

## **Week At A Glance**

### **Sabbath, December 1st**

- Sabbath School: 9:30 AM
- Divine Worship : 11:00 AM
- Sunset: 4:29 PM

### **Tuesday, December 4th**

- Praying For Our Children Ministry: 6:00 PM (Check bulletin board for more details)

### **Wednesday, December 5th**

- Prayer & Bible Study Meeting: 7:00 PM

### **Friday, December 7th**

- Sunset: 4:27 PM
- Woman To Woman Meeting: 6:00 PM
- Choir Rehearsal: 7:00 PM

### **Sabbath, December 8th**

- Sabbath School: 9:30 AM
- Divine Worship : 11:00 AM
- Sunset: 4:27 PM

## **Church Ministries and Leaders**

Pastor Kevin Rhamie ([krhamie@hotmail.com](mailto:krhamie@hotmail.com)).....503-427-2556  
Head Elder- Troy Price.....360-885-2320  
Church Clerk- Denise Williams.....503-558-9057  
Church Secretary- LouVena Warner.....503-287-7649  
Church Treasurer- Sharon Ewers.....503-245-3236

### **Department Heads**

Administration- Derrick Foxworth.....503-788-4404  
Education- Reuben Polk.....503-698-4442  
Fellowship- Violet Larry.....503-666-6177  
Outreach- Donald Cobbs.....503-723-5229

### **Ministry Leaders**

Communications- Donald Cobbs.....503-723-5229  
Community Service- Sharon Ewers.....503-245-3236  
Cultivating Ministry- Denise Williams.....503-558-9057  
Event Planning- Drechelle McCray.....971-227-1619  
Music- Linda Foxworth.....503-788-4404  
Teaching- Vincent Harrison.....313-347-3290  
Training and Mentoring- Kevin McCray.....904-891-0052  
Visitation Ministry – Trudy Rice.....503-331-6922

Note: 'Information subject to change'

# **Sharon Seventh-day Adventist Church**

**"Where the Arms of Christ are Always Open!"**

**December 1, 2012**

## Sabbath School (Church at Study)

9:45 AM

### **Young People:**

There are special classes held for our young people. These classes are under the direction of trained instructors for the following age groups. For directions to these classes please see one of the Greeters.

Beginners (Ages 0-4).....Dywanna Brewer

Kindergarten (Pre-School ages).....Saundra Brewer

Primary (Grade School ages).....Thomas Schlatter

Earliteen / Junior (Middle School ages).....Violet Larry

Youth (High School ages).....Kevin McCray

### **In the Sanctuary:**

Praise Time Congregation

Season of Prayer Congregation

Lesson Study from the Adult Sabbath School Bible Study Guides

**Topic:** The Church: Rites and Rituals

**Memory Text:** “Then Peter said to them, ‘Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit’” ([Acts 2:38](#), NKJV).

**Key Thought:** God has instituted ordinances that, properly understood, help to reinforce our faith. In the Christian community there are specific rites that help formalize the commitment of individuals to the faith that they profess. These sacred acts not only confirm a person’s participation and fellowship in the community, but, ideally, help to prepare individuals to become faithful and productive members of that community. They also are the means of helping members understand what their commitment to Christ must entail. This week we looked at three rites that express our faith: baptism, foot-washing, and the Lord’s Supper.

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### **Mission Statement:**

To welcome with Love and minister to,  
our families, our church and our community.

## Divine Worship Service

11:00 AM

Prelude Musicians

Introit “Worship Experience” Platform Participants

Invocation Elder

Welcome Elder Troy Price

Musical Selections (A & B) PAA Choir  
Hark, I Hear the Harps Eternal - Arranged by Mark Hayes  
Still, Still Still, - Arranged by Norman Luboff

Sharing with the Children “The Chisel” PAA Drama Team

Musical Selection Alegria  
“Lord, Listen To Your Children” – Ken Medema

Praise & Worship Congregation / Praise Team

Intercessory Prayer “Mighty To Save” Elder

Prayer Response Congregation / Praise Team  
“Mighty To Save” Vamp

Returning Tithes & Offering Elder  
Loose Offering: Church Budget

Musical Selection “My Desire” – Kirk Franklin PAA Gospel Choir

Musical Selection PAA Gospel Choir  
“No Greater Love” – CLC Youth Choir

Messages: “Living In The Kingdom” (Matthew 4:17) Jake Hanson  
“Living On Purpose” (Matthew 5:13-16) Olivia Fontana  
“Living On Prayer” (Matthew 6:5-13) Karisa Ing

Benediction Elder

Postlude Musicians

## Remember In Prayer

Mildred Baker <sup>3</sup>	Beauty Brown <sup>1</sup>
Ernest Bryant <sup>3</sup>	Ruth Collier <sup>1</sup>
Marie Crane <sup>3</sup>	Arthur Payne <sup>3</sup>
Norma Gabner <sup>3</sup> (out of state)	James Foster <sup>1</sup>
Donald Ingram <sup>3</sup>	Girtha Norman <sup>1</sup>
Harvey Rice <sup>1</sup>	Vergie Sloan <sup>1</sup>
Clarence Streeter <sup>1</sup>	Oris Wesby <sup>1</sup>
Dovie Taylor <sup>2</sup> (out of state)	Clara Young <sup>3</sup>
CeCe Thongs <sup>1</sup>	Sarah Vanarsdale <sup>1</sup>
Michael Beresford <sup>1</sup> (George Lake's father-in-law)	

Health Concern<sup>1</sup>    Hospital<sup>2</sup>    Care Facility<sup>3</sup>    Spiritual<sup>4</sup>

If you know of anyone who should be added to the list or is in need of visitation, please contact the church office.

And, let's not forget to express our caring with tokens of love (a card, a call, an visit, plant/flowers, etc).

## Message Notes

Title(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Scripture(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Messages Main Point(s) \_\_\_\_\_

What did God say to me during the Message?

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## Announcements - Page One

- ❖ **Welcome** to the Sharon Seventh-day Adventist Church... "Where the Arms of Christ are Always Open!"
  - If you are in search of a church home, we invite you to make our church your place of worship and become part of our church family.
  - For those who would like special prayer, our **Prayer Ministry team** is available before, during after service.
- ❖ **Contact Information:**

Church Address.....5209 NE 22<sup>nd</sup> Ave; Portland, OR 97211  
 Church Telephone.....503-287-7649  
 Church Fax.....503-287-8688  
 Church Email.....sharonsda@qwest.net  
 Church Website.....www.sharonsda.net
- ❖ **Greetings:** We would like to recognize all of Portland Adventist Academy students, staff and parents as they participate in today's worship service.
- ❖ **Church Courtesies:**
  - Please turn off or silence alarms, pagers, phones, etc.
  - Please be sensitive to others by not talking during services.
  - No food or drinks are to be consumed in the sanctuary.
  - Please do not use the Tithes & Offering envelopes to record notes.
  - Please insure that the Children's Quiet Bags are left behind after use.
  - Please do not run in the building.
  - Please be sure to check around you and take all your belongings and any debris.
  - Please check the bulletin board for additional church and community announcements.
- ❖ When God gives the vision, He will send the provision. Read Acts 2:1. **Join us in the Upper Room** (Chapel) as we take one step at a time in seeking God's plans and purpose for Sharon Church. When: **Wednesdays at 7:00 PM**; Who: Sharon Church Family.
- ❖ **Communications:** Please visit [www.sharonsda.net](http://www.sharonsda.net) and on the left side under menu click watch or listen to church services for Videos of special events and Audio of weekly church services.
- ❖ **Community Service Food Panty will open** once in December for food distribution because of the holidays. Date open - December 22<sup>nd</sup> from 2-4:00 PM.
- ❖ **Women's Ministry Prayer Line:** Please join us every Sunday morning at 11:00 AM. See Renee Williams or Tracy Price for details.
- ❖ **Help Sharon Youth** attend West Coast Youth Congress April 2013!!! See insert for details.

## Announcements – Page Two

- ❖ **Bulletin Information:** Both written and/or verbal announcements need to be submitted by Tuesdays at 5:30 P.M. Please submit your information via the church's e-mail or voicemail. Also, announcements may be modified due to limited space.
- ❖ **Events of Interest:**
  - ✚ The Annual **Evangelism Council** Meetings at Oakwood University in Huntsville, AL - **December 1<sup>st</sup>-4<sup>th</sup>.**
  - ✚ The **Woman To Woman** Session is held biweekly on Fridays from 6:00-7:00 PM.
  - ✚ **Prayer Ministry Team Meeting** is scheduled for **Thursday, December 13<sup>th</sup>** at 6:30 PM.
  - ✚ **Church Board Meeting** scheduled for **Tuesday, December 18<sup>th</sup>** at 7:00 PM.
  - ✚ **Communion Prayer and Preparation Service** on Friday, December 28<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM.
  - ✚ **Communion Service** is scheduled for **Sabbath, December 29<sup>th</sup>.**
  - ✚ **Sundown Service** is on **December 31<sup>st</sup>** at 4:00 PM.
  - ✚ **Dedication** of Members & Ministries on **Sabbath, January 5, 2013.**
- ❖ **Music Department:** Please join us for the upcoming Christmas musical sponsored events at Sharon Church:
  - 1) The **King of Glory Drama Presentation and Musical** Sabbath, **December 15<sup>th</sup>** at 6:00 PM.
  - 2) **Family Christmas**, a Sharon church tradition. Church service will include praise service and music, drama and readings presented by you. Please sign up to be on the program for **December 22<sup>nd</sup>** divine worship service at 11am. You may sign up with anyone you consider family to be on the program. Signup sheets on bulletin board in foyer.
- ❖ **PACS** (Portland Adventist Community Services) has an urgent need for weekly truck driver/rider volunteers to help pick up food. No CDL required. Call 503.252.8500 or visit [PORTLANDACS.ORG](http://PORTLANDACS.ORG) for more information.
- ❖ Stone Tower Church Pathfinder club and Young Adults Ministries would like to invite youth (ages 9-16) and their parents to join us for a **Free Night of Fun** this evening **from 6:00-9:00 PM at Stone Tower Church** (3010 NE Holladay St, Pdx). More details, see insert.
- ❖ **Follow the Star live nativity event** is held the 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> weekend of December at the Gladstone Park Conference Center Grounds, 19800 Oatfield Rd. Gladstone, OR. Visit [www.followthestar.us](http://www.followthestar.us) for details.

## Announcements - Page Three

### ❖ Financial Trend as of October 31, 2012 Tithes, Combined Budget & Expenses

**Tithes** primarily support the preaching, pastoral, evangelistic work of ministers and Bible teachers. In addition, because Adventist schools are an ongoing ministry to students, tithes funds are used to subsidize selected administrative salaries and a percentage of salaries for teachers. Tithes provides for the support of local, union, division and General Conference services. Tithes is not used to purchase property, build churches or fund the general operations of churches or schools. Tithes are sent directly to the Oregon Conference to support the aforementioned efforts.

### Offerings-Combined Budget

Contributions to Combined Budget remain at Sharon Church to pay church operating expenses. These expenses include but are not limited to utilities, landscape, janitorial services, subsidies to PAA and PAES, church secretary, maintenance, supporting church ministries, purchasing new equipment, church repairs, building and ground improvements. Our monthly target budget is \$15,500/ 186,000 a year.

### Summary

"As of October 31, 2012 total year-to-date contributions to Tithes/Conference funds totaled \$182,112.94/ 18,211.29 mo avg.

Combined Budget contributions totaled \$156,847.75 ytd/ 15,684.77 mo avg.

Church expenses totaled \$174,052.26 ytd / 17,405.22 mo avg.

**Expenses exceeded Combined Budget** contributions by **\$17,204.51 ytd/1,720.45 mo avg.**"

The expenditures can be attributed to 1) the unexpected mandated repairs of the sidewalk in January; 2) repair plumbing and install new pipes in church due to water leak in the system. This was not detected until the church received two very high water bills; 3) the need to replace carpet & tile in just about every room downstairs due to recent flooding and resulting water damage due to inadequate drainage system; 4) installation of new drainage system to prevent future flooding; 5) repairs and maintenance to fire sprinkler system and 6) Church ministries are increasingly becoming more active.

### What is Needed?

We are asking everyone to make a special sacrifice and please contribute to our Combined Budget to help cover expenses.

The church is exploring how to enhance church services and is considering acquiring large visual display screens that can be used during Worship Services and other special events. The church also plans on purchasing an AED (automatic external defibrillator) in the event of a medical emergency. These purchases and improvements may need to be placed on hold until repairs are complete.

We appreciate member's support of his/her favorite ministry. However once a ministry has received sufficient monies to support its goals, it may become necessary to direct additional donations to other church ministries or combined budget. This will provide balance and ensure all ministries are successful and the church remains financially sound. Please give accordingly. We ask for your continuing prayers and financial support to the Sharon Seventh-day Adventist Church Combined Budget. If you have any questions or know someone that wants to be a special blessing to the church, please contact Head Elder Troy Price or Finance Chair Derrick Foxworth (see back page for contact information). May God continue to richly Bless You!

## Praise and Worship Songs

For Sabbath, December 1, 2012

Theme – **No Mountain too high for God**

### **Selection #4: Shout to the Lord Chorus**

*By Darlene Zschech*

**Shout to the Lord** all the Earth, let us sing.  
Power and majesty, praise to the King.  
Mountains bow down and the seas will roar,  
At the sound of Your name.

*I sing for joy at the work of Your hands.  
Forever I'll love You, forever I'll stand.  
Nothing compares to the promise I have in You*

### **Selection #5: The Blood Chorus** By Andraé Crouch

*For it reaches to the highest mountain, mountain.  
And it flows, to the lowest valley, valley.  
The blood that gives me strength, from day to day.  
It will never, never, never lose, it's power. (Repeat)*

**Introit: Worship Experience** By William Murphy III  
**When I come into Your presence**, I can feel Your anointing,  
Like an overflowing fountain, OOO \_\_\_\_\_  
The flow of Your power, saturates my spirit,  
And the breakthrough overflows my soul. (Repeat)

#### **Vamp:**

*Lord I worship You, for Your righteousness,  
Lord I honor You, for Your holiness.  
Lord I enter-in, beyond the veil,  
To worship You, to commune with You.*

#### **Chorus:**

*I need a worship experience, connection with your Spirit,  
Empowered by Your presence, yes. (Repeat)*

#### **Vamp:**

*Lord I worship You, for Your righteousness,  
Lord I honor You, for Your holiness.  
Lord I enter-in, beyond the veil,  
To worship You, to commune with You.*

#### **Key Change**

*To commune with You!*

#### **Chorus:**

*I need a worship experience, connection with your Spirit,  
Empowered by Your presence, yes (Repeat)*

#### **Key Change**

*I need a worship experience, connection with your Spirit,  
Empowered by Your presence, yes (Repeat)*

#### **Bridge:**

*Endow me, with Your presence,  
Cover me, Lord \_\_\_\_\_. (Repeat, may invert and repeat)*

#### **Ending:**

*I need a worship experience!*



**Selection #1: Go tell it on the Mountain**

**Go, Tell It On The Mountain**, over the hills and everywhere;  
Go, Tell It On The Mountain, that Jesus Christ is born.

While shepherds kept their watching over silent flocks by night.  
Behold throughout the heavens, there shone a holy light:  
(To Chorus)

The shepherds feared and trembled when lo! Above the earth.  
Rang out the angel chorus, that hailed our Savior's birth:  
(To Chorus)

Down in a lowly manger, our humble Christ was born.  
And God sent us salvation, that blessed Christmas morn:  
(To Chorus)

**Selection #2: I could sing of Your love forever** By Delirious  
**Over the mountains and the sea**, Your river runs with  
love for me,

And I will open up my heart and let my Jesus set me free.  
I'm happy to be in the truth, and I will daily lift my hands,  
For I will always sing of when Your love came down.

**Chorus:**

I could sing of Your love forever (x4)

**Selection #3: Awesome** By Pastor Charles Jenkins

**Verse 1:**

**My God is Awesome**, He can move mountains.  
Keep me in the valley, Hide me from the rain.  
My God is Awesome, heals me when I'm broken,  
Strength where I've been weakened, forever He will reign...  
(Repeat verse 1 again)

**Chorus:**

My God is awesome, awesome, awesome, awesome  
(Repeat 1<sup>st</sup> time)

**Verse 2:**

My God is Awesome, Savior of the whole world.  
Giver of salvation, by His stripes I am healed.  
My God is Awesome, today I am forgiven,  
His grace is why I'm living, praise His Holy name.  
(To Chorus)

**Selection #3 continued:**

**Vamp:**

He's Mighty X4. Awesome... Awesome.

He's Holy X4. Awesome... Awesome.

He's Great X4 Awesome... Awesome.

Provider X4. Awesome... Awesome.

Protector X 4. Awesome... Awesome.

**Verse 3:**

My God is Awesome, He can move mountains.  
Keep me in the valley, Hide me from the rain.  
My God is Awesome, heals me when I'm broken,  
Strength where I've been weakened, praise His Holy  
name. (To Chorus)

**Prayer Song: Mighty To Save** By Darlene Zschech

**Verse #1:**

**Everyone needs compassion**, a love that's never failing.  
Let mercy fall on me.  
Everyone needs forgiveness, the kindness of a Savior,  
the hope of nations.

**Chorus:**

**Savior He can move the mountain**,  
my God is mighty to save,  
He is mighty to save, forever, author of salvation.  
He rose and conquered the grave, Jesus conquered the  
grave (repeat)

**Verse #2:**

So take me as You find me, all my fears and failures,  
fill my life again.  
I give my life to follow, everything I believe in,  
now I surrender\_\_(to chorus)

**After Prayer: Mighty to Save**

**Vamp:**

\*Shine Your light and let the whole world see, we're singin,  
For the glory of the risen King, Jesus!  
Shine Your light and let the whole world see, we're singin,  
For the glory of the risen King (\*Repeat in parts)

**(Back to Chorus)**