

**December 17, 2016
9:15am**

Adult Sabbath School

Prelude Carol Kurtz
Pianist Judy Van Tassel
Song Leader Mary Boyd
Theme Song No. 616

"Soldiers of Christ, Arise" (3rd Verse)

Welcome Diane Wiley
Scripture & Prayer Eph. 3: 17-19 Mark Wiley
Theme Untold Blessings
Mission Story Carol Kurtz

Lesson Study Sanctuary Steve Shelton
Social Hall Doug Carlson
Classroom A Mark Wiley

**10:45am
Church at Worship**

Organist Eileen Johnston
Introit "The Lord is in His Holy Temple" No. 692

Invocation Pastor Van Bledsoe

Opening Hymn "Hark the Herald Angels Sing" No. 122

Prayer Requests and Praises Mark Wiley
Prayer Invitation No. 671
Prayer

Invitation to give our Christmas gifts to Christ Pastor Bledsoe

Lambs Offering
Children's Story Doug Carlson

"Our Savior's Birth" in Words and Music

Postlude

To Serve You

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Church Life

To Our Visitors — Thank you for sharing this day with us! If you would like to join our church family, complete the Guest Registration card found in the pew rack and place it in the offering.

Fellowship Lunch — Following the worship service in the Adventist Social Center (across the parking lot). Come and meet some new friends.

Christmas Story Vespers: 5pm this evening, join us for heart-warming stories and Christmas carols.

Christmas Party tonight following vespers. Everyone is invited to join in the fun, bring a gift for our gift exchange \$3 maximum.

Adventurers! Son Shine Band today. Leave after Lunch to meet in the lobby of Apache Junction Health care at 2pm. Call Sharon 602-448-9623. if you need a ride.

“**O Come, Emmanuel**”, Glendale Sanctuary Choir, today, 4pm & 7pm. See bulletin board for further information.

Terry and Debbie Darnall Farewell Party will be Sunday, December 18 from 2 - 5 pm in the Mesa Palms SDA Church.

Bags of Love: Monday, Dec. 19, 9am - 3pm. Bring something to share for lunch. This is the last time we will meet in 2016. Next meeting will be Jan. 9, 2017.

You are invited to the **Women's Ministry annual cookie exchange** Monday, December 19 at 12:30 in the Social Hall. We use this opportunity to share our cookies with those in the community we wish to acknowledge for their service.

The **Journey to Healthy Living** meeting will be held Monday December 19 at 7pm in the Social Hall. This is a follow up to our cooking class with Chef Mark Anthony Contact Nancy Andersen 480-254-1878 for more information. All are welcome.

Family Christmas Dinner, 1pm, Dec. 25, sign up in the foyer,

Singspiration will begin Fri., Dec 30 at 7pm with Denise and Larry Peloquin as hosts. The Kungels will host on Jan. 6.

Plan ahead for a special **New Years Prayer Vespers** on December 31 to pray in the new year.

Remember to join in prayer at 7am and 7pm each day for our Evangelistic meetings which start Jan. 27. Our Prayer Vigil starts the day before on Jan 26 Send in names for prayer.

If you would like to **donate** to help the **Jimenez family** with Candy's expenses go to the following website: www.youcaring.com/CandyKane-Jimenez.

The next **Religious Liberty Bible Study** will be Jan. 28.

New Carpet! The church sanctuary and adjoining hallways and classrooms will soon be getting new carpeting. We would appreciate your donations to help with this project.

Church Carpet Received: \$16,413.00

Still Needed: \$4,033.49

Holiday Food Drive: We are helping with the AJ Food Bank food drive for **Christmas**. Traditional non-perishable items are needed. Collection boxes will be in the Fellowship Hall as well as outside of the Juniors classroom. See Pamela Davis or Larry Peloquin if any questions. We are also collecting blankets and sleeping bags for the homeless.

See the Bulletin Board:

Meals of Love Request Cards and Participant Cards

CAAFAs flyers regarding Emergency Assistance

Apache Junction Food Bank information.

AZ Conf. Church Life for December

December “**Stewpot**”

Prayer Ministries - Please send prayer requests to ajprayerchain@gmail.com until further notice. Our prayer coordinator, Ro Pedersen is unable to manage the prayer requests at this time due to health issues.. Nancy Andersen will be filling in for her until further notice. Nancy Andersen 480-982-8149.

Prayer Requests - Complete the form located in the pew rack, to be collected during Family Time. If you have a request expressing a need for help from your church family, please provide a phone number.

Community Services: Your Community Services dept. is a year-round ministry here to serve the church and community. If you or someone you know is in need, contact Director Pamela Davis for assistance or Larry Peloquin. If you want to financially help, mark your tithe/offering envelope "Community Services".

Joyfully We Return to God

2016 Church Budget Report:

Our AJ Church and school are totally dependent on your kind, liberal, and consistent financial support. Thank you for honoring God in giving to our church budget which pays for maintenance of our facilities, utilities, supplies, etc.

Apache Junction SDA Church 2016 Local Church Budget \$72,000.00		
Monthly Budget	Dec. Received	Still Needed Dec.
\$6,000.00	\$2,509.01	\$3,490.99

Adobe Adventist Christian School School Year Budget \$72,000.00		
Monthly Budget	Dec. Received	Still Needed Dec.
\$6,000.00	\$1,539.84	\$4,460.16

Would you like to make an eternal difference in the life of a child? — Consider making a donation to the Adobe Adventist Christian School Worthy Student Fund. You can mark your tithe envelope accordingly, or call Steve Shelton for details at 480-986-2310.

Online Giving — <http://apachejunction.adventistfaith.org> and click on the ONLINE GIVING link.

Sermons are available on DVD by talking to Bob or Norm at the sound booth.

Church Bulletin Information — Deadline is 9:00pm. Wednesday. E-mail to ajchurchbulletin@gmail.com or call Judy at 480-459-1633.

Sabbath Rest — Continues until 5:23pm tonight. Next Sabbath's welcome is Friday at 5:26pm.