

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Discipleship Class. Each Tuesday evening at 7:00 PM there will be a discipleship class for those interested.

Prayer Meeting. We will be meeting weekly at the church one half hour before Sabbath School to join our hearts and voices in prayer.

New Sabbath Schedule. Beginning on January 6 we will use the following schedule: 10:30 AM Sabbath School; 11:35 AM Song Service; 11:45 AM Church Service.

Baptisms Today. We welcome Dennis and Barb Franklin into membership in our church through baptism in today's church service. Praise the Lord for their public commitment to follow Him. Please join the celebration of their baptism during our fellowship meal following the church service. If you are interested in baptism, please talk to Pastor Rod.

10 Days of Prayer starts January 11, 2018. Join with others each evening at 7:00 PM for prayer. It ends Sabbath, January 20 during the church service. The meeting on Sabbath, January 13 will begin at 5:00 PM.

Elder Quillin. Cards may be sent to his son, Rob Quillin at PO Box 518 Mattawan, MI 49071.

Service Music. The words to the postlude are taken from Isaiah 40:5 "And the glory of the LORD shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together; for the mouth of the LORD hath spoken it." The glory of God's presence had previously been experienced by the Jews in the Shekinah of the Most Holy Place, God's majesty on Mount Sinai, and the pillar of light in the wilderness. But these signs of God's visible presence had long since disappeared. Isaiah's prophesy gave hope of the coming Messiah to this earth as an infant, and points also to His soon return at the Second Coming with glory and majesty.

Contact Information for Sherry Skym. Sherry no longer has an active email address. If you need to reach her, please contact her by phone.

Constituency Meeting. Please mark your calendars for our January 21, 2018 constituency meeting at Tri-City SDA School, in Saginaw at 6:30 PM.

Strong Tower Radio. Tune in to something better. Strong Tower Radio 90.7 FM will air Christmas Eve and Christmas Day programming for the entire family featuring music, stories, and 3ABN specials.

ANNOUNCEMENTS (CONTINUED)

"But let him ask in faith, with no doubting." James 1:6

- Safe travel for all this season
- Dick & Lois
- Alysha Sneed & family, 22 year old niece of Mary Yates – testing
- Family of Gage – grieving
- Clifford Ervick – cancer
- Don Ahrens – melanoma beginning chemo
- Charlotte – colon cancer
- Marlene
- Stacey – surgery
- Todd
- Don Urias
- Unlock Revelation continued interests
- Weston

Fund raising for an AED. We are fundraising to buy an Automated External Defibrillator (AED) to be used in case of an emergency. An AED is a portable device that checks the heart rhythm and can send an electric shock to the heart during a cardiac arrest to try to restore a normal rhythm. The cost is \$1,373 plus shipping, and the goal is to purchase the device before January 27, 2018 ahead of our first CPR training. Please prayerfully consider contributing. Make your checks payable to the church and mark your envelope as "AED fund", place it in the offering plate or give it to Nathan Hall our church treasurer. Contact Hope Mwemba if you have any questions.

New Email Addresses. There are new mailboxes and email addresses for the church deacons and deaconesses. If you notice something that needs fixing in the church, or wish to contact all of the deacons, please send a message to deacons@midlandsda.org. If you wish to send a message to all the deaconesses, please send to deaconesses@midlandsda.org.

Items for Young Guests. Chris Rickel is collecting "Kid's View" magazines that come with the Adventist Review. These will be a wonderful addition to our welcome packets for our young guests. Please save them and give them to Chris.

Ann Pank's 95th Birthday. A long-time member of our church is turning 95 on December 30. Let's shower her with many birthday cards. Her address is: 1857 Buntingway Drive, Hermitage, TN 37076.

Audio CD Recordings of today's church service are available at the AV booth at the rear of the sanctuary following the service.

Having Trouble Hearing? Portable hearing assistance units are available at the AV booth.



“. . . Then he calls his friends and neighbors together and says, 'Rejoice with me; I have found my lost sheep.'"
Luke 15:6

DECEMBER 23, 2017

SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH
2420 East Ashman Street • Midland, Michigan 48642

WELCOME

The image on the cover depicts the marvelous lost sheep parable of Jesus found in Luke 15:3-7. The church leaders were muttering that Jesus spent time with sinners. Jesus responded with the story of a shepherd who has 100 sheep, but loses one of them. With great urgency, the shepherd hunts for the lost sheep. When he finds it, he rejoices with his friends and neighbors that the sheep has been rescued.

Jesus then states that heaven rejoices greatly when one sinner repents and entrusts his life with God. We hope you find Jesus, His love, and His desire to rescue you during our services today. Welcome to the Midland Seventh-day Adventist Church!

WE BELIEVE

As a church family, we believe God loves us and wants us to spend eternity with Him. We take God's Word, the Bible, seriously. We study it diligently because it is filled with messages of hope and the love of Jesus, along with instructions for living rich fulfilling lives, observing a Sabbath of rest, living healthfully, loving and forgiving others, and much more. To learn more about our beliefs, please visit www.adventist.org/beliefs.

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Adventist Community Services Center (ACS)

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Hours: 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM on Mondays

Radio and TV Ministry

Strong Tower Radio 90.7 FM

3ABN TV Over-the-Air Channels 24-1 to 24-7
Charter Channel 150
Dish Network Channel 9393

WE STUDY

10:30 AM

Lesson Study "Overcoming Evil With Good"

WE MINISTER TO OTHERS

11:30 AM

Outreach General Outreach Tony Khalil

WE SING

11:50 AM

WE WORSHIP

12:00 AM

Welcome Tony Khalil

Preparation "Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence (17th century French carol) with O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"

Hymn of Praise "O Little Town of Bethlehem" • 135

Family Prayer Sherry Skym

Giving of Gifts Tony Khalil
Offering Michigan Advance Partners
Lamb's Offering Tri-City School Subsidy
Offertory "Joy to the World! with O Come, Let Us Adore Him"

Children's Story Pastor Thompson

Scripture Isaiah 7:14 • Larry Truax

Special Music Aidan Khalil and David Moll

Sermon "The Indescribable Gift" • Pastor Thompson

Baptisms Barb and Dennis Franklin

Hymn of Response "What Child is This?" • 141

Benediction Tony Khalil

Postlude "And the Glory of the Lord" • *From Handel's Messiah*

ELDER: Tony Khalil • DEACON: Greg Leuenberger
PIANIST: Kathy Johnson • CHORISTER: Brenda Khalil

THE COMING WEEK

Today Pastor Thompson
Fellowship Meal
Sunset 5:08 PM

Monday Community Services 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM

Tuesday Discipleship Class 7:00 PM

Wednesday Bulletin material due by 8:00 PM to
bulletin@midlandsda.org

Sabbath Jeff Horn
Offering: Conference Evangelism
No Fellowship Meal
Sunset 5:12 PM

FUTURE EVENTS

January 6 Pastor Thompson
No Fellowship Meal

January 11 10 Days of Prayer starts and continues nightly
at 7:00 PM

January 13 George Corliss
Fellowship Meal
10 Days of Prayer 5:00 PM

January 20 Pastor Thompson
10 days of Prayer ends at the church service
No Fellowship Meal

January 27 Pastor Thompson
Fellowship Meal

February 3 Tony Khalil
No Fellowship Meal