

# Sandpoint Adventist Church Information

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### Sandpoint Junior Academy (SJA)

**Principal**  
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## Calendar of Upcoming Events

**Sunset Today:** 3:53 pm

### Tuesday, Dec 22

11 am - 1 pm Agape Café – Fellowship Hall

### Wednesday, Dec 23

10 am Morning Church Bible Study – Youth Room  
6:30 pm Church Bible Study – Youth Room

### Friday, Dec 25

Merry Christmas!

### Sabbath, Dec 26

9:30 / 9:45 am Sing His Praises / Sabbath School Classes  
10:55 am Special Feature – Nick Mazariegos  
Offering – UCC Advance  
Speaker – Pastor Rodriguez  
12:30 pm Members Invite Guests Home for Lunch

**Sunset Next Friday:** 3:56 pm

**PRAYER MEETINGS** – Wednesdays. At 10:00 am we will be studying *Christ's Object Lessons* and at 6:30 pm *Desire of Ages*. Prayer meetings are held in the Youth Room. Please come and share your praises and prayer requests. Zoom option available for evening meeting. Contact the church office for details.

**December 19, 2020**

## Worship Service

**10:55 am**

|                            |   |                  |
|----------------------------|---|------------------|
| Special Feature            | Stewardship                                 | Lou Munilla      |
| Welcome & Sing His Praises |   | Praise Team      |
| Seek His Presence          | <i>Holy Spirit, Hear Us</i>                 | Prayer Song      |
| Bow Before Him             |   | Mike Jepson      |
| Celebrate Our Children     | Children's Story                            | Kurt Welser      |
| Express Our Thanks         | Local Church Budget                         | Mike Jepson      |
| Open His Word              | Matthew 2:1-4                               | Nick Mazariegos  |
| Special Music              | <i>Gesu Bambino</i>                         | Lydia C/Glorie B |
| Hear His Voice             |   | Pastor Rodriguez |
|                            | <i>When God Speaks – The Church Awakens</i> |                  |
| Respond to His Calling     |   | Hymn #130        |
|                            | <i>It Came upon a Midnight Clear</i>        |                  |
| Go With His Blessing       |   | Mike Jepson      |



## Thought for Today's Sermon

"None need feel that they are too busy to pray, too full of business cares to spend an occasional fifteen minutes to seek counsel from God. My brethren, make God your entire dependence. When you do otherwise, then it is time for a halt to be called. Stop right where you are and change the order of things. Pray first, before taking up the work of the day. Do not go through a dry form of words. Be polite, inviting the heavenly Guest to come in and take possession and to control every worker. In sincerity, in soul-hunger, cry after God." *Manuscript Releases Vol-10. P. 233.3*

## Mission Statement

We accept the ministry given to us by God: to bring the healing power of Jesus' love to people, and to provide a nurturing place to build a friendship with Him.

## Welcome

A heart felt welcome to our church family and guests on this beautiful Sabbath morning! May we all find in Christ our heart's desire, and in our song, our prayer, our listening and our fellowship, the transformation of His amazing grace.

## Serving You Today

|                    |                     |
|--------------------|---------------------|
| Elder              | Mike Jepson         |
| Deacon             | Jeremy Welsler      |
| Praise Team Leader | Cipriana Niculaescu |
| Pianist            | Chloe Issa          |
| Audio              | Drew I              |
| Graphics           | Iren Bojilov        |
| Live Stream        | Kadin I             |
| Greeters           | Jorgenson/Tucker    |

## Sabbath School

**9:30 am** Sabbath School Singing Time in the Sanctuary  
**9:45 am** Adult and Children's Classes

### Adult Classes

|                |               |                 |
|----------------|---------------|-----------------|
| Adult Class    | Sanctuary     | Mike Jepson     |
| Adult Class    | Balcony       | Bob Backman     |
| Young at Heart | Left Hallway  | Bill Wheeler    |
| Men's Class    | Right Hallway | Sorin Ispirescu |
| New Believers  | Right Hallway | Suzanne Quevedo |
| Women's Prayer | Back Hallway  | Barb L/Rhonda J |

### Children's Classes

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|--------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Earliteen/Youth    | Children's Wing | Lou M/Daniel B  |
| Junior (10-12)     | Children's Wing | Rhonda B/Paul M |
| Primary (7-9)      | Children's Wing | LeAnn B/Nikki P |
| Kindergarten (4-6) | Children's Wing | Stacy Brown     |
| Beginners (0-3)    | Children's Wing | Anita M/Lisa M  |

## Prayer Requests

Bob Foss (brother of Carol Minden) – return of kidney cancer  
Nick Ciocazan – please continue to pray for some underlying issues  
Carol Minden – pending treatment after MRI  
Skandunas family – the Lord to creatively work all things out for His glory  
Bob (brother of Trish Fields) – his salvation/advanced cancer tumor  
Traci Gisse! – Graft v. Host Disease – *dealing with side effects of high dose of steroid for GVHD*  
Joe Poncy – pancreatic cancer. AT 11:00 A.M. DAILY (wherever you are) you are invited to join with our church family in lifting the Poncy family up in special prayer.

**HEARTFELT THANK YOU** to all who support Agape Café. Your involvement is greatly appreciated! Total plates served: Nov. – 168, Dec – 101

**GO TO OUR WEBSITE:** sandpointadventist.org to sign up for the weekly newsletter and other church communications.

**PLEASE NOTE:** The deacons will usher the congregation out at the end of the service.

PRAYER REQUEST CARDS ARE LOCATED IN THE BACK OF THE PEWS.

## Announcements

**THE TEEN'S STUDY** will take a break from Wednesday meetings for a few weeks during the holidays. Study group will start back up on January 13th 2021! Please contact Nick with any questions 630-935-2042.

**YEAR END CONTRIBUTIONS:** Any tithes and offerings received OR postmarked December 31, 2020 will be counted as 2020 donations. If you are mailing your year-end contributions, please use the church address at PO Box 609, Sandpoint, ID 83864. Questions? Call the treasurer Rhonda Jepson at 255-6123.

**THANK YOU** to those who have given so generously to SJA this year! If you would still like to make a year-end donation to the school and get a tax receipt for 2020, please mail your check, postmarked by December 31<sup>st</sup>, to: Sandpoint Junior Academy, 2255 Pine St., Sandpoint, ID 83864. Thank you for your support of Christian education! Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

**SOCIAL COMMITTEE** is hosting a white elephant gift exchange in the fellowship hall Thursday, December 31st from 4pm to 7pm. Please bring your favorite appetizer/snack or Christmas cookies to share. Bring a gift (\$20 or less) for each person in your family who would like to participate in the gift exchange. We look forward to seeing you all there! If you have any questions you can contact Heidi @ (480)239-0635.

**EARLITEENS, YOUTH, and YOUNG ADULTS:** Tell your friends and bring your families for a New Year's Eve party filled with games, activities, ping-pong, prizes, snacks, root beer floats, fun, and fellowship starting at 8:00 pm and going til midnight to bring in the New Year! Meet in the Sandpoint SDA Church Fellowship Hall and bring your favorite group game and party snack to share! Hope to see you there!

**NEW SABBATH SCHOOL GROUP:** We will be starting a new Sabbath school class where we will be studying the book *Child Guidance*. All parents are welcome! We will be meeting in the fellowship hall during regular Sabbath school time starting January 9th. Contact Abbie Belgarde if you have any questions.

**DONATE YOUR ADVENTIST BOOKS FOR MISSIONS**  
Do you have a library of good quality Adventist books, collecting dust? This holiday season, White Horse Media is seeking donations of good quality Bibles, Adventist books (i.e. Spirit of Prophecy, children's books, Bible study subjects, true stories, family, child raising, healthy lifestyles, music, etc.), children's magazines (i.e. Little Friend, Primary Treasurer, Guide, Insight, etc.) or evangelistic in nature to send to Africa. If you would like to donate contact 208-448-4446 (Mon-Thurs 9am to 4:30pm).

**THE ABC** is pleased to present the new devotional books for 2021. They are offering a significant savings through January 31. Flyers available in the foyer.

## Stewardship Corner

| Church Budget | December 2020 | July - November 2020 |
|---------------|---------------|----------------------|
| Goal:         | \$ 11,191.67  | \$ 55,958.35         |
| Received:     | 10,064.14     | 58,295.69            |
| Needed:       | 1,127.53      | +2,337.34            |

**Several church families will be needing financial assistance with SJA tuition this school year. If you can help, please mark your tax deductible donation "SJA student aid". Thank you.**

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| <u>SJA Student Aid</u> |          |
| Goal:                  | 9,764.00 |
| Received:              | 1,197.51 |
| Needed:                | 8,566.49 |

**Reminder:** Loose offering goes for the offering of the day. Undesignated offering in envelopes will be considered Church Budget. **Online Giving** - [www.sandpointadventist.org](http://www.sandpointadventist.org).