

ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Next Sabbath.** we will be celebrating the Lord’s Supper and the ordinance of humility.

**Strong Tower Radio Variety Hour.** There will be an inspirational music program presented by the Strong Tower Radio Variety Hour Team today, December 9, 2023, at 5:00 PM at the Saginaw SDA Church. Contact strvarietyhour@gmail.com for more information.

**Food Donations Needed.** We are collecting non-perishable food items, which we will be donating to families in need, prior to Christmas. Please help us collect as much as possible so those families can be richly blessed this holiday season. You can place your donations in the box in the foyer labeled "Love In Action."

**Upcoming Events.** See our website (midlandsda.org) for information on the following list of other events. Included are:

- Teen Snow Outing at Camp Au Sable — January 12-14
- Father/Son Man Camp at Camp Au Sable — January 26-28
- Michigan Blind Camp at Camp AuSable — January 28 to February 24. See Carol Lanfear if you know a blind camper or would like to help.
- The Rest and Renewal Retreat has been rescheduled for February 29 to March 3 at Camp Au Sable

**Bible Study Revolution.** One of the most effective ways to enrich your own spiritual experience and grow your local church is leading souls into the truth through personal Bible studies. Most church members, however, aren’t active in this vital ministry, leaving a powder keg of potential lying dormant in our midst. If you’re ready to ignite your own faith journey and spark a Bible study revolution to your community, join us at the Personal Ministries workshop on Sunday, January 21, 2024. More than inspiration, you’ll receive step-by-step instruction and practical training with helpful ministry tools. Seating is limited, so visit MichiganSSPM.org or call (517) 316-1511 to register today.

Areas of Financial Need.

- Church Expense — to pay operating costs
- Support for academy student — for fall expenses
- Support for Tri-City School students — for fall expenses

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ANNOUNCEMENTS (CONTINUED)

**“Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful..” Col 4:2 NIV**

- Mapes Family — grieving the death of Don Sr.
- Ted — health concerns
- Ralph — facing end of life
- Anneriet Aerts — pray for family members
- Jennifer and family — grieving the death of her husband
- Robert Marsh — recovering from a car accident
- Madonna Swider — significant medical challenges
- Cheryl Bissonnette — ongoing cancer treatment
- Todd Bissonnette — healing for legs
- Prayers for members and families with ongoing health concerns
- Prayers for those in areas of conflict around the world

**Strong Tower Radio.** Tune in on-air on STR stations (locally at 90.7 FM), via Apple & Android apps, & STR.fm

- **Adventist Village, Part 2.** We are airing the last part of this virtual tour this Friday at 1:00 PM and Saturday at 5:00 PM.
- **Gardening-Giving List Ideas.** Do you need ideas for the garden-er on your Christmas list? Tune in this Sunday at 1:00 PM, Monday at 10:00 AM and Wednesday at 12:00 AM
- **Paying It Forward.** Hear the miracle story of a boy that lived on the street and got on the wrong side of the law but who cleaned up his act and now trains at-risk youth through their hard work and hard play plan. This program airs next Sunday December 17 at 3:30 AM, Monday at 4:00 PM, Wednesday at 9:00 PM, and Thursday at 1:00 PM.
- **Point, Click, and Give.** Give to Strong Tower Radio via the STR.fm giving page, with your smartphone, or mailing a check to P.O. Box 567, Cadillac, MI 49601



**Audio and Video Recordings** of today's and prior services are available online at midlandsda.org/blog and at facebook.com/midlandadventist or at youtube.com/@midlandsda/videos  
**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 9, 2022

SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH  
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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 to God’s care. 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: [adventist.org/beliefs](http://adventist.org/beliefs).

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**Adventist Community Services Center (ACS)**  
1113 E Carpenter (989) 835-3675  
Hours: 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM on Mondays

**Radio and TV Ministry**  
Strong Tower Radio 90.7 FM • [StrongTowerRadio.org](http://StrongTowerRadio.org) or STR.fm  
3ABN TV Over-the-Air Channels 24-1 to 24-7  
Charter Channel 150  
Dish Network Channel 9393

WE STUDY

9:30 AM

**Bible Study** “Mission to the Unreached”

WE SING

10:35 AM

WE WORSHIP

10:45 AM

**Welcome** Tony Khalil

**Preparation** ” Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne” • 140

**Hymn of Praise** “What Child Is This?” • 141

**Family Prayer** Tony Khalil

**Giving of Gifts** Tony Khalil  
Offering Adventist Community Services NAD  
Lamb’s Offering Tri-City SDA School  
Offertory “Now Is Born the Divine Christ Child” • 133

**Children’s Story** Don Mapes

**Scripture** Matthew 1:23 • Tony Khalil

**Sermon** “When Christmas Becomes Christmas” • Stacey Mapes

**Hymn of Response** “Joy to the World” • 125

**Benediction** Tony Khalil

**Postlude** “Good Christians, Now Rejoice” • 136

ELDER: Tony Khalil • DEACON: Brad Merrills  
PIANIST: Brenda Khalil  
CHORISTERS: Nathan and Hilary Hall

THE COMING WEEK

**Today** Sermon: Stacey Mapes, Local Elder  
Offering: Adventist Community Services NAD  
No Fellowship Meal  
Sunset: 4:59 PM

**Monday** Community Services: 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM  
Tri-City School Board Meeting: 7:00 PM

**Tuesday** Mid Week Service: 6:00 PM

**Wednesday** Email bulletin materials by 8:00 PM to [bulletin@midlandsda.org](mailto:bulletin@midlandsda.org)

**Thursday** Church Board Meeting: 6:15 PM

**Next Sabbath** Sermon: Mabio Coelho, Pastor  
Communion Sabbath  
Offering: Combined Budget  
Fellowship Meal  
Choir Rehearsal  
Sunshine Band at Swanhaven at 3:00 PM  
Sunset: 5:00 PM

FUTURE EVENTS

**December 21** Cooking School: 6:30 PM  
Grace A. Dow Library Community Room

**December 22** Choir Rehearsal: 6:30 PM

**December 23** Special Music/Testimony/Praise Service

**December 29** Choir Rehearsal: 6:30 PM

**December 30** Sermon: Mabio Coelho, Pastor  
No Fellowship Meal

**January 6** Sermon: Mabio Coelho, Pastor  
Fellowship Meal  
Choir Rehearsal

**January 11** Church Board Meeting: 6:15 PM

**January 12** Choir Rehearsal: 6:30 PM