

Midland Seventh-day Adventist Church

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Sabbath, February 13, 2010

The Church at Study (9:30-10:30 a.m.)

Lesson Study "The Fruit of the Spirit is Goodness" Classes

Outreach (10:30-10:45 a.m.)

Haiti Trip Report – Jesse Walker

Worship in Song and Praise (10:50-11:00 a.m.)

The Church at Worship (11:00 a.m.)

Welcome and announcements Brad Merrills
Preparation "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow" *arr. John Barr*
Call to Worship Brad Merrills

*Opening Hymn "For the Beauty of the Earth" #565
Family Prayer Brad Merrills

Giving of Gifts World Budget—TV Ministries Brad Merrills
Lamb's Offering Tri-City SDA School
Offertory "Give Thanks" *arr. Smith*

Children's Story Pastor Bentley
Scripture Reading John 1:35-40 Reid Tait
Sermon "Purpose" Pastor Bentley
Communion Service

*Hymn of Response "I Love Thee" #236
Benediction
Postlude "God Be With You" *Hymn*

*Denotes congregation standing to sing

Elders: Brad Merrills & Reid Tait *Deacon in Charge:* John Rigg
Pianist: Ginger Bentley, assisted by Hannah Kohtz & Kristopher Mercy

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Tri-City SDA School *Phone:* (989) 790-2508
Principal: Connie Hickman *Phone:* (989) 791-4797

Welcome to Worship Today

"My dear friends, we always have good reason to thank God for you, because your faith in God and your love for each other keep growing all the time." 2 Thessalonians 1:3, CEV

Events This Week

Today Fellowship meal in the Activity Center
Vespers 4:30 pm at the Church
Sunset 6:01 pm

Sunday Finance Committee 9-11 am
Chubby Hubby Dinner 4 pm

Monday Community Services 9-3 pm
Adventurers 4:30-6 pm
Bible Explorers 7 pm

Tuesday Elder's Meeting 5:30 pm
Prayer Meeting 7 pm

Wednesday Bulletin material due by 8 pm to Susan
Mercy at smercy@tds.net. Thanks!

Thursday Depression, Live Without It 7 pm

Friday Sunset 6:08 pm

Sabbath Speaker Pathfinder/Adventurer Service
Offering Combined Budget
Vespers 4:30 pm Faith Gray's Home

Future Worship Services and Events

Feb 22 Pathfinders 4-6 pm
Feb 27 Elder Jay Gallimore
Feb 27 Lay Bible Team Meeting 1:30 pm
Feb 27 SS Planning Meeting following potluck

Announcements

Today's Communion Music will be "Holy, Holy, Holy" by Lister, followed by two hymn arrangements, "Let Us Break Bread Together" and "There is a Fountain".

Plan to attend **Vespers at 4:30** today to experience a thought-provoking story/allegory related to our preparation for the Second Coming of Christ. Bring your Bible. Norman will be leading.

Chubby Hubby Don't forget, ladies and gents, tomorrow we will show our appreciation for the ladies in our church family by preparing and serving them a meal. Men need to be at the church by 2 pm and the ladies should plan to arrive by 4 pm. A post-dinner movie will be shown and there will be a children's activity.

The **Bible Explores** next meeting, Monday evening at 7:00, will continue the study of John's Gospel. This week's assignment is Chapter 19:31-20:31. The glorious highlight of this section is the resurrection. Norman will be leading that discussion. Recommended reading: *Desire of Ages* pages 769-794, the chapters "In Joseph's Tomb," "The Lord Is Risen" and "Why Weepest Thou?"

Prayer Meeting Our study on "Christian Service" has been going very well. This week we will consider how the Church is supposed to be a training facility. Please make plans to be blessed as you join us for prayer, study, and discussion.

Depression, Live Without It, continues this Thursday at 7 p.m. This week we will be focusing on traumatic stress -- war and combat experiences, the sudden death of a loved one -- situations that are of a magnitude we hope to never encounter and which frequently cause depression. Pastor Bentley will be our main speaker. Jesus, the focus of our Bible Character Study, is the one who can provide the answers. As a special

feature Mary Bukowiec will be sharing her experience dealing with the stress and challenges brought by her cancer diagnosis. Thank you, everyone who has helped with the seminar.

A Committee has been formed for the purpose of considering the best usage of the bequest left to the Midland Church by our dear sister Virginia Farnham. The committee is as follows:

Building—Don Ervick

Outreach—Norman Moll

Communications—David Moll

Education—Brenda Khalil

Youth—Marcus Peters

Music—Faith Gray

Preservation/Contingency—Dick Schell

Dick Schell is the temporary chairman until their first meeting. At that time a chairperson will be selected. We would like each member to consider these categories and submit in writing your thoughts to any one of the members of this committee. These are truly God's funds and we want to use them to His glory. Keep in mind what Virginia's interests were and how she might have considered this distribution, should she still be among us. Thanks to all, Dick Schell

Sabbath School Planning All past and current adult and children's Sabbath School class teachers are invited to a meeting with Pastor Bentley on Sabbath, February 27, following the fellowship meal.

Praise & Report Sabbath, February 27th, at 3 pm, the District 6 churches will meet to show how God blessed them in 2009. All church members are invited to share in the event at the Saginaw SDA Church (2755 N. Center Rd. in Saginaw). Supper will be served following the churches' presentations.

Tri-city SDA School The school board has voted to have kindergarten for the coming school year, but they cannot proceed forward without constituency approval. Therefore, a brief constituency meeting will be held Monday, March 1st, at 6:30 pm. Please come and share your thoughts on this important topic at the school that night. Thank you.

Our church will be hosting the Church Women United's World Day of Prayer Worship Service, to be held at our church Friday, March 5. The schedule includes a Bible study at 8:30 am (to be led by Pastor Bentley), fellowship and refreshments at 9:15, a business meeting and community updates at 9:45, and then the main worship service at 10. We invite our church women to attend and are asking for volunteers to help with refreshments and to be some of the "voices" who will read a sentence or two at times during the service. Please contact Ardith Tait if you are willing to participate in this community worship service.

Ski Trip If you are interested in skiing with other members of our church family at Boyne Mountain Ski Resort on Thursday, March 11, please contact Dee Horn. The registration deadline is March 5.

Radio/TV Log

Sunday 1:30 pm It Is Written, TBN (Trinity Broadcasting Netw)

Tuesday 7:30 a.m. It Is Written, Charter Channel 69 (Court TV)