

Midland Seventh-day Adventist Church

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Sabbath, January 31, 2009

The Church at Study (9:30-10:25 a.m.)

Lesson Study "The Inspiration of the Prophets" Classes

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

Mission Video

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

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

Welcome and announcements Norman Moll & Pastor Bentley
Preparation *arr. Marilyn Ham*

"Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart"

Invocation Pastor Bentley
Responsive Call to Worship Ronny & Harmen Aerts
Psalm 145 (See Insert)

*Hymn of Praise "Let All Things Now Living" #560
Family Prayer Norman Moll
Giving of Gifts Lake Union Conference Evangelism
Offertory "More Love to thee, O Christ" *Mark Hayes*

Lamb's Offering Tri-City Church School
Children's Story Pastor Bentley
Meditation Hymn "I'll Go Where You Want Me to Go" #573
Scripture Lesson Matthew 13:1-9 Ronny Aerts
Sermon "Spiritual Gardening" Pastor Bentley

*Hymn of Response "This Little Light of Mine" #580
Benediction

Postlude "The Lord's My Shepherd" *arr. Marilyn Ham*

*Denotes congregation standing to sing

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Pianist: Faith Gray

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Principal: Laura Jean Muir

Welcome to Worship Today

"For the LORD your God is the God of gods and Lord of lords. He is the great God, the mighty and awesome God, who shows no partiality and cannot be bribed." Deuteronomy 10:17 NLT

Events This Week

Today Fellowship Meal in the Activity Center
Sunset 5:43 pm

Monday Community Services 9 am – 3 pm
Adventurers 4:30-6 pm
Amazing Discoveries 7 pm in the Activity Center

Tuesday Prayer Meeting 7 pm

Wednesday Bulletin material due by **8 pm** to Mary Bukowiec at gidgeeballs@localnet.com. Thanks!

Friday Sunset 5:51 pm

Sabbath Speaker Brad Merrills
Offering Local Combined Budget
Fellowship Meal in the Activity Center

Future Worship Services and Events

Feb 8 Wellness Day
Feb 14 Pastor Bentley
Feb 14 Adventurers
Feb 14 Chubby Hubby Banquet
Feb 16 Adventurers
Feb 19 Plant-Based Cooking Class Begins
Feb 21 Norman Moll
Feb 28 Pastor Bentley

Announcements

Special Prayer Time Dorothy Dalton will be available in the front north classroom following today's service to pray with anyone desiring special prayer.

The **Amazing Discoveries Bible Study Group** invites you to a discussion of "Malachi: A Not-So-Minor Prophet" at 7 pm Monday evening. This is part of our continuing study of participant suggested Bible topics. Ardith Tait will lead the discussion.

Prayer Meeting This week we will continue our study of last day events. To prepare for the study, please read chapter three of *Last Day Events*, by Ellen White.

Homes of Hope kits will be available soon. If you would like a kit, which includes ten sets of the eight *Balance Magazine* issues, plug-and-play DVDs and leaders instructions, contact Norman Moll or Ardith Tait. To finish by the end of May, it is important that we begin distributing *Balance Magazine* to our friends and neighbors as soon as possible.

Wellness Day at Midland Mall is scheduled for Sunday, February 8, from noon until 6 pm. We are looking for volunteers to work two-hour shifts passing out vegetarian food samples and dialoguing with the many people who come to the Mall with an interest in improving their health. Flyers for our Living Free Cooking Class will be featured at the booth. The next all-plant-based cooking class will begin February 19 and continue on Thursday evenings through March 19.

Chubby Hubby On February 14th all are invited to come out for a fun-filled evening of food and fellowship. In honor of the ladies of the congregation, the men will prepare a meal and serve the ladies. Singles and married alike are encouraged to attend. It will be a great time together. There will also be a Pathfinder Bake Sale to raise money for the Osh Kosh International Camporee. If you would like to donate items for the bake sale please contact Dee Horn. For more info on the Chubby Hubby see Pastor Bentley or Tony Khalil.

A musical vesper program will be held Sabbath evening, February 14, at 5 pm, at the Bay City SDA Church. Following vespers, light refreshments will be served for a time of fellowship.

Women's International Day of Prayer is Sabbath, March 7. The theme this year is "Using the Five Love Languages in Prayer." More details to follow.

Marriage Commitment Retreat Held at Camp Au Sable March 6-8. This is a great opportunity to strengthen your marriage. Open to engaged couples as well this year. Sponsored by the Michigan Conference Family Life Department. Register by calling Alyce Blackmer at (517) 316-1543.

Equipping Leaders for Service The Michigan Conference is providing training for Sabbath School, Children's Ministries, Communications, Family Life, Health & Temperance, Personal Ministries, Stewardship, and Youth Leaders at Camp Au Sable. This is a great opportunity to develop your ministry skills where God has called you to serve. The cost is \$30 for an individual or \$20 per person for groups of 4 or more. The training will be March 20-22. If you work in one of these areas and want to go but cannot afford it, please let us know so we can assist you. If you would like to participate, please contact Pastor Bentley.

Women's Ministries Retreats will be held April 3-5, 10-12, and 17-19 at Camp Au Sable. "The Redemption of Woman," a journey through scripture revealing Jesus' plan to redeem and restore woman to the original design He had for her before the entrance of sin, will be presented by guest speaker Marquita Kliendinst. Informational brochures with registration forms are available on the table in the foyer.

"**Connections**," the Women's Ministries newsletter, is available on the table in the foyer. Please read and pass a copy along so that every lady gets a chance to read it.

Missing: Child's rocking horse, last seen in a closet in the Activity Center. If you know where it might be, please contact Gerri Kohtz 689-4334 or gerrikohtz@yahoo.com. Thanks!

Computers for Education The Tri-City SDA School still has a small need to cover the costs of the new computers. Out of the **\$3,300** that is needed we only lack **\$850**. If you can help with this need, please mail your tax deductible donation, payable to the Tri-City SDA School, to school treasurer Robert Tebo, 10505 S Graham Rd., St. Charles, MI 48655. Thank you for your help.

College Fund Support: We will have a continuing need this year for college fund support. Please place this fund on your list to support our youth while they are at school.

Radio/TV Log

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