

**Welcome to Merrimack Valley Church!** Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all the earth, for He cometh. Psalm 98:4, 9

### **Church Events This Coming Week**

Today 1:00 pm Fellowship dinner

2:00 pm Women's & Men's ministry meeting

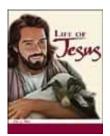
Sabbath 10:00 am Sabbath School

11:30 am Worship Service - Family Christmas

#### **Announcements**

**Christmas Around the World** – is a Christmas Musical presented today by the children of Merrimack Valley Church. They will share the wonder and excitement of the Savior's birth as seen through the eyes of children from other countries around the world.

**2007 Devotionals** books are available for all age groups. The sale price will be available until the end of January 2007. Orders may be placed with Joan Reiss. Check the table in the foyer to see if your order has come in. Please make checks payable to Merrimack Valley SDA Church (memo: Devotionals 2007).



This holiday season, give the greatest gift of all—Jesus. This hardcover book combines the striking words of Ellen G. White with beautiful illustrations depicting the most expressive scenes of the Savior's life. An inspiration to readers of all ages, it is perfect for sharing with friends, neighbors, family members, coworkers, and employees. Place your order with Joan Reiss. If we receive orders for two more books we will qualify for the lower price of \$14.99 each.

#### Merrimack Valley Seventh-day Adventist Church December 16, 2006

# Worship Celebration

#### The Wonder of Christmas

# Gathering to Worship

Prelude Ingrid Mergenthaler & Marianne Wiacek Worship Host's Greetings Advent Wreath Ingrid Mergenthaler & Marianne Wiacek Dale Jacobson Morgan Family

#### Praising His Name

Praise Songs Rena Forrester
The First Noel Jennifer Voight

Joyful, Joyful We Adore You Good Christian Men Rejoice

Congregational Prayer Charles Holmes

Prayer response

Let's Worship and Adore Him

Gifts of Worship Gilda Newell

Local Church Budget

Offertory Ingrid Mergenthaler & Marianne Wiacek

## Proclaiming the Word

Children's Corner

Worship in Word & Song

Christmas around the World - see insert

Bob McCall

MVC Children

#### **Dedicating Our Lives**

Prayer of Dedication Phil Vasseur
Worship Host's Benediction Dale Jacobson
Postlude Ingrid Mergenthaler & Marianne Wiacek
Halleluiah Chorus

Winter 2007 Church Leadership Schedules are available today in the fover. This schedule is also available on the church web site http://www.mvsda.org.

#### **Future Church Events**

Dec 23 Family Christmas Celebration Dec 30 Communion Celebration Jan 6, 2007 Caring for Marriage seminar Jan 20 Pathfinder Sabbath Valentine Party – Building fund benefit Feb 18

Adventurer Sabbath

Mar 3

Please visit our web site for additional calendar information: http://www.mvsda.org/index.php3?section=Calendar

#### **Giving Hearts: December-To-Date Report**

Offerings	Received	Monthly budget
Church Budget	\$1,783.00	\$3,208.00
Building Fund	\$1,625.00	\$3,488.00
Special Offerings To-Date	Received	Needed
Tables and Chairs	\$1,721.00	\$7,000.00

# Here to Serve

Audio/Visual:	Andreas Goelzer	603/821-1041
Community Services:	Karen McClendon	978/658-2893
Deacon:	Gary Patch	978/663-4544
Deaconess:	Juanita Ortiz	978/683-1319
Elder:	Steven Dovich	978/621-4925
Membership Clerk:	Joan Reiss	978/256-1671
Pastor:	Phil Vasseur	603/429-2410
Recording Clerk:	Sue Markin	978/957-6384
Sabbath School:	Alice Jacobson	603/898-4075
Treasurer:	Marge Patch	978/663-4544

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Love's Pure Light - The Seventh-day Adventist Church in North America is releasing its fifth Christmas program entitled "Love's Pure Light." This hour long program will be broadcast on the Hallmark Channel, December 24 at 10 a.m.

The story takes place on Christmas Eve when a widower's life is changed by an unopened gift his wife gave him five years ago. Joseph Campanella, Ruta Lee, and Patty Cabrera star in this musical drama, which the whole family will enjoy. Special musical guests are four-time Grammy winner Deniece Williams, Rudi Miceli, and Sandy Wyman Johnson. "Love's Pure Light" is the seguel to "All is Bright" which was last year's Christmas special produced by the Seventh-day Adventist Church in North America.

Check your local listings to find out when "Love's Pure Light" is scheduled to air or visit www.nadadventist.org. You can also call your local television station and ask them to air "Love's Pure Light."

**The Second Coming** – This movie will be shown in Spanish at 6:30 pm on December 29, 2006 here at Merrimack Valley. All are invited to attend. Please contact Juanita Ortiz at 978 683 1319 if you need further information.

**Prayer requests** – Jay Wiacek – health issues

**Thought Spot** – From the days of eternity the Lord Jesus Christ was one with the Father; He was "the image of God," the image of His greatness and majesty, "the outshining of His glory." It was to manifest this glory that He came to our world. To this sin-darkened earth He came to reveal the light of God's love, - to be "God with us." - Ellen White, The Desire of Ages.