

## A Warm Welcome – September 1, 2018

We pray that you are drawn closer to Jesus today.

### Church in Study 9:20 – 10:40 AM

Song Service		
Opening Prayers		Wendy Crump, Sharon Garcia
Opening Hymn	<i>Onward Christian Soldiers!</i>	Hymn # 612
Scripture		Karla Cox
Welcome		Ruth Cornwall
Prayer Session		Fitzroy Hunte, Evens Edouard
Mission Emphasis		Judy George-Williams
Lesson Study	10:00 to 10:35 am	Individual Classes
Superintendent Remarks		Nathaniel Grier
	Piano – Steve Howson	

### Today: In Mission & Fellowship

- **Faith for Family Committee Meeting** – 2:30 p.m.
- **Pathfinder Parents' Meeting** – Right after lunch. For info, see Jackie Anderson-Morgan.
- **Allentown Fair Outreach** – Each year we have a booth at the fair where we offer health and spiritual information and support. Open through Monday. Stop by our booth to say "hello."
- **Adventist Youth / AY** – 4:30 p.m. All ages are invited to come and be blessed.
- **Sabbath Morning Prayer Band** – 9-9:15 a.m. Prayer for Sabbath School & our church family.
- **Youth Prayer Group** – meeting immediately following the Divine Worship service.
- **Small Group Prayer Time** – meeting following the Divine Worship service, Pastor's study.
- **In Reach Study Group** – 2:30 p.m. in the Chapel with Evens Edouard.
- **Bible Study** – 3:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary with Fitzroy Hunte.

### Funding the Mission

- **Today's Offering Emphasis** – *Combined Budget*.
- **Plan Ahead – Next Week's Offering Emphasis** – *World Budget / Fall Mission Appeal*. It is no secret that our giving to missions has fallen off decidedly since the early days of our denomination. And that is a shame. It would be well if each of us were to take a renewed look at our own approach to mission giving. Rather than a dollar or two in the Sabbath School envelope, a more intentional approach would be to set aside a nice offering each month or week and include it along with our tithe and other offerings. This is a good time to have a new beginning with a generous offering for the Fall Mission Appeal.
- **Tithes & Offerings** – Any undesignated funds received during the worship service go toward our local budget. ALL TITHE is sent to the PA Conference. Our local church is supported only by giving to our church budget and our local ministries. The conference utilizes the tithe for support of ministers and evangelism in Pennsylvania and world beyond. See [iGiveSDA.org](http://iGiveSDA.org) for more info.
- **Giving Online** – Go to [AllentownSDA.org](http://AllentownSDA.org) & click on the link for Adventist Giving.
- **Air Conditioning Replacement Fund** – Please remember this need.
- **Pathfinder Oshkosh Camporee Fundraiser** – Please mark your envelope "Oshkosh."

### Sabbath Sunsets

Today – 7:35 p.m.      Next Friday – 7:24 p.m.

## Reverence My Sanctuary

- \* Please turn off cell phones – Refrain from eating in the Sanctuary
- \* Parents' Room available for restless babies and tots
- \* The last 3 rows are reserved for parents with children

### Church in Worship 10:50 AM

Prelude		Stephanie Reed
Welcome & Announcements		Nathaniel Grier
Praise Song Service		Jennifer John
*Call to Worship		Charles Nelson
*Invocation		Pastor Kevin Wilson
*Affirmation of Faith		Charles Nelson
*Hymn of Adoration	<i>I Sing the Mighty Power of God</i>	Hymn # 88
Congregational Prayer		Charles Nelson
Ministry Spotlight		
Gifts of Worship		Charles Nelson
*Offering Response	<i>Doxology</i>	Congregation
Passing the Torch	LVSDA Elementary School	Nathaniel Grier
Children's Offering		Collected by the Children
Children's Story		Bassain & Bassaine Newton
Scripture Reading	John 14:1-7	Wendy Crump
Message	<i>How to Stay Engaged</i>	Pastor Kevin Wilson
*Hymn of Dedication	<i>What a Friend We Have in Jesus</i>	Hymn # 499
*Prayer of Dedication		Pastor Kevin Wilson
Postlude		Stephanie Reed

\*Please Stand

### Monthly Bereavement Offering - will be received today as you exit the Sanctuary

**Guest Speaker – Kevin Wilson**, associate pastor of Oceanside SDA Church, San Diego, CA  
Pastor Wilson is a native of Sri Lanka. He graduated from Andrews University Seminary  
He is happily married to Elynn Rodriguez Wilson

Elder of the Day – Charles Nelson  
Worship Team Leader – Nathaniel Grier  
Deacon & Deaconess of the Day – Nathan Resendez, Elaine Josephs  
Welcome Team – Vickie Becan, Teddy Mendez

### Fellowship Meal

Please join us downstairs immediately following the worship service,  
for our weekly vegetarian Fellowship Meal.