

## Generations in Ministry

Please join the **Piedmont Pedalers and Piedmont Plodders** today at 4:00pm. We are planning to meet at the North end of the Children's Zoo today, May 3 and again May 10. HELMETS are required for bicyclers. Bring your water bottle. Exercise, Fresh air, God's Creation, and Good Fellowship. If the wind is at 20 mph, we will cancel.

Last Sabbath we had a nice turnout to ride into the wind and then enjoy the Sunken Gardens. Several of the riders enjoyed stopping traffic on Capital Blvd to help a duck get her 12 ducklings from the Gardens across the blvd to Antelope Creek. We have a wonderful group of riders!

Questions? Kent Thompson [kentt@thompsonrealtygroup.com](mailto:kentt@thompsonrealtygroup.com)

## **Piedmont Pedalers & Piedmont Plodders**

\*Sponsored by Health Ministries



**TODAY at 4pm**  
Meet at the North end  
of the Children's Zoo

### *Piedmont Pedalers Info:*

- \*All riders must have a helmet and bicycle
- \*Riders of all ages & abilities welcome
- \*If winds exceed 12mph or it is raining, we will cancel

\*More info: Kent Thompson  
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## **Kids Against Hunger®**

Feeding families around the world...and around the corner.

### **Packing Event TOMORROW**

**May 4 from 1:30-3:30pm**

Please keep in mind the following ratios for adults/children: Children 5 - 9 need 1 adult for every 6 children; 10 - 14 need 1 adult for every 10 children

Each volunteer will bring \$10  
and give 2 hours of their time.

**Pre-registration required.**  
**Space is limited. Deadline to sign up is**  
**TODAY by 12:00pm by contacting**  
**Renee 402-580-1608 (text)**  
**or [piedmontparksda@gmail.com](mailto:piedmontparksda@gmail.com)**

**Packing Warehouse Location:**  
2316 Kimarra Court  
(south of Cornhusker on the west side of 27th street)

## Church Office Information

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(Please call, text or email the Administrative Staff for an appointment)

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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.

May 3, 2014

## Adult Bible Study Classes

Superintendent: Leon Hill

Pianist: Betty Hill Chorister: Beth Baker Schwimmer and Adam Schwimmer

- **Balcony Explorers:** practical problem-solving through sharing scripture and the 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, 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:** Christ's Object Lessons and The Quarterly - Room behind Piano. Virgil Carner and Leon Hill
- **Rediscovering our Roots:** "Education" by E.G. White. Fellowship hall. Russ Huggins & Ed Meelhuysen
- **Themes of Hope:** You are Invited and Welcome! 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. Malcolm Gaskin & Sandra Schwabb
- **Karen SDA Sabbath School Class:** Room Behind the Organ.
- **Young Adult Discussion Class:** Meets every 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sabbath. Pastor Andy's Office.

## Prayer and Praise

*We praise God for answered prayers and prayers that are being answered:*

Psalm 7:17 I will give thanks to the LORD because of his righteousness and will sing praise to the name of the Lord, Most High.

Psalm 16:7 I will praise the Lord, who counsels me; even at night my heart instructs me.

*We pray the prayer of intercession for:*

"Call unto me, and I will answer thee, and show thee great and mighty things, which thou knowest not." Jeremiah 33:3

June Biggerstaff, who for health reasons can no longer attend services  
Alan Wheeler who moved to his new home in California last Friday

We want to thank our church family and friends for lifting us up in prayer throughout Doug Sander's diagnosis of bile duct cancer in 2012. He passed quietly in his home, Tuesday, April 15. We were comforted by the flood of prayers, texts, gifts, food, phone calls, Facebook well wishes, cards, flowers, emails, and many much-needed hugs; there were many other thoughtful acts as well. The Carthage area

Hospice staff was amazing. Doug knew Jesus as his Saviour, and believed in the Ten Commandments. He went to his rest anticipating the second coming of our Lord.

Rich and Betty Jacobs and Chris Sanders

for the Sanders, Crawford, and Charmness families

## Message of Encouragement

"Be joyful always; Pray continually; give thanks in all circumstances, for THIS is the will of God for you in Christ Jesus." 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

Are you wondering about God's will? Well, here is it (at least in part!):

1. "Be joyful always." Joy is not the same as happy, giddy or silly; it's an inner sense of contentment and satisfaction that I am in good hands.
2. "Pray continually." This I can attain by not limiting my communications with God on my knees with my eyes closed and my hands folded and my first words being, "Our dear heavenly Father..." It an attitude of thinking, reflecting, and just talking to Him "as to a friend," as one favorite author defined it, at any and all times as needed or desired.
3. "In everything give thanks." Not necessarily be thankful for everything, but in everything give thanks, for multiple reasons:
  - a. Because it is good. Thank you Jesus
  - b. Because it might be good for someone else. Thank you Jesus
  - c. Because it might be good for me (like brussel sprouts!) Thank you Jesus
  - d. Because it might be good for Jesus and His bigger plan for His world.  
Thank you Jesus.

The evidence in my life, for me, is that as I follow this "will of God" life is much more focused, successful, and beneficial, for me and for others. I highly recommend it.

Have a great day within God's will! Pastor Rich Carlson-Union College








**If you have any questions** about Shield the Vulnerable or the need for background checks, please contact the Church Office at [piedmontparksda@gmail.com](mailto:piedmontparksda@gmail.com)



Adventist Risk Management, the Mid-America Union and the Kansas-Nebraska Conference have indicated that anyone who volunteers with children must have a background check. They have recommended Shield the Vulnerable.

The Piedmont Park Church Board has voted to use the service of Shield the Vulnerable to do this for our volunteers. We are asking ALL of our volunteers who have contact with our church's children to participate and have a background check.

The background check costs \$12. Piedmont Park will cover that cost. However, if you would like to make a donation for your background check to help the church cover the costs for this important program, you may place it in a Tithe Envelope and mark it "STV."

### It is easy to sign up. Just follow these steps:

- Go To:** [shieldthevulnerable.org](http://shieldthevulnerable.org) 
- Click >>** 
- First-Time Signup**  

  - >> 1. Pick **Seventh-day Adventist** from the dropdown list
  - >> 2. Select your **UNION**
  - >> 3. Select your **CONFERENCE**: if your Conference also trains Students, a "Select User" dropdown opens. Select "Adult".

*NOTE: If you cannot find your Union or Conference, STOP. Contact your administrator.*
- User Login Data** / **Affiliation** / **Summary/Confirm**  
**User/Login Data:** Fill in the requested information and create your login. Only one person can be named on the registration. It's important to provide a valid email address — if you have one.  
*NOTE: Please write down your ID and Password in case you need to log in again.*
- Affiliation Tab:** Here, you identify yourself as an employee (includes temp/contractor) or volunteer. Then identify which type of location (church, school, etc.) at which you work or volunteer. Finally, identify your position at the organization.
- Summary:** Review your registration information and if correct and you "Accept" the license, click the "Confirm Signup" button. It will take you to the **"My Courses"** page to start your training.
- My Course Page:** Click "Start" button to open the "required" course. You may take optional once you take the required course.  

- Background Screening:** Once you train, you may be required to do a background check. If so, you must electronically sign an authorization to permit the screening. If finger printing is required, arrange for it at a location near you. Your local administrator can help you.  


### Confidentiality:

The details of the report are kept on line and at the KS-NE Conference office in secure files, and only conference designated administrators of the Shield the Vulnerable site have access to the reports. At this point Don Stricker and Ron Carlson are the only ones authorized.

The conference will provide the church with a list of the people from the congregation that have completed the background check and notify the church if action needs to be taken. Then the conference will help the church process that action.

May 3, 2014

Prelude

Opening Songs

“We are Living, We are Dwelling” Hymn #617

“Glorious things of Thee are Spoken” Hymn #423

“The Judgment Has Set” Hymn #415

Song Leaders: Laura Daw, Amber Attarzadeh, Britaini Daw

Invocation

Professor Sylvester Case

Music for Meditation “In Christ Alone”

Mitch Hornung & Phillippe Siassia

Church In Family Prayer

Brian Wehling

Tithes and Offerings “Our Local Combined Church Budget”

Finance Chair: Carol Reese

**(All loose and unmarked offering will go for our local church budget)**

Welcome and Announcements

Pastor Michael Halfhill

Children’s Story “Lambs Offering-Peru” Pastor Michael Halfhill

Special Music “In The Night” Cale Prindle, Slade Lane,

Elliott Moseley & David Deemer

Scripture Reading “Revelation 14:6-7” Stanley Daw

Sabbath Message “The Judgment: Best News, Bar None”

Professor Sylvester Case

Closing Hymn “Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee” Words on Screen

Hymn #12

Song Leaders: Laura Daw, Amber Attarzadeh, Britaini Daw

Benediction

Professor Sylvester Case

Postlude

Pianist: Betty Hill

Organist: Sandra Schwab

### Church Calendar

**Friday, May 2-8:23pm Sundown-We welcome the Sabbath Day**

**Sabbath, May 3-8:23pm Sundown-We look forward to a blessed week**

9:20am-Adult Sabbath School Song Service

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

9:40am-Adult Lesson Study

10:50am-Sabbath Message – Sylvester Case-Union College

12:30pm-Please join in a Potluck Meal after worship service. Monetary love offering, assistance putting tables and chairs away and cleaning up is encouraged and appreciated.

4:00pm-Piedmont Pedalers and Piedmont Plodders...see back page

**Sunday, May 4**

1:30-3:30pm-Kids Against Hunger Packing Event...p.5

**Monday-May 5**

Take the Survey – Piedmont Park's Core Values Are? P. 5

**Tuesday, May 6**

7:00pm-3 Year Planning Committee Meeting

**Wednesday, May 7**

6:30pm-Pathfinder Club Meeting

7:00pm-Evening Prayer Meeting

**Friday, May 9-8:30pm Sundown-We welcome the Sabbath Day**

7:00pm-Friday Night Vespers p. 5

**Sabbath, May 10-8:30pm Sundown-We look forward to a blessed week**

9:20am-Adult Sabbath School Song Service

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

9:40am-Adult Lesson Study

10:50am-Sabbath Message – Pastor Michael Halfhill

12:30pm-There is no potluck/fellowship meal at Piedmont Park this week

4:00pm-Piedmont Pedalers and Piedmont Plodders...see back page

May 10 World Budget: ADRA-Disaster & Relief Famine

May 17 Our Local Combined Church Budget

#### **Our Local Combined Church Budget**

Our local combined church budget requires \$3,661 each week to fund our church's expenses and ministries. Our church budget is \$7,528.62 in the black this week through April 30

Tithe and offerings may be donated online by going to [www.piedmontparksda.org](http://www.piedmontparksda.org) under Online Giving.

\$146.09 was given for Lamb's offering/Pathfinders

Treasurer-Evelyn Cornforth 402-484-3004 [evcornf@gmail.com](mailto:evcornf@gmail.com)

#### **Today's offering is for Our Local Combined Church Budget**

Today is our day to give and receive a love offering to ourselves! Did you know that we are a mission field? And mission fields need money! It's true we have a few more amenities than some mission fields, yet we are indeed a light on a "corner" and a witness to our community. A strong lay witness begins at home. Here at our church home we practice the art of mutual submissiveness which is mutual respect and cooperation. Here we learn to operate out of "Christ-like Love." Here in small groups we get to know one another personally and in large groups we worship and praise God together. In ministry groups we plan and implement ideas and events to help "push back the darkness" in our community and the world. As we carry out the ministries that God has placed on our hearts with the intent of helping and loving people, God's children, we carry out God's mission in our locality, our mission field. Today, please give generously to further our mission at Piedmont Park Community SDA Church so that we can enlarge our facility, meet our bills, and 4 operate a strong nurture and outreach ministries for Christ. Thank you in advance!

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Today's Bulletin**, the weekly Prayer and Praise & the Family Communiqué (extended announcements) are posted on the Piedmont Park website. To see them, please go to [www.piedmontparksda.org](http://www.piedmontparksda.org) and click on Bulletin. The monthly Piedmont Birthday List is sent out via the Prayer and Praise email contact group at the beginning of each month.

**The deacon for the day is Mark Snyder. The elder for the day is Brian Wehling.** They are happy to be of assistance to you or to pray with you.

**Valeree Krueger, Building Expansion Chair, let us know that the church's gas line is going to be shut off this week.** We have put in a temporary water heater to help us have hot water for washing dishes. But we will not have heat in the building the next few Sabbaths. You may want to bring a jacket/sweater/lap blanket... just in case the temperature drops a little outside and the building is a little cool.

**Thank you to all who supplied personal care items for Good Neighbor Community Center.** Women's Ministries packed 36 family care kits plus some individual kits for women. To volunteer at GNCC anytime, contact Program Director Mary Kelly at [mary@gncclincoln.org](mailto:mary@gncclincoln.org).

**You are invited to a Kids Against Hunger Packing Event, tomorrow, May 4, 1:30-3:30pm. \$10.00 donation. 2316 Kimarra Court** - We are located South of Cornhusker on the west side of 27th Street (near State Fair Park Grounds). If you are south of Cornhusker, take 27th Street and turn left (west) at the end of the overpass (Theresa Street), make an immediate left onto the access road running parallel to 27th St. (going South). Take your first right onto Kimco and then take your first left onto Kimarra. You will see a Kids Against Hunger sign in the lawn in front of the warehouse. **Pre-registration required by 12pm today. Space is limited. Contact: Renee 402-580-1608 text or [piedmontparksda@gmail.com](mailto:piedmontparksda@gmail.com)**

**You are invited to come to Friday Night Vespers on May 9 at 7pm in the Sanctuary.** We will enjoy singing together and worshipping through inspirational stories. Invite your family & friends and come start the Sabbath hours together. Questions: Vanessa at [ppvespers@gmail.com](mailto:ppvespers@gmail.com) or 402-486-0629

**As the construction begins on our church building, our previous 3 Year Plan is ending. As a church following God's guidance we have accomplished many of the goals that we planned three years ago. Now it is time to work on a new plan for the future.** We would like to think about the core values of our Piedmont Park church. We need your thoughts about what our core values as a church are and what they should be. We encourage all ages from Earliteen on up to participate. Please take a few prayerful minutes to fill out this survey by clicking on the following link. The survey does not take long and will be very helpful in our ministry plans for the future. <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/F6WCQPT> From: Pastor Michael Halfhill

**Women's Recognition Sabbath is June 7. Women's Ministries is seeking nominations of women in our congregation whose service to home, church, and community** have been a blessing to others. Please take a moment to write that woman's name and the reason for your nomination on a card and place it in the special "Women's Recognition" box in the church foyer or email Carol Leonhardt at [caleonha@gmail.com](mailto:caleonha@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. 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! VBS Director: Charlene Hawkins 402-486-4413 or [charlene.hawkins68@gmail.com](mailto:charlene.hawkins68@gmail.com) 5