

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

Welcome to Merrimack Valley Church! Welcome to our "International Sabbath" worship service today. We are an international community of faith, and today we want to invite you to celebrate with us what God is doing at Merrimack Valley.

Church Events This Coming Week

Today	1:00 pm	Fellowship Dinner
	2:00 pm	Men's Ministry
Sunday	9:30 am	Church Cleaning Bee
Tuesday	7:00 pm	Nominating Committee Meeting
Wednesday	7:00 pm	New Community
Friday	7:00 pm	D.O.G. Puppet Ministry Practice
Sabbath	10:00 am	Sabbath School
	11:30 am	Worship Service – Withford Shaw
	1:30 pm	Nursing Home Ministry
	4:00 pm	Adventurer Meeting
Sunday	9:30 am	Church Cleaning Bee – rain date
	10:00 am	Adventurer Zoo Field Trip
	2:00 pm	Pathfinder Meeting – Field Uniform

Announcements

International Sabbath is a celebration of our cultural diversity here at Merrimack Valley. You will see clothing and hear language that represents the cultural heritage or country of origin of many who attend. Please join us after the worship service for our Fellowship Dinner. The menu will feature foods from around the world.

A Memorial service for Nancy Wall, mother of Rick Wall, will be held at 2 p.m., Sabbath, April 14, 2007 at the Stoneham Memorial Church, 29 Maple Street, Stoneham, MA. Light refreshments will be served after the service. Please contact Stephanie Wall at 978-258-5552 if you have any questions or need more information.

Sunset Tonight 7:26

Next Friday 7:32

Merrimack Valley Seventh-day Adventist Church
April 14, 2007

Worship Celebration

How to Embrace Diversity

Gathering to Worship

Prelude	Marianne Wiacek
Worship Host's Greetings	Gustav Mergenthaler
Call to Worship	

Praising His Name

Praise Songs	Catalina & William Carvajal
<i>Give Thanks</i>	Benn Osei-Mensah &
<i>Lord, I Lift Your Name on High</i>	Jovanie Whyte
<i>You are My All in All</i>	
Congregational Prayer	
English	Rita McCall
Spanish	Margarita Santana
African	Maxwell Whyte
Church Alive	Vitali & Anya Bondar
Gifts of Worship	Greg & Vivian Irrgang
World Budget	
Offertory	Marianne Wiacek

Proclaiming the Word

Children's Corner	Benjamin Osei-Mensah
Scripture Lesson	Lisa Oh
<i>Ephesians 2:14-18</i>	
Worship in Word & Song	
<i>He Reigns</i>	
<i>Dame Tu Vida - "Give me your Life"</i>	Catalina & William Carvajal
<i>Praise and Thank the Lord</i>	Thouncy Sing
<i>Embracing Diversity</i>	Phil Vasseur

Dedicating Our Lives

Hymn of Dedication	
<i>Love in any Language</i>	Ingrid Mergenthaler
Prayer of Dedication	Phil Vasseur
Worship Host's Benediction	Gustav Mergenthaler
Postlude	Marianne Wiacek

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

Future Church Events

Apr 15 Church Cleaning Bee
 Apr 28 Family potluck supper, vespers/Pathfinder Investiture & game night
 May 5 Special service on Paul's Epistle to the Romans
 May 12 Greater Boston Academy Choir
 Jun 9 Women's Ministry Sabbath
 Jun 16 Promotion 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: April - to- date Report

Offerings	Received	Monthly budget
Church Budget	\$1,810.00	\$3,512.00
Building Fund	\$1,661.00	\$3,250.00

Special Offerings To-Date	Received	Needed
Tables and Chairs	\$3,934.00	\$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

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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Women's Ministry meeting and craft scheduled for today has been postponed. An alternate date will be announced soon.

Thank you, the prayers, cards, and flowers we received following the death of my mother, Nancy Wall, were greatly appreciated. They truly made us feel like we were part of a large caring family. Rick and Stephanie Wall

Church cleaning bee 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. tomorrow, Sunday, April 15, 2007. Bring rakes & brooms for outside cleaning and glass cleaner, rags & buckets for inside cleaning. There will be a list of jobs when you arrive.

Family potluck supper, vespers/Pathfinder investiture and game night is scheduled to start at 6 p.m. Sabbath evening, April 28, 2007. See the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the fellowship hall or contact Rita McCall 978/667-6670 for more information.

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 – Michael Frimpong – recovering from stroke
 Karen McClendon – recovering from knee injury
 Marianne & Jay Wiacek – relief from chronic pain

Thought Spot: The Christian's encounter with Christ creates both a cross- cultural and countercultural community. At the cross the church is a repentant community. It is a community that is oriented around the mission of Jesus Christ. That orientation helps us put into proper perspective our cultural differences.

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
 Jun – Aug SNEC Summer Camp <http://www.campwinnekeag.com/>