

News from the Pastor's Desk

Adventist Theological Academy – Have you ever wished you were more comfortable answering your friend's tough Bible questions? Do you want to find ways to relate the Scriptures to everyday people in a modern world? The Adventist Theological Society wants to help. They have launched the Adventist Theological Academy, which provides online videos addressing a variety of biblical topics from some of Adventism's leading theologians. Visit atsacademy.org to learn more.

Funding the Mission – Rockwood Adventist is making a life changing impact in our community and the world thanks to those of you who are faithfully investing your time, talents, and treasures in our mission to grow disciples and prepare people to meet Jesus. Through community nutrition programs, food distribution, Adventist education, member development activities, mentoring, equipping and proclaiming the gospel we are making an eternal difference. Thank you for your ongoing support. The financial investment needed to operate our church in Rockwood will exceed \$123,000 in 2015. As of November 28th you have invested over \$107,870, which means we only need \$14,949 to finish this year with a balanced budget. Please prayerfully consider what God would have you contribute this month. Together we can put Rockwood in a position to do even greater things for the Kingdom of Heaven in 2016. Together as we invest in our Church Budget we can fund the mission God has given us. Help us fulfill God's dreams by giving through our offering envelopes or online at RockwoodAdventist.com/onlinegiving. Let's end 2015 financially strong.

Thank You for Raising the Roof – We have raised \$35,333 toward our goal of \$91,000 for our Capital Improvement and Roof replacement campaign. This puts us at nearly 39% and your continued contributions to the Capital Improvement Fund will keep raising the roof at Rockwood!

Week at a Glance

Today	Choir Potluck & Rehearsal	12:30 pm
	Virginia Laws Memorial Service	3:00 pm
	Sunset-Farewell to Sabbath	4:28 pm
Sunday	Pathfinders	6:00 pm
Monday	PACS COW, 124 NE 181 st	4:00-6:00 pm
Tuesday	Tuesday Morning Bible Study	11:30 am
Wednesday	Bulletin Information Deadline	3:00 pm
	Prayer Power Group	7:00 pm
Friday	Sunset-Welcome the Sabbath	4:27 pm
	Rockwood Choir at Follow the Star	6:10 pm
Next Sabbath:	Christmas Breakfast	9:30 am
	Annual Christmas Program	10:30 am
	Offering: Church Budget	
	Sunset-Farewell to Sabbath	4:27 pm

Do You Have An Urgent Prayer Request? To start the prayer chain please call the church office (503) 661-4100.

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Growing Disciples
Preparing People to Meet Jesus

December 5, 2015



Exploring the Way

Small Groups

9:30 A.M. to 10:45 A.M.

Please visit our information desk in the lobby for a complete list of Sabbath School Groups. We invite you to join the group of your choice. We have groups for ALL ages!

Worship

11:00 A.M. to 12:15 P.M

Welcome	Pastor Gene
Praise Time	The Praise Team
Children's Story	Pastor Gene
Our Gift to God	"Church Budget" Everyone
Offertory	Brent Sumaraga
Worship in Song	Choir
	"Sing a Joyful Hallelujah!" "They'll Be Joy on That Morning"
Worship in Word	Pastor Gene
	"Christmas Courage Part 1: Examine the Evidence"
Closing Song	"Standing Strong"
Prayer Garden	Michel Fullard-Leo
Postlude	Brent Sumaraga

Audio Recordings of our weekly Bible Teachings are available online or through our media library located in the lobby.

Rockwood Community News

Christmas for J.O.I.N. Families - See Emiley Kelley in the lobby after church and pick up a Christmas gift request for one of our J.O.I.N. families. These are families that have just gotten into housing after being homeless.

Memorial Service for Virginia Laws (Judy Kramer's Mother), at 3:00 pm today in the Youth Chapel.

Caring Card - Please stop at the lobby desk and sign the card for **Arnie Schnell**. His brother passed away on Thanksgiving day.

PACS COW (Commodities on Wheels) will be at 124 NE 181st on Monday, December 7, from 4:00 to 6:00 pm. If you, or someone you know, needs food assistance, please come.

Christmas Choir - We appreciate our Choir singing for the service this morning! There will be a choir potluck and rehearsal after church this morning. Our Choir will be singing at "Follow the Star" in Gladstone on Friday evening, December 11, from 6:10 to 6:40 pm, and for the Rockwood Christmas program on December 12.

Today is the Deadline for Thanks & Memorials - Please check your bulletin inserts. This is how we fund our Christmas Decorations each year. If you would like to help, please fill out your form, along with the appropriate contributions, and submit it today. Thank you! Please mark your tithe envelopes "Thanks & Memorials."

Our Annual Christmas Program starts next Sabbath, December 12, with a hot breakfast served from 9:30 to 10:15 am. We ask that those whose last names start with A-L bring Christmas breads, and M-Z bring fruit trays. **Both should be TABLE READY**, with no cleaning, slicing or other prep in the kitchen that morning. The Christmas program starts at 10:30 am. There will be no Sabbath-school classes on December 12.

The Christmas Card Box is in the lobby and will be there through the second Sabbath in January 9, 2016. You may place your cards for other attendees in alphabetic order, by last name, in the box and save postage! Please remember to look for cards addressed to you.

Children's Safety is a priority at Rockwood Adventist. The Child Protection Policy and Guidelines are available on the bulletin board. Parents please escort your children to the restrooms and be aware of their whereabouts at all times.

Other News and Events

ABC Holiday Sale - The Adventist Book Center's Holiday Sale is December 1-31. Loma Linda Gravy Quick is back just in time for the holidays! The details have been sent by email to those who have signed up. You can also get the details by downloading the sale flyer at www.abcflyer.com

Follow the Star - Free Outdoor Live Nativity and indoor holiday musical event December 5 & 6, 11, 12 & 13. Gates open at 5:30 pm on Friday and 4:30 pm Saturday & Sunday.

Pacific Northwest Schola Cantorum Concert at 7:00 pm tonight, Mt. Tabor SDA Church, 1001 SE 60th Ave., Portland.

Portland Adventist Academy will present their Christmas Concert at Sunnyside Adventist Church on December 11 at 6:30 pm. We will be privileged to hear the band, choir, steel drums, the gospel choir, and more. Plan now to enjoy this feast of music for the season. Sunnyside is located at 10501 SE Market Street, Portland.

Christmas at Sunnyside - "CHRISTMAS AROUND THE WORLD" - December 6, from 2:00 to 4:00 pm. Come and find out how people around the planet are celebrating God's gift that forever changed the world! LAURA WHIDDEN & ELISE LEBLANC in concert on December 12, 6:00 pm. Free admission and reception following. K-8 childcare available- please call to register your child, (503) 252-8080. Sunnyside Church is located at 10501 SE Market Street, Portland.