

## Welcome to Eastgate SDA Church!

### A message from Pastor Eric Sayler

"Were you born in a barn?"

Am I the only one who's heard this? Probably not. Maybe you've asked your kids this question as they slurp their way through a spaghetti meal, maybe it was asked of you as a kid. The implication of the question is that those who were "born in a barn" are of low caste, humble beginning, and have little refinement and deserve little respect.

You probably know where I'm going with this.

This Sabbath we're exploring the Christmas story. We'll see how foreign dignitaries came to a small Judean town to visit a King who was born with the animals and laid in a feeding trough.

I hope you can join us as we gather for worship! Please bring along a mask to show love, care, and respect to each other. We have extras if you need one.

We'll also be streaming online on our [YouTube channel](#), check it out you can't come in person!

I pray that you experience rest and rejuvenation this Sabbath day.

~Pastor Eric

*Next Weekend: December 18, 2021: Pastor Eric Sayler*

*December 25, 2021: Pastor Eric Sayler*

### Week At A Glance

#### Sabbath, December 18

9:00am – 10:00	Every Man A Warrior; Men's Class
10:00am – 11:00am	Sabbath School Study
11:15am – 12:15pm	Pastor Eric Sayler
3:30pm	Christmas Caroling
5:00 +/-	Hot Soup Supper following Caroling
Following supper;	Food Box preparation

Sunday, December 19 Deliver Food Boxes and gifts

Monday, December 20 7:00am Hope Group on Zoom

6:30pm Feathers & Hares 4-H

Wednesday, December 22 Prayer Meeting Canceled until January 5

Thursday, December 23 Youth will not meet again on Thursdays until January 6

Friday, December 24 6:00 – 7:00pm Christmas Eve Vespers

Sabbath, December 11 11:15am – 12:15pm Pastor Eric Sayler

**DECEMBER 18 ~ Christmas CAROLING 3:30 - 5:00pm**

***DON'T FORGET THE CHANCE TO COME OUT AND GO CHRISTMAS CAROLING TO OUR NEIGHBORHOOD FRIENDS!!!***

**Eastgate SDA Church Service this Week**

**Worship Service**                      **11:15am**    **12-18-2021**                      **[Link to Facebook](#)**

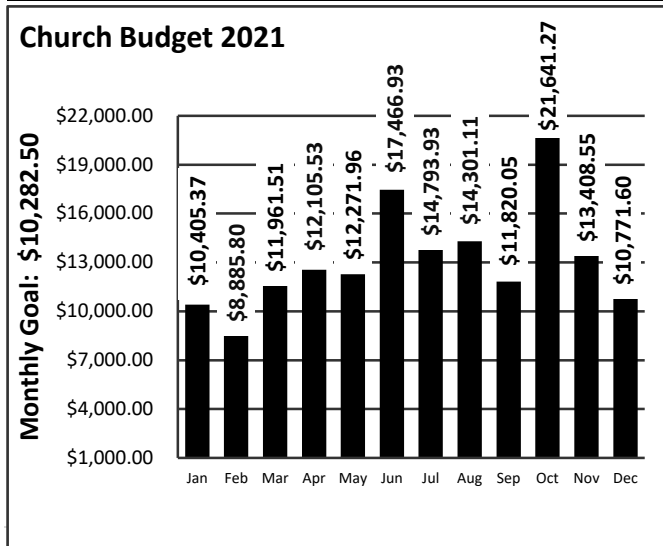
Gathering Song		Praise Team
Community Life		Carol Hargreaves
Kids Korner		
Children’s Story		Auntie Carol
Special Music	“Wooly Wooly Lamb”	Julia Bechtel
Songs of Praise & Worship		Praise Team
Prayer		Carol Hargreaves
Special Music	“ All Is Well”	Nellie Alford & Eli Stanciu, vocal duet
Profession of Faith		Kathy Trommald
God’s Word		<b>Pastor Eric Sayler</b>
Sermon Title:		<b>Image of God</b>
Scripture:		<b>Genesis 1:27</b>
Song of Response		Praise Team
Benediction		Carol Hargreaves

**Worship Team today**

Lead Elder:	Carol Hargreaves
Praise Team Leader:	Jimmy Schultz & Friends
Pianist:	Dixie Cramer
Greeters:	Les & Anita Cunningham
Lead Deacon:	Buz Flegel
Lead Deaconess:	Sharon Reed
AV Team:	Ryan Daniel & Bob Daniel
Live Streaming:	Brian Hartman

<b><u>Financial Report</u></b>	<b><u>RECEIVED</u></b>	<b><u>GOAL</u></b>	<b><u>NEED</u></b>
Student Aid goal for 2021-22	\$ 14,443.60	\$16,300.00	\$ 2,456.40
HVAC Up-grades	\$ 16,245.53	\$55,000.00	Phase 1, 2 &3

**OFFERING OF THE DAY**                      ~ **December 18, 2021** ~ **Local Church Budget**



The Lord called Joseph and Mary to the responsibility of raising the Messiah who would take away the sins of the world. They were poor. They had no resources. They didn’t know where their next journey would take them. But they trusted God. They knew God was guiding their lives one step at a time. God has a way of touching the hearts of people from all walks of life.

Soon after the birth of Christ, the magi arrived to worship Jesus. “They saw the young child with Mary his mother, and fell down, and worshipped him: and when they had opened

their treasures, they presented unto him gifts; gold, and frankincense and myrrh.” Matthew 2:11

These gifts were unexpected. The magi traveled far from foreign lands to bring their gifts and worship. Through these gifts, God provided the income Joseph and Mary needed to take care of the Child Jesus.

When we step forward in faith to fulfill the ministry to which God has called us, He opens the way before us.

Today, you can be that person who God touches to help others. You can help a child go to school. You can join with your brothers and sisters in the church to provide funds to reach your community. You can win souls for Christ.

When the church calls for support, you can hear God speaking to you. Open your heart and watch how our Lord uses you to touch lives for the growth of His kingdom

### *Eastgate Church News & Events*

#### **ALL CHURCH BUSINESS MEETING PLANNED FOR JANUARY 8, evening**

The church leaders are planning an evening business meeting for the second Saturday evening in the new year. We invite each and every one to come and hear how God has blessed in 2021 and plans for 2022. *Please save the DATE!!* Details on time will come by next week.

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

This group will be meeting every Wednesday. However, it will take a break until after New Years. 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: [Eastgate Church](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCpi0ESiTONVM7uw9dcRxUHQ) or type out the address shown below. We are looking for 100 subscribers! <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCpi0ESiTONVM7uw9dcRxUHQ>

#### **EASTGATE VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITIES**

We are taking on several projects in the coming year with which we could use come well skilled do it yourselfer types! We will list projects here in the coming weeks. Thank you for checking back!

### *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 Giving Tree**

*Remember to bring the gifts for the children of the families that we will be helping with food boxes. Please bring these no later than Saturday evening, 6:00pm. Thank you!*

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

**REMEMBER!** This Saturday evening, *Following Caroling*, all of the food that has been donated for food boxes will be sorted and prepared to be gifted to homes with food insecurity.

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*

**Milton-Stateline Adventist School Eighth Grade Class:** 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!

#### **Walla Walla University Department of Music**

We want to say “*Thank You*”, to all of you who accepted our invitation to come to the Christmas concert last Friday evening. We appreciate your support and we pray the music was a blessing to you!

For those of you who were not able to join us, we missed you! And we want to invite you to view the livestream and share it with friends and family this Christmas at: [O Come](#)

You may also find other concerts on the Department of Music webpage:

<http://wallawalla.edu/concert>

May you sense Emmanuel very close to you this holiday season. Merry Christmas! WWU Music

### *Collegiate & Young Adults*

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

This group is a vibrant collection of 20 – 40 ish believers who are currently studying 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.

### *Obituary*

#### **Bernice M. Wicks; August 29, 1930 ~ November 29, 2021**

Bernice passed away while living at Odd Fellows care facilities. She attended our church from 2015 – 2019 when ill health forced her to stay at home. She moved here from Montana. She is survived by 7 children and 10 grandchildren. Her daughter, Mary Stuber wanted us to share this information with her church family so they would know of her passing. No information regarding services was provided.

### *Walla Walla Valley SDA News*

#### **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](http://www.bmt.tv/christmas).

### **CHRISTMAS CONCERT RADIO SERIES**

Join us on KLRF 88.5 FM at 6:00 each evening this week, December 21-25, for a special series of Christmas concerts provided by LifeTalk Radio. Among others, special guests include Wintley Phipps, Jennifer LaMountain, Sandi Patty, Jaime Jorge, and Southern Adventist University.

## **Upper Columbia Conference of SDA News**



### **Prayers for Kentucky**

On December 10, 2021, Kentucky and five additional states were affected by what is being declared as the largest tornado in history. North American Division Adventist Community Services (NAD ACS) is assisting with purchasing supplies to assist with the relief efforts of ACS Disaster Response. To learn more about how to help those experiencing loss and displacement, please visit [news.uccsda.org/tornados1221](http://news.uccsda.org/tornados1221).

### **UCC Holiday Hours**

UCC will be closed for the holidays to allow employees to spend time with their families. Offices will be closed: • December 23 (Christmas) • December 27 (Christmas) • January 3 (New Year's Day)

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

*"Happy birthday, Jesus"* 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](http://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 [www.mivoden.com](http://www.mivoden.com) and register today for our 2022 summer camps. If you have any questions please email [registration@mivoden.com](mailto:registration@mivoden.com).



### **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 [news.uccsda.org/NWAdventists1121](http://news.uccsda.org/NWAdventists1121).

**READ THE LATEST NORTHWEST ADVENTIST NEWS** at [www.gleanernow.com](http://www.gleanernow.com) Subscribe to *GLEANERWEEKLY*, the Northwest's weekly eNewsletter, at <http://www.gleanerweekly.com>

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**Northwest Adventist:**      [connect.nwadventist.com](http://connect.nwadventist.com)

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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. <http://www.signstimes.com>

**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 [www.Mission360Mag.org](http://www.Mission360Mag.org)

### **Faith For Today and Lifestyl Magazine want who they are and how to find them!**

**Faith For Today** is a television ministry of the North America Division, committed to sharing God's grace with the world through broadcast media. That has been our vision since 1950, when **Faith For Today** launched its live inspirational television drama on ABC from New York City. That was more than 65 years ago and we are now one of the longest running religious television broadcast in the world!

We want your congregation to know about **Faith For Today**, producer of the show *Lifestyle Magazine* and where they can watch us.

*Lifestyle Magazine* is a half hour television talk show focused on living a full, healthy and balanced life. It is the second longest continually running show on the air after "Meet the Press." The show features panel discussions, interviews and demonstration segments focused on whole life health, including fitness, nutrition, relationships, outlook and more. This multiple award-winning show reaches a wide age demographic and covers a wide variety of topics. It was recently voted a Top 20 brand influencer for health & fitness on Twitter (above *Shape Magazine*, *GQ* and more) by analyst group Onalytica.

To find us check your local listings. However, if you have Dish or Direct TV we can be found on Folk and Hope Channel. To find broadcast times check out our website at: <https://lifestyle.org/>. For more information please call our office at (805) 955-7681.

### **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, if 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 Time ~ 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.,*

Jay M. – Prayers for health challenges

Connie R. – Facing another medical concern

Mary C. – prayers for her mother.

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.

Stan M. – Prayers for my family as we gather for Christmas together for the first time since the passing of our parents

**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!?!?*

Praises for each individual who took part in the Christmas Brunch and the Special Christmas Service that we were able to share on December 11, 2021!

Praises for family who have been a huge help over the last year and now live close enough for lots of positive family interaction! – Anonymous

## *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](http://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](http://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 [uccsda.org/jobs](http://uccsda.org/jobs).

### 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 [jobs.wallawalla.edu](http://jobs.wallawalla.edu). 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 [search@sonbridge.org](mailto:search@sonbridge.org) 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](mailto: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 [pselectric01@gmail.com](mailto:pselectric01@gmail.com) or 509-540-2656. It's always good to know your electrician!

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