

# Sunnyside Adventist Church Communiqué News & Announcements Sabbath, September 11, 2021





Greetings church family,

# WE ARE A PERFUME TO OTHERS

Many of you know that my mother has been diagnosed with stage 4

non-Hodgkin's lymphoma which has metastasized to the rest of the body. This has given us a sad prognosis of limited time before she rests in Jesus.

These last few weeks I have been in full caregiving mode in Canada with my precious loving mother. While I was in her room helping to give her meds at the prescribed time. I looked over at her little gold mirrored basket on her dresser that holds her perfume. There was an



assortment of fragrances my mom likes and has used over the years. Many were almost gone and ready for a re-fill. Have you noticed that mothers have a particular fragrance that we often associate with them? For my mom, it has been the perfume called "Beautiful" by Este Lauder among a few others. It is a beautiful comforting flowery aroma that lifts your spirits and fills you with comfort like my mom does for me. It isn't too strong but just a sweet aroma. The advertisers say it is a feminine scent that possesses a blend of blooming fresh cut flowers, rose, jasmine, and carnation along with fruity scents of fresh citrus, melons, peaches, and plums. That is the scent I associate with my mom.

In the Bible there are some verses that talk about fragrances, aroma, and perfume. Look at these:

2 Corinthians 2:15 For we are a fragrance of Christ to God among those who are being saved and among those who are perishing;

Ephesians 5:1-2 Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children; and walk in love, just as Christ also loved you and gave Himself up for us, an offering and a sacrifice to God as a fragrant aroma.

As you share your faith with love and kindness to those around you this week, remember you are like a sweet fragrance against the harsh stench of the world. I pray that you make a difference for many don't know if this is their last day on earth and you could be the link that hooks them to the fresh clean invigorating scent and life of Jesus who brings eternal life where our senses will experience more and more things of beauty. So, live courageously for Him this week. He is with you no matter what you are going through. He will bring a gracious fragrance to the sick room, to the work place, to the home. Everywhere Jesus is, the aroma is better.

## **Pastor Wendy Witas**



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.

Shout out to a phenomenal crew for trimming many of our bushes for us, Scott, LeMert, Pastor Dave Allen, and Wilfred Geschke. Thank you! It looks so good!

# **News & Notes**

# THIS WEEKEND

Tonight, Friday, September 10, 7:00 PM, we will be gathering together in the fellowship hall to watch another episode of "The Chosen." Come and join in on this time together!

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Welcome to Sunnyside! In compliance with state regulations, please wear a mask over your nose and mouth the entire time you are in the building, both during Sabbath School classes and church service, as well as maintaining physical distancing. We want to do our part in promoting a healthy situation. Again, if you feel sick or have been around anyone that has been sick, we request that you stay home and watch our services on livestream.

Finance Committee will meet September 14, 6:30 PM, via Zoom. Committee members watch your email for your Zoom invitation.

Wednesday, September 15, 7:00 PM, there will be a Business meeting in person at Sunnyside Adventist Church. Masks are required and we will meet in the sanctuary where we will have more space for appropriate distancing. All church members are

encouraged to attend. The agenda is as follows: 1. Devotional, 2. Minutes, 3. Membership Transfers, 4. Financials, 5. Budget Proposal, 6. Administrative Policy Attendance Adjustment,



Sunnyside Pathfinder Club registration will be Monday, September 13, 6:00 PM. The Pathfinder Club serves kids 5th grade to high school and meets every Monday, 6:00 PM, at Sunnyside Adventist Church. Weekend events will happen as COVID guidelines allow. If you have any questions

contact info@SunnysideAdventist.org or call 503-252-8080.

#### Sabbath School quarterlies for October-

December are now available. There is a stack on the ledge next to the office window where you may help yourself. If you need one mailed to you contact the office at 503-252-8080 or send an email to <u>info@SunnysideAdvenetist.org</u>. We'll make sure you get what you need. You may also download a free quarterly at https://absg.adventist.org/.



**Tuesday, September 28, 7:00 PM,** there will be a constituency meeting for Portland Adventist Academy. Delegates, please save the date and attend this very important meeting. Details will be forwarded closer to the meeting date.

**The Church Library is open!** The library will be open on the 1st and 3rd Sabbaths of the month Hours will be 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.

**The movie "The Chosen" is being featured** with a different episode each Friday night, 7:00 PM, in the fellowship hall. Come and join us for this spiritual event along with great fellowship!

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 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.



**Our flower calendar is** posted in the hallway and <u>online</u>. Thank you to those of you who have signed up — we have several dates still available. Take a minute to choose a date and let us know when you would like to share flowers with your church family. (Go to our website, <u>www.SunnysideAdventist.org</u>, click on "Our Ministries.") As the date gets closer.

we will contact you to see what you would like in the bulletin about the flowers.

**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.



LIFE AT SUNNYSIDE

# happy Birthday

Sunday: Chloe Hull, Kathy Pruitt, Jon Stephan, Camie Vickroy; Monday: Dorothy Larson, Rajamma Philip; Tuesday: Estelle Birch, Erl Hendrickson, Kyrin Larson; Wednesday: Shawnna Rentschler; Thursday: Russ Davidson, Mary Ruth Janke, Warren Rushold; Friday: Kirk Betz, Rosie Bowman

Happy Anniversary!

Dean and Janet Browning — Happy 55th Anniversary! September 11, 2021

Dick and Gwen Gingrich — Happy 70th Anniversary! September 16, 2021

## ADVENTIST EDUCATION

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

**Portland Adventist Elementary School** is seeking a pianist to accompany the school choirs. This would include two weekly rehearsals with each of the 5th-8th grade choirs as well as rehearsals with each of the K-4th grade choirs as needed for performances. The PAES Music Department also includes a piano studio. In the past the choir accompanist taught lessons at the school around rehearsal times. The incoming pianist would be welcome to build a studio of PAES students. We would also welcome the pianist to accompany the school while singing during chapels on Fridays. Total time commitment as an accompanist would average 5 hours per week for the 5th-8th grades and up to an additional 5 hours per week for the K-4th grade choirs. As a school with 300+ students, the addition of studio lesson hours would mean the potential for a full-time schedule. The choir accompanist position is paid hourly by PAES at a rate of \$27/hour. The pianist would set their own rate for lessons. If you are interested in this opportunity please contact the PAES Music Director, Megan Schwark, at music@paes.com or 603-391-8928.

#### Portland Adventist Academy

#### https://paasda.org/

#### PAASS Students Need You!

The Portland Adventist Academy Development Office is looking for four dependable volunteers who can work independently to assist with the annual PAA Student Scholarship Auction on November 7. There is an immediate need for go-getter volunteers to help procure auction items. Experience is not necessary. Being imaginative and creative is a plus. Volunteers may also assist with setting up the auction. One dependable volunteer is also needed for Development Office clerical assistance. Some flexibility is helpful. Contact Development Director Sam Vigil Jr. for more information at 503-255-8372 x218 or <u>svigil@paasda.org</u> or click <u>HERE</u>. (<u>https://paasda.org/news/paaauction-needs-volunteers/</u>)

#### International Student Host Families Needed

Many students from France, China, and Korea come to Portland Adventist Academy each school year. Students stay either 2 weeks, 3 months, a school year, and some stay all four years of high school. Each student needs a caring host family to support them as they're far from home. Your home might be perfect! Host families find the time rewarding — especially as they share family traditions and American culture. Some families find deep value in sharing their love of Jesus. Learn more about hosting a student by contacting the program director, Mrs. Bibb at mbibb@paasda.org. Informational videos and PDFs are on our website <u>HERE. paasda.org/admissions/</u> international/host.

#### PAA Substitute Teachers Needed!

Portland Adventist Academy is looking for responsible substitute teachers for the coming school year. Subs work with friendly and energetic high school students. Teacher's provide all material so all you have to do is be present and follow instructions. No college degree is necessary but you must be 21 or older. Work would be occasional and only during school hours on weekdays. All candidates must pass a background check (paid for by PAA). To apply or learn more about the job, visit our webpage <u>HERE. https://paasda.org/news/paa-substitutes-needed/</u>

#### PAA Bus Driver Needed

One of the many ways we strive to meet the diverse needs of our families is by providing a way for students on the west side of the city to get to PAA and back home safely each day. If you have a commercial driver's license and can be available weekday mornings and afternoons, we hope you'll join our team for the coming school year! The job pays well and is so rewarding. Learn more <u>HERE.</u> https://paasda.org/news/bus-driver-needed/

#### PAA's 50-Years of Cougars Celebration Weekend

Portland Adventist Academy Cougar Athletics is celebrating 50 years! Everyone is invited to a special weekend of events in honor of Coach Bill Judd and the 1971 inaugural varsity men's basketball team. It happens September 25 & 26 and includes a Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony with dinner as well as a 3–on–3 basketball tournament. Spread the word to supporters, alumni, and forever cougars! Information, RSVPs and reservation information is HERE. <u>https://</u> paasda.org/news/paa-cougar-athletics-holds-first-hall-of-fame-event/

If you're an Amazon shopper, you can add Portland Adventist Academy as your <u>AmazonSmile</u> 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 <u>www.smile.amazon.com</u>. Search charitable organizations for *Portland Adventist Academy*. Link: <u>https://paasda.org/news/amazon-smiles-atportland-adventist-academy/</u>

## ANNOUNCEMENTS AND AREA EVENTS

Adventist Community Church of Vancouver is pleased to welcome Dr. Neil Nedley on September 10 and 11. He will present on the topic of coping with anxiety and depression in a changing world. Please plan to attend and invite your friends and neighbors. He will present on Friday evening and Sabbath morning, afternoon and evening. A meal can be purchased in advance or bring your own lunch. Admission is free but space is limited so please register at www.adventistcommunity.church or call 360-696-2511.

Calling all golfers! The 20th annual Big Lake Youth Camp Bj Christensen Memorial Golf Benefit is coming right up! Join us at The Reserve Vineyard and Golf Club in Aloha, OR, on September 12, 2021. All funds raised will go towards the new lodge. For more information including sponsorship opportunities and golfer registration please visit <u>www.biglake.org/golf-benefit</u>>, call 503-878-2782 or email <u>golf@biglake.org</u>. Thank you for your commitment to Big Lake!

We at Big Lake are SO excited to announce a \$100,000 matching donation is on the table, until Sunday, September 19th! If you've been thinking of donating and haven't yet, now is the time. Help us pay off the brand new lodge by donating now. PayPal donation link: <u>https://bit.ly/givetobiglake</u>. Checks can be sent to our business office address at: 19800 Oatfield Rd, Gladstone, OR 97027. Thank you for your commitment to Big Lake!

PACS Food Pantry Drive-thru OPEN Mon-Fri from 9:00-11:00 AM. Any questions please call PACS at 503-252-8500 or email <u>pacsfood2020@gmail.com</u>. Located at 11020 NE Halsey St, Portland OR 97220.

**PACS Thrift Store is OPEN** - we have temporary hours: Mon-Thurs 9:00 AM-5:00 PM & Friday 9:00 AM-2:30 PM. Our donation drop-off center is open and we value your donations but due to a high volume of donations please call ahead to see if we are accepting, 503-252-8500. Located at 11020 NE Halsey St, Portland OR 97220.

#### PACS Thrift Store - At Home Shopping: www.facebook.com/groups/pacsthriftstore

Empty Egg Cartons? PACS Needs Them!

Job Opportunity: PACS is hiring!

Needed! A full-time Donor Experience Specialist. Includes full benefits including health, vision, dental, PTO, and more. For more information contact <u>laura.pascoe@pacsonline.org</u>

We are looking for a housekeeper who can work an average of about 2 days per month providing backup for our custodian when he's on vacation and for certain holidays. Contact Shari Ferrier, 503-252-8500.

#### Last Week's Services Photos below:





















#### Bobby McGhee 18th Annual Vespers













































