Welcome to Eastgate SDA Church! A message from Elder David Jamieson

As I contemplated my message and what it reveals about the Lord Jesus, I was reminded of a well-loved poem called "The Touch of the Master's Hand."

'Twas battered and scarred and the auctioneer thought

It was hardly worth his while To waste his time on the old violin, but he held it up with a smile.

"What am I bid, good people", he cried,

"Who starts the bidding for me?"

"One dollar, one dollar, Do I hear two?"

"Two dollars, who makes it three?"

"Three dollars once, three dollars twice,

Going for three," But, No,

From the back of the room a gray bearded man

Came forward and picked up the bow

Then wiping the dust from the old violin

And tightening up the strings,

He played a melody, pure and sweet

As sweet as the angel sings.

The music ceased and the auctioneer spoke

With a voice that was quiet and low,

"What now am I bid for this old violin?"

As he held it aloft with its bow.

"One thousand, one thousand, Do I hear two?"

"Two thousand. Who makes it three?"

"Three thousand once, three thousand twice,

Going and gone", said he.

The audience cheered, But some of them cried,

"We just don't understand."

"What changed its worth?" Swift came the

reply,

"The Touch of the Master's Hand."

And many a man with life out of tune All battered with bourbon and gin

Is auctioned cheap to a thoughtless crowd

Much like that old violin

A mess of pottage, a glass of wine,

A game and he travels on.

He is going once, he is going twice,

He is going and almost gone.

But the Master comes and the foolish crowd

Never can quite understand,

The worth of a soul and the change that is

wrought

By the Touch of the Masters' Hand.

Myra Brooks Welch wrote that little poem many years ago. I don't know what she had been reading or what prompted her to write that beautiful poem, but after studying the lyrics, it wouldn't surprise me to discover that her devotional that morning might have been from a certain miracle at of Galilee.

For the purpose of that poem and the purpose of my message is to declare to all who will hear, "Jesus Changes Everything!"

I look forward to worshiping with you this Sabbath.

~ Elder David Jamieson

Next Weekend: April 8, 2023: Pastor Eric Sayler and Easter Brunch

Week At A Glance

Sabbath, April 1 Early Service we will have the Milton Stateline Adventist School Bell Choir providing some special music in addition to our regular Praise Team.

Second Service we will have the MSAS vocal choir providing special music several places in our program.

Sunday, April 2 9:30am Women's Care 101 Monday, April 3 6:30pm Facilities Committee ~ Library

Wednesday, April 5
6:30pm
Midweek Prayer Service, Youth Room
Friday, April 7
7:00pm
Prayeradigm – Rosalie Dickerson's

Sabbath, April 8 9:00 – 10:05 Early Service

10:00 – 11:15 Easter Brunch 11:30 – 12:45 Second Service

4:00pm Bird Walk with Carol Hargreaves, meet in the church parking lot

7:00pm Jaime Jorge Free Concert, WW University Church

Eastgate SDA Church Service this Week ~ Second Service Outline

Worship Service 11:30am 04-01-2023 Link to: ~ Eastgate Church: YouTube

Prelude MSAS Choir Sing Alleluia to the Lord

Community Life Bob Ratcliff

Kids Korner

Children's Song MSAS Choir "Jonah"

Children's Story Margot Honner, MSAS Teacher

Songs of Praise & Worship Praise Team
Prayer Bob Ratcliff

Special Music MSAS Choir "Risen" by Shawna Edwards

God's Word Elder David Jamieson
Sermon Title: Jesus Changes Everything,

Scripture: *Philippians 2:5-11*

Song of Response Praise Team
Benediction Bob Ratcliff
Postlude MSAS Choir God is so Good

<u>Worship Team today – First Service</u> Lead Elder: Bob Ratcliff <u>Worship Team today – Second Service</u> Lead Elder: Bob Ratcliff

Praise Team Leader: Isaac Peterson & Friends Praise Team Leader: Isaac Peterson & Friends

Pianist:

Greeter: Brian & Liana St Clair Greeter: Less & Anita Cunningham

Pianist:

Lead Deacon: Harry Arriola Lead Deacon: Buz Flegel

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Financial Report	RECEIVED	GOAL	NEED
Student Aid goal for 2022-23	\$ 26,211.01	\$25,271.50	\$ (939.51)
HVAC Up-grades	\$ 45,349.01	\$55,000.00	Phase 1, 2 &3

Eastgate Church News & Events

Easter Brunch Coming April 8 10:00 hour between early and second services

We are planning another Easter Brunch and sharing together. The plan is to have Brunch during the 10:00 hour. You can choose to attend <u>Early service</u> or <u>Second service</u>. We will have classrooms set up for additional dining space.

We invite you to bring your brunch specialties to share: Fruit Plates, Egg bakes, Potato dishes, Sweet Breads of all varieties are encouraged!

Thank you for helping to take care of our church

Have you noticed the new windows in the sanctuary? It is the prayer of the Facilities Committee and Church Board that these windows will service us well for years to come.

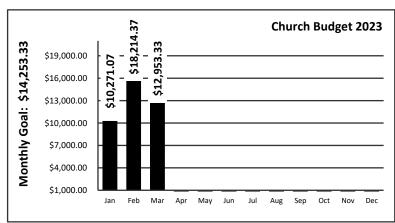
We will continue to address the maintenance needs of our church and appreciate those who can help in physical or financial assistance.

We appreciate your help in taking care of our church facilities. If you participate in an event where food or drink are part of the process or inside outside traffic is involved; will you help by making sure that spills are cleaned up immediately? If we could monitor our comings and goings so as to reduce excess yard debris being tracked indoors? When spills, mud, dirt, etc. are left for someone else to clean long term damage often occurs. Thank you for your conscientious acts of service.

April 1, 2023 ~ Church Budget

Happy April Fools' Day - a day of frequent pranks followed by someone gleefully spouting, "April Fools!" Has it happened to you already today? Did you do it to someone else?

The Bible mentions the term "fool" a number of times, but never in a glib or "happy trickster" sort of way. Twice in the Psalms we read, "The fool says in his heart, 'There is no God" (Ps. 14:1 and Ps.



53:1). If you're in church today, you probably aren't the fool found in Psalms.

We're more susceptible to being the "fool" found in Luke 12. Christ's parable warns against the natural trigger called "greed." In this story, a farmer realized some bumper crops, so he decided to enlarge his storage capacity, then take an early retirement so he could just "eat, drink and be merry" (Luke 12:19).

Sound inviting?

Jesus came down harshly, not because of what the farmer had, but because of what he didn't have. According to v. 21 (NLT), "A person is a fool to store up earthly wealth but not have a rich relationship with God." One way to have a rich relationship with God is to give offerings with a thankful heart.

Does this mean we're fools if we don't put everything we have into the offering? Not necessarily. It does mean that when we make our relationship with God our highest priority, the result is wisdom (Prov. 9:10) rather than being a fool - on April Fools' Day or on any other day.

Seasons of Service

Elder David Jamieson visited us here at EAC on Sabbath January 21. At that time he introduced the vision which the conference administration feels God led them to. A God led vision leading us all to new Core Actions:

- S Spiritual Revival
- **E** Engaging Youth & Youth Adults
- **R** Reaching out to Others
- V Vibrant Church Revitalization
- **E** Excellence in Adventist Education

SERVE → One More

Following that, Pastor Eric and the Elder Team have provided at least one copy per family of the small book, "Season of Service" Daily Devotionals and Service Activities.

If you have not yet picked up your family copy, please stop by the table in the lobby to get your copy *This Sabbath!*



Remember; the challenge is to read it, follow it and share it. We want to hear what you are doing to SHARE!!!

Coming Sabbath April 1 Elder Jamieson will be with us again to share more of this vision and ways of how we can impact our communities for the benefit of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

Spring/Summer Grow Groups?

Planning for a New Group or a Repeat Group?

There have been some amazing groups that we have seen impact our church and local community since Pastor Luke started us down this pathway of Small Groups or Grow Groups.

If you are thinking of a new group for Spring time ~ Please contact the Pastor or one of the Elders and prepare to share at our Grow Group Fair, Sabbath April 8.

EAC Youth Event Planned

Saturday Night, April 15

There is a Roller Skating Party being planned for the teens from 8:00 - 10:00pm at the Youth Center. For more details contact Jenny Alford.

Collegiate & Young Adults

Sabbath Morning Bible Study

Collegians and young adults (or young at heart) are invited to come for breakfast at 9:30am every Sabbath morning and stay for an engaging Bible study. We read a chapter of the Bible together and then dig deep to discuss the hard questions and figure out life applications. Come visit us at Classroom 115 and bring a friend! We are currently studying II Kings. For more information text Josh Boram (541) 870-4661 or Mary Castrejon at (360) 349-7126.

Women's Ministry ~ Women's Care 101 ~ Sunday, April 2; 9:30 - 11:00am

The women have discovered that a Sunday morning breakfast is a lovely break to share together here in our Fellowship Room. They invite Ladies and Girls to participate in breakfast and a worship thought before moving into your routine for a Sunday! May 7 will be the next gathering following this Sunday.

Youth and Young Adult Ministry Training Weekend ~ Friday and Sabbath April 14 & 15

April 14 & 15 EAC will host a special training weekend presented by Richie Brower & Jeff Wines. The experience will be informative, interactive, and transformative. The teaching is fast paced and done in a "Ted Talk" style. The instructors are engaging with your church's team of leaders as you work on your ministry plan and apply what is being taught.



You will leave with a deeper understanding of the generation you are serving as well as a ministry plan custom built for your ministry context.

What: A two-day training event sharing resources, research, interaction, and planning.

Who: Youth and Young Adult leaders & volunteers

Where: Eastgate Seventh-day Adventist Church – Walla Walla, WA

Cost: NONE! UCC constituents love young people and eagerly support ministry to them.

TO BRING: Come dressed to be comfortable and with fresh, eager minds.

We provide: workbooks, writing utensils, and lots of ministry related give away resources!

Friday 6:30pm Supper

7:15pm ~ Session #1: Three Big Questions Young People are asking

8:45pm Wrap up

Sabbath 1:00pm Potluck Lunch

2:45pm ~ Session #2: Why a youth group and what to do with young adults & *...

3:15pm Break

3:30pm ~ Session #3: How to be a sticky church/community and other topics*

For a full itinerary please use the QR code and register for this weekend of leadership growth!

Women' Ministry will present a weekend with Paulie Rogers; April 21 & 22

Paulie Rogers, author, play wright, blogger, teacher, spiritual coach and public speaker will be here for a weekend of sharing. The theme for the weekend:

My House Renovated

One Room at a Time

Restored with Love

Motto text: "By Wisdom a house is built, and through understanding, it is established; through knowledge, its rooms are filled with rare and beautiful treasures." Proverbs 24:3-4

Purpose of this ministry: **to build a relationship with Jesus for growth, healing and peace.** To see more of her ministry please visit www.restoredwithlove.com

Paulie is the author of a new book titled, My House Renovated; One Room at a Time. This book is a six-week bible study with an emphasis on "What it means to be remodeled in Christ".

This author's nearly 120 year old Victorian Farmhouse has finally received some well deserved TLC after years of neglect. Paulie says, "God want to give us, the reader, some Tender Loving Care too. We just have to open the door and let the Master Carpenter, Jesus, in.

Paulie has created an analogous comparison of rooms her house to areas of our need for Jesus in them.

Her presentations will focus on the following subjects while she is here with us:

- Session #1~Friday Evening: <u>Meet me On the Front Porch</u>; 6:30 7:30pm
- Session #2~Sabbath Morning Church Services: <u>His Life-Giving Knock</u> ~ Living room 9:00-10:05am and 11:30am to 12:45pm

Stay for Lunch (provided by Women's & Men's Ministries) 1:00 – 2:00pm

- Session #3~Sabbath Afternoon: <u>Baked to Perfection ~ the Kitchen</u> 2:30 3:30pm
 - Break 30 minutes for fresh air and a short walk
- Session #4~Sabbath Afternoon: <u>Dress in God's Glory</u> ~ the Bathroom and Dressing room; 2:30 3:30pm
 - \circ Break One hour break to get a bit to eat for yourself & family (5:00 6:00pm)
- Session #5~Sabbath Evening: *Finding Rest in Jesus* ~ the Bedroom and Attic; 6:00 7:00pm

Child care will be provided both Friday evening and Sabbath afternoon. The last session of Sabbath evening there will be no child care so families please plan accordingly. Please plan to come and bring a friend who may be struggling with *Restoration and Renovation*.

Printed materials [book sale & signing] by our featured speaker will be available Friday evening prior to sundown and again Sabbath evening following sundown.

Men's Ministry: Thursday Night Men's Group ~ 7:30pm

Leader: Rob Becker, meet in Pastor's Office. This is a bible study group for men, lead by men, praying for men studying together. If this interests you please contact the group leader Rob Becker or our Pastor Eric Sayler.

Men's Ministry Monthly Breakfast and Worship Time: Next UP – April 30 @ 8:00am

Join the men at 8:00am for physical and spiritual food to share! This will always be the last Sunday of the month unless otherwise noted.

Expansion of Support Teams for Audio/Video and Live-Streaming ~ Help Needed!

Our Audio/Video teams could use more help. This is one area of ministry where more experienced operators would help to lighten the load.

Brian Hartman who leads the Live-Streaming Team is also looking for one or two more individuals who would be willing to learn and assist in the ministry of our On-line Worship Service.

There are those who use our YouTube as an option for viewing for a variety of reasons. We need to expand the teams. The Team Leaders would gladly speak to anyone who might be interested. Contact Brian Hartman or Bob Daniel if you might be interested in learning.

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EASTGATE SDA CHURCH ON YOUTUBE

YouTube: Eastgate Church ~ Our Church Service is now being broadcast on YouTube at the following Link: Eastgate Adventist Church. Thank you for subscribing!

Walla Walla Valley Academy

Walla Walla Valley Academy ~ Auditorium Remodel Campaign

WWVA is raising \$1 million to update their auditorium. This project will serve many purposes on campus and houses special moments in many people's lives. This special space has served thousands of people throughout our WWVA and Walla Walla community. It is well-used and well-loved, but the time has finally come for some much-needed updates. To find out more, and how you can participate, visit news.uccsda.org/wwva1122.

Walla Walla Valley Academy Curriculum Carnival:

Thursday, April 6 from 6-7:30 p.m. 300 SW Academy Way. Prospective parents and students are invited to visit both game and curriculum booths where they can meet teachers, learn about academic options, and mingle with other new WWVA families. Light dinner and snacks provided. All are invited!

Walla Walla University

Free Concert ~ Live Performance ~ International Recording Artist

Jaime Jorge, the internationally recognized violinist is coming to Walla Walla! On Saturday April 8th starting at 7pm at the Walla Walla University Church, Jaime Jorge will be playing a **free** + and you are invited! This concert, organized by WWU Hispanic Faculty Staff Association, will be benefiting Hispanic Ministries, Latinx Club, and Nuestra Iglesia, the student lead organizations at the WWU campus. During the concert you will have the opportunity to pledge donations from the heart to support the campus organizations. They will not only be benefitted by your donation, but they will have the funds needed to enhance what they are working on and provide new opportunities for the future! Jaime Jorge will be selling merchandise that will be available for everyone to purchase! So come on down early, to get a great seat, and enjoy an evening of beautiful pieces!

<u>ICantori</u>, the select choir of Walla Walla University, will present their spring concert titled "A Sense of Place" on April 11 at 7 p.m. in the Melvin K. West Fine Arts Center auditorium. The event is free and open to the public.

The repertoire for this year's concert will include both sacred and secular works, focused on finding a sense of place. This first half of the concert will celebrate having a sense of place on the planet, within the community, and within the university.

The second half of the concert will invite the audience to consider their sense of place historically.

Walla Walla Valley News

Sunday, April 2, 9:00am to 12:00 Noon Waiilatpu Pathfinder Club

All-you-can-eat Pancake Feed and Yard Sale @ Youth Center. Fundraiser toward the next International Camporee! It's all about the kids!

ARW - Adventist Retired Workers, April 2, SonBridge, 1:15-4:00:

You won't want to miss, "A Contemporary Model for Adventist Mission" by Rodney Neal, Senior Vice - President for Financial Affairs, Loma Linda University (non-member LLU graduates welcome). Also, Marcel Grondahl will have his extensive collection of Adventist Heritage books on display at 1:15pm. Please bring sandwiches, salads, or dessert to complement soup which will be provided. Members and applying members are invited. Watch your email for information re officers for the next two years. Questions? Call Barbara (509-540-4771) or Maxine (509-525-2311).

An ecumenical choir and orchestra will present selections from the Passion and Resurrection portions of Handel's MESSIAH directed by Terry Koch, tomorrow, April 2, 3:00 at Pioneer United Methodist Church, 209 E Birch St., Walla Walla. The event is free and open to the public. The church is handicap accessible.

Helpline@SonBridge will be holding the 16th Annual SoupPort Luncheon

... in Blanchet Hall at 412 W. Poplar Street, Walla Walla on Wednesday, April 12. SoupPort is a fundraising event for Helpline@SonBridge to provide for the immediate physical, health and financial needs of people in the Walla Walla Valley. Drop in to the event anytime between 11am and 1pm, pick a bowl of your choice and enjoy a soup and bread luncheon. Afterward, take your specially-painted bowl home!

Tickets can be purchased in advance for \$30 online at <u>sonbridge.org/soupport</u> or at the door for \$35. For more information, call SonBridge at 509-529-3100.

<u>The Christian Aid Center currently has three job openings.</u> For complete job descriptions, please visit our website at <u>christianaidcenter.org</u>.

Recovery Programs Director, Women & Children Services

We have a job opening for a Programs Director in our department of Women & Children Services. This staff member oversees the recovery program by providing leadership to reach program goals, implementing a culture of recovery, understanding the process of transformation, and enforcing program policies and procedures. The job is full-time with benefits.

Community Life Specialist, Women & Children Services

This staff member provides a warm and friendly presence during the evening hours, while representing the organization and its philosophy. This individual also provides guest support and organizes activities to promote a sense of community. The job is part-time, typically from 4:00 to 8:00 pm, with some on-call time. Days of the week are flexible.

Business Manager

Our business manager will oversee general bookkeeping and accounting for the Mission, as well as database management and human resources responsibilities. This is a full-time position with benefits.

Upper Columbia Conference of SDA News

<u>UCC Men's Summit — April 14-16</u>

Join us April 14-16, 2023, for the beginning of the greatest adventure of your life. Our main speaker, Greg Phillips, writes, "Learning to follow the Holy Spirit's leading will take you places you never imagined and unlock the identity that God has for you — an unbreakable Father—son connection."

Romans 8:14-15 says, "For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, 'Abba, Father!'" For registration visit news.uccsda.org/adventure323.

Bloom Marriage Retreat — April 7-9

Are you looking to enrich a healthy relationship, revitalize a tired one, or rescue one gone awry? Do you yearn to reconnect and grow closer to your spouse? We all want a lifetime of love, support and faith, but sometimes we need a little help. The Bloom in Marriage Retreat Weekend is designed to help couples grow in their faith, learn new tools to strengthen their marriage, inspire hope and rekindle the spark. Relationships under fire may even begin the journey of healing. For more information visit news.uccsda.org/bloom123.

Ministry+ Resources

No matter what ministry you're involved with, Ministry+ can help provide the resources you need to do it well! Find free Quick Start Guide PDFs, ministry descriptions, Pathfinder honor requirements, a ministry directory, and more! Let us connect you with quality Christian resources to help fulfill your church's mission. Find resources at news.uccsda.org/resources223.

Upper Columbia Conference Camp Meeting - June 14-17

After three years of online and hybrid camp meeting, there will be in-person camp meeting this year from June 14-17 at Upper Columbia Academy. Mark your calendars and stay tuned for additional announcements and registration at www.uccsda.org/campmeeting.

North American Division

NAD Tithe Approach Survey

The NAD is conducting a brief survey to gain insights into the attitudes and practices of Adventist church members towards tithing. Your opinions on this topic are important to us, and we would appreciate your participation. By sharing your valuable insights, you will be contributing to a better understanding of the current thoughts and behaviors surrounding tithing and giving by church members. We thank you in advance for your time and effort in completing this survey. Take the survey by visiting news.uccsda.org/NADsurvey323.

Sonscreen Film Festival — April 13-15

From April 13-15, in sunny California, student filmmakers will gather for the 21st annual *Sonscreen Film Festival*. For the second year in a row, *Sonscreen* will be hosted in the Loma Linda University Church complex in California, with students, faculty, and professional filmmakers traveling from all across North America to attend. For more information visit news.uccsda.org/sonscreen323.

Pacific Northwest Related ~ We were asked to include the following announcement:

Sylvia Twing Hauner Memorial

Sylvia Edith Twing Hauner passed away March 4th, 2023 from multi-health complications. Sylvia and her husband Dennis graduated from Upper Columbia Academy and attended Walla Walla College in the 60's and still have friends in that area.

Sylvia's memorial will be in the Irrigon, OR SDA Church on April 15, 2023 at 2:00 pm followed by a meal at the Pavilion between the Post Office and library on Hwy 730 in Irrigon. The Irrigon Church is located at 205 Tumbleweed Blvd, Irrigon, OR 97844

Prayer 7ime ~ Cherishing People ~ "Pray for one another."

We are inviting you to pray for members and friends of our church family each day. Please keep this in a place that will make it easy for you to remember to pray for one another.

"... we do not make requests of *You* because we are righteous, but because of *Your* great mercy. O Lord listen! O Lord forgive! O Lord hear and act!"

(Daniel 9:18 & 19. NIV)

Anonymous:

Do you have an anonymous prayer request? Please state it via email to the church office, or on a communication card dropped in the offering box.

We will share it here anonymously for the body to provide prayer support!

Prayers for a brother ~ Chris

Prayers from a father for his two teen children – that they stay safe in Christ!

Praises and Prayers of thanksgiving for members of this church who care for each other, for their children, their grandchildren and their church.

Prayers for older members who are struggling to maintain their independence and dealing with realizing their increasing need to rely on others.

Prayers for a brother who is struggling with addiction, trying to stay clean and sober while looking for a healthier work environment.

Please remember me and my family in prayer during a terrible crisis situation we are going through. Please Pray that we have a favorable outcome. Thank You and May God Bless You! Anonymous

Requests: - What are your prayer requests?

Please remember Connie and Randy Roger's as they journey through treatment and travel to and from the treatment center. If you wish to assist financially? Please follow this link: www.GoFundMe.com/w4pcx8-love-for-Connie

Stephanie & John ask for prayers for their blending of families John request prayer for his grandfather, Robert ~ declining health

Prayers requested for Kristy & Dwight Bartlett as they travel a road of disease diagnosis and treatment. Kristy returned home this past week.

Prayers for Diane R.'s niece Brandy W. and her family. She is struggling with health issues and spiritual things.

Prayers for Birdie E. as she regains strength following treatment for her illness.

Prayers for Carol R. as she continues her recovery and adjustment to the loss of one of her eyes.

Maggie M. & daughter Alana G. may still be away for a trip to India and ask that you remember them in your prayers as they work with a group of about 300 orphans.

Tim B's father is in the final stages of life. Pray for the family as they pass through this chapter of life and as they travel back and forth as needed. (4 hr. trips each time)

Praises:

What do you have on your heart that you would like to share as Praise to the Lord!?!?