

# The Family Communique'

## Announcements

April 19, 2014

### Colossians 3:15-17

(The Message)

Let the peace of Christ keep you in tune with each other, in step with each other. None of this going off and doing your own thing. And cultivate thankfulness. Let the Word of Christ have the run of the house. Give it plenty of room in your lives. Instruct and direct one another using good common sense. And sing, sing your hearts out to God! Let every detail in your lives—words, actions, whatever—be done in the name of the Master, Jesus, thanking God the Father every step of the way.

### Piedmont Park

The quarterly communion love offering for those in need will be taken immediately following the worship service today as we leave the sanctuary. Thank you for helping & loving others!

**Increase Your Brain Health: Please join the Piedmont Pedalers and Piedmont Plodders today at 4:00pm at 27th & Hwy 2 behind Shopko on the bike trail.** HELMETS are required for bicyclers. Bring your water bottle. Exercise, Fresh air, God's Creation, and Good Fellowship. Questions? Kent Thompson [kentt@thompsonrealttygroup.com](mailto:kentt@thompsonrealttygroup.com)

**A History of Salvation through Drama and Live Music will take place at College View Church tonight at 7:30pm.** The program is one hour long and features actors, musicians, and artists from our Union College students. This will be a great opportunity to invite a friend to an enriching Easter-weekend experience

**Please join us Sabbath evening, April 26, as church families and friends share the struggles and victories of daily life living with children with challenged abilities.** Bring your favorite crock-pot meal to share at 5:00pm. Vespers service is at 6:30pm. Games and a movie at 8:00pm. Please bring a snack to share during movie time. Contact Melissa Young 402-646-2036

**WOMEN'S MINISTRIES  
SERVICE EVENT**  
at the Good Neighbor Community Center  
**APRIL 27 AT 10:00AM**

Serve.



**PLEASE HELP BY BRINGING  
THE FOLLOWING ITEMS TO  
THE CHURCH SO WE CAN TAKE  
THEM WITH US TO THE GNCC:**  
disposable diapers (sizes 3 & 5)  
shampoo, deodorant,  
disposable razors, toothpaste,  
toothbrushes, bar soap  
**A COLLECTION TABLE IS IN  
THE MAIN LOBBY.**

**CONTACT:**  
Carol Leonhardt - [caleonha@gmail.com](mailto:caleonha@gmail.com)

**Please note that the Lost and Found Cabinet will be cleaned and emptied May 1.** Please check the cabinet before then if you think you may have a lost item there. It is located by the Welcome Desk in the middle foyer. Questions? Renee Schaecher 402-489-1344 [piedmontparksda@gmail.com](mailto:piedmontparksda@gmail.com)

**Volunteers needed to staff Vacation Bible School 2014** - In the Wilderness with Moses and the Children of Israel. July 20-25, 6:30-8:30pm. Please see VBS display in Sabbath School wing hallway for staffing needs. Sign up online at [www.piedmontparksda.org](http://www.piedmontparksda.org). All volunteers will need to complete the online "Shield the Vulnerable" training. VBS Director: Charlene Hawkins 402-486-4413 or [charlene.hawkins68@gmail.com](mailto:charlene.hawkins68@gmail.com)

**As you are doing your spring cleaning this year, please remember some of these needs for VBS:** fabric of any kind (bed sheets, curtains, bedspreads, towels, wash cloths, blankets, shower curtains, tablecloths, sewing remnants, etc), t-shirts (especially white, but any color welcome-the larger the better), baskets, terra cotta pottery, small rugs, artificial greenery, braided or fabric belts, scarves, and spray bottles (empty & clean). These items can be brought to the Junior Sabbath School room. Thank you! Charlene Hawkins [charlene.hawkins68@gmail.com](mailto:charlene.hawkins68@gmail.com)

**Maria Johnson will be going on a medical mission trip to the Philippines.** If you would like to assist with her traveling expenses you can log into [www.piedmontparksda.org](http://www.piedmontparksda.org), click on online giving, click on another offering. Questions? Maria Johnson

**Our three year planning committee met this week to review our mission/vision statement, our core values as a church and our mission and ministry outreach plans.** We will continue meeting over the next few weeks to pray, review and clarify our church focus for worship, member nurture, discipleship, and outreach. We ask you to join us in prayer over the next few weeks. We invite God's Holy Spirit and pray He will give creative ideas and will guide decisions made. We will be sending a survey to the church at large over Survey Monkey asking you to help as a church body by giving your input on what you prayerfully choose as Piedmont Park SDA Church's core values. These are the values that we put our main focus on and consequently expend our resources of prayer, time, money, creative energy, and effort towards.

**The John and Jeanne Artz family is so thankful for all of the support they have received after their trailer fire.** Thank you to everyone who has given time, meals, money or items to help this family in their time of distress. As the Artz Family continues to work towards getting a new trailer and rebuilding their home, Piedmont Park Church has set up a donation account at Union Bank in Lincoln so that people can continue to donate to the family. If you would like to help, simply go to any Union Bank & Trust location in Lincoln and ask the teller to put your donation in the **Jeanne Artz Donation Account – Trailer Fire**. You can see a short video and read more about this at <http://www.1011now.com/home/headlines/LFR-Crews-Respond-to-Fire-at-Lincoln-Trailer-Park-250969471.html>

Our Faith for the Future Building Expansion had its Groundbreaking Ceremony last evening and will start construction next week!

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



"Let's keep the ball rolling.  
Please keep the expansion  
project in your giving plan."

Questions?  
Send an e-mail to Steve Duden  
at [steveduden@rocketmail.com](mailto:steveduden@rocketmail.com)

**www.faith4thefuture.com**

EOM, Inc. is excited to bring VOTA to Piedmont Park to give an acoustic concert next Sunday, April 27 at 7pm! VOTA is a Lincoln-based band whose members are passionate about sharing Jesus' love through music and through action. VOTA donated all of the proceeds from their latest album to help the mission of Tiny Hands International, and a representative from Tiny Hands will also be at the concert to share about this excellent organization. We invite you to come and enjoy an evening of music praising God and worshipping Him. The concert is free – please bring a can of food for the food bank! For more information contact Vanessa at [echoesofmercyupdate@yahoo.com](mailto:echoesofmercyupdate@yahoo.com) or 402-486-0629. You can listen to VOTA's song "Come to Me" by going to this link <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Xiss4UQ2M>

**VOTA**  
Live in Acoustic Concert!

**April 27**  
**7pm**

**FREE!**  
Please bring  
a can of food  
for the Food Bank

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Piedmont Park  
4801 A Street

A representative  
from **Tiny Hands  
International** will  
also be on site to  
share about this  
great organization!



## **YOU ALONE**

**By: VOTA (a Christian band)**

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KSpd5zkWh7w>

I've come to Your throne here so cold and alone  
I'm calling on Your name  
I lift my hands to the sky open wide and I cry, Lord, take me away  
take this heavy heart, this weary soul and set them free  
remove myself till there's nothing left but You alone in me

I'm letting go of all that I know  
I'm holding on to You alone  
I lay it all down, down here at Your feet  
I want You alone, You alone

If I go to the heavens above, Lord, I know You are there  
If I make my bed in the depths, Lord, I know You are there  
If I rise on the wings of the dawn or settle on the far side of the sea  
even still, Lord, I know You will, You will always be there with me

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### **Piedmont Park Karen Ministry**

**I am glad to let you know that the Karen ministry of Piedmont Church is moving on to a new level.**

For several months, or has it been a year already, that almost every last Sabbath afternoon of the month some Karen youth from Omaha headed by their very active lay man come to Lincoln and have a joint worship with our Karen members and friends. Usually the worship has been held/hosted in one of the Karen member of Piedmont in their own homes. More people come especially if the worship service is also for a Holiday such as Thanksgiving or birthday celebration for one of our members kids. It is almost a dual ministry as there are some non-SDA Karen that attend if there is a celebration involved. Most of the time the house/apartment is very crowded as the number congregation is ranging from 30 to more than 50 people in a tight place. Everyone sits on the hard floor, most of the time. Worship time usually lasts for more than an hour with all the singing and long prayers. It humbles me how comfortable our worship service at Piedmont with padded pews comparatively. We are moving forward to find a larger place for us to meet on every second and fourth Sabbath for the interim until our Piedmont expansion is complete and we can worship there. We thank Piedmont Park very much for their continued support of the Karen Ministry as a host church, as prayer partners, and for any financial support that is given into the Karen Congregation Fund. Sincerely, Your Karen SDA Brothers and Sisters

Piedmont Park Contact: Ferlie Gaskin [fegaskin@gmail.com](mailto:fegaskin@gmail.com)

### Our Sister Churches

**The Story of Redemption: A History of Salvation through Drama and Live Music will take place at College View Church tonight at 7:30pm.** The program is one hour long and features actors, musicians, and artists from our Union College students. This is a great opportunity to invite a friend to an enriching Easter-weekend experience. Contact: Pastor Michael Paradise [pastormichaelparadise@gmail.com](mailto:pastormichaelparadise@gmail.com)

### College View Academy

**Save Money by Registering Early!** It's not too early to enroll your child at CVA for the 2014-2015 school year! This year we are offering a **\$30 registration discount** to those of you who get all your registration forms filled out and turned in by June 1st. Contact Principal Brian Carlson at 402-483-1181 ext. 12 or [bcarlson@cvak12.org](mailto:bcarlson@cvak12.org) with any questions.

**College View Academy Senior Class Fund Raiser-Flowers for Sale. The senior class is having their last flower sale. The order deadline is May 2,** and the delivery date is May 9, starting at 1:00pm by the gazebo. Get order forms from the high school office or from any senior. For more details, please contact: Linda Conditt [lconditt@cvak12.org](mailto:lconditt@cvak12.org)

### Union College

**Please note that the annual Spring Concert featuring the large ensembles of the Union College Music Department will be in a new location for its 8:00pm Friday, April 25 concert:** The First United Methodist Church on St. Paul Avenue and 50<sup>th</sup> Street! This church is located north on 48<sup>th</sup> Street in the University Place area. Take 48<sup>th</sup> St. to St. Paul Avenue. (For most, that will be north on 48<sup>th</sup> St.) At St. Paul Avenue, turn east two blocks to the beautiful domed church, on the north side of the avenue. Its sanctuary platform has just been renovated and the acoustics are excellent. It seats 1400 in a main floor/balcony format so there is room for all. Featured on the program will be the UC Concert Band, the Chamber Orchestra, the Guitar Ensemble and the Unionaires and the Chamber Choir, The "Twelve." UC shuttle buses and vans will be available both before and after the concert, first leaving from the north side of the College View church for those on the UC campus needing transportation to and from the concert. Please come and support the Fine Arts Division as they try out a new acoustical space, reach out into the greater Lincoln community and share the music of beauty in this wild storm called life. **Again, that's Friday, April 25 at 8:00pm in the First United Methodist Church, St. Paul Avenue and 50 Street!**

**Good Neighbor Community Center International Club: Come experience the Nowruz (the Persian New Year) at the GNCC International Club meeting on Sunday, April 27 at 5:00pm in Heartland Hall at CVC.** Farida Ibrahim will present the Nowruz celebration and the culture and food of Afghanistan. Contact: Doug Hardt, M.Div., Director Union College Center for Interfaith Studies and Culture [dohardt@ucollege.edu](mailto:dohardt@ucollege.edu)

### Recipe: Avocado and Grapefruit Salad

Ingredients: Avocado Cubes, Pink Grapefruit Sections, Blackberries, Walnuts, Almond – Vanilla Yogurt, Drizzle of Honey

Directions: Combine avocado cubes with pink grapefruit segments, blackberries and walnuts in an individual decorative serving bowl. Spoon Almond Yogurt on top, drizzle with honey

Alternative Ingredients: Replace Blackberries with Fresh Blueberries, Use Agave Nector or Genuine Maple Syrup instead of Honey, Use Coconut Vanilla Yogurt instead of Almond Yogurt, Use Pecans instead of Walnuts