

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Today's Speaker. We welcome Shandie Essig as our guest speaker for today's worship service. Shandie is the teacher and principal at our Tri-City Seventh-day Adventist School. We pray for God's blessing on Shandie as she ministers to the students of our school.

Memorial Service. Bob Shortt, one of our beloved church members, passed away Sabbath morning (11/23) after a long struggle with multiple health challenges. A memorial service will be held at 3:30 PM this afternoon, December 7 at our church. A light meal will be served following the service. Bob's family and relatives will be here. Please attend and let our Christian love overflow to them.

Strong Tower Radio Christmas Program. An Old-Time Christmas Variety Hour program will be held at the Mt. Pleasant First Presbyterian Church, 1250 Watson Rd., today at 4:00 PM. This Christmas talent show, with the flavor of the 'golden era of radio', will feature the Strong Tower Radio Quarter, musicians from CMU and our church, and other talent of all ages.

Juletide Is Coming. The Juletide Concert at CMU will be tonight December 7 at 7:30 PM and tomorrow December 8 at 2:00 PM. This year there will be a charge and reserved seating. Tickets are \$10 Adult and \$7 Student/Senior. Ticket questions: (989) 774-3281.

Women's Ministry. We are planning an afternoon of crafting, hosted by Dora Cupp. Simple Christmas decorations easy for children and pretty to display! Please sign up on bulletin board so enough materials will be provided. Bring your glue guns too. Meet at the church on Thursday, December 12, 1:00 PM. Light refreshments will be provided.

Communion Sabbath. We will have our communion service and ordinance of humility on December 14. Prepare your hearts to receive God's blessings from this sacred service.

Offering for Adventist Community Services-NAD on December 14. Your offering on December 14 will help Adventist Community Services continue serving communities across the North American Division. ACS fulfills Christ's mission to reach people by coordinating education and services for senior citizens, equipping youth to help others through Young Adults Emergency Services Corps, and more. To learn more or donate, go to communityservices.org. Mark your tithes envelopes Adventist Community Services-NAD.

Mission Building Project. To contribute to new church buildings in El Salvador, please use an offering envelope marked "Mission Building Project." AdventistGiving.org users can find this offering by clicking on "More Offering Categories" under Local Church.

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"I am praying to you because I know that you will answer, O God. Bend down and listen as I pray. Show me your unfailing love in wonderful ways." -Psalm 17:6,7a NLT

- Don Ahrens – cancer
- Mary Reilly
- Harmen and Maria Aerts
- Claudette Thompson
- Bible study interests
- Bob Shortt's family and friends grieving his loss
- Madonna Swider – health and housing issues
- Stacey Mapes's Aunt Diane – cancer
- Gary Minnick – health concerns
- Mary Bukowiec's great niece – emotional problems
- Jay Bukowiec – heart procedure recovery
- Todd & Cheryl Bissonnette – housing issues
- Wilbur Rickel – health concerns
- Chris Reagan, April Ward's son – multiple health problems
- April Ward – hip surgery recovery
- Larry Truax – additional melanoma procedures
- Rosemarie Ayers – back surgery December 13

Maghreb Mission Project. A new letter from our missionary family has been posted on the foyer bulletin board. Thank you for your generosity in contributing \$11,965.50 to this Northern Africa mission project this year through October.

Adventist Giving. To give online, visit AdventistGiving.org; download an Adventist Giving mobile device app from Apple App or Google Play Stores; or go to MidlandSDA.org, and click on Online Giving in the menu at the top of the home page.

Jesus on Prophecy Video and Audio are available at: <https://jesusonprophecy.wordpress.com> (audio) and <https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLEV9MIHOne-lqzRUQyFH31r-CTanqAri0> (video) Or go to YouTube and enter Midland SDA into the search field then click on the church logo and then on Playlists in the menu.

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 7, 2019

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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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 PRAY

9:00 AM South-West Side Room

WE STUDY

9:30 AM

Bible Study

“Worshiping the Lord”

WE SING

10:35 AM

WE WORSHIP

10:45 AM

Welcome

Gary Minnick

Church Life

“Mission Spotlight” • Aaron Cloutier

Preparation

“Away in a Manger” • Kirkpatrick & Murray

Hymn of Praise

“Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee” • 12

Family Prayer

Kathy Johnson

Giving of Gifts

Offering
Lamb's Offering
Offertory

Gary Minnick
Combined Budget
Tri-City School Subsidy
“He Is Born” • French Carol

Children's Story

Shondalyn Essig

Scripture Reading

1 Peter 1:8,9 • Gary Minnick

Sermon

“The Joy of the Lord” • Shondalyn Essig

Hymn of Response

“I Love Thee” • 236

Benediction

Gary Minnick

Postlude

“O Holy Night” • Adophe Adam

ELDER: Gary Minnick • DEACON: Don Mapes
PIANIST: DAVID MOLL • CHORISTERS: Nathan & Hilary Hall

THE COMING WEEK

Today

Sermon: Shondalyn Essig
Offering: Combined Budget
No Fellowship Meal
Bob Shortt Memorial Service 3:30 PM
Light lunch to follow
Strong Tower Program 4:00 PM at
Mt Pleasant Presby
Sunset: 5:00 PM

Monday

Community Services: 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM

Tuesday

Midweek Service 7:00 PM

Wednesday

Email bulletin materials by 8:00 PM to
bulletin@midlandsda.org

Thursday

Women's ministry Christmas decorations
1:00 PM

Next Sabbath

Sermon: Pastor Rod Thompson
Communion
Offering: World Budget
Fellowship Meal
Assisted Living Ministry 2:30 PM
Sunset: 5:00 PM

FUTURE EVENTS

December 21

Sermon: Neil Michaels
No Fellowship Meal

December 28

Sermon: Jay Thomas
Fellowship Meal

January 4

Sermon: To Be Assigned
No Fellowship Meal

January 11

Sermon: Pastor Rod Thompson
Fellowship Meal
Assisted Living Ministry 2:30 PM

January 18

Sermon: Nathan Hall
No Fellowship Meal