert



## ADVENTIST EDUCATION



**Portland Adventist Elementary School**

<http://www.paes.com>

## AREA EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS



Registration is now open for the 2023 Oregon Young Adults/Big Lake Staff Winter Retreat. We are looking forward to a powerful weekend of worship, community, great food, and outdoor adventure. Register at:

<https://www.ultracamp.com/clientlogin.aspx?idCamp=8>

If you have not done so already, you'll need to create an account through the website, which will then give you access to register for the retreat. Once registered, you will receive a detailed email a week before the retreat with all the info you'll need regarding packing lists, snowcat departure times, and a full weekend schedule. This is a highlight event for our young adult community every year that you will not want to miss. Please DM

<https://www.facebook.com/oregonyoungadults> with any questions.

Space is limited.

**Come and enjoy a winter weekend at Big Lake Youth Camp, March 10-12 with Adventist Singles Ministries.** Bring snowmobiles, skis, snowshoes, sleds, snowboards, and clothes for playing in the snow. Don't forget to bring your Bible, sleeping bag, pillow, and personal items. Cost is \$100.00 per person until February 26 and then the price increases \$10. Your fee includes a 5:30 PM snowcat ride in from Ray Benson Snow Park (Oregon Snow Park permits required for the weekend), five meals and two nights' lodging. Your check is your reservation. Make checks payable to Jerry Walter, marked for Big Lake. Mail to Big Lake Weekend, c/o Jerry Walter, 92395 Territorial Hwy., Junction City, OR 97448. For more information, call Jerry at 503-789-8911 (mobile).

**You are invited to Oregon Family & Children's Ministries VBS Planning Day (formerly VBS Fun Day).** It will be on March 12, 2023 from 9:00 AM-4:00 PM at the Holden Center. We will be featuring NAD's Fiercely Faithful and Group's Stellar & Pet's Unleashed (weekend VBS program). Please register at <http://bitly.ws/ySeZ> by February 20th. Hope to see you there!

**His Praise Men's Chorus** is looking to continue praising the Lord through music and fellowship. We invite all men in the Portland/Vancouver area to come and join us! We practice weekly, and sing for churches in the region once a month or so. For more information, contact Charlie Drury at [cd88sings@gmail.com](mailto:cd88sings@gmail.com), or 503-935-7995, or Jerry Irvine at [jerrygirvine@gmail.com](mailto:jerrygirvine@gmail.com), or 206-261-6452.

Portland Adventist Elementary School (PAES) is seeking candidates for a 1st Grade long-term substitute teaching position for the remainder of this school year. Our school serves a diverse population and welcomes all students who desire an opportunity to learn more about Jesus. We are committed to being a light in our community and unlocking the potential of every child.

# WE ARE HIRING



### JOB POSITION :

**Maintenance Worker**

**APPLY NOW**

We are looking to hire someone with a positive attitude, a strong work ethic, an eye for detail, and a willingness to learn and collaborate. Some of the job duties include: performing cleaning and minor fixes, grounds-keeping, building and installing furniture & appliances, conducting maintenance tasks, and reporting to the facilities manager.

This is an hourly, full-time position.

Qualified applicants may submit their resume, cover letter, & references to [karin.green@paes.com](mailto:karin.green@paes.com).



**Portland Adventist Academy**

<https://paasda.org/>

**SAVE THE DATE - Alumni Weekend May 5-7, 2023**

In-person, on the PAA Campus.

**Honor Classes:** '43, '48 (75-year), '53, '63, '73 (50-year), '83, '93, '98 (25-year), '03, '13, '18 (5-year)

[More info on the Alumni web page.](#)

If you're an Amazon shopper, you can add Portland Adventist Academy as your [AmazonSmile](#) charitable organization. Amazon will donate a percentage of your purchases to PAA. You can feel good knowing that you're helping our students receive a Christ-centered and character-driven education! Create your account at [www.smile.amazon.com](http://www.smile.amazon.com). Search charitable organizations for Portland Adventist Academy. Link: <https://paasda.org/news/amazon-smiles-at-portland-adventist-academy/>.





**Walla Walla University** — [wallawalla.edu](http://wallawalla.edu)

**Walla Walla University is offering a Leadership Award** to be applied to your freshman year at WWU of up to \$1,500, depending on the leadership positions you have held in high school or academy as a junior or senior. This includes class or student body officers, church leaders, yearbook or newspaper editors, team captains, and many others. See what a leadership role could net you at [sfs.wallawalla.edu/calculators](http://sfs.wallawalla.edu/calculators).



### **Walla Walla University's School of Nursing is Hiring!**

Would you or someone you know like to join the WWU nursing team in Portland, Oregon? We are hiring for several positions including Advanced Acute clinical instructors, Community Health clinic instructors, and a full-time Faculty in Family Nursing. You can review these and other openings at [jobs.wallawalla.edu](http://jobs.wallawalla.edu).



### **PACS UPDATE**

**PACS Food Pantry Drive-thru OPEN** Mon-Fri from 9:00–11:00 AM, with an after-work option once a month from 5:00–7:00 PM, every third Thursday of the month. We are still operating with social distancing and social responsibility. If you or someone you know needs food, please tell them about us. If you cannot make it to PACS please send a note with someone and they can get you food. Any questions please call PACS at 503-252-8500 or email [pacsfood2020@gmail.com](mailto:pacsfood2020@gmail.com). Located at 11020 NE Halsey St, Portland OR 97220.

**PACS Thrift Store is OPEN** Sun 11 AM-4 PM, Mon-Wed 9:00 AM-5:00 PM, Thurs 9:00 AM-7:00 PM, & Friday 9:00 AM-2:30 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](mailto:dental@pacsonline.org).

### **Volunteers Needed at PACS**

PACS' thrift store, food pantry, and dental clinic all need volunteers. We have lots of fun and exciting jobs ranging from customer-facing cashiers and greeters to pricers and truck drivers behind the scenes. No experience or age requirements to volunteer, we're happy to train you and welcome the entire family! If you're interested, please contact our volunteer manager Gerelisa at [gerelisa.eisele@pacsonline.org](mailto:gerelisa.eisele@pacsonline.org) or call 503-252-8500 x1130.

### **Empty Egg Cartons? PACS Needs Them!**

If you have any 12-count empty egg cartons we would love to take them off your hands to use in our food pantry! Please drop them off at our Office or Donation Receiving. Thank you in advance!

### **PACS Thrift Store - At Home Shopping:**

[www.facebook.com/groups/pacsthiftstore](https://www.facebook.com/groups/pacsthiftstore).

### **PACS Job Openings!**

Check PACS website at [www.pacsonline.org/jobs](http://www.pacsonline.org/jobs)

Portland Adventist Community Services is hiring! We have two crucial part-time positions available and are looking to interview immediately. If you or someone you know are interested in either of these part-time jobs, please email [laura.pascoe@pacsonline.org](mailto:laura.pascoe@pacsonline.org). You can also visit [www.pacsonline.org/jobs](http://www.pacsonline.org/jobs) to learn more about the positions.

### **Big Lake Job Opportunity**

Have you ever dreamed of driving a snowcat at Big Lake? Applications are now opened to join the winter team at Big Lake Youth Camp from January through the end of March. Positions available include hospitality, maintenance, janitorial, or guest services. Position includes a FREE season pass to Hoodoo Ski Bowl. Fill out our New Staff Application online here: <https://biglake.wufoo.com/forms/2023-big-lake-youth-camp-new-staff-application/>