

**Welcome to Merrimack Valley Church!** Happy Sabbath! May God whisper your name as you worship Him today!

Church Events This Coming Week			
Today	1:30 pm	Adventurer Staff Potluck	
•	2:30 pm	Adventurer Staff Meeting	
	4:00 pm	Adventurer Club Meeting	
Wednesday	7:00 pm	New Community	
Friday	7:00 pm	Puppet Ministry Practice	
Sabbath	10:00 am	Sabbath School	
	11:30 am	Worship Service – Epistle to the Romans	
	1:30 pm	Nursing Home Ministry	
Wednesday Friday	2:30 pm 4:00 pm 7:00 pm 7:00 pm 10:00 am 11:30 am	Adventurer Staff Meeting Adventurer Club Meeting New Community Puppet Ministry Practice Sabbath School Worship Service – Epistle to the Romans	

#### **Announcements**

Special Worship Service planned for March 24 - You won't want to miss this exceptional worship experience as Paul's Epistle to the Romans comes to life. This unique service is sure to praise, educate and inspire. The pastor along with many of your fellow church members will work together to bring the culture and history of the genesis of Christianity to life before your eyes. Plan now to be part of this extraordinary service.

## Nominating Committee Recommendation, 1<sup>st</sup> Reading

Blanche Castle, Sherri Dovich – secretary, Alice Jacobson, Gustav Mergenthaler, Gary Patch, Warren Saxton, and Rick Wall.

**Ministry Surveys** will be collected today to assist the nominating committee in their work. Please be ready to indicate your willingness to serve in the Ministry opportunities here at Merrimack Valley for the July 2007 through June 2008 ministry year.

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

Merrimack Valley Seventh-day Adventist Church March 17, 2007

# Worship Celebration

# Sabbath A Memorial of Redemption

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Prelude Marianne Wiacek Worship Host's Greetings Andreas Goelzer Call to Worship

## Praising His Name

Praise Songs
This is the Day
There is a Redeemer
Victory in Jesus
Congregational Prayer
Gifts of Worship
Local Church Budget
Shirley Antoine, Gilda Newell
Jennifer Voight
Andreas Goelzer
Warren Saxton

Marianne Wiacek

## Proclaiming the Word

Offertory

Children's Corner
Scripture Lesson
Luke 13:10-17
Worship in Song
Sabbath Message
Free At Last
D.O.G. Puppets
Ingrid Mergenthaler
Dovich Family
Phil Vasseur

## **Dedicating Our Lives**

Hymn of Dedication #341

To God be the Glory

Prayer of Dedication Phil Vasseur

Worship Host's Benediction Andreas Goelzer

Postlude Marianne Wiacek

#### **Future Church Events**

Mar 24	Special service on Paul's Epistle to the Romans
Apr 7	Easter Sabbath
Apr 14	International Sabbath
May 12	Greater Boston Academy Choir
Jun 9	Women's Ministry Sabbath
Jun 22-30	SNEC Campmeeting dates
Jul 30 – Aug 3	Vacation Bible School - Avalanche Ranch

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

Giving Hearts: March- to-date Report				
Offerings	Received	Monthly budget		
Church Budget Building Fund	\$2,108.00 \$3,540.00	\$3,512.00 \$3,250.00		
Special Offerings To-Date	Received	Needed		
Tables and Chairs	\$3,779.00	\$7,000.00		

**Bulletin information** should be sent to Vivian Irrgang (e-mail: <a href="mailto:bulletin@mvsda.org">bulletin@mvsda.org</a>; phone: 978/683-1319). Items submitted each week by 7p.m. Tuesday evening will be considered for inclusion in the bulletin.

# 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

Merrimack Valley Seventh-day Adventist Church 408 Broadway Road, Dracut Massachusetts 01826-2707 978/454-9226 \*\*\* http://www.mvsda.org/ International Sabbath, April 14, is a celebration of our cultural diversity here at Merrimack Valley. All are encouraged to wear clothing which exhibits their cultural heritage or country of origin. After the worship service our Fellowship Dinner will feature foods from around the world. We will need Entrées, vegetables, salads, bread, drink and dessert. Bring enough for your family plus a little extra for visitors. Please plan to share your heritage as we fellowship.

**Building fund pledges:** I would like to take this opportunity to thank you! On February 24, we asked you to make a pledge or give an offering to the Church Building Fund. Here's how you have responded so far:

Monthly pledges	\$3,159.00
One-Time Offering	\$1,475.00

While this is great, our monthly pledges fall short of the \$3,250.00 needed for our monthly Church Building Fund budget. If you have not yet made a pledge, please consider the needs in God's house and turn in your gift or pledge today. May God richly bless you! *Pastor Phil* 

**Newsletter for March/April 2007** electronic version has been posted to: <a href="http://www.mvsda.org/article.php3?story\_id=461">http://www.mvsda.org/article.php3?story\_id=461</a>

If you are unable to access the web to download the newsletter, please let Cindy Harris, <a href="mailto:cinlee4@comcast.net">cinlee4@comcast.net</a>, know so she can make other arrangements.

**New Chairs** are needed to provide safe and comfortable seating in the fellowship hall. The Tables and Chairs fund can not cover the cost of all the chairs needed. We encourage each family to give an amount to cover the cost of a chair (\$39.00) for each member of their family.

Prayer requests – Jay Wiacek – health issues

**Thought Spot:** Jesus said, "You shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free," John 8:32. Isn't it interesting that according to Jesus, truth and freedom go together; like oxygen and breathing. But what truth and what freedom is Jesus talking about? How do they work together to make one free? We may not always understand the how, but we should know that they do. Not because I said so, but because Jesus did! *Pastor Phil* 

#### **Other Events**

Mar 18 Vacation Bible School Workshop, South Lancaster, MA

Apr 13-15 SNEC Women's Retreat, Spring Hills Suites, Ayers Mass

May 4-6 Adventurer Spring Escape

May 18-19 Pathfinder Spring Camporee, Hammonasset Beach State Park, Madison, CT