# Welcome to Eastgate SDA Church! A message from Pastor Eric Sayler

This morning it felt like Christmas. My face tingled as I stepped out the front door and down the steps, my breath clouding my glasses in the crisp morning air. Winter has arrived! I happily scraped the thin layer of ice from my car's windows and glanced at the dusting of snow on the Blues. The neighbor's Christmas light decorations still glowed in the early morning dawn, and a Christmas song sang in my mind. I love this time of year.

All that said, this is a very "American" Christmas experience. Around the world the variety of celebrations by followers of Jesus are broad. But, no matter where we celebrate and what our traditions are, we all celebrate the same thing: That God so love the world that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life (Jn 3:16).

This Sabbath we are celebrating the truth that God became one of us, to show us His love and offer us eternal life. We will start with our Christmas Brunch at 9am. Feel free to bring your favorite breakfast food (please wear a mask and sanitize hands as you prepare it). Following brunch we will gather in the sanctuary at 11:15 for a celebration of Christ's birth. I hope you can join in!

As always we will stream the service on our YouTube channel.

Have a wonderful weekend and a restful Sabbath!

~Pastor Eric

Next Weekend: December 11, 2021: Pastor Eric Sayler ~ Special Christmas Program
December 18, 2021: Pastor Eric Sayler

## Week At A Glance

December 11, Sabbath:

9:00 – 10:45 Christmas Brunch in our Fellowship Hall

11:15am – 12:15pm Worship Service – Special Christmas Program with spoken word

and musical selections focusing on the Christmas Story

Sunset 4:08pm

December 12, Sunday 3:00pm Memorial Service ~ Jan LeRoy July 1947 ~ November 3, 2021

December 13, Monday 7:00am Hope Group on Zoom

December 14, Tuesday 6:30pm Church Board Meeting

December 15, Wednesday 6:30pm Prayer Meeting at the church this week December 16, Thursday: 7:00-8:15pm Youth Night @ Eastgate SDA

December 17, Friday Sunset ~ 4:09pm

December 18, Sabbath: 11:15am ~ Pastor Eric Sayler; Christmas Part 1

#### DECEMBER 11 ~ CHRISTMAS SCAVENGER HUNT; 5:00 - 6:30pm

"LET YOU LIGHT SHINE" is our next Saturday evening social! We gather in the parking lot and pick up a scavenger hunt list, hot drinks and enjoy an evening ride looking for Christmas lights and specific characters associated with the holiday over the years!

This is designed as a group-family activity. Go in small caravans or with friends! Make a game of who sees the most from the list!

Decorate your vehicle with as many Christmas decorations as possible!!!

## Eastgate SDA Church Service this Week

Worship Service 11:15am 12-11-2021 Link to Eastgate Church

Gathering Song Praise Team
Church Alive Dennis Reed
Children's Story Uncle D
String Ensemble Lauren Craig & Friends

"A Glimpse of Winter"

Retelling the Christmas Story

"It Was On a Starry Night"

**Primary Class** 

Mary and Angel

Luke 1:26-38 Melody Ezpeleta

"Mary Did You Know"

Stephanie Compston

Joseph and Angel

Matthew 1:18-25 Jonas Oltman

"Angels We Have Heard on High"

The Alford Ladies; Jenny, Nellie & Lily

Birth in Bethlehem

Luke 2: 1-7 Nancy Rogers

"Away in a Manger"

Kyle Bechtel, guitar and Liam Schultz, violin

"Little Drummer Boy"
Cinder Ionescu, vocal and Lily Ionescu, piano

Shepherds

Luke 2:8 – 20 Alisha Scholz

"Angel Band"

Beginners/Kindergarten

"What Child Is This?"
Linda Joice, flute and Dixie Cramer, piano

"The First Noel" Hymn 118

Congregational Sing Praise Team

Magi

Matthew 2:1 -11 Jake Jennings

"We Three Kings"

Jedidiah Gillham, violin and Julie Schultz, piano

"O Come, O Come Emmanuel"

Nellie & Elijah Alford

Congregational Sing Praise Team

"The Virgin Mary Had a Baby Boy"

"Joy to the World" Hymn 125

Prayer of Commitment Pastor Eric Sayler

Postlude Kevin Waite

Worship Team today

Lead Elder: Dennis Reed

Praise Team Leader: Kim Boyd & Friends

Pianist: Kevin Waite
Greeters: Jim Hall
Lead Deacon: Dwight Bartlett
Lead Deaconess: Anita Cunningham

AV Team: Kevin Renshaw and Dennis Anderson

Live Streaming: Brian Hartman

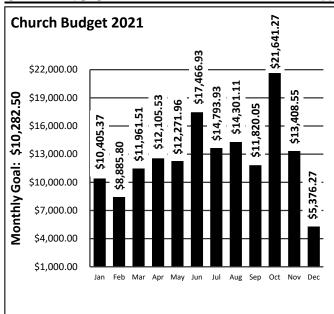
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 HVAC Up-grades
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#### OFFERING OF THE DAY





If your church disappeared today, would anyone other than the members even notice?

"Our neighbors are not merely our associates and special friends; they are not simply those who belong to our church, or who think as we do. Our neighbors are the whole human family"

(Ellen G. White, "The Role of the Church in the Community," Ellen White Notes, 3Q 2016).

Community Services is God's invitation to do amazing things with Him. Hard times come in all shapes, sizes, and colors, and Adventist Community Services is responding to individual needs, developing relationships, and committing to make a difference in people's lives.

ACS supports community outreach programs by funding development projects that make a major impact in your communities. A

washer/dryer serves thousands of homeless to bring dignity and value to their lives. A shelter provides protection and offers hope. A portable shower trailer prepares someone for a job interview. And so much more.

"I had just lost my son Christopher to cancer.... The church couldn't bring back my son to me, but what they did was they brought my life back to me."

"For even the Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give his life a ransom for many." Mark 10:45

By supporting ACS, you can make a lasting impact and know that your dollars are going to something that is making a difference in a life.

—Wynelle Stevens, assistant director, Adventist Community Services

## **Obituary and Memorial Service**

**PLEASE NOTE:** Jan LeRoy. July 1947 ~ November 3, 2021. The current plan is a Memorial Service at the Eastgate SDA Church, Sunday afternoon, December 12, 3:00pm

#### Maria Segraves: March 27, 1973 ~ December 4, 2021

Maria attended the Dayton SDA church with her parents, residents of Dayton, WA. This announcement is for long time members who may remember the family from years past when they attended here at Eastgate. We do not have any information regarding a memorial service at this time.

## Eastgate Church News & Events

## Face-to-Face Prayer Meeting to Gather weekly at the church Fellowship Room!

This group will be meeting every Wednesday. Questions? Please call Carol at 1-509-200-0587.

#### EASTGATE SDA WEBSITE! - https://www.eastgatesda.org

~ Sermon Archives ~ Bulletin Library ~ our weekly e-NewsLetter ~ Events Calendar ~ Offerings

## **EASTGATE SDA CHURCH ON YOUTUBE**

YouTube: Eastgate Church ~ Our Church Service is now being broadcast on YouTube at the following Link: <u>Eastgate Church</u> or type out the address shown below. We are looking for 100 subscribers! <a href="https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCpi0ESiTONVM7uw9dcRxUHO">https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCpi0ESiTONVM7uw9dcRxUHO</a>

## Tis the Season!

## **Christmas Caroling the Eastgate SDA Way!!!**

Saturday, December 18 those who would like to go Christmas Caroling the old fashion way will gather at the church at 3:30pm. We will carol our surrounding neighborhoods and return to the church at about 5:30pm for a Hot Soup and Bread Supper. Be sure and wear Festive Christmas Attire, lights and/or Holiday Sweaters! When everyone has had a chance to warm up and satisfy their hunger, they will be welcome to stay and help with the sorting and packing of Christmas Food Boxes for our local food insecure families. We hope volunteers will step forward to deliver these to the families in need on Sunday, December 19. Plan now to be a part of this!!!

#### **Christmas Food Boxes 2021**

*Christmas is fast approaching* and we are thinking of our local food insecure families, those who would benefit from something a little extra.

If you have someone you know, whether an individual or family, with whom we can share love this Christmas season, please let us know. Our deadline for receiving names is December 11.

Gifts and Gift Tree: If the family you are providing information for has children, please list their gender, their age and maybe an item they need or would appreciate as a gift. This Sabbath look for a Christmas Tree with Tags. These will give a child's gender and age and something they need or want. We can help with a gift for Christmas!!

On Saturday evening, December 18, following the group Christmas caroling, we will gather in the Fellowship hall to put these special boxes of love together. We are planning to have the boxes ready to deliver Sunday, December 19 and are looking for volunteers to participate in this.

Please have the gifts here no later than 6:30pm Saturday evening. December 18.

## **EASTGATE SDA ON FACEBOOK** Like and follow our page on FB!

https://www.facebook.com/Eastgate-SDA-Church-206126468203 Eastgate SDA Church

## School News & Children's Ministry Items

<u>Milton-Stateline Adventist School Eighth Grade Class:</u> We, the eighth-grade class at Milton-Stateline Adventist School, are collecting recyclable cans and bottles to raise funds for our eighth-grade trip and graduation. Please help us by dropping off your cans and bottles at the school. Thank you!

## Collegiate & Young Adults

#### **Sabbath Morning Bible Study**

This group is once again meeting in a Face-to-Face forum. Their current study is II Samuel as they study the life of David. To join this group and be in the know of how to meet, visit classroom 115 or call Josh Boram (541) 870-4661 or Mary Castrejon at (360) 349-7126.

## Men's Ministry

## Each Sabbath Morning: Every Man A Warrior; Helping Men Succeed in Life Please Meet Room 145 every Sabbath ~ 9:00 AM

Every Sabbath a group of Eastgate Men continue a special Sabbath Morning study group – yes, for men only. The *Every Man a Warrior* guide book. It is designed specifically to deal with the issues that men face and need to succeed in. It has been used with men of all ages from teens to men in their 70s. Toby Slater will lead in studying and share the role with others as they progress.

## Walla Walla Valley SDA News

#### **Christmas Holiday SDA Schools Events at:**

Walla Walla University (WWU) Music Dept. Concerts, Friday Dec. 10; 6:00pm and 8:00pm start times. University Church [See details below]

WWVA Christmas Concerts: December 11; 7:00pm at the WWVA Auditorium

RAS k-4<sup>th</sup> Grade Christmas Cantata: Dec. 15; 5:30pm – 6:30pm at the WWVA Auditorium

Milton-Stateline Adventist School (MSAS) Christmas Concerts: December 16; 6:30pm in the Milton SDA Church

#### Blue Mountain TV wants to share with you their broadcast schedule of Christmas Concerts

The Village Church Christmas concert "The Mystery and the Majesty" will broadcast on Blue Mountain Television at the following times, December 18 at 7 pm, December 21 at 5:30 pm, and December 24 at 5:30 pm.

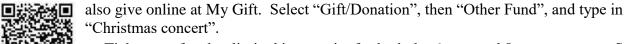
Blue Mountain Television will also broadcast the Walla Walla University Christmas program "O Come" at the following times, December 17 at 6 pm, December 23 at 5:30 pm, and December 25 at 7 pm. For a complete schedule of Blue Mountain Television's Christmas programming visit www.bmt.tv/christmas.

## Walla Walla University Department of Music

It is with special joy that we welcome you to this year's Christmas concert. It means so much to us to offer the gift of live music once again. Now that we can hold concerts, we say to everyone, "O Come, worship with us!" We hope that you will come and worship with us on Friday, December 10, 2021, at 6 p.m. or 8 p.m., at the Walla Walla University Church. Our invitation to you is an old one. The familiar Christmas carol, "O Come, All Ye Faithful" dates from about 1743. This carol echoes the ancient Biblical invitation,

"O come, let us sing unto the LORD" Psalm 95:1

The Christmas concert is our gift to you, enabled in parts by gifts from generous donors. While admission is free, a suggested donation of \$10 per person would be appreciated. If you would like to give, we invite you to make a donation at the door or send a check with "Christmas concert" in the memo line to: Walla Walla University, 204 S. College Avenue, College Place, WA 99324. You may



Tickets are free but limited in quantity for both the 6 p.m. and 8 p.m. concerts. Scan the QR code or visit O Come tickets to get your free ticket.

## Walla Walla Valley Community Events

**GERMAN CHRISTMAS SING-A-LONG,** Dec. 11, 10:00 am, Walla Walla University, Fine Arts Center room 115. Stille Nacht, Ubi Sunt Gaudia and more. *Please wear a mask.* We'll share treats in the lobby after singing. For more info contact Kurt Schäfer, 527-3116.

## Upper Columbia Conference of SDA News



## <u>David Jamieson Named President of Upper</u> <u>Columbia Conference</u>

After much prayer and waiting on the Lord, Pastor David Jamieson has accepted the call to serve as president of Upper Columbia Conference beginning in January. He will be joined by his wife, Shondra, who has supported him in ministry for 35 years. He is currently lead pastor of Church in the Valley, located in Langley, British Columbia, Canada, and has been serving there for just over 20 years. To learn more about the Jamiesons, visit news.uccsda.org/President1221

## **Administration Report Now Available**

The latest Administration Report highlighting topics discussed at our recent executive committee and how God continues to bless our conference is now available to view, download, print and share at news.uccsda.org/administration1221.

### **Sunset Calendars Now Available**

Sunset calendars for 2022 are now available online at <u>uccsda.org/stewardship</u>. The calendars are designed to easily print out if needed.

#### **Free Christmas Devotional for Kids**

<u>"Happy birthday, Jesus"</u> is a free, downloadable 25-day activity devotional for the entire family created by the North American Division's Children's Ministries department. This devotional guides readers through the first 25 days of December, while celebrating and remembering Jesus, the real reason for the season. It is currently available in English and Spanish, and will soon be available in French. To download, see news.uccsda.org/kidsdevotion1221.

#### **Contribute Using the Lowest Fees Possible**

AdventistGiving negotiates the lowest possible fees for online giving. These costs are shared by the local conference (70%), union conference (10%), North American Division (10%), and General Conference (10%). When donating, please consider using ACH (electronic check or savings) as your payment method to help keep costs to a minimum.

For your reference (1st quarter 2020 fees):

- ACH (electronic check or savings account) averaged 19 cents each
- Debit cards averaged 0.63% of the amount donated
- Credit cards averaged 2.18% of the amount donated

## Camp MiVoden Registration Now Open

Would you like to be in the great outdoors of the Inland Northwest and get to know Jesus and build a relationship with Him or strengthen your relationship with Him? We have an amazing program planned for next summer at Camp MiVoden. Our week schedule is going back to a 7 day week for our summer camps. Several of our camps are filling up, but we still have some space in our youth camps. Spaces will not last long in our Ultimate Camps. Please visit <a href="www.mivoden.com">www.mivoden.com</a> and register today for our 2022 summer camps. If you have any questions please email <a href="mailto:registration@mivoden.com">registration@mivoden.com</a>.

### November/December Issue of the Gleaner Available Online

Changes in culture can result in positive or negative shifts. The culture in our churches and communities will change for better or worse depending on our choice. Will we work to effect change that draws people closer to Christ or push them farther away? The choice is up to us. Read more in the November/December issue of the *Gleaner*, now available to read online at <a href="news.uccsda.org/NWAdventists1121">news.uccsda.org/NWAdventists1121</a>.

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## North American Division

**PRAY ONE MISSION** is a North American Division initiative calling us to focused prayer for people who need Jesus. Do you know of one or two such people? As you pray for these individuals, please consider sending them a subscription to *Signs of the Times*® at 800/545-2449. Prayer and the printed page are great teammates and proven soul winners. <a href="http://www.signstimes.com">http://www.signstimes.com</a>

MISSION 360° MAGAZINE Several publications, such as *Mission Post* and *Frontline* have merged and expanded to create a new official mission magazine of the Seventh-day Adventist church called Mission 360°. It will be published quarterly and you can sign up for an online version at <a href="https://www.Mission360Mag.org">www.Mission360Mag.org</a>

## **Special Request from the Primary Division!**

The Primary leaders are looking for individuals who are willing to sign up and come tell a mission story in their classroom! They are looking for a minimum of 12 mission stories which would be a minimum of one story a month. But, it there is interest and support, the more the merrier!! They are looking for additional volunteers so chat with the leaders to learn what their needs may be. Michelle Einig or Stefani Slater

## Prayer 7ime ~ Cherishing People ~ "Pray for one another."

We are inviting you to pray for members and friends of our church family each day. Please keep this in a place that will make it easy for you to remember to pray for one another.

"... we do not make requests of *You* because we are righteous, but because of *Your* great mercy. O Lord listen! O Lord forgive! O Lord hear and act!"

(Daniel 9:18 & 19. NIV)

#### **Anonymous:**

Do you have an anonymous prayer request? Please state it via email to the church office. We will share it here anonymously for the body to provide prayer support!

## **Requests: - What are your prayer requests?**

## Prayers for all of our Health Care providers in our fellowship that they may be protected from infection from COVID-19

Seth A., Evon A., Kristy B., Jen B., Rachel B., Cal B., Jamie C., Stephanie C., Jen D., Guy E., Heidi E., Rhonda E., Rod F., Debbie H., Daniel H., Dr. Gilly I., Tammy J., Susan M., Julie S., Toby S., Nancy R., Carolynn V., Sherry W.,

Mary C. – prayers for her mother.

Daniel H. – Prayers as he regains strength and endurance.

Dick Pyke – Mt. Hope Cemetery Sexton, is recovering from illness and can use our prayers. Prayers for our members who serve our community on either Fire or Police Departments Marilyn R. – has returned home after her fall. She enjoys visits from her church family Dan M. – appreciates your prayers for him.

Holly J. - Prayers as she continues the fight against cancer.

Asher P. – Special prayers as improvement takes place

Debbie P -prayers as it is harder to get around

Debbie S – continued health & strength

"D" Underwood – continues to be thankful for your continued prayers for her daughter & son Megan E.'s - continued prayers for her parents

Stan's friend Bruce K. - Prostate Cancer, prayers for healing

Tami J. – Continues to ask for your prayers as she struggles and praises for successes in Christ Anonymous – Thank you for praying for my son who has schizophrenia. He has gotten on medicine voluntarily, what a miracle! He is starting to get better. A concerned mother.

## **In Military Service - Continual Prayer for those serving**

Diane U. – Grandson in the Marines Paul D. – Army Reserves Evon A.'s daughter; Anna Harris ~ Navy Seth A. – Air Force Reserves

#### **Praises:**

What do you have on your heart that you would like to share as Praise to the Lord!?!?

## Job Network

Looking for a position? Looking to Hire? Please let us know so we can assist in getting the word out!

## **Job Opportunities in the Oregon Conference**

Looking for work in the Oregon Conference? Check the following for job postings: www.oregonconference.org/employment-home

#### **New Positions Open at UCC**

Upper Columbia Conference may have openings available. For more information and to apply see uccsda.org/jobs.

#### • Administrative Assistant, Trust (PT)

This position involves working closely with the Trust department and the corporation attorneys, assists customers on the phone and in person, and serves as a Notary Public. The position will handle asset activity with the Trust, create and maintain files for documents, and works with records in Trust software. For more information and to apply, see <a href="https://www.uccsda.org/jobs">uccsda.org/jobs</a>.

#### Walla Walla University is Hiring

Would you or someone you know like to join the WWU team? We are hiring in a variety of departments, including Academic Records, Facility Services, Information Technology, Nursing, Social Work, and others. You can see all available positions and apply at <a href="jobs.wallawalla.edu">jobs.wallawalla.edu</a>. Thanks for helping us spread the word!

#### Youth Recreation Manager at SonBridge

Coordinate youth recreation programs during the summer and after school for College Place by creating a safe, healthy, and fun environment. Use your passion for the wellbeing of children and youth to develop citizens who demonstrate collaboration, kindness, and resiliency. To learn more email <a href="mailto:search@sonbridge.org">search@sonbridge.org</a> or call 509-529-3100. This is a full-time position with benefits.

## Classified Ads, Services & Needs

Are you in a service industry? Would you like your church family to be aware of what services you can provide? Please consider placing an ad in this space. At this time, to place an advertisement here will not cost any money. It should only be basic text with no illustrations or photos. To add graphics may or may not be possible based on time and graphic software available. Thank you, Office Manager.

Submit your service ads to the following email address: office@eastgateadventist.church Weekly Deadline: Items must be received prior to 8:00am Wednesday mornings.

Thank you for your positive feedback and comments. Sincerely, Eastgate SDA Office Manager

#### **Need Electrical Work Done? Power Solutions Electric**

Casey Werner and Trent Fowler may be your solution to your electric wiring and repair projects. Contact Heidi or Tara at <a href="mailto:pselectric01@gmail.com">pselectric01@gmail.com</a> or 509-540-2656. It's always good to know your electrician!

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