

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

**Welcome to the Merrimack Valley Seventh-day Adventist Church.** We are glad you chose to worship with us today. Our speaker today is Pastor Vixie. Do you desire Bible Studies, baptism, a pastoral visit or prayer? Please see our Pastor or one of the Elders.

### Church Events This Coming Week

Today	10:00am Sabbath School 11:30am 7 Lessons & Carols 1:00pm Fellowship Dinner 2:00pm Pathfinder Bible Experience Practice 3:00pm Pathfinder Meeting: Spiritual Discovery, dress uniform
Sunday	5:00pm MVSDA Adult Christmas Party
Wednesday	7:00pm Community Bible Study – Pastor Vixie

### Announcements

**2nd reading** Rita McCall as Family Ministries leader.

**Prayer Requests:** Do you have a prayer request? There is a prayer box in the foyer of the church. Fill out a request form and put it in the box or e-mail the prayer team at: [prayer@mvsd.org](mailto:prayer@mvsd.org) and the prayer team will bring your request before the Lord.

Do you have a need today for personal prayer for yourself or someone else? The Prayer Team members will be available immediately following the church service to pray with you. Ask one of the church members to direct you to the Youth Sabbath School room and we will meet you there!

**Adult Christmas Party** - Come join us for food, fun, and fellowship on December 13, from 5:00pm-8pm. See signup sheet in fellowship hall for further details.

**Church Directory Update:** Last day for updating your picture for the Church directory. Bob will be in the kindergarten room during potluck. Contact Bob McCall at [Bob.w.mccall@gmail.com](mailto:Bob.w.mccall@gmail.com) to arrange other times. or send us a family photo at the above e-mail and the info form.

**Sunset Tonight 4:12**

**Next Friday 4:13**

**Merrimack Valley Seventh-day Adventist Church**  
December 12, 2015

# Worship Celebration

## The Birth of Jesus

Prelude		Carla Bonfim
Worship Host's Greetings		Warren Saxton
Congregational Carol	<i>O Come All Ye Faithful</i>	132
Congregational Prayer		Rita McCall
Carol	<i>O Come, O Come, Emmanuel</i>	Flute Ensemble
Lesson #1	<i>Isaiah 9:2,6,7</i>	Jim and Gilda Newell
	The Prophecy	
Carol	<i>Let There Be Peace</i>	Rex Pajela
Lesson #2	<i>Luke 1:26-33</i>	Vivianne Lewandowski
	An Angel Appears to Mary	
Carol	<i>Mary Did You Know?</i>	Shirley Antoine
Gifts of Worship	<i>World Budget</i>	Cherie Pryce
Offertory	<i>Ode to Joy</i>	Brenden Chery
Carol	<i>Breath of Heaven</i>	Stephanie Goelzer
Lesson #3	<i>Matthew 1:18-21</i>	Erin and Tim Cronin
	An Angel Appears to Joseph	
Carol	<i>Joseph's Song</i>	Hans Miranda
Children's Offering		Connolly Family
Children's Offertory		Carla Bonfim
Children's Story		Connolly Family
Lesson #4	<i>Luke 2:1-7</i>	Perez Family
	Bethlehem	
Carol	<i>Silent Night</i>	Rumbidzai Gutu
Congregational Carol	<i>Away in the Manger</i>	124
Lesson #5	<i>Luke 2:8-20</i>	Rob Voight
	The Angels Appear to the Shepherds	
Carol	<i>O Holy Night</i>	Jennifer Torres
Lesson #6	<i>Matthew 2:1-12</i>	Nelcia Johnson
	The Wise Men	
Carol	<i>Hark! The Herald Angels Sing</i>	Chali Lewandowski
Christmas Homily		Matthew Vixie
Congregational Carol	<i>Go Tell It on the Mountain</i>	121
Lesson #7	<i>John 1:1-14</i>	Nancy Saxton
	The Word Became Flesh	
Carol	<i>The Prayer</i>	Carine Ferreira
Birthday Gifts for Jesus		Vixie Family
Congregational Carol	<i>Joy to the World</i>	125
Benediction		William Carvajal
Postlude		Carla Bonfim

Organist: Carla Bonfim  
Guitars:  
Flutes:  
Violins:  
SDA Praise Ensemble

Pianist: Eunice Ferreira  
Decio Ferreira & Darien Santana  
Veronica Iria & Bonnie Crowley  
Rumbie Gutu & Brenden Chery  
Carol Leaders: Stephanie & Rick Wall

## Future Church Events

December 19	9:30am Prelude Praise practice 10:00am Sabbath School 11:30am Worship Service 2:30pm Adventurer Meeting 3:00pm Pathfinder Bible Experience Practice 5:00pm Pathfinder Meeting: Christmas Party, field uniform
December 20	10:30am Pathfinder Citrus Fruit Pick-up 11:00am Adventurer Christmas Party

Please visit our web site for additional calendar information:  
<http://www.mvsda.org/Calendar/>

## Giving Hearts: December- to date - Report

Offerings	Received	Monthly budget
Church Budget	\$2,605.00	\$ 6,058.00

**Bulletin information** should be sent to email: [bob.w.mccall@gmail.com](mailto:bob.w.mccall@gmail.com) or phone Bob McCall at [978-808-1823](tel:978-808-1823). Items submitted each week by 7 p.m. Tuesday evening will be considered for inclusion in the bulletin.

## Here to Serve

Audio/Visual .....	Andreas Goelzer .....	603-236-9423
Deacon.....	Gary Patch .....	978-314-9970
Deaconess .....	Juanita Ortiz .....	978-382-0513
Elder.....	Steven Dovich .....	978-494-0519
Membership Clerk .....	Joan Reiss.....	978-256-1671
Pastor.....	Matthew Vixie .....	603-401-0426
Recording Clerk.....	Sue Markin .....	978-957-6384
Sabbath School.....	Aaron Teckie .....	978-658-2633
Treasurer.....	Marge Patch .....	978-640-4949

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**Church Business Meeting:** January 14 7:00 p.m.

**Church Sign** - Do you have a favorite spiritual message you would like to see posted on our Church Sign? There is a form in the church entry way. Fill it out according to the directions and drop it in the box.

### Adventist Community Services Offering Today

Adventist Community Services is an outreach ministry for the Seventh-day Adventist Church in the North American Division. In 2015, ACS serves communities by providing assistance to people affected by flooding, fire, and other disasters to touch one heart, and transform our communities. Today's offering will help ACS continue this important work. Learn more or donate at [communityservices.org](http://communityservices.org).

**Handel's Messiah Sing** – Along will be held Saturday, December 19, 2015 at 4:00 p.m. at the Village SDA Church (75 Sawyer Street; South Lancaster, MA 01561). This event is an iterative presentation celebrating the birth of our Savior. All are welcome to join in this event. Scores will be available to borrow or you can bring your own.

**CHIP Facilitator Training** – Become a CHIP Facilitator and join our mission “to share with our community a message of health and hope for a better life!” The training will be held January 23-24, 2016 at the Village Church (75 Sawyer Street; South Lancaster, MA 01561). For more information email [health@villagesdachurch.org](mailto:health@villagesdachurch.org) or call 978-322-0578.

**Thought Spot:** The King of glory stooped low to take humanity. Rude and forbidding were His earthly surroundings. His glory was veiled, that the majesty of His outward form might not become an object of attraction. He shunned all outward display. Riches, worldly honor, and human greatness can never save a soul from death; Jesus purposed that no attraction of an earthly nature should call men to His side. Only the beauty of heavenly truth must draw those who would follow Him. The character of the Messiah had long been foretold in prophecy, and He desired men to accept Him upon the testimony of the word of God. {CSA 5.3}

**Dracut TV:** The Church Service today will be recorded and portions of the service will be broadcast on the local access channel (Cable TV), Internet and other media. For questions or other issues, contact the Audio/Visual Team.