

**December 24, 2016
9:15am**

Adult Sabbath School

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

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

Welcome Katie Knight
Scripture & Prayer Luke 2:10-11 Percy Knight
Theme "The Greatest Love of All"
Mission Story Screen

Lesson Study Sanctuary David Jimenez
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
Scripture Matt: 1:20-21

Prayer Requests and Praises Doug Carlson
Prayer Invitation No. 671
Prayer

Invitation to give our Christmas gifts to Christ Pastor Bledsoe

Lambs Offering
Children's Story Denise Peloquin

Special Music "What Child is This?" Judy Van Tassel

Sermon "Your Gift" Pastor Van Bledsoe

Closing Song "O Come. All Ye Faithful" 132

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.

Vespers 5pm tonight - join us for a special Christmas Eve vespers full of song and praise as we rejoice in the gift of our blessed Savior during this season. Finger foods and games afterwards.

Family Christmas Dinner, 1pm, tomorrow. If you would like to come but haven't signed up, please let Katie know.

Friday evening Singspirations will begin next Friday, Dec 30 at 7pm with Denise and Larry Peloquin as hosts. Come join in an hour of singing and praise. Bring a friend!. Lenhardt and Darlene Kungel will host on Jan. 6, Ed Bacon on Jan.13, and Vivian Dobbin on Jan. 20.

Vespers 5pm December 31st - plan to join us for a prayer vespers to give thanks for our journey this past year and pray in the New Year as a church family.

Bags of Love: Monday, January 9, 9am-3pm, will be our next work session. We have given 383 Bags of Love away in 2016. Thanks to everyone who has helped or made donations of items for the bags or with money. We continue to welcome any donations.

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.

Religious Liberty Bible Study will resume Jan. 28.

New Carpet! Are you enjoying our new carpeting? We would appreciate your donations to help with this project.
Church Carpet Received: \$17,086.00
Still Needed: \$3,060.49.

Community Services: Our Holiday food drive is now finished and was a huge success. Thank you for your support of the AJ Food Bank. We are still collecting blankets and sleeping bags for the homeless this winter. Drop off at the Juniors classroom.

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 January
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	\$3,675.97	\$2,324.03

Adobe Adventist Christian School School Year Budget \$72,000.00		
Monthly Budget	Dec. Received	Still Needed Dec.
\$6,000.00	\$1,584.84	\$4,415.16

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 5:26pm tonight. Next Sabbath's welcome is Friday at 5:30pm.