

Generations in Ministry

The Earth is full of the Goodness of the Lord. Psalm 33:5.

We are troubled, hurt, astonished, dismayed to see the continuing reports of wholesale trauma and slaughter in Iraq! We hope we are getting the right information, but it seems there are numbers of people who know people there and the story seems consistent.

In times of distress, Mr. Rogers, who was the main character on the television program "Mr. Rogers Neighborhood" for years and years said his Mother told him, "In times of trouble, look for the Helpers."

Psalm 33:5 says the earth is "full" of the goodness of the Lord. Some will look at the horror and say that there must not be a God, at least not one who cares. Mr. Rogers' Mother seemed to think that "we" are the ones who make the difference in how God looks to others. In God's strength, we are the ones who can demonstrate God's goodness.

Are we helpers? Is anyone bored with being a Christian? Look for the helpers...find them and join them. Be a Christian helper! "Be" the difference! It will change you forever.

Praise for the Past **Faith for the Future**



Good News! The building expansion is progressing! Members and guests at Piedmont's Sabbath Services and various weekly activities will need to enter from the Cotner Street side of the building (across from Bryan Hospital). For those who need a stair free entrance, it is located on the A Street side of the church near the East end of the building where the glass wall/door is.

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Piedmont Park Community Seventh-day Adventist Church

Welcome to Worship!

We pray that your encounter with God
and His Family will renew your experience
of joy and peace in your journey.



Vision Statement

We will, with God's guidance, introduce individuals to Jesus Christ and support their growing relationship with Him in preparation for the Second Coming.

Mission Statement

With God's leading, we will create an atmosphere of Christian love and friendship, nurture spiritual growth and equip members for active involvement in ministry to our community and world.

October 25, 2014

Adult Bible Study Classes

Superintendent: Leon Hill
Musician and Song Leader: Bill Fitts

- **Balcony Explorers:** practical problem-solving through sharing Scripture and the Church Quarterly. Located in the Balcony. Bill Fitts and Assistants
- **Eclectic Journeymen:** Various Topics. The Montessori School Building. Peter Adams, Jeremy Middleton or Kim Hazelton
- **Searchers of the Word:** The Bible, Church Quarterly and the Spirit of Prophecy. Back left side of the Sanctuary. Oliver Williams or Guest teachers
- **Hearers of the Word:** Ask a Greeter for a hearing assistance device. Church Quarterly. Right front of Sanctuary. Richard Cotter, Alice Mihulka, Thomas Toews
- **As the Spirit Leads:** The Quarterly - Room behind Piano. Virgil Carner and Leon Hill
- **Themes of Hope:** You are invited to visit or join! Guests are Welcome! Lite Breakfast. Church Quarterly. 9:30-10:40am. Kitchen end of the Fellowship Hall. Class Leaders: Renee, Jennifer, Eula, Scot & Manuela & Ryan
- **Adult Sabbath School Class.** Front Left of Sanctuary. The Quarterly. Malcolm Gaskin & Sandra Schwabb
- **Karen SDA Sabbath School Class:** Room behind the Organ.
- **Young Adult Discussion Class:** Meets every 1st and 3rd Sabbath. South end of Fellowship Hall.

Prayer and Praise

Psalms 4:1 Hear me when I call, O God of my righteousness: you have enlarged me when I was in distress; have mercy on me, and hear my prayer

Psalms 145:18 The LORD is near to all them that call on him, to all that call on him in truth

Matthew 7:11 If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more shall your Father which is in heaven give good things to them that ask him?

Romans 8:26 Likewise the Spirit also helps our infirmities: for we know not what we should pray for as we ought: but the Spirit itself makes intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered

Philippians 4:6 Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God

Colossians 4:2 Continue in prayer, and watch in the same with thanksgiving

1 Thessalonians 5:17 Pray without ceasing

1 Timothy 2:8 I will therefore that men pray every where, lifting up holy hands, without wrath and doubting

James 5:16 Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that you may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much

1 John 1:9 If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness

Message of Encouragement

“If you see any brother or sister commit a sin that does not lead to death, you should pray and God will give them life...” 1 John 5:16 (NIV)

This is such an amazing concept it’s almost scary! I can pray and add life to those who are not yet following Jesus! “If anyone sees his brother or sister committing what is not a mortal sin, they can pray, and God will give that person life.”

“The wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ.” “If I confess my sins He is faithful and just and will forgive my sins, and cleanse me from all unrighteousness.” I know and believe this...but what about those who don’t know it yet. What about those who may not know, or may right now be rejecting at worst, or ignoring at best, the idea?

For them God offers yet another illustration of His desire that “everyone be saved and come to a knowledge of His love.” God’s solution includes me! If I see someone committing a sin, the Bible indicates that I can pray and God will delay the “wages” of sin so that the person still has time to “come to their senses” and return or turn to God.

I can pray, rather than condemn, and God will give him or her life! What a challenge and an opportunity to turn away from condemning and trying to decide who is saved or not, to actually having a live-extending effect on the pre-Christians in my life.

Have a great day seeing the amazing and powerful value of prayer.

Pastor Rich Carlson- Union College

We appreciate our Pastors!

“Remember your leaders who first taught you the word of God. Think of all the good that has come from their lives, and trust the Lord as they do.” Hebrews 13:7



During today’s service we will express our appreciation to each of our pastors with a small gift. If you would like to contribute to these gifts, please place your donation in a tithe envelope and mark it “Pastors.”

Soup Supper & Guitar Vespers



November 1 at 6pm

(continuing on 1st Sabbath of each month through Spring)

We will have supper, then finish off with a vespers sing-a-long to end Sabbath.

Bring:

- *Your favorite soup, breads, toppings, fresh fruits & veggies, etc.
- *Guitars and any other musical instruments
- *Your voice

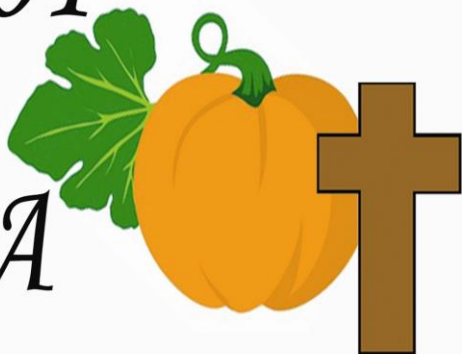
Sponsored by Piedmont’s Social Committee
Hosts: Darrell & Tammi Daniel
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Halloween alternative

Light up the Dark
 at Piedmont Park
 Seventh-day Adventist Church

CANDY Bouncy Houses!
 Bible Stories Family Fun!!
 Carnival Food
 (hotdogs, cotton candy, popcorn)
 Games & Prizes
 Bouncy Bouncy Bouncy
 Houses! **CANDY**
 & MORE

October 31
 4-8pm
 48th & A
 402-489-1344



October 25, 2014
 Pastor Appreciation Day

Prelude

Call to Worship
 "Whiter Than Snow" Hymn #318
 "I'm Pressing On the Upward Way" Hymn #625
 Song Leader: Adam Schwimmer

Prayer of Invitation Pastor Michael Halfhill

Music for Meditation "Morning Has Broken" & "I've Got the Joy, Joy, Joy"
 Miles Schaecher

Tithes and Offerings "Kansas-Nebraska Advance" Rich Jacobs

Gift From The Heart "Lord, What a Morning" Anna Hagaman

Welcome & Announcements Pastor Michael Halfhill

Pastor Appreciation Our Elders

Lamb's Offering for Pathfinders / Children's Story Sylvia Trotter

Song of Praise "How Deep the Father's Love for Us" Words on Screen
 Prayer Chorus "Spirit of the Living God" Words on Screen
 Song Leader: Adam Schwimmer

Church in Family Prayer Bill Fitts

Scripture Reading Matthew 18:32-35 Abigail Powell

Hearing God's Word "That's Ridiculous, God!" Pastor Michael Halfhill

Celebration in Song "At the Foot of the Cross" Jej Milanes
 Congregation please join on last chorus Words on Screen
 Pianist: Lisette Deemer

Prayer of Blessing Pastor Michael Halfhill

Postlude

Main Musician: Pianist-Darcy Pearcy Organist: Sandra Schwab

Church Calendar

Friday, October 24-6:25pm-Sundown-We welcome the Sabbath Day

Sabbath, October 25-6:25pm-We look forward to a blessed week

9:20am-Adult Sabbath School Song Service

9:30am-Child & Youth Sabbath School Program and Study

9:40am-Adult Lesson Study

10:50am-Hearing God's Word – Pastor Michael Halfhill “That's Ridiculous, God!”

4:00pm-Pedmont Pedalers p. 5

Wednesday, October 29

6:30pm Pathfinders Club, Adventurer, Eager Beavers and Little Lambs Clubs

7:00pm-Wednesday Evening Prayer Meeting

Thursday, October 30

7:00pm-Celebrate Recovery

Friday, October 31-6:35pm-Sundown-We welcome the Sabbath Day

4:00-8:00pm-Light Up the Dark at Piedmont Park p. 6

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10:50am-Hearing God's Word – Student Pastor Seth Gaskin

4:00pm-Pedmont Pedalers TBA

6:00pm-Soup Supper and Guitar Vespers

Sunday, November 2

Daylight Savings Time

Wednesday, November 5

6:30pm Pathfinders Club Meeting

Wednesday, November 12

6:30pm-Pathfinders, Adventurer, Eager Beaver and Little Lambs Club Meetings

Offering Calendar

10-25 Kansas-Nebraska Advance

11-01 Our Local Church Budget

Our Local Combined Church Budget

Our local church budget is \$8,403.82 in the hole as of 10-23-14. Our local combined church budget requires \$3,545.10 each week to fund our church's expenses and ministries.

Lambs Offering (Peru): \$89.22

Tithe & offerings may be donated online by going to www.piedmontparksda.org, then click on Online Giving. Treasurer-Evelyn Cornforth 402-484-3004 evcornf@gmail.com

Imagine

Imagine a church home where you didn't need to give offerings to fund missions, ministries, or that never-ending expenditure of church budget. Imagine precious stones just laying on top of the ground, streets made of gold, gates made of jewels... Imagine a place where you plant and harvest and nothing destroys. Imagine a place where you build and no one else inhabits what you have built. Imagine a place where work is fun, fulfilling, relaxing.

The song says, “I can only imagine what it will be like”...because our experience here on earth is one of constant need. We can only imagine because a new heaven and earth is not a reality we have ever experienced. We can only imagine because while here in the world where Satan still has influence, we are required to plan, to earn, to save, to give, to share, to pay attention to our church budget because we are in this life blessed to work and help.

4 One day this will all be healed, but for now, thank you, for funding the church budget.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today's Bulletin, the weekly Prayer and Praise & the Family Communiqué (extended announcements) are posted on the Piedmont Park website at www.piedmontparksda.org and click on Bulletin. And be sure to visit www.facebook.com/piedmontparksda for more!

The deacon for the day is Steve Soldatke. The elder for the day is Bill Fitts. They are happy to be of assistance to you or pray with you.

Today is Pastor Appreciation Day. We are blessed with two full time Pastors (Michael and Andy) at Piedmont Park and two past student Pastors who still help out at Piedmont Park when able (Russ and Ryan), and two current student Pastors (Seth and Chaz). Today we would like to thank them especially, as well as their Families, for their service to our membership and our community in the Lord Jesus Christ's name. If you would like to help with the cost of the gifts, place your love offering in a tithe envelope marked “Pastors”. Thank you. Questions? Renee Schaecher piedmontparksda@gmail.com

At Piedmont Park SDA Church we have carefully prayed, surveyed, and discussed our core values. We have found that as a church body the following values are the ones we feel make this church useful and unique in the Lord Jesus Christ's service.

- 1) A community of Believers with Warm fellowship, Preaching/Teaching & Christian Education.
- 2) Godly Servant Leadership
- 3) Passionate Evangelism to Reach Lost People
- 4) Well Mobilized Laity
- 5) Biblical Discipleship
- 6) Inspiring Worship
- 7) Strong Families

Today's special offering call is for Kansas-Nebraska Advance, and we want you to feel that the needs of our two state membership are very important. We also feel the need to bring to our member's attention that our church budget at Piedmont Park SDA church is over \$8,000.00 behind what we need to operate the local church from month to month. Every little extra bit or large bunch of funding that you can prayerfully give to stabilize the church budget at this time is greatly appreciated. Let's not leave it to just a few to carry the load. Thank you!

We are enjoying very favorable fall weather biking! We invite all Piedmont Park Pedalers, their friends, family and neighbors to meet at the Zoo at the north end of the parking lot at 4:00pm today. We will be enjoying the beauty of cycling up Antelope Creek to almost Hwy 2.

Please join us for a wonderful time enjoying God's creation and fellowship. Questions? Kent Thompson at 402-310-7700

Please stop by to welcome our new Union College president, Dr. Vinita Sauder and her husband, Greg. The church family is invited to a meet and greet reception today, October 25, from 4:30-6:30pm in the President's Dining Room of Union Market (please enter south door of Ortner Center). Light refreshments will be served.

Piedmont Park Church presents our fourth annual "Light Up the Dark" event - a fun & safe Halloween alternative for the entire family! On October 31 from 4-8pm our church & yard will be filled with things to do: bouncy houses, food, games, candy and Bible story themed rooms to walk through and learn about! This is a free event! We need volunteers to help this event be a success! If you would like to volunteer for this event, please contact Jeanette Halfhill. More information can be found at www.piedmontparksda.org – click on LUTD.

The Good Neighbor Community Center would like to thank all of the church members who supported the "Samples of the World" fundraising dinner. God blessed with great food and fellowship - and a little over \$15,000 was raised during the evening that will go to help serving the underprivileged in the Lincoln community. Doug Hardt at the Good Neighbor Community Center 402-840-8690.

The next Friday Night Vespers will be on November 14 at 7pm and will feature Beth Baker Schwimmer and Adam Schwimmer and friends. Plan now to join in this special way to begin the Sabbath. Questions: Vanessa Schaecher, ppvespers@gmail.com or 402-486-0629