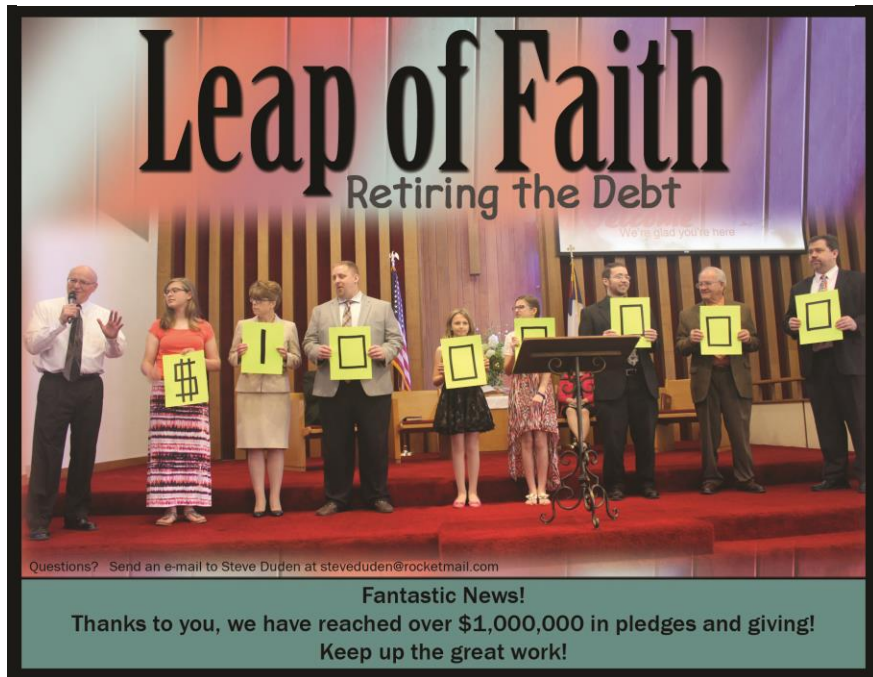


## Generations in Ministry

Vacation Bible School preparation is under way. All who are involved in ministry with children and youth need to complete the Shield the Vulnerable training and complete the Background Check. All who wish to help with Vacation Bible School in any way are requested to have this completed by July 1, 2016. This is a recommendation from the North American Division, Union, Conference and Local Church leaders. The fee is paid by the church. The certification is good for three years. If you have completed the training and background check at school or another church within the last three years, you can show copies of your certificate. For a pamphlet on why the church makes this request, a question and answer sheet & a how to sheet, please stop by the Welcome Desk. If you would like to use the computer at church, we have one in the workroom. If you are not sure if you need to take this training, the church office can help you figure that out. Thank you for your cooperation and support for the safety in our church.

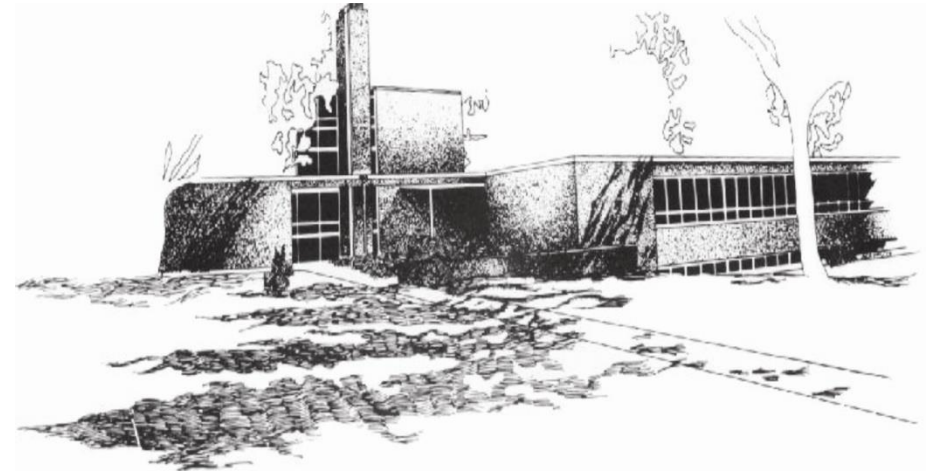
Church Office: [piedmontparksda@gmail.com](mailto:piedmontparksda@gmail.com) or 402-489-1344 leave a message



## 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.

### Contact Information

Kendra Carlson - Secretary

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YouTube: <a href="http://www.youtube.com/piedmontparkchurch">www.youtube.com/piedmontparkchurch</a>		

May 7, 2016

### Adult Bible Study Classes

Pre-Program: Leon Hill

Pianist: Betty Hill

Song Leaders: Beth Baker-Schimmer & Adam Schimmer

#### Sabbaths: 1, 2, 4 & 5

Singing/Prayer 9:15-9:25am; Missions 9:25-9:45am; Class Study 9:45-10:40am

#### Every 3<sup>rd</sup> Sabbath:

Singing/Prayer 9:15-9:25am; Class Study 9:25-10:25am; Mission 10:25-10:40am

**Hearers of the Word 2:** Right front of the Sanctuary. Hearing Assistance Available. Richard Cotter, Alice Mihulka, Teresa Thompson, Dr. Tom Toews.

**As the Spirit Leads:** Office E. Quarterly & Spirit of Prophecy. Virgil Carner & Leon Hill

**Searchers of the Word:** Back left side of the Sanctuary. The Bible, Quarterly and the Spirit of Prophecy. John Rhodes and Assistants

**Balcony Explorers:** Balcony. Practical problem-solving through sharing Scripture and the Church Quarterly. Bill Fitts and Assistants

**Malcolm/Schwab:** Conference room. The Quarterly. Malcom Gaskin & Sandra Schwab

**Matthew 11:28-30:** Multipurpose room #2. Bible study. Peter Adams, Kim Hazelton, Kirk Brown, Calvin Follett.

**Young Adult Class:** Multipurpose room #1. Breakfast at 9:30am, Bible Study at 10:00am. Collegiate Quarterly. David Deemer, Alexa Hazelton.

**Themes of Hope:** 9:30-10:40am South end fellowship hall. Church Quarterly. New members & visitors are welcome! Donald Williams. Scot Coppock, Jennifer Somers, Renee Schaecher, Manuela Coppock

**Karen SDA Class:** Room behind the organ. 9:30-10:35am

### Message of Encouragement

by Kendra Carlson

*The LORD, the LORD God, merciful and gracious, longsuffering, and abounding in goodness and truth, keeping mercy for thousands...*

*Exodus 34:6*

That's our God's character, and we were made in His image. We were made to be *patient*. *Keeping* mercy. *Abounding* in goodness. These characteristics imply a story that requires these attributes as it develops. Do I have patience for the story to play out?

Not usually. My self-improvement plan is pretty aggressive. I'd like to be done with some struggles. Why can't I learn lessons once and for all, instead of all this circling back? I kept asking the Holy Spirit to expedite this, until a wiser, older lady said to me, "Slow, gradual progress is real progress." Hmm...maybe the God who sees the scope of eternity has patience because he'll work with me on this *as long as it takes*.

What else am I insisting happens sooner than later? Marriage issues resolved? Letting the truth come out about a situation? People healing in their messy way? (As if there was a tidy option.) Letting myself learn as slowly as I do? So I'm surrendering my deadlines. The best things we do don't have deadlines. When will you stop loving the people God's blessed you with? Never. Calendar pages come and go, but our biggest and best goals never get crossed off. And you know what happens when you lay down your deadlines? Like magic, the pressure is gone and you're left with the gift of peace. *He'll never leave me or forsake me*. He's in this with me, no matter how long it takes.

### Thank You for Helping at the Work Bee!

#### Many Hands Made for Much Work Accomplished:

Carpet in north sacristy in place and cabinet covers the wiring  
Carpet repaired in south sacristy and doors mounted above the closet  
New thresholds under two wooden exterior doors (under walkway)

Dirt removed by front door where tree was removed  
About 45 lights replaced. Rooms are now really bright!

Stained ceiling tile in women's bathroom replaced

Light fixtures in bathrooms by the platform replaced

Signs in the parking lot installed

One center piece support repaired on a pew

Choir robes and miscellaneous stuff carried to storage area

Concrete blocks and left over red carpet carried to furnace room

Painted the south and north Sacristy

On two occasions assembled shelves for the storage room

Assembled three black shelves for the coat closet

Removed shed and all its contents from parking lot

Moved sound equipment to a new storage area

From: Robert Mastera, Head Deacon

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Support College View Academy** during Give to Lincoln Day on Thursday, May 26. Give anytime between now and 11:59pm on May 26 by visiting [www.cvak12.org](http://www.cvak12.org) and clicking the Give to Lincoln logo. Every dollar will be matched at some level by the Lincoln Community Foundation and help us carry out our mission to Learn, Love and Serve. Thank you!

**Eula Key would like to thank** the church family for their thoughts, prayers, flowers, visits and gifts. Everything was much appreciated.

**Union College Graduation services** will be held at College View Church. Baccalaureate, Saturday, May 7, at 12:00 noon-with speaker Elder Gray Thurber, MAUC President; Commencement, Sunday, May 8, at 11:00am-with speaker Lars Gustavsson, Chief Futurist at World Vision International.

**Senior Recitals & Showcase** – Union College music major, Enrique Quezada will be performing his Senior Clarinet Recital on Saturday, May 7 at 8pm the Engel Recital Hall at Union College. Union College music minor, AJ Valcin will be performing his Senior Piano Recital (Thirty minutes of jazz piano: with friends, for friends) on Sunday, May 8 at 3:30pm in Heartland Hall at College View Church.

**Welcome Wednesday open house** at College View Academy is May 11, from 9am to 6pm. CVA offers a Christ-centered environment and has an impressive academic track record. Learn what else makes us stand out while you enjoy refreshments, meet the principal and get entered to win one of five \$25 gift cards. We look forward to seeing you!

**George Stone 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation** will be on May 12 at 7pm in Woods Auditorium on the Union College Campus.

**Norman Finch passed away** Saturday, April 30. A celebration of Norm's life will be held Saturday, May 14, at 3pm at College View Church (4801 Prescott Ave). In lieu of flowers, condolences and contributions to the family memorial fund may be sent to: Brad Finch, 4005 South 30th Street, Lincoln, NE 68502

**Christian Beard** will be speaking about Special Olympics at the police department at 575 S. 10<sup>th</sup> Street at 12:30pm on May 17. You can call him for more information at 402-730-0031

Friday Night Vespers  
 May 13 at 7pm  
 in Piedmont's Sanctuary



You are invited to join with your church family as we welcome the Sabbath hours with music, Scripture and inspiration!  
 Questions? Vanessa at ppvespers@gmail.com or 402-486-0629



**Pathfinder  
 Investiture**

Celebrate another great year while we honor our club members' hard work & accomplishments.

May 14, 2016 at 1:30 pm

**May 7, 2016**

Prelude	"I Need Thee Every Hour"	Darcy Pearcy
Call to Worship	"King of Kings"	Adventurer Club
Welcome & Prayer of Invitation		Pastor Michael Halfhill
Gift from the Heart		The Builders
Tithe and Offering	Piedmont Church Budget	Jessie Campbell
Song of Gratitude	"This is the Day" "God is Good/He's Coming Soon"	Adventurer Club
Lamb's Offering		Peru Mission
Children's Story		Rebecca Kolb
Mother's Day Tribute		Carol Leonhardt
Announcements		Pastor Michael Halfhill
Scripture Reading	"Matthew 8:1-3" NKJV	McKayla Coppock
<i>Please stand &amp; join us in singing the songs of worship and prayer chorus</i>		
	Songs of Worship	
	"Father I Adore You"	Words on Screen
	"Sing Hallelujah/He's Coming Back"	Words on Screen
Prayer Chorus	"Whisper a Prayer"	Words on Screen
<i>Please kneel as you are able as we come to God in prayer</i>		
Church in Prayer		Elizabeth Coffman
Musical Interlude		Darcy Pearcy
Hearing God's Word	"Lessons from a Leper"	Pastor Caleb White
Song of Dedication	"In Christ Alone"	Words on Screen
Prayer of Blessing		Pastor Caleb White
Postlude	"On Jordan's Stormy Banks I Stand"	Darcy Pearcy

Song Leaders: The Adventurer Club  
 Church Musician: Darcy Pearcy

## Church Calendar

**Friday, May 6, 8:31pm-Sundown-We welcome the Sabbath Sabbath, May 7, 8:31pm-Sundown-We look forward to a blessed week**  
 9:15am-Adult Sabbath School Pre-Program (Details in Class Schedules Box)  
 9:30am-Adult Youth and Children's Sabbath Schools  
 10:50am-Hearing God's Word: Pastor Caleb White  
 12:30pm-There is no All Church Potluck "Bring & Share" Meal today

**Tuesday, May 10**  
 4:00pm-Lyrics deadline for worship service special music and worship songs

**Wednesday, May 11**  
 4:00pm-Bulletin deadline for announcements and worship service information  
 6:30pm-Pathfinders, Adventurers, Eager Beavers & Little Lambs Club Meetings  
 6:30pm-Prayer Meeting in the Conference Room

**Friday, May 13, 8:38pm-Sundown-We welcome the Sabbath day Sabbath, May 14, 8:38pm-Sundown-We look forward to a blessed week**  
 9:15am-Adult Sabbath School Pre-Program (Details in Class Schedules Box)  
 9:30am-Adult, Youth and Children's Sabbath Schools  
 10:50am-Hearing God's Word: Pastor Michael Halfhill  
 12:30pm-There is no All Church Potluck "Bring & Share" Meal today  
 1:30pm-Pathfinder Investiture

	<b>Tithes and Offering Report –</b>	
5-7	Piedmont Park Church Budget	
5-14	World Budget	
<p>Our Church Budget requires \$3,174.49 per week. The offering for 4-23 was \$1,666.25. The Church Budget is in arrears (\$7,664.18). Thank you for remembering your church's financial needs. You may donate online by going to <a href="http://www.piedmontparksda.org">www.piedmontparksda.org</a>, and choosing Online Giving.</p>		
Treasurer-Marsha Hansen	<a href="mailto:marshaanddiego@gmail.com">marshaanddiego@gmail.com</a>	402-432-0455

**Please remember your Tithe and your Love Offerings First**

**Then please help support our self-funded or partially funded ministries**

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| Deaconesses (Funeral Dinners)                                | Deaconesses (Baby Showers)              |
| Hospitality Ministry (Fellowship Meals)                      | Vacation Bible School                   |
| Access Ministry (Disabilities & Seniors)                     | Men's Ministry                          |
| Caring Heart Ministry (Shut In Members-DVDs, Cards, Postage) | Light Up The Dark                       |
| Elders (Pastor's Gifts)                                      | Music Fund (music, copyrights)          |
| Personal Ministries (Literature and Book Distribution)       | Pastor's Fund                           |
| Themes of Hope (Signs of the Times Box Ministry)             | Audio (Equipment, CDs)                  |
| Journey to Bethlehem/Live Nativity (Costumes/Props)          | Video (Equipment, DVDs)                 |
| Journey to the Cross/Easter (Costumes/Props)                 | Better Day Ministry (Benevolent Grants) |
| Church Upkeep, Maintenance and Improvements                  | Families With Special Needs Ministry    |
| Pathfinders & Adventurers, Eager Beavers, Little Lambs Clubs | Office Equipment                        |
| College View Academy Student Aid Scholarship Fund            | Kids/Youth Sabbath Schools              |
| Communications (copyrights, software)                        | Women's Ministry (Camps, Showers etc)   |

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**The Bulletin and overflow announcements are** posted each week on the Piedmont Park website at [www.piedmontparksda.org](http://www.piedmontparksda.org) and click on Bulletin. The printed Family Communiqué is available at the Welcome Desk. Be sure to visit [www.facebook.com/piedmontparksda](http://www.facebook.com/piedmontparksda) for more!

**The Elder for the day is Bill Fitts. The Deacon for the day is Robert Mastera.**

**You Are Invited** to attend the Union College Nurses' Dedication Service on Saturday, May 7 at 3pm in the College View Church sanctuary. Come join us as we celebrate our May 2016 nursing graduates. Reception to follow.

**You are invited** to attend the Union College Department of Education Teachers' Dedication on May 7, at 5pm in Woods Auditorium. Come join us as we celebrate our 2015-2016 education graduates and dedicate them to God and service.

**Spring Picnic at College View Academy** – The Home and School team invites you to join us for hotdogs, outdoor games, and a chance to socialize with friends on Monday, May 9. We'll start at 5:30pm near door number 8. The event is free, though donations will be gladly accepted. KFOR Summer Fun passes will be available for purchase.

**The next Friday Night Vespers will be on May 13 at 7pm in the Sanctuary.** The theme is "The Faithfulness of God" and the program will include musical pieces as well as testimonies. Plan now to join us as we welcome the Sabbath hours together!

Questions: Vanessa Schaecher, [ppvespers@gmail.com](mailto:ppvespers@gmail.com), 402-486-0629

**Whole In One:** The next outing of the Whole In One Golf Fellowship is Sunday, May 15, at 2pm at Holmes Golf Course. Four-person scramble. To register call Pastor Ray Daniel 402-805-4969, text 617-642-9778, or e-mail [redsoxpastor@aol.com](mailto:redsoxpastor@aol.com)

**CVA Graduation Events:** Consecration: Friday, May 20, 7:30pm at Piedmont Park Church. Baccalaureate: Sabbath, May 21, 12 noon at College View Church. Commencement: Sunday, May 22, 10am in the College View Academy gymnasium.

**Seth Gaskin and Mary Erickson** would like to invite you celebrate with them on their wedding day, June 26 at 3pm. The ceremony will be held at 1201 4<sup>th</sup> St. NE, Jamestown, ND 58401 and the reception will be at the Erickson Farm, 2325 68<sup>th</sup> Ave. SE, Buchanan, ND 58420. Please RSVP to 701-320-2685 or [maryandsethrsvp@gmail.com](mailto:maryandsethrsvp@gmail.com) by June 5.

**Financial aid** - now's the time to apply for church assistance with Christian education tuition. You can visit College View Academy's website at [www.cvak12.org](http://www.cvak12.org) and choose the Admissions tab. Contact Lori Harvey at 402-483-1181 if you have questions.

**Vacation Bible School is coming soon (July 17-21) and volunteers are needed!** Would you like to help with this fantastic outreach to children? We are currently looking for go-fers, constructors, painters, and crochet-ers for some on-going pre-VBS projects. To sign up go to [www.piedmontparksda.org](http://www.piedmontparksda.org) and click on VBS at the top left of the page. Then click on the link posted there. If you have any questions, please contact Charlene Hawkins at [charlene.hawkins68@gmail.com](mailto:charlene.hawkins68@gmail.com)

**Thunder in the Holy Land** If you've ordered and paid for your DVD's, you may sign out and pick them up at the Welcome Desk. If you'd like to order your own set, please sign up at the Welcome Desk. Each set is \$35.00, which you can put in a tithe envelope in the mail slot on the church office door or in the offering plate. <http://www.nadministerial.org/article/999/for-nad-pastors/articles/thunder-in-the-holy-land>. Questions? Pastor Michael Halfhill 402-318-1856

**Wildwood Lifestyle Center** is looking for missionary minded physicians, nurse practitioners or physician assistants who have a passion for lifestyle medicine. Medical practitioners need to have a valid USA license. Stipend provided. If you sense the Lord calling you to come and help us full or part-time, please contact Vaughan on 423-774-534 or [president@wildwoodhealth.org](mailto:president@wildwoodhealth.org)

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