

TODAY'S NEWS

"For everything that was written in the past was written to teach us, so that through the endurance taught in the Scriptures and the encouragement they provide we might have hope."
Romans 15:4 NIV

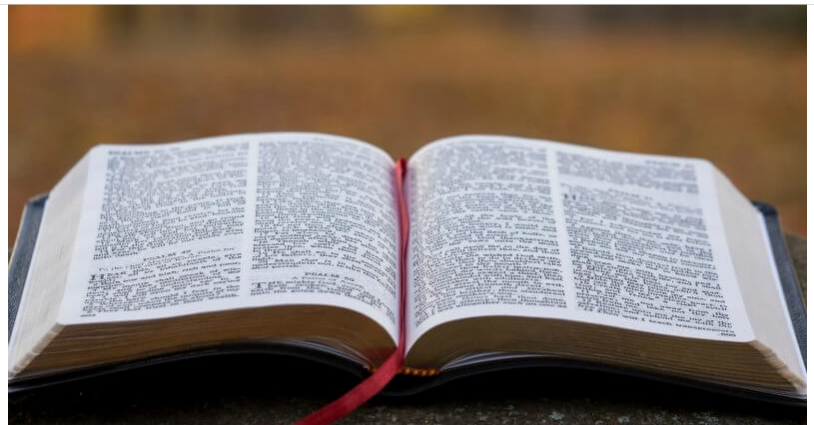
Church Services

Worship Service:
Sabbath at 11 AM

We will have to follow state guidelines in order to insure everyone's safety. We ask for your cooperation and patience.

Those who attend are asked to:

- Wear a mask at all times during services (a mask will be provided to those who don't have one)
- Social distance (A deacon will be able to help with seating)
- Wash hands often and thoroughly. Hand sanitizer will be available as well
- Please stay home if you feel unwell.



Learning from the Past

In November, I spent 40 hours driving to Nebraska and back. Thankfully Dad had the foresight to bring along the CD set of *Pathways of the Pioneers*, a collection of stories of our Adventist heritage from the era of William Miller until about 1915. There are a couple dozen segments of approximately an hour in length. This collection was prepared for use in our elementary schools, but is a wonderful resource for anyone who is interested in gaining perspective about the origin of our church, both in Seventh-day Adventist beliefs and the characters who played pivotal roles in the early years.

While this product may be obtained through the Adventist Book Center, it is available for free on YouTube as well if you don't mind doing a search at times to continue the flow of episodes.

There were several points that stood out to me during



Church Bulletin

Prayer Meeting

Please join us as we pray together for our Church and Community.

Wednesday's 6:15 p.m.
Call (518) 418-1558

Live Streaming Services

If you unable to attend in person services live stream will still be available through Desert Cove SDA. Each Sabbath @ 11:30 a.m. Look for an email with the YouTube link.

Tithes & Offerings

Below are the two ways you can give your offerings if you are not available to come to church services:

Mail to: Cathy Fields
P.O. Box 15332
Scottsdale, AZ 85267

Visit our website at:

www.buckeyeaz.adventistchurch.org and click on 'Online Giving' and follow the prompts.

this trip through our history:

1. The level of sacrifice involved in the early spread of the message is difficult to fathom. Travel was not anything like today. Winter could be tough in the east. Trains could be smoky. Inns could be poor places to get rest. Warm clothing wasn't available to everyone.

2. Sickness and disease was common. Practicing principles for healthy living is a more recent development. Sister Ellen had been having visions for most of two decades before she gained a deeper understanding of how to live in harmony with nature's laws. At first she hated eating bread and was afraid not eating meat would mean she would have fainting spells. She found out she had thought wrong.

3. Gaining unity and harmony was almost always a hard assignment. Those who became Adventists came from a broad background of beliefs so it took decades to develop a basic foundation of shared beliefs. The good old days when everyone was on the same page are rare indeed. The great controversy has often been part of our church just as it continues in this world.

4. Finding a balance in living as an Adventist Christian remains a challenge. Some people who were once on the right road eventually got off track as they became obsessed with some idea or opinion. We need to pray for the Holy Spirit to guide us each day, all the way through to the kingdom.

5. God is able to work in amazing ways to spread the good news of the gospel to all parts of the earth. We serve a mighty God! He is not limited in His options as we often think we are. God's plan of salvation will prevail. The gospel will be shared by His grace. It is our privilege to be part of that divine project.

Will you be praying for His guidance as you serve Him in this new year?

Pastor Steve Gibson

Upcoming Birthdays



Heather Worr - Dec 13

Pastor Clark - Dec 14

Brenda Clark - Dec 19

Jennifer Cruz - Jan 15

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Carrot Fennel Soup

Ingredients

- 1 tbsp. olive oil
- 1 medium fennel bulb, thinly sliced
- 1 small yellow onion, thinly sliced
- 2-3 cloves garlic, minced
- 4 cups carrots, peeled and sliced
- 4 cups vegetable broth
- 1 tsp salt
- 1/2 cup freshly squeezed orange juice

Cashew Creme

- 1/4 cup cashews, soaked 30 minutes
- 1/4 cup warm water
- 1 tbsp. fresh lemon juice
- 1/2 tsp. apple cider vinegar
- 1/4 tsp. salt

Instructions

- Before starting, place the cashews in a bowl of water to soak. Make sure they are fully submerged and give them at least 30 minutes to soak. This softens the nut and makes it easier to blend into cashew cream.
- Heat the oil in a soup pot over medium heat. Add the sliced fennel and onion and cook, stirring often, until soft and golden, about 5 minutes. Add carrots and garlic and cook for 2 more minutes.
- Stir in the vegetable broth. Bring to boil then reduce heat to simmer. Cover and cook 20 minutes until carrots are tender. Remove from the heat and stir in orange juice and salt. Taste and adjust seasonings.
- Let the soup cool slightly. Then transfer it to a blender and blend until completely smooth. You may have to do this in batches. Do not fill your blender more than halfway or it may leak out. Alternatively, you can use an immersion blender to purée the soup. It won't get quite as smooth but it makes less mess!
- Drain and rinse the cashews. Combine all the ingredients for the cashew cream in a high powered blender, like a VitaMix and blend until completely smooth. If you do not have a Vitamix, soak the cashews for at least 6 hours prior to making the soup and blend them in a regular blender.
- Serve the soup warm with a dollop of cashew cream and freshly ground pepper.