

# Sharon Seventh-day Adventist Church

*“Where the Arms of Christ Are Always Open!”*

## Week At A Glance

### **Sabbath, December 6th**

- Community Bible Study (1&3 Sabbaths - lower level): 8:45 AM
- Sabbath School (Church at Study): 9:45 AM
- Upper and Lower Division Sabbath School Christmas Program: 10:15 AM
- Divine Worship: 11:00 AM
- Sunset: 4:30 PM

### **Monday, December 8th**

- Prayer and Fasting: 6:00 AM-6:00 PM
- Gospel Choir & friends Rehearsal: 6:30-8:30 PM

### **Wednesday, December 10th**

- Prayer and Power Hour: 7:00 PM

### **Friday, December 12th**

- Sunset: 4:27 PM
- Communion Prayer and Preparation: 7:00 PM
- Gospel Choir & friends Rehearsal: 7:00-9:00 PM

### **Sabbath, December 13th**

- Sabbath School (Church at Study): 9:45 AM
- Divine Worship (Agape Feast Communion): 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.....503-880-3065

### **Department Heads**

Administration- Derrick Foxworth.....503-788-4404  
Education- Reuben Polk.....503-698-4442  
Fellowship- Violet Larry.....503-666-6177  
Outreach- Donald Cobbs.....360-891-7822

### **Ministry Leaders**

Communications- Donald Cobbs.....360-891-7822  
Community Service- Sharon Ewers.....503-880-3065  
Cultivating Ministry- Denise Williams.....503-558-9057  
Event Planning- Drechelle McCray.....971-227-1619  
Music- Linda Foxworth.....503-788-4404  
Visitation Ministry – Trudy Rice.....503-331-6922

**December 6, 2014**

*Note: ‘Information subject to change if necessary’*

## **Sabbath School (Church at Study)**

**9:45 AM**

### **Young People:**

There are classes held for our young people for the following age groups. For directions to these classes please see one of the Greeters.

Beginners (Ages 0-4).....Wendy Rollocks

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

Primary (Grade School ages).....Brenda Holcey

### **In the Sanctuary:**

Meditational Selections    Musician

Season of Prayer     Congregation

Lesson Study **Topic:**     'Weep and Howl!

**Memory Text:** For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also ([Matthew 6:21](#)).

**Key Thought:** The best things are freely given, such as loving words, a smile, a listening ear, simple kindnesses, acceptance, respect, a sympathetic touch, and genuine friendship. Even more precious are the gifts given by God: faith, hope, wisdom, patience, love, contentment, and many other blessings that come through His Spirit's presence in our lives. The irony is that, while many Christians would agree with these sentiments, their daily living suggests that selfishness often has the upper hand. As we saw this week, greed is a big mistake, one fraught with horrendous consequences.

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### **Purpose:**

To Make Disciples

### **Core Values:**

Prayer, Preparing People, and Praise

### **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    *"In the Beauty of Holiness"*                             Platform Participants

Invocation    Elder

Welcome    Elder Troy Price

Sharing With the Children     Ms. Kenalia Cooper

Returning Tithes & Offering     Elder Reuben Polk  
Loose Offering: Church Budget

Praise & Worship    Congregation / Praise Team

Intercessory Prayer     Elder John Olive  
*"Here I Am To Worship"*

Prayer Response     Congregation / Praise Team  
*"Oh Lord I Want You To Help Me"*

Message    Elder Donald Cobbs  
*"The Little Straw"*  
Scripture Text: Matthew 2:9

Benediction    Elder

Postlude     Musicians



Members of the Prayer Team are available for prayer after the service

## Remember In Prayer

Ernest Bryant <sup>3</sup>	Marie Crane <sup>3</sup>
Ellie Benson <sup>1</sup>	Arthur Payne <sup>3</sup>
Girtha Norman <sup>1</sup>	Mazell Rudder <sup>1</sup>
James Foster <sup>1</sup>	Nena Enyinwa <sup>4</sup>
Margaret Curtis & family <sup>4</sup>	Malachi Enyinwa <sup>1</sup>
Norma Gabner <sup>3</sup> (out of state)	Vergie Sloan <sup>1</sup>
Wanda Kerr <sup>3</sup>	Jerry Robinson <sup>1</sup>
Joyce Southall <sup>1</sup>	Ann Sloan <sup>1</sup>
Clarence Streeter <sup>1</sup>	Maggie Wright <sup>1</sup>
Michael Beresford <sup>1</sup> (George Lake's father-in-law)	Dovie Taylor <sup>1</sup>
Jamison Proctor <sup>4</sup>	Darrell Burns <sup>4</sup>
Health Concern(s) <sup>1</sup>	Hospital <sup>2</sup>
Care Facility <sup>3</sup>	Other <sup>4</sup>

Church Family, if you know of anyone who should be added to the list or is in need of visitation, please contact the church office with the information. Also, let's express our caring by tokens of love: such as calling, sending a card, visiting, fixing a dish, etc.

## Message Notes

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

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

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

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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.

### **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..... [office@sharonchurch.com](mailto:office@sharonchurch.com)  
 Church Website..... [www.sharonsda.net](http://www.sharonsda.net)  
 For Wi-Fi Access – see Sharon SDA; code: 5032877649

**Today's Sanctuary Flowers** are provided by The Reid's in honor of Elwood's birthday.

**Prayer & Fasting Day** for Sharon Church, every **Monday 6:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.** We are fasting for God to save our unsaved friends and family and for God's vision for the Sharon Church. Fast from one or more meals; Fast from junk food; Fast from the Media. We are encouraging everyone to fast from media for 24 hours (6:00 a.m. - 6:00 a.m.). There is more Power in **united prayer**.

**Prayer & Power Hour!** Every Wednesday from 7:00 - 8:00 p.m. in the Chapel. Join us for an inspirational hour of Prayer, Praise and Power.

### **Music Ministry:**

- **Gospel Choir and Friends:** Please make note of our **upcoming rehearsals** - Sun 12/14 afternoon tentative; Mon 12/15 - 6:30-8:30PM; Thurs 12/18 - Tentative; Fri 12/19 - 7-9PM.
- **Please sign up** (see bulletin board) for the **Family Christmas Program** taking place on **Sabbath, December 20, 2014** during divine worship service. Sign your family up for singing, reading or drama.

### **Social Media Update:**

- **Watch Services Online** - visit our website [www.sharonsda.net](http://www.sharonsda.net) and click on the link "WATCH-Church Services" If you missed a service or just want to see or listen to it again. We would like to thank our young people who volunteer to serve in this ministry and do the video taping of the services. See Brother Derrick Foxworth for questions.
- **FACEBOOK-** Like Us On Facebook as well and receive inspiring messages and stay up to date on what is going on at Sharon. Go to Sharon Seventh-day Adventist Church and like us on Facebook.

**Bulletin Information** needs to be submitted by Tuesday evening. Please submit your information via voicemail or [e-mail-office@SharonChurch@comcastbiz.net](mailto:e-mail-office@SharonChurch@comcastbiz.net)

## Announcements – Page Two

The **Audio Visual department** is looking for individuals to be a part of the team. If you are interested in being a part of this dynamic team, please contact Derrick Foxworth.

The **Transportation Ministry** is in need of drivers. If you are interested in being a part of this powerful ministry, please see Elder Donald Cobbs.

**Fresh Flowers** in the Sanctuary on Sabbaths are quite a treat and add to our spiritual worship. Would you consider donating a flower arrangement once a quarter? Flowers can be from your garden or purchased. Consider donating in honor of a loved one or in celebration of an anniversary and birthday. Sign-up sheet in the foyer, we will list "Flowers this week donated by ?" and include your name in the announcements. Thank you.

**Online Giving:** Want a convenient way to give, anytime, 24hrs a day? Try online giving. Visit our website [www.sharonsda.net](http://www.sharonsda.net) and click the link on the left "Tithe/Offering." It's safe, secure and an easy way to make your contribution. You can use your checking account, debit/credit card to make your contribution. Join others who have found this to be a convenient way to be faithful stewards in returning to God the financial blessings he has given to each of us.

### **Church Courtesies:**

- Please turn off or silence alarms, pagers, phones, etc.
- Please be sensitive to others – no 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.

### **Events of Interest:**

- **Agape Communion Service...December 13<sup>th</sup>** with **Prayer and Preparation Service** on Friday, December 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM.
- **Church Board Meeting...Tuesday, December 16** at 6 PM.
- **Music Ministry** - Sharon Church **Family Christmas** is Sabbath, **December 20** for Divine Worship then our Gospel choir and Friends Holiday Concert "**Celebrate**" is in the evening at **6:00 PM.**
- **Baptism Service...Sabbath, December 27<sup>th</sup>.**
- **Child Dedication Service...Sabbath, December 27<sup>th</sup>.**
- **Sundown Service...Wednesday, December 31 @ 4:00 p.m.** to say goodbye, thank you Jesus to 2014, and hello, hallelujah to 2015. Refreshments will be served as we toast in the New Year!

## Announcements - Page Three

### **Finance Information (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. Tithe provides for the support of local, union, division and General Conference services. Tithe 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.

### **Finance Update/Summary as of October 31, 2014**

	<b>Goal for the Year</b>	<b>Year To Date</b>	<b>Monthly Average</b>
Tithes/Conference Funds Received		\$165,506.71	\$16,550.67
CB (Local) Target Goal	\$168,000	\$140,000.00	\$14,000.00
CB (Local) Actually Received		\$149,286.00	\$14,928.60
Actual Expenses		\$147,156.03	\$14,396.39
Combined Budget exceeds Expenses by \$2,129.97 ytd / \$212.99 mo Avg.			

"Your continued giving to combined budget will ensure that the church is able to meet its financial obligations and support our local ministries. This will only be possible with significant continued support to combined budget."

### **What is Needed?**

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). *Mau God continue to richly Bless You!!*

## **Praise and Worship Songs**

Sabbath, December 6, 2014

Theme: Lord God Almighty

### **Prayer Response: Oh Lord I Want You to Help Me**

*While I'm down here Lord, I want you to help me  
while I'm down here Lord, I want you to help me  
help me on my journey, help me on my way  
Oh lord I want you to help me*

*While I'm down here Lord, I want you to help me  
while I'm down here Lord, I want you to help me  
help me on my journey, help me on my way  
Oh lord I want you to help me*

**While I'm down here singing** *I want you to help me  
while I'm down here singing I want you to help me  
Help me on my journey, help me on my way  
Oh lord I want you to help me*

**While I'm down here trying,** *I want you to help me*

*While I'm down here trying, I want you to help me*

*Help me on my journey, help me on my way*

*Oh lord I want you to help me*

**While I'm down here praying,** *I want you to help me*

*While I'm down here praying, I want you to help me*

*Help me on my journey, help me on my way*

*Oh Lord I want you to help me*

*Help me on my journey, help me on my way...Oh*

*Lord...Oh Lord*

*Oh Lord I want you to help me*

### **Introit: In the Beauty of Holiness** *By James Abbington*

*Come Let us worship the Lord  
in the beauty of holiness.*

*Come let us worship the Lord  
in the beauty of holiness.*

*Give Him the honor,  
give Him the praise.*

*Come let us worship the Lord,  
let's give Him the praise.*

*Come Let us worship the Lord  
in the beauty of holiness.*

*Come let us worship the Lord  
in the beauty of holiness.*

*Give Him the honor,  
give Him the praise.*

*Come let us worship the Lord,  
let's give Him the praise.*

*Worship Him, worship Him,  
give my God the glory.*

*Give my God the praise.*

*Worship Him, worship Him.*

*Come let us worship the Lord,  
let's give Him the praise.*

*Worship Him, worship Him,  
give my God the glory.*

*Give my God the praise.*

*Worship Him, worship Him.*

*Come let us worship the Lord,  
let's give Him the praise.*



**Selection 1: Holy, Holy, Holy** by Reginald Heber, (Hymn 73)

*Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!*

*Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.*

*Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty,  
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!*

*Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee,  
casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;  
cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,  
which wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.*

*Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!*

*All Thy works shall praise thy name,  
in earth and sky and sea.*

*Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty,  
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!*

**Selection 2: O Come All Ye Faithful** by John E. Wade,  
(Hymn 132)

*O Come All Ye Faithful*

*Joyful and triumphant,*

*O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem.*

*Come and behold Him,*

*Born the King of Angels;*

*O come, let us adore Him,*

*O come, let us adore Him,*

*O come, let us adore Him,*

*Christ the Lord.*

*O Sing, choirs of angels,*

*Sing in exultation;*

*Sing all citizens of heaven above.*

*Glory to God, all glory in the highest;*

*O come, let us adore Him,*

*O come, let us adore Him,*

*O come, let us adore Him,*

*Christ the Lord...*

**Prayer Song: Here I Am To Worship** - Michael W. Smith

*Light of the world, You step down into darkness.*

*Opened my eyes let me see.*

*Beauty that made this heart adore you hopes of a life  
spent with you.*

*And here I am to worship,*

*Here I am to bow down,*

*Here I am to say that You're my God,*

*You're altogether lovely,*

*Altogether worthy,*

*Altogether wonderful to me.*

*King of all days,*

*Oh so highly exalted Glorious in heaven above.*

*Humbly you came to the earth you created.*

*All for love's sake became poor.*

*Here I am to worship.*

*Here I am to bow down.*

*Here I am to say that you're my God,*

*You're altoaether lovely,*

*Altoaether worthu.*

*Altogether wonderful to me.*

*Here I am to worship.*

*Here I am to bow down.*

*Here I am to say that you're my God,*

*You're altoaether lovely,*

*Altoaether worthu.*

*Altogether wonderful to me.*

*I'll never know how much it cost to see my sin upon that cross.*

*I'll never know how much it cost to see my sin upon that cross.*

*And I'll never know how much it cost to see my sin upon  
that cross.*

*No I'll never know how much it cost to see my sin upon  
that cross.*

*Here I am to worship.*

*Here I am to bow down.*

*Here I am to say that you're my God,*

*You're altoaether lovely,*

*Altoaether worthu.*

*Altoaether wonderful to me.*

*So Here I am to worship,*

*Here I am to bow down.*

*Here I am to say that you're my God.*

(Over)