

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

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

Church Events This Coming Week

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| Today | 9:30 pm | Prayer Breakfast and Sabbath School |
| | 1:30 pm | Nursing Home Ministry |
| | 4:00 pm | Adventurer Club Meeting |
| Wednesday | 7:00 pm | New Community |
| Thursday | 7:30 pm | Elders Board |
| Friday | 4:30 pm | Leadership Retreat- Pathfinder/Adventurer |
| | 7:00 pm | Puppet Ministry Practice |
| Sabbath | 10:00 am | Sabbath School |
| | 11:30 am | Worship Service – Warren Saxton |
| | 1:30 pm | Nursing Home Ministry |

Announcements

David Morris will be following his Lord in baptism today. We welcome him into our church family and we welcome his family and friends as they worship with us today!

Did you miss our call? You can add your phone number and email to our contact list so information regarding church cancellations and other important news won't be missed. There is a sign - up sheet in the foyer or you can contact Cindy Harris 678-685-5905 or Dale Jacobson 603-898-4075. If you are listed in the church directory you are already included on our contact list.

Nominating Committee Recommendation, 1st 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.

Sunset Tonight 7:30

Next Friday 7:38

Merrimack Valley Seventh-day Adventist Church
March 24, 2007

Worship Celebration

Sabbath A Memorial of Redemption

Gathering to Worship

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| Prelude | Ingrid Mergenthaler |
| Worship Host's Greetings | Blanche Castle |
| Call to Worship | |

Praising His Name

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| Praise Songs | Shirley Antoine, Gilda Newell |
| <i>This is the Day</i> | Jennifer Voight |
| <i>There is a Redeemer</i> | |
| <i>Victory in Jesus</i> | |
| Congregational Prayer | Joyce LaRochelle |
| Baptism Celebration | David Morris |
| Gifts of Worship | Blanche Castle |
| Conference Budget | |
| Offertory | Ingrid Mergenthaler |

Proclaiming the Word

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| Children's Corner | D.O.G. Puppets |
| Scripture Lesson | Vivian Irrgang |
| <i>Luke 13:10-17</i> | |
| Worship in Song | Dovich Family |
| Sabbath Message | Phil Vasseur |
| <i>Free At Last</i> | |

Dedicating Our Lives

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| Hymn of Dedication | #341 |
| <i>To God be the Glory</i> | |
| Prayer of Dedication | Phil Vasseur |
| Worship Host's Benediction | Blanche Castle |
| Postlude | Ingrid Mergenthaler |

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

Future Church Events

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| Apr 7 | Easter Sabbath |
| Apr 14 | International Sabbath |
| Apr 15 | Church Cleaning Bee |
| May 5 | Special service on Paul's Epistle to the Romans |
| 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:
<http://www.mvsda.org/index.php3?section=Calendar>

Giving Hearts: March– to–date Report

| Offerings | Received | Monthly budget |
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| Church Budget | \$2,108.00 | \$3,512.00 |
| Building Fund | \$3,540.00 | \$3,250.00 |

| Special Offerings To-Date | Received | Needed |
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| Tables and Chairs | \$3,779.00 | \$7,000.00 |

Bulletin information should be sent to Vivian Irrgang (e-mail: 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

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| 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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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>

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: Here's how you have responded so far:

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| 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: http://www.mvsda.org/article.php3?story_id=461
 If you are unable to access the web to download the newsletter, please let Cindy Harris, cinlee4@comcast.net, 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

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