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Eau Claire SDA Church News



Important Downloads and Links:

**** Check out the new website!! ****

- [Pictorial Directory](#)
- [Church Officers](#)
- [Sermon Podcasts](#)
- [Adventurer Schedule](#)
- [Pathfinder Schedule](#)
- [Bulletin](#): No Bulletin this Sabbath
- Click [here](#) for a printable version of the newsletter
- [Calendar](#)
- [First Sabbath of the Month Potluck Schedule](#)
- [Feeding America Schedule](#)

Communications:

- Text Alerts- Sign up by texting @eauc to 81010
- "Like" our [Facebook](#) page
- Email Communications: Suzi Hayes- gtpi4u02@hotmail.com

Church Calendar:



Mar 23 GriefShare meeting #3, 7- 8:30 pm

Mar 25 Prayer Meeting – COL 6, 7 pm (by online, Zoom)

Mar 30 GriefShare meeting #4, 7- 8:30 pm

April 1 Prayer Meeting – COL 7, 7 pm (by online, Zoom)

April 6 GriefShare meeting #5, 7- 8:30 pm

April 8 Prayer Meeting – COL 8, 7 pm (by online, Zoom)

April 10 Feeding America Distribution, 4-6 pm (tentative)

Pathfinders and Adventurers:



Pathfinders Next Meeting- **suspended until further notice**



Adventurers Next Meeting- **suspended until further notice**

Eau Claire SDA Elementary School News:



*The school is currently on spring break through Friday, March 20.

The school will follow the distance learning plan until at least April 3.

[Click here](#) for the news release



Safety and Security at the EC SDA Church:

As many of you know, our church has been making an effort to increase the safety and security of our church property. We appreciate all the support that's been received and want to let you know our plans for the future. We hope that you will choose to be involved as the Lord impresses you.

Currently we are raising funds to purchase and install a security camera system which will be used to monitor the buildings and property. In order to accomplish this, we will need approximately \$3000. Any funds received above and beyond will be used for additional equipment and training. Here are some examples: First Aid Equipment, AED batteries and electrode pads, communications, fire extinguisher inspections and updates, etc...

We are also excited to inform you that we are planning trainings on Situational Awareness, Verbal Deescalation, and CPR recertification to mention a few. The more we are aware of our personal safety, the safer our community and church family will be.

Please consider partnering with us as part of your planned giving. Currently you can make donations by marking your tithe envelopes Emergency Preparedness Fund. We hope to have online giving available soon.

Thank you for your ongoing support and involvement.

Respectfully,
Kevin Lehmann

***UPDATE:** We are just over half way to our goal for financing the security camera system!! Thank you!

Upcoming SS and Church Programs:



~ **March 21:**

Sabbath School- online by Zoom: Tom Shepherd, 9:30 am

Church- Pastor Ted Toms- "The True Measure of a Man"

***The church service sermon will be broadcast live on our church Facebook page on Friday night at 7:30pm. It will also be recorded and posted on our church Facebook page for viewing on Sabbath morning if you prefer. See below for instructions under Church and Community Announcements.**

~ **March 28:**

Sabbath School- online by Zoom, 9:30 am

Church- Tom Shepherd- "God's Amazing Plan for Marriage"

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Treasurer's Report: January 31, 2020



<u>Church Budget</u>	<u>Goal</u>	<u>Received</u>
Jan 31, 2020	\$5,500	\$4,525
	<u>Goal</u>	<u>Received</u>
Worthy Student Needs	\$6,700	\$3,653
Security Cameras	\$3,000	\$2,573
Renovation Pledges	\$37,000	\$38,920
Donations (includes pledges paid)		\$35,683.98

Current Balance

Feeding America	\$1,713
Care Fund	\$1,851

Sermon Podcast and Sermon Information: [Listen to Past Sermons](#)



Habakkuk 2:20 The LORD is in his holy temple let all the earth keep silence....

Zephaniah 1:7 Be silent before the LORD ...

To arrange for a special announcement during the service on Sabbath morning, please talk to the presiding elder before 10:45 am Sabbath morning.

Praises and Prayer Requests:



Nathan- Don Poole passed away; pray for his wife and two boys; thankful for friends as physician who has helped remove cancer from his face

Ida- Jane w/ tumors; Stramels were moved to a military base- so far no fevers; a patient shared getting our her Bible to read

Dee- brother in law and sister in law have cancer

Kevin- Travis Mahoney's family and his fellow firefighters; Aunt came home; mother, Shirley, made it to Nebraska

Annie- pray for all of the sick people

Miranda- Gerald starting a new job

Tammy- Nathaniel preaching with Pathfinders online

Kimberly- Feeding America went smoothly, they were able to serve 89 families; thankful for the micro food pantry here at church and those who have contributed food to it

Sheila- cousin, Wanda, cancer came back

Larry- visiting from PMC church- caulporter sales have been good

Aubrey- pray for students to have a smooth transition to learning from home; families struggling financially

Rob- moved tool boxes to transition to new job

Ellis- cancer meds came

Suzi- Ryan's birthday and the blessing he is to our family

Kyle- Shelley's sickness

“I love the Lord because he hears and answers my prayers. Because he bends down and listens, I will pray as long as I have breath.”

Philippians 4:6

Church and Community Announcements:



~ Eau Claire SDA Church ~

Coronavirus/COVID-19 Announcement:

[Click here](#) for the RESOURCE page from the Michigan Conference

Eau Claire Church Service Sermon Streaming:

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on Sabbath morning if you prefer.

Here are the instructions for the Live Feed from Facebook.

1) Go ahead of time to <https://www.facebook.com/eauclairesda/>

Eau Claire MI Seventh Day Adventist SDA Church - Home |
Facebook

Eau Claire MI Seventh Day Adventist SDA Church, Eau Claire, MI. 215 likes · 1 talking
about this · 316 were here. Religious Organization

www.facebook.com

2) If you haven't already please like page. Once you have done that click on Following and choose the option "See First" if you so desire.

3) Once you are on the page, please scroll down to the posts and the first one should be about the live feed at 7:30 pm tonight.

4) Be sure to click on the Reminder

5) Then come back tonight at 7:30 pm tonight or shortly thereafter and find the live feed where we will be broadcasting Pastor's Toms sermon.

Statement from the Michigan Conference of Seventh-day Adventists:

**Churches to Close Through March
Effective Immediately
March 19, 2020**

Dear Michigan Church Family,

Earlier this week on Tuesday, [we stated that churches could physically meet as long as the shared space had 50 or fewer members](#) in compliance with the corresponding state executive order. However, we are now asking that all churches close their doors through the month of March and have your members worship via live-stream ... in their homes. Out of a deep sense of duty and responsibility to our most vulnerable members and community, we urge all members to adhere to the [mitigation strategies recommended by the CDC](#) and [limit gatherings to 10 or fewer individuals](#).

We have also closed the conference office out of an abundance of caution. All office personnel will work remotely through the month of March and will be able to receive phone calls to the office. We are also working towards developing various ministry and outreach initiatives to reach our communities during this time.

Also, the Lay Advisory scheduled for Sunday, March 22 and the Michigan Conference Executive Committee scheduled for March 24 have been postponed. The tentative plan is for Lay Advisory to meet on April 5 and for the Executive Committee to meet on April 7 via ZOOM or teleconference.

We are living in unprecedented times, and now is the time to come together in spirit as a conference family for prayer and encouragement.

“Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus” (Philippians 4:6-7).

Michigan Conference of Seventh-day Adventists

5801 W Michigan Ave
Lansing, Michigan 48917
517-316-1500

Online Giving While the Church is Closed

- 1) Tithe and offerings can be returned online. Just click here: [Make a Donation](#)
 - 2) Or go to www.eauclairesda.com. On the homepage under **Online Giving**
 - 3) Or download the Adventist Giving app for your smart phone.
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Presenter Information: Please note the projector and rear LCD screen are both wide screen devices and have an optimal aspect ratio of 16 x 9. It is recommended that your slides be set to the 16:9 size. Otherwise, if you use the 4:3 size, there will be vertical bars to the left and right of your presentation. Here's instructions for how to change the aspect ratio (also called slide size) in [Microsoft PowerPoint](#) and in

[Apple Keynote.](#)"

Procedure for Lost and Found items: Items will be collected weekly and moved to the coat rack near the mail boxes in the church foyer. Please check this area frequently. At the end of each month the items will be donated to Neighbor to Neighbor.

Master Plan @ Eau Claire: [Click here](#) to see a copy of the Master Plan of phase 1.

Sabbath Morning Programs: (For now, until further notice, each Sabbath school leader will reach out to their respective Sabbath school class. Sabbath schools could occur online or in small group settings of 10 or less). Kindergarten and Primary Sabbath School Song Service and Mission Story will be held in the classrooms 9:30–10:00 a.m. Juniors, Earliteens, and Youth song service will meet in the Youth Room. All classes will start at 10 a.m.

Feeding America schedule is every 2nd Friday of the month. The next Feeding America distribution will be Friday, **April 10**, at the **Eau Claire Pipestone Fire Department** from 4-6 pm. Volunteers please show up at 3:30 or when you are able.

There are magazines in the foyer that you can take to use for yourself or for someone else. There will be a different type at least once a month. This month features hell.

Men's Ministry March Mastery of Meal Mobilization. (Post-poned or

canceled for now). Men, if thou wast not present last Sunday, thou didst miss a grand time. Pastor and Ben are great instructors and chefs. Redeem thyself! Come for our last scheduled class Sunday, March 29, 6-8 pm.

Seeking **GriefShare prayer warriors**: Please join with us in holding the group facilitators in prayer: Group Facilitators: Amanda, Mary, Shirley and Ida. Also to asking for healing from grief and for God's peace for those that will attend.

Sabbath School Mission Investment Projects: Columbia Union-Washington Adventist University Service Learning Project- help students bridge their academic studies and career pursuits with ministry and sharing the Gospel; **Southern Union- Florida Keys Mission Approach Program-** reach out to the residents on the Keys through high-end felt-needs health programs as a means to build relationships and bring them to Christ through a systemic evangelism program.

The Hour of Power – **(Held online by Zoom. Contact Dr. Shepherd if you'd like to join)**. Don't forget about our mid-week bread.... **Prayer Meeting!** Wednesdays from 7-8 p.m., we are studying a classic book on knowing Christ as our personal Savior, Steps to Christ. The format is simple – An opening song and prayer, sharing time and prayer with one another, then a Bible message based on the topic of the chapter for the night from Steps to Christ. Everyone will receive a free copy of Steps to Christ. We recommend bringing it along, but we will not read it in the Prayer Meeting. A one-hour meeting (start on time, end on

time) in the middle of the week to recharge your spiritual batteries. All are welcome, including young listeners!

~ **VBS**- save the date! VBS will be **June 8-13**: Paul's Missionary Journeys.

Personal Ministries: John 1:1-3- "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made."

~ There is literature in back on the table for you to pick up if you'd like. There are also glow tracts that you can hand out or put in the mail with your billing.

*You only need to save the Loma Linda labels starting with the UPC code 45561. We will get \$0.25 each for them.

~ **Local Community Announcements** ~

*The Passion Play has been **anceled!**

~ **Michigan Conference and beyond!** ~

[Click here](#) for RESOURCE page regarding COVID-19 and news releases

Canceled!! Women's Ministry Retreat: April 3-5; April 10-12; and
April 17-19

- Check out MI SDA Conference happenings:
<https://www.misda.org/>
- It is worth getting the MI SDA Conference newsletter:
<https://confirmsubscription.com/h/t/C3E6446A5CF1AA7F>



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