

What's Happening at Sharon Adventist Church

Sabbath, December 23

- Church at Study 9:40am
- Church at Worship (Family Christmas Celebration):11:00am
- A Surprise for our children upstairs in the classrooms after the Family Christmas program.
- Community Services Food Distribution 2- 4:00 pm
- Sunset 4:31pm

Monday, December 25—Christmas

- *Church office closed and no Noon Bible Study class.*

Wednesday, December 27

- Prayer and Bible Study 7:00-8:15pm

Friday, December 29

- Sunset 4:36pm
- Praise Team Rehearsal 6:00pm
- Communion Prayer and Preparation: 7:00pm

Sabbath, December 30

- Church at Study 9:40am
- Church At Worship (Communion / Baptism) 11:00am
- Community Services Food Distribution 2- 4:00 pm
- Church Business Meeting 4:30pm
- Sunset 4:36pm

Church Ministries and Leaders

Pastor, Garth Dottin (971-325-5724)

Head Elder, Chantay Reid

Church Clerk, Denise Williams

Church Secretary, LouVena Warner

Church Treasurer, Derrick Foxworth

Department Leaders

Administration, Derrick Foxworth

Fellowship, Violet Larry

Outreach, Donald Cobbs

Ministry Leaders

Communication, Donald Cobbs

Community Service, Sharon Ewers

Music/Education Secretary, Linda Foxworth

Prayer Ministry, Tracy Price

Sabbath School, John Olive

Note: Information subject to change

Notice: You may appear on television or online, either in a live or archived program. Livestreamed or videotaping may be in progress

Sharon Seventh-day Adventist Church

"Where the Arms of CHRIST are Always Open!"

December 23, 2017

Sabbath School Ministry

9:40am, Sanctuary

Presented by Elder John Olive

Scripture Reading and Prayer

Church at Study

Closing Prayer

Memory Text: “Be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God”

(Romans 12:2).

Thoughts to Ponder: Paul calls all Christians to a high standard of obedience. This obedience comes from an inward change in our heart and mind, a change that comes only through the power of God working in a person surrendered to Him. Romans contains no hint that this obedience comes automatically. The Christian needs to be enlightened as to what the requirements are; he or she must desire to obey those requirements; and, finally, the Christian should seek the power without which that obedience is impossible. One could even argue that because of the added revelation after Jesus came, the New Testament requirements are more difficult than what was required in the Old. New Testament believers have been given an example of proper moral behavior in Jesus Christ. He and no one else shows the pattern we are to follow. “Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus” *Phil. 2:5*.

Classes/Programs are also held for our young people:

Beginners (age 0-4); Kindergarten (pre-school);
Primary (grade school); Juniors (Middle School); and
Youth (high school). For directions to the various classes
please see one of our Greeters.

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

Family Christmas Celebration

11:00am

Prelude	Musicians
Introit “Hark the Herald Angels Sing”	Praise Team/Congregation
Invocation	Elder John Olive
Welcome	The Foxworth / Loiseau Family
Children’s Story	The Cooper Family
Offering	Elder Donald Cobbs
Praise and Worship	Praise Team/Congregation
Congregation/Intercessory Prayer	Esther Nyiramwamikazi and Elder Chantay Reid
Reading	The Johnson / Williams Family
Musical Selection	Brittany & Aubrey Modoc
Reading	Markeatha Suddreth
Musical Selection	Mattie Crosby and Valerie Baker
Story “The Little Star”	The Cobbs Family
Musical Selection	The Graham Family
Special Feature	The Darby Family
ABC Bible Verses	The Smith Family
Reading	The Reid / Sweet Family
Musical Selection	Ileana Villeda and Sam Barajas
Poem	Balinda Beltran
Special Feature	The Dottin Family
Musical Selection	Doris Adams and Linda Foxworth
Reading and Musical Selection	The Posey Family
Closing Prayer	Brooke Dottin
Postlude	Musicians

Prayer Team Ministry is available for prayer after the service.

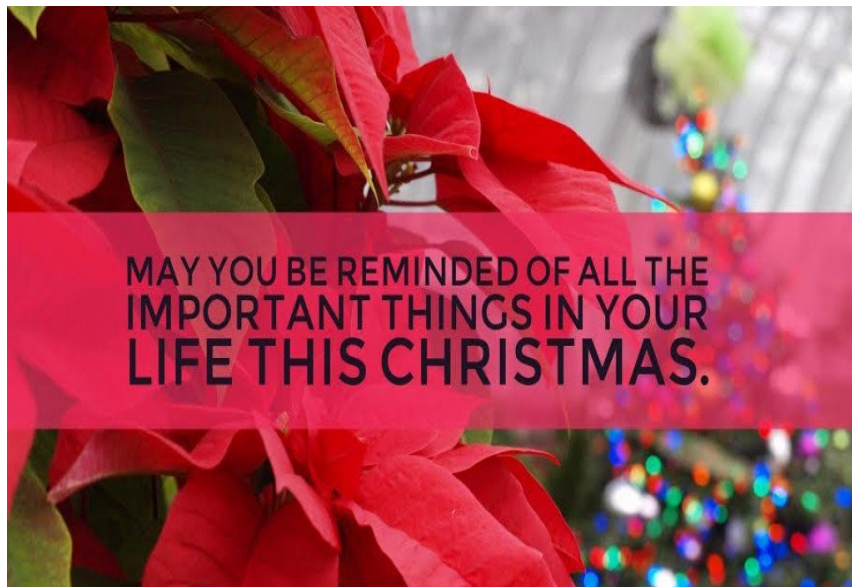
Remember in Prayer

Arthur Payne ³	Margaret Curtis & family ⁴
Parris Green ¹	Tim Andrew ⁴
Mazell Rudder ¹	James Foster ¹
Sandra Graham ¹	Esau Williams ⁴
Kumice Jackson ¹	Norma Gabner ^{3 (outstate)}
Burrell Family ^{1&4}	Jamila Myrick ¹
Valissa Moore ⁴	Tina & Ricky Hines ¹
Ernest Bryant ³	Shirley Cowan ¹
Joyce Southall ¹	Daisy and Rachael Hunt ⁴
Michael Beresford ^{1 (}	Vera Barnett ³
Marie Crane ³	Joan Afflick ¹
Nena Enyinwa ⁴	Stephanie Goodwin-Larry ¹
Trudy Rice ^{3 (Laurelhurst Village Rehab)}	Sanford Maddox ¹
Elder Roscoe Howard ¹	Linda Sims ¹
Oris Wesby ¹	Lucien Loiseau
Cindy Cobbs ¹	Armande Loiseau ¹

Health Concern¹ Hospital² Care Facility³ Other⁴

Names in **bold** are new prayer requests.

Church Family: If you know anyone who should be included on the list above, or needs visitation, please call the church office.



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 unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord.” -Luke 2:11. “Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!” -2 Corinthians 9:15. Season Greetings!

Treasurer Updates:

***Please be sure** to write your current address on your tithe/offering envelope to ensure you receive your 2017 Charitable Tax Statement.

***Sabbath 12/30** is the last Sabbath to make your final donation. Online donations can be made up until Sunday, 12/31 at 9pm.

***If you’re looking or know someone looking** to make a year end tax deductible contribution consider making a donation to the kitchen renovation fund or building fund.

Watch Breath of Life's "The Promise" Christmas special!

December 25 on NBC. This NBC television special, in collaboration with Interfaith Broadcasting Commission, features a message from Carlton Byrd, speaker/director of the BOL Television Ministry and senior pastor of the Oakwood University Church. The program also features the music ministry of Sandi Patty, Fred Hammond, and the Oakwood University Aeolians Concert Choir. For a list of stations and times; call 1-256-929-6460.

EVENTS OF INTEREST (see bulletin board for more details)

- **New Years Eve Service / Baptism & Celebration on December 31.**
- **New Year's....Monday, January 1, 2018** Church office closed and no Noon Bible Study class.

See **Bulletin Board in lobby** for additional event announcements and opportunities for volunteering & employment.. 1 Peter 4:10 says: “As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God’s varied grace. . . “

CHURCH COURTESIES

- Please do not run in the building.
- Turn off or silence alarms, pagers, phones, etc.
- Be sensitive to others, no visiting during services.
- No food or drink are to be consumed in the Sanctuary.
- Leave the Children’s Quiet Bags on pews after use.
- Do not use Tithes & Offering envelopes to record notes.
- After service, take all of your belongings and debris.

Announcements—Page Two

Bulletin Information needs to be submitted by Tuesday for inclusion in the current week's bulletin. Call the church office or send information via email.

Our **Community Services Food Pantry** is in need of one dozen sized egg cartons. Question see Sharon Ewers.

AMC First Friday...January 5 from 7:15 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. in the lower level amphitheaters of Adventist Medical Center, Portland. First Fridays are a time of music and spiritual fellowship and we encourage you to join us. praise and worship by Oasis Praise and an inspirational thought from Pam Strachan-Proudfit. Registration for the free January 5 First Friday soup and salad dinner (served from 5:30-6:30 p.m.) is currently open and will run through Wednesday, January 3. Be sure to reserve your spot! Remember, registration is on a first-come, first-served basis and each dinner guest must register separately.

Outreach—Encouragement Notes to youth who are incarcerated at MacLaren Youth Correctional Facility. For delivery, send correspondences to Sean Page, Chaplain/Volunteer Coordinator, MacLaren Youth Correctional Facility, 2630 N Pacific HWY, Woodburn, OR 97071.

The Adventist Book Center's (ABC) Holiday Sale is now thru December 30., 2017.

Adventist Health Hospice is in need of Volunteers - No experience needed; Volunteers determine when and how much time they can provide. For more information, please contact Debby Murphy, Volunteer Coordinator by phone at 503-251-6192, ext. 56420 or 503-730-8378 or by email at murphydl@ah.org.

Need help with Sabbath Work problems or Labor Unions? The Northwest Religious Liberty Association can help. Call Greg Hamilton and/or Rhonda Bolton at 360.857.7040.

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Local Church Finance

Online Giving is a convenient way to give, 24hrs a day. Visit our website www.sharonsda.net; click the "Tithe/Offering" link. Follow instructions, it's safe and secure. Join others who have found this to be a convenient way to be faithful stewards

Your Financial Support is appreciated. Funds received for specific ministries, may be directed to other church ministries or the combined budget, once a ministry has achieved it's financial goal. 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 Adventist Church Combined Budget. If you have any questions or know someone that wants to be a special blessing to the church, please contact Finance Committee Chair, Troy Price or Church Treasurer, Derrick Foxworth. May God continue to Bless You!

Local Combined Church Budget (Offerings) - These monies are used to help support our Children, Youth and Young Adults pursuing Christian Education and Sabbath School Ministries. Also supports local church ministries to include Women's, Health, Prison, Fellowship, Outreach, Music, and Benevolence Assistance as well as the ongoing church upkeep and maintenance.

Please consider supporting Sharon Church's many ministries through your gifts to the

COMBINED BUDGET



Sharon's ministries will be **blessed** and so will you.

Mark **COMBINED BUDGET** on your tithe envelope.



Don't Forget Jesus

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Christmas is a special time
To reflect on Jesus Christ,
The wonder of His lowly birth
Brings meaning to our lives

There really is no other reason,
We celebrate this day,
The birth of God's precious son
And the life, He willingly gave

But so much seems to distract us
In the busyness of our lives,
We lose our focus in all the happenings,
Not knowing, we leave out Christ

We lose sight of the true meaning
As we endlessly rush about,
Trying to find that perfect gift,
Seems to cloud our Savior out

We need to stop and reflect awhile,
Remembering our precious Lord,
His birth, His life and sacrifice
And all that He stands for

For though the world may celebrate,
It seems, though, for other reasons,
Let's keep in mind that Jesus Christ
Is the true meaning of the season.

Praise

Sabbath, December 23, 2017

Introit: Hark! the Herald Angels Sing, Hymn #122

Verse 1

Hark! the herald angels sing,
"Glory to the new born King,
Peace on earth, and mercy mild,
God and sinners reconciled!"
Joyful, all ye nations rise,
join the triumph of the skies;
With th' angelic host proclaim,
"Christ is born in Bethlehem!"
Hark! the herald angels sing,
"Glory to the new born King!"

Verse 2

Christ, by highest heaven adored;
Christ, the everlasting Lord;
late in time behold him come,
offspring of a virgin's womb.
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see;
hail th' incarnate Deity,
pleased with us in flesh to dwell,
Jesus, our Emmanuel.
Hark! the herald angels sing,
"Glory to the new born King!"

Verse 3

Hail! the heaven-born Prince of Peace!
Hail! the Sun of Righteousness!
Light and life to all he brings,
risen with healing in his wings.
Mild he lays his glory by,
born that we no more may die,
born to raise us from the earth,
born to give us second birth.
Hark! the herald angels sing,
"Glory to the new born King!"

(Over)

Welcome: Go Tell It On the Mountain, Hymn #121

PS-2

Chorus

Go, tell it on the mountain,
Over the hills and everywhere:
Go, tell it on the mountain
That Jesus Christ is born!

Verse 1

While shepherds kept their watching
O'er silent flocks by night,
Behold throughout the heavens
There shone a holy light. (To chorus)

Verse 2

The shepherds feared and trembled
When lo! Above the earth
Rang out the angel chorus
That hailed our Savior's birth. (To chorus)

Verse 3

Down in a lowly manger
The humble Christ was born,
And brought us God's salvation
That blessed Christmas morn. (To chorus)

Offering: Angels We Have Heard On High, Hymn #142

Verse 1

Angels we have heard on high
Sweetly singing o'er the plains,
And the mountains in reply
Echoing their joyous strains.

Chorus

Gloria, in excelsis Deo!
Gloria, in excelsis Deo!

Verse 2

Shepherds, why this jubilee?
Why your joyous strains prolong?
What the gladsome tidings be
Which inspire your heavenly song? (To chorus)

Verse 3

Come to Bethlehem and see
Christ Whose birth the angels sing;
Come, adore on bended knee,
Christ the Lord, the newborn King. (To chorus)

Verse 4

See Him in a manger laid,
Whom the choirs of angels praise;
Mary, Joseph, lend your aid,
While our hearts in love we raise (to chorus)



Theme: Worthy of our Worship

PS-3

Worship Medley

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. (Repeat)

Chorus:

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.

Intercessory Prayer

Response:

Chorus:

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.

(Chorus from Alpha & Omega)

We give You all, the glory. We worship You our Lord, You are
worthy to be praised. (Repeat)

We give You all the glory, we give You all the glory,
we give You all the glory.

We worship You our Lord, You are worthy to be praised.

(Chorus from Oh Come all Ye faithful)

For You alone are worthy, for You alone are worthy.

For You alone are worthy. Christ, the Lord.

(Key change)

We give You all the glory, we give You all the glory.

We give You all the glory, Christ the Lord.

(Chorus of Rev. 19 each part alone first)

T: Hallelujah, salvation and glory, honor and power,
He is wonderful!

A: All praises be to the King of Kings and the Lord of Lords
He is wonderful!

S: Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah,
Hallelujah He is wonderful!

B: Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah,
Hallelujah He is wonderful!

(Repeat as directed - all parts)

He is wonderful!

You are wonderful_____!

We give You all, the glory, we worship You our Lord,
You are worthy to be praised.