

ROCKFORD SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH

SUPPORTING LIFE CHANGING
RELATIONSHIPS WITH GOD



WELCOME 09/12/20

WORSHIP SERVICE

9 & 11 AM

- Welcome & Announcements
- Opening Prayer
- Opening Hymn "To God Be the Glory" 1st & chorus #341
- Congregational Prayer
- Children's story (children please stay seated with parents)
- Scripture Reading // Hebrews 11:1-4

→ THE MESSAGE

WHAT IS FAITH? // PR. LEONARDO OLIVEIRA

- Closing Prayer/Offering (Local Church Budget)

SABBATH SCHOOL

2:30 PM

- **Children's and Young Adult Sabbath School** // meets in the Church Family Facebook.
 - **Adult Sabbath School** // English meets on Zoom & on Facebook. Please join Dan Schauff and participate in the discussion. Please check the Church Family Facebook page @RockfordSDAChurch. If you are on Facebook but haven't joined the closed group, please answer the questions and agree to the Code of Conduct. If you have a phone-- you can call in and participate in SS via Zoom. This does NOT require any internet or computer. Please call +1 312 626 6799 and you'll hear "Welcome to Zoom please type in meeting" ID 610 490 4483 #. Please wait to be connected to our SS group.
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

UPCOMING MEETINGS

10/01	6 PM	SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
09/28	6 PM	CHURCH BOARD MEETING

TODAY & WEEKLY EVENTS

TODAY

Welcome to our church!! The 11 am service is live streamed in zoom and on our church Facebook-Rockford Adventist Church. Pray that the Holy Spirit leads us in worship. You can find all the sermons on Facebook and the [church website](#).

ACS TEACHERS DEDICATION TODAY

- “Dear Heavenly Father, this Sabbath we are asking You as the Father, Son and Holy Spirit to be with our teachers in a very real and tangible way. We ask that each day our teachers are with students, whether in person or virtually, that Your love shine through them. Please send the Holy Spirit to strengthen their minds and preserve their health. Our dear students need our precious teachers as a Christian guide in their studies. We thank you God for hearing our prayer. Amen”.

TUESDAY EVENING

- Prayer Meeting will be held @ 7:30-8 PM via phone conference call 1(712)770-4079 . Please use meeting code 799621.

WEDNESDAY EVENING

- Please submit bulletin items to Kristine or Linda.

FAITHFULNESS IN GIVING

- Our church members' faithfulness in securing our near future is very important to our church and its mission.

09/19/2020 BAPTISM

- There will be a baptism at the 11 am service. Please pray for our new member.

CHURCH FUND BALANCES

- We have some funds that need help. Please give as the Spirit inspires you. You can mail tithes (checks only) to Dan Schauff 5000 Anne St., Sterling, IL 61081

SS Expense (F-201)	-11.60 as of 09/05
Children's Ministry (F-212)	255.24 as of 09/05
Academy Student Aid (F-365)	1,574.63 as of 09/05
Church Exp. Donations (F-708)	1,537.00 as of 09/05
Church Expense Fund (F-708)	-18,614.98 as of 09/05
Community Services (F-612)	328.56 as of 09/05
Building Fund (F-905)	29,161.40 as of 09/05

UPCOMING CONFERENCE DATES

- September 26: Convocation Sabbath. Bill Knott, Speaker
 - October 2: Prayer Focus Sabbath. 2 hour afternoon program
 - November 21: Thanksgiving Sabbath. Ron Aguilera, Speaker
 - December 12: Advent/2nd Coming of Jesus Focus Sabbath.
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PRAYER MATTERS

“So I say to you: Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives; he who seeks finds; and to him who knocks, the door will be opened.” Luke 11:9-10

Please pray for

- Our ACS teachers and students as they begin this school year under such stressful conditions. May the Holy Spirit be present and provide much guidance and comfort!
- All who are grieving loss.

CONNECT

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Welcome!

We have 2 English language worship services in our church and one in Karen. Please speak with an elder or the pastor if you'd like to attend a service. If you wish to speak with a member of the leadership team, please contact the pastor. He can share privately their contact information. Thank you!

If you are looking for someone to talk to, consider one of our leadership team members:

- **PASTOR LEO OLIVEIRA**
815-394-9480
- **EDNA BAPTIST, SHEPHERDESS**
- **KRAIG GROW, HEAD ELDER**
- **SALVADOR RUBIO, ELDER**
- **TERESA SMITH, ACS PRINCIPAL**
- **TIM SMITH, ELDER**
- **DANIEL SCHAUFF, TREASURER**
5000 Anne St., Sterling, IL 61081
- **KRISTINE SCHAUFF, CLERK**
clerk@rockfordadventistchurch.org
- **CHAUNCEY WRIGHT, ELDER**

Sunset 7:09

Sunset next Sabbath 6:57

MORE ANNOUNCEMENTS

HELP A STUDENT PAY SCHOOL TUITION "PARTNERING FOR ETERNITY"

- ACS students need to find a senior mentor who can consistently set aside one hour a week for the school year. There are many things you and a student can do together and still maintain social distance and stay safe. See

Roxann Garner for details on how you can help a young student earn money for tuition. Your time=Rich rewards!

PRAYER MATTERS continued

- All who are suffering from physical ailments including COVID-19.
- Our elderly members and at risk friends and members..
- The persons impacted by our Community Services.
- An outpouring of the Holy Spirit.
- The physical and spiritual health of our congregation.

If you have a matter for prayer, please contact Edna Baptist.

ALPINE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS

If you are a parent or student of ACS, please stay tuned to the Facebook group and the school website.

09/16/2020 DEADLINE --WEDNESDAY @ 3 PM

COUNTRY LIFE NATURAL FOOD ORDER

- Those who are interested in placing an order to be delivered to the church next week need to order online at www.clnf.org or by phone (800) 456-7694 and let them know you are with the Rockford SDA church co-op. One payment for the whole order will be made so please let Edna Baptist (815) 275-1594 know your order total. Thank you!

THANK YOU!

- Lavaughn Grow would like to thank everyone who has sent cards and prayers and made many phone calls during her convalescence. They are all much appreciated and she continues to regain her health.

DEVOTIONAL THOUGHTS FROM PASTOR

Courage in the Lord

For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind. [2 Timothy 1:7](#).

Gird on the armor of the Lord.... Opposition will come. Unbelief will be manifested by those who do not encourage faith and hope. When you cannot tell which way to turn, rest the whole matter with God. Encourage in your heart the faith that works by love and purifies the soul....

The Lord has a work for you somewhere, but wherever that field may be, do not make an incomplete work of your consecration. Strive earnestly to glorify God, who has given His only begotten Son to save you. When you teach the Word, keep to the affirmative, and let the melting mercy of the love of God into your heart, and the quickening influence of His Holy Spirit into your mind....

Be of good courage in the Lord.... Now is our time to pray and to believe and to do earnest work before the church, the means of higher education, and the agency of the Holy Spirit. That agency is truly for your life. Christ, the Chief Physician, has the only wisdom that can apply the unfailing remedy.

I am instructed by the Holy Spirit to say, "All who believe the truth are to be the Lord's messengers." As disciples they are to learn continually of Christ, how to lift up their thoughts, to enlarge their expectations, and to have the loftiest conceptions of His excellence and grace, that the endowment of His Holy Spirit may compensate for the loss of His personal presence. This the Saviour sought to impress on the minds of His disciples.

Let there be more earnest prayer in seeking the Lord. "Every one," said Christ, "that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth" ([Luke 11:10](#)). I am enjoined to urge upon every teacher of

the gospel the need of multiplying and enlarging their conceptions of what Christ will be to them in carrying responsibilities. Capabilities increase wonderfully under the Holy Spirit's power....

Will you seek the Lord most earnestly? Pray, pray as humble seekers. Do not put your ingenuity to work to prove that others are evil, but tell them in tenderness to probe deeply their own sinful hearts, and pray that the Lord will purge the soul temple of sins. Let each confess his own sins; then may he draw nigh with full assurance of faith.—[Letter 296, September 9, 1906](#), to O. A. Olsen, at the time secretary of the North American Foreign Department of the General Conference.

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