

Sabbath School

Safety Lead: Mark Voth

Song Service	9:20 a.m.
Program	Politics and Religion in Peshawar, Pakistan Alvin and Sidney Kwiram
Adult Sabbath School Classes	10:00 a.m.

The sanctuary opens at 10:50. Prior to this time, rehearsing musicians appreciate privacy during their preparation for the worship service and thank you for this courtesy.

SABBATH SCHOOL CLASSES

Green Lake Church is noted for its diversity. We welcome you wherever you are in your search for truth. Some classes work within a traditional Seventh-day Adventist framework, while others take a nontraditional approach. Choose the one that best fits your needs today.

Quarterly – Myrtle Mitchell, Donna Van Fossen Auditorium, Front South
Follows the lessons in the Sabbath School Quarterly.

Walk Through the Bible – Matt and Liz Rickaby, Simon Tung Top Level Open Space
The book of Matthew.

Discussion – Simona Vuletic Room 303 (Library)
Encourages the open expression of ideas and experiences outside the scope of the traditional Sabbath School class.

Young Adults – B. Lundstrom, B. McGrath, J. Negretti, K. Zafiro Kitchen
Truth Exploration ... An interactive discussion based on the principles found in the Bible, using the Sabbath School Quarterly as a guide.

Russian-speaking Class – Rebekah Ley Auditorium, Rear North
Bible study for Russian speakers.

Pastor's Class – David Wood Auditorium, Rear South
The book of Job.

CHILDREN'S DIVISIONS

Children in the Kindergarten through Junior age groups meet collectively each Sabbath at 9:45 in the Chapel for a dynamic and spiritually energizing “Praise Time.” This is a time when children come together to sing, pray, and share the good and difficult events of their lives from week to week. Children divide into their age-specific classes at 10:15. There is no supervision for classes prior to the beginning of Sabbath School at 10:15. Visitors are especially welcome to participate in any and all of these Sabbath School experiences at Green Lake Church.

Beginners (ages 0 through 3.5) Room 101
Leaders: Classroom Parents

Kindergarten (ages 3.5 through 5) Room 301
Co-leaders: Melody Bennett Gayle, Lucille Bertholf, Stephanie Mays

Primary (ages 6 through 8) Room 203
Co-leaders: Jeremy Mays, Terri Smith-Weller

Juniors (ages 9 through 11) Room 202
Co-leaders: Kurt Johns, Michelle Talavera

Earliteen (ages 12 through 14) Chapel
Co-leaders: Heather Dye, Susan Massey

Youth (ages 15+) Room 302
Co-leaders: Len Case, Ken Fairchild, Sherry Roberts

Young Adults (ages 18+) are invited to attend the YA Quarterly class.

Worship Service

Presiding Elder: Myrtle Mitchell

Presiding Deacons: Kurt Kleppe, Mark Dodd

PRELUDE *Introduzione e Pastorale* Bernardo Pasquini

SONG FROM THE HEART Tim Dunston, Laura Milleson, Tim Amukele
Hymnal No. 130 *It Came Upon A Midnight Clear*

WELCOME AND INVOCATION Tim Dunston

CALL TO WORSHIP Adapted from Psalm 27 Tim Dunston

Reader The Lord is my light and my salvation—whom shall I fear?
Though an army besiege me, my heart will not fear.

**All One thing I ask of the Lord: that I may dwell in his house
all the days of my life.**

Reader For in the day of trouble he will keep me safe in his dwelling;
he will hide me in the shelter of his tabernacle.

**All Hear my voice when I call, O Lord; be merciful to me and
answer me.**

✿ **HYMN OF PRAISE Hymnal No. 136** *In dulce júbilo*
Good Christians, Now Rejoice

SCRIPTURE LESSON Matthew 14:29, 30 NIV Nathan Kleppe
Then Peter got down out of the boat, walked on the water and came
toward Jesus. But when he saw the wind, he was afraid and, beginning to
sink, cried out, “Lord, save me!”

HOMILY *Stepping Into Troubled Waters* Roy Naden

MORNING PRAYER Myrtle Mitchell

ORGAN RESPONSE

OFFERING Myrtle Mitchell
Today's Offering Washington Conference Ministries

OFFERTORY *Veni, Veni Emmanuel* Tim Amukele

NATIVITY PLAY *What Sweeter Music* Music by Tim Amukele
Words by Rodolpe Rowe

Onye Chinwah, Baritone
Tim Amukele, Piano
Stephanie Mays, Narrator

All readings from “The Message.” Extra biblical readings by Bill Thatcher.

✿ **HYMN OF CONSECRATION Hymnal No. 128** *Ermuntre dich*
Break Forth, O Beauteous Heavenly Light

✿ **BENEDICTION** Tim Dunston

POSTLUDE Louis-Claude Daquin
Noel grand jeu et Duo

*Contributions for the Hands Across the Waters offering
will be received at the doors as you exit the sanctuary.*

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*The poinsettias today are courtesy of Green Lake members.*  
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Welcome, visitors ... We rejoice that you have come to unite with us in praising the Creator of us all. If you would like to join our membership, fill in one of the cards in the pew holders and drop it in the offering plate or hand it to the pastor of the day. Join us for the reception in the Chapel following the worship service today.

Sermon Synopsis ... It is a Western tradition to make plans, set goals, create dreams, make resolutions each new year—even if they last only a few days into the month of January. The turning of the calendar this year is stacked with fear-inducing situations. There are the millions who recently lost their jobs, and a yet-to-be numbered multitude who have lost or are about to lose their homes. How can they cope with their fears? How can we? Do we have the courage to pursue a dream in the new year? A very well-known New Testament story about Jesus and His disciples is the framework for an optimistic beginning to 2009.

Advent ... In the season of Advent, we celebrate the expectant waiting for the coming of Jesus. Traditionally Advent begins on the fourth week before the observance of Christmas. Christians see the season as a reminder both of the coming of the Messiah as a baby and of the expected second coming of Christ. This season we are joining in this rich Christian tradition through a weekly lighting of the candles that symbolize the peace, love, hope, and joy of Christ's birth. The flame of each new candle reminds us that something significant is happening, and that more is yet to come. Finally, the light that has come into the world is plainly visible as the Christ candle is lit at Christmas, and we rejoice over the fact that the promise of long ago has been realized. The circle of the wreath reminds us of God, the eternal One, of His endless mercy, which has no beginning or end.

Announcements

As a courtesy to others, please silence your cell phones and pagers.

Elders on Call ... If you have a special need to pray individually with someone this morning, there are Elders who would welcome the opportunity to pray with you. Ask one of the church greeters to contact one of the Elders.

Children's Sabbath School Pick-up ... Because we are interested in our children's safety, we are asking that all parents pick up their children from Sabbath School promptly at 10:50. This requirement is for all children in the toddlers through primary age groups. Sabbath School teachers also would like to be able to attend the beginning of the worship service at 11 o'clock and are unable to leave their rooms until each child has been met by a caregiver.

The weekly church bulletin is now available Tuesday afternoons on the Web site, www.greenlakesda.org. To be included, information for the worship service and announcements should arrive in the church office Tuesday morning.

Save the Dates ... Second Annual Summer Fine Arts Academy will take place in two separate weeks from August 10 through 15 and August 17 through 22 plus a two-day special art, music, and improv program for underprivileged young people hosted by GLC kids on August 24-25, 2009.

Cypress School Scholarship Fund ... Thank you so much for the contributions that have come in for the Cypress Scholarship Fund. Thanks to your generosity we are almost there. We still need to raise \$7,400. You can give in two ways: a single sum or a designated monthly amount for 10 months. Mark donations "Cypress Scholarship." Donations can be made through Green Lake Church or mailed to Cypress Adventist School, 21500 Cypress Way, Lynnwood, WA 98036. Thank you for investing in a child.

From your Church Safety Team ... We encourage you to take a moment this evening and check your readiness for severe storms and extended self and family care in case of power outage or earthquake. Remember the dangers of carbon monoxide poisoning from charcoal grills and generators. Please visit the following sites for more information:
<http://www.emd.wa.gov/>, <http://www.takewinterbystorm.org>,
<http://www.redcrosswashington.org/>, <http://www.doh.wa.gov/phepr/handbook.htm>.
 Wishing you best and happiest holidays with God's blessings. Mark and the Safety Team

Member needing work will assist with household and yard projects. Contact the church office, 206-522-1330.

Please continue praying for:

- Scott Lanphear, dealing with further health issues.
- Jenette Logue-Sheridan, dealing with stage IV cancer.

Donations Online ... It is now possible to make donations with your credit card or checking account to the church via the Internet. Go to the church's Web site, www.greenlakesda.org, and click on the link to AdventistGiving. You will be guided through the steps to establish an account with a password. AdventistGiving is a secure site. Funds will be transferred to Green Lake Church and to other recipients listed on the site, including ADRA, missions, and a host of Seventh-day Adventist Church ministries.

PASTOR'S OFFICE HOURS

David Wood10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Tuesday through Friday

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Bible Study..... Resumes January 14, 10:00 a.m.
 Clean Slate Improv January 17, 8:00 p.m.
 Church Board..... January 20, 7:30 p.m.
 Church in Business Session..... January 27, 7:30 p.m.
 Division Chairs January 20, 6:00 p.m.

PULPIT SCHEDULE

**Be Not Afraid of Greatness
 Fall 2008–Summer 2009**

Fall Quarter Theme: Facing Our Fears

December: A Child of Hope

January 3.....*A Second Childhood*David Wood
 Communion
 January 10.....*Beating the System*David Wood
 January 17.....Tim Dunston
 January 24.....Shelby Goerlitz

OFFERINGS

CHURCH BUDGET	ACTUAL	BUDGET	DIFFERENCE
Year to Date	\$ 147,031.12	\$ 184,690.50	(\$ 37,659.38)
12/13/08	3,418.42	3,693.81	(\$ 1,209.78)

HANDS ACROSS THE WATER 12/13/08 \$ 178.94 Total Available \$11,869.41

ORGAN CAMPAIGN	GIFTS	MATCH	TOTAL
Organ donations in prior years	\$ 34,585		\$ 34,585
2007 organ donations	34,518	\$ 34,037	68,555
2008 organ donations	17,365		17,365
<u>Auction</u>	<u>15,963</u>	<u>15,963</u>	<u>31,926</u>
<u>Totals</u>	<u>102,431</u>	<u>50,000</u>	<u>152,431</u>
Goal	150,000	50,000	200,000

Sunset Tonight 4:24 Next Friday 4:31



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