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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 Worship Service 2:30pm Adventurer Meeting 3:00pm Pathfinder Bible Experience Practice 5:00pm Pathfinder Meeting: Christmas Party, field uniform
Sunday	11:00am Adventurer Christmas Party
Wednesday	7:00pm Community Bible Study – Pastor Vixie

Announcements

Prelude Praise - please join us today right after Sabbath School for praise songs and hymns. Everyone gets to sing and anyone who plays an instrument is welcomed to play along. Our next Prelude Praise time is scheduled for Jan 16th. If you have any questions please contact the Music Committee at music@mvsda.org

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 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!

Sunset Tonight 4:14

Next Friday 4:16

Merrimack Valley Seventh-day Adventist Church
December 19, 2015

Worship Celebration
Celebrating the birth of Christ

Gathering to Worship

Prelude Praise	Eunice Ferreira
Worship Host's Greeting	Lydia Abay
Call to Worship	

Praising His Name

Baby Dedication	Christian Foreshaw
Praise Song	Prelude Praise Team
<i>Go Tell it on the Mountain #121</i>	
<i>Joy to the World # 125</i>	
<i>What Child is This #141</i>	
Congregational Prayer	Valquira Gouvea
Baptism	Derrick Foreshaw
Gifts of Worship	Jered Arika
<i>Our Church Budget</i>	
Offertory	Eunice Ferreira

Proclaiming the Word

Children's Corner	Rita McCall
Scripture Lesson	Brenden Chery
<i>Matthew 2: 1-3</i>	
Worship in Song	Christian Miranda
Sabbath Message	Pastor Vixie
<i>Herod the Preoccupied</i>	

Dedicating Our Lives

Hymn of Dedication	
<i>Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne #140</i>	
Prayer of Dedication	Pastor Vixie
Worship Host's Benediction	Lydia Abay
Postlude	Eunice Ferreira

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

Future Church Events

December 26 10:00am Sabbath School
 11:30am Worship Service
 December 28 Elders Meeting
 December 30 7:00pm Community Bible Study – Pastor Vixie
 December 31 6:00pm Agape Supper

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	\$3,398.00	\$ 6,058.00

Bulletin information should be sent to email: 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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All donations to be counted for 2015 need to be turned in on Sabbath December 26. Please see Marge Patch if you have any questions.

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

Day of Fasting and Prayer: The Prayer Team is inviting you to join them in a day of fasting and prayer. This will take place on December 30th beginning at sunset and will end on December 31st at sunset. You will pray wherever you are during those hours. We invite you to spend at least 15 minutes each hour or 15 minutes during as many hours during that 24 hour period that will work for your schedule. Fasting will be your choice. You may choose food, sweets, t.v., social media etc. A suggested list of items to pray about is noted on a separate insert in the bulletin. You may add your own praises and requests too. An Agape supper will be held at 6:00 p.m. on December 31st at the church and all are encouraged to end the prayer and fasting by attending the gathering. (See a separate sign up sheet on the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall.)

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.

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 or call 978-322-0578.

Thought Spot: Although Herod received the wise men with apparent respect, yet the intimation by them of the birth of a king to reign in Jerusalem excited his envy and hatred against the infant whom he thought might prove his rival and drives him or his descendants from the throne. A storm of opposition and satanic fury took possession of Herod and he determined to destroy this infant king Yet he put on a calm exterior and requested a private interview with the wise men.

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.

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