

Friends helping friends  
become  
*Fully devoted followers*  
of **Christ**

**Welcome to Merrimack Valley Church Family!** May God richly bless you this holiday season!

### Church Events This Coming Week

Today	9:00 am	Hand Chime Practice
	2:30 pm	Adventurer Meeting – Field Uniform
	4:30 pm	Adventurer Staff Meeting
	6:00 pm	Adult Christmas Party
Tuesday	7:00 pm	Church Board Meeting
Sabbath	9:00 am	Hand Chime Practice
	10:00 am	Sabbath School
	11:30 am	Worship Service – Christmas
	5:00 pm	Pathfinder Meeting
	7:30 pm	Pathfinder Staff Meeting

### Announcements

**Glory to God in the Highest**– Invite your friends and family for this celebration of the birth of Jesus during the worship service on December 13, 2008. The children of Merrimack Valley are looking forward to sharing the angels' announcement, Jesus Christ is born!

**Hope Has Hands**– A Christmas Cantata will be presented during the worship service on December 20, 2008 by the combined choirs of Christ Church United and Merrimack Valley. Come celebrate that Emmanuel, the Light of the World, our hope of salvation, was sent to us over two thousand years ago.

**Christmas Offering for the Building Fund** will be collected on Sabbath, December 20<sup>th</sup>. Save your quarter's to fill the offering card or make a special donation in cash or check.

**Sunset Tonight 4:12**

**Next Friday 4:12**

**Merrimack Valley Seventh-day Adventist Church**  
December 6, 2008

# Worship Celebration

Jesus Our Savior Is Born  
Seven Lessons and Carols

Prelude		Ingrid Mergenthaler
Worship Host's Greeting		Juanita Ortiz
Call to Worship		
Carol	<i>O Come All Ye Faithful</i>	# 132
Congregational Prayer		Jennifer Voight
Lesson #1	<i>Isaiah 9:2,6,7</i> The Prophecy	David Morris
Carol	<i>Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee</i>	Elizabeth & Sherri Dovich
Lesson #2	<i>Luke 1:26-33</i> Angel Appears to Mary	Anya Bondar
Carol	<i>Breath of Heaven</i>	Stephanie Goelzer
Gifts of Worship		Jean McKillop
Offertory		Ingrid Mergenthaler
Lesson #3	<i>Matthew 1:18-21</i> Angel Appears to Joseph	Eve & Rex Pajela
Carol	<i>What Child Is This?</i>	Ingrid & Michael Mergenthaler
Lesson #4	<i>Luke 2:1-7</i> Bethlehem	Eric Patch
Carol	<i>Away in A Manger</i>	Victoria & Nicole Cordero
Lesson #5	<i>Luke 2:8-20</i> The Angels appear to the Shepherds	Alice Jacobson
Carol	<i>Hark, the Herald Angels Sing</i>	Jovanie Whyte
Children's Offertory		Ingrid Mergenthaler
Children's Story		Sherri Dovich
Carol	<i>Silent Night</i>	Fermin Peralta
Lesson #6	<i>Matthew 2:1-12</i> The Wise Men	Monte Nelson
Carol	<i>We Three Kings</i>	William Carvajal
Lesson #7	<i>John 1:1-14</i> The Word Became Flesh	Phil Vasseur
Carol	<i>Joy to the World</i>	# 125
Benediction		Dale Jacobson
Postlude		Ingrid Mergenthaler

Thank you for reverencing God's house.  
Hushed voices and muted phones enhance our worship experience.

### Future Church Events

Dec 13	<i>Glory to God in the Highest</i> – Kids Christmas Musical Christmas Fellowship Dinner
Dec 20	<i>Hope Has Hands</i> – Christmas Cantata with
Dec 31	Agape Supper @ 6 pm
Jan 10	Marriage Seminar
Jan 24	Family Night
Feb 15	Valentine's Party
Feb 28	Prayer Breakfast
Mar 14	International Sabbath

Please visit our web site for additional calendar information:  
<http://www.mvsda.org/Calendar/>

### Giving Hearts: November Report

Offerings	Received	Monthly budget
Church Budget	\$3,623.00	\$3,500.00
Building Fund	\$3,510.00	\$3,250.00
Special Offerings To-Date	Received	Needed
Sound System	\$537.00	\$6,025.00

**Bulletin information** should be sent to Vivian Irrgang (e-mail: [bulletin@mvsda.org](mailto:bulletin@mvsda.org); 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

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**2009 Devotional** books are available for all age groups. An order form and samples of the books will be on the table in the fellowship hall until Dec 8<sup>th</sup>, or you can contact Joan Reiss 978-256-1671 for more information.

**The Prayer Warrior Team:** Prayer requests may be sent to [prayer@mvsda.org](mailto:prayer@mvsda.org). The Prayer Team will add it to their list and present your petitions to God on a regular basis.

**Prayer Request:**

- Jim Reiss- prayer for healing
- Eliseo Hernandez (Veronica Iria's father) - prayer for healing
- David Morris- heart problems
- Cindy Harris' Mom – recovering from surgery

**Thought Spot:** The Christmas season is upon us. A time to remember God's greatest Gift--Jesus! We all celebrate this event in various ways, but there is one thing we all should do the same. We should keep Jesus at the heart of the Christmas season. Merry Christmas! Pastor Phil

### Southern New England Conference Events

- Jun 19-27 SNEC English Camp Meeting
- Aug 11-15, 2009 Courage to Stand NAD Pathfinder Camporee  
Oshkosh, WI