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WELCOME

to Pioneers

"Oh, give thanks to the LORD! Call upon His name; Make known His deeds among the peoples! Sing to Him, sing psalms to Him; Talk of all His wondrous works! Glory in His holy name; Let the hearts of those rejoice who seek the LORD! Seek the LORD and His strength; Seek His face evermore!" (1 Chronicles 16:8-11).

What a privilege it is, for us all to come together on this Sabbath, seeking and expecting blessings that come only from our God. It is our prayer that the Holy Spirit will bless, strengthen, and refresh you as we gather for worship. Welcome, everyone!

—Don Dronen

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A BLESSED BEGINNING

BY STEVEN ATKINS

God has been good to Andrews Academy. We have been blessed to see our enrollment numbers grow from year to year (up by about 20 students in the past three years). It is a huge blessing to have donors like you, who make the AA experience possible for many young adults who otherwise could not attend. We thank you for your partnership and contribution to Christian Education.

This school year started with a very positive spiritual focus. In the past we have always had a fall and spring week of prayer. However, this year we thought we would try something new. We began right away with a week of prayer, hoping that it would set the framework for the entire year. At the final service, 22 students came forward for baptism!

Recently, eighty-four students participated in the SA campout near Muskegon. The entire weekend was a spiritually focused social event designed to get to know each other and our God more. The worship experiences focused on the fact that God doesn't necessarily desire our worship but seeks a relationship with us.

As a school, we feel it is important for students to learn to serve the community and become servant leaders as Jesus illustrated while here on Earth. We teach this concept in a very practical way by devoting an entire day to community service, a forty-plus-year tradition. Community members expressed thanks for what was accomplished, but more importantly expressed their pleasure in seeing the quality of students AA has, and spending

time interacting with them. Our little bit of effort went a long way in demonstrating the philosophy of Andrews Academy and the diligence, maturity, and selflessness of its students.

The senior class recently returned from their class trip which was filled with adventures such as caving, rides at Six Flags, and whitewater rafting in Pennsylvania. One day of their trip was spent serving a community in Ohio. Through this opportunity the class bonded and gained a sense of accomplishment as they worked together. The organizations they volunteered for were amazed to see such cooperative, kind, and hardworking teenagers. Over and over again they expressed their admiration of such an excellent group. Many began to ask questions, which gave us a great opportunity to share that we are a SDA Christian school in southwest Michigan and allowed us to be a witness for Jesus.

Please keep the students, faculty, and each component of our school in your prayers so that we all will have a deeper relationship with Jesus as a result of our time at Andrews Academy. ■

Steven Atkins is the Biology & Earth Science teacher at Andrews Academy.

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WE WORSHIP

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Opening Voluntary

I Believe in One God • Wolfgang Mozart

Introit

Praise the Lord (Isaiah 12) • Kenneth Logan

Call to Worship

Don Dronen

Praise the Lord!

For it is good to sing praises to our God;

Great is our Lord and abundant in power; his understanding is beyond measure.

Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving; make melody to our God.

Doxology

Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow • 2

Invocation

Sabine Vatel

Hymn of Praise

O Worship the King, All Glorious Above • 83

Congregational Prayer

Call to Prayer

Prayer Response

Don Dronen

With Joy You Shall Draw Water (Isaiah 12)

God Is My Salvation (Isaiah 12)

Worship in Music

How Great Thou Art • Craig Courtney

GROW Group Feature

Tithes & Offerings

World Budget

We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight • James Biery

Children's Story

Scripture

1 Corinthians 2:1-5 *ESV* • Carmen Avila & Juan Rivas

And I, when I came to you, brothers, did not come proclaiming to you the testimony of God with lofty speech or wisdom.

For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ and him crucified.

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And I was with you in weakness and in fear and much trembling, and my speech and my message were not in plausible words of wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power,
so that your faith might not rest in the wisdom of men but in the power of God.

Hymn of Preparation

We Would See Jesus • st. 1 & 2 of 494

Sermon

"Stand Alone" • Sabine Vatel

Hymn of Commitment

Father, Lead Me Day by Day • 482

Benediction

Closing Voluntary

O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High • David Johnson

PRESIDING PASTOR: Don Dronen; ORGANIST: Kenneth Logan

WORSHIP IN MUSIC: PMC Sanctuary Choir; Marguerite Samuel, director; James North, Jr., piano

MUSIC ALIVE

BELIEVING, NOT SEEING

"Seeing is believing" is an expression at odds with the import of today's offertory music. The organ music by James Biery is of a hymn melody associated with the text "We walk by faith, and not by sight" by Henry Alford. The author's thought continues: "No gracious words we hear / From Him who spake as none e'er spake; / But we believe Him near." Alford's encouraging

text continues with several further stanzas, among the thoughts the recognition that without touching Jesus' hands and side, we cry "My Lord and God!" and the plea that the Lord help our unbelief: "And may our faith abound. . . ." James Biery's organ meditation seems to be firmly yet gently assuring. Biery directs the substantial music program of a Presbyterian church, Grosse Point Farms, Michigan. ■

WE STUDY

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Song Service	Elizabeth Wilson
Opening Hymn	<i>Showers of Blessing</i> • 195
Welcome & Prayer	Philip Giddings III
Special Feature	"Just Another Miracle" • Debby Mongkau-Suhendra
Offertory	<i>Adagio from Concerto for Violin and Oboe in C minor</i> • J. S. Bach
Bible Study	"The Apostle Paul in Rome" • Classes
Theme Song	<i>Make Me a Blessing</i>

Make me a blessing; make me a blessing.
Out of my life may Jesus shine.
Make me a blessing; O Savior, I pray.
Make me a blessing; to someone today.

"Make Me a Blessing," Ira Bishop Wilson

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To Internalize	Romans 1:8 NKJV
<i>Sometimes your faith speaks louder than your words.</i>	

Benediction	Elizabeth Wilson
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ORGANIST: Kenneth Logan

OFFERTORY: Carlos Lozano, violin; Willaglys Senior, oboe; Analiz Lozano, piano

WE WORSHIP 2

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As We Begin

I Believe in One God • Wolfgang Mozart
Praise the Lord (Isaiah 12) • Kenneth Logan

Praise

I Will Sing of My Redeemer • *I Could Sing of Your Love Forever* • *Amazing Love*

Prayer

Don Dronen

Call to Prayer—*With Joy You Shall Draw Water (Isaiah 12)*

Prayer Response—*God Is My Salvation (Isaiah 12)*

GROW Group Feature

Tithes & Offerings

We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight • James Biery

Children's Story

Baby Dedication

Melanie Grace Rangel presented by Marlon & Milet Rangel with Rodlie Ortiz

Worship in Music

How Great Thou Art • Craig Courtney

Sermon

"Stand Alone" • Sabine Vatel

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Father, Lead Me Day by Day • 482

As We Depart

O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High • David Johnson

WORSHIP COORDINATOR: José Bourget; ORGAN: Kenneth Logan

CAJON: Smerdis Fuentes; MUSIC DIRECTOR: Joshua Goines

VOCALS: James-Andrew Hearn, Sinegugu Katenga, Vivian Raimundo, Alayna Rishaug

WORSHIP IN MUSIC: PMC Sanctuary Choir; Marguerite Samuel, director; James North, Jr., piano

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NEXT WEEK'S OFFERING
PMC Operating Expense

SUNSET TODAY • 7:20
SUNSET NEXT FRIDAY • 7:08

PIONEER PULPIT

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DWIGHT K. NELSON

"I, a Poor, Stinking Bag of Dung': The Story of Martin Luther and the New Reformation"

| 10 • 21 |

DWIGHT K. NELSON

"You Impious and Sensate Papist!': The Story of Martin Luther and the New Reformation"

FINANCIAL FEATURE

WORLD BUDGET

Today's offering is for world budget. It seems the number and magnitude of disasters around the world and in our own country have intensified lately. From hurricanes to flooding, earthquakes, tornadoes, fires, etc., the result has been destruction of property and loss of many lives. Although we can give directly to humanitarian agencies like Adventist Development and Relief Agency (ADRA), the world budget offering enables the church to fund some of the disaster relief needs. It also enables funding of mission projects all over the world, among other uses.

Visitors' Dinner

Join us today after second service in the PMC Commons (downstairs) for a home-cooked vegetarian meal.

Family Vespers

TODAY • 7:00 PM
YOUTH CHAPEL

Come and receive a blessing as we praise God at the close of this Sabbath.

Heritage Singers

TODAY • 7:30 PM
HOWARD PERFORMING ARTS CENTER

The Heritage Singers have continued to bring the love of Jesus to millions through the international language of music for 45 years. For info visit howard.andrews.edu.

Paper Crafting Together

TOMORROW • 11:00 AM TO 5:00 PM
PMC COMMONS

Enjoy fellowship while creating scrapbook pages, cards, or other paper crafts. Bring your projects and favorite snack and we will supply prizes and chocolate. For info, email sherrie.davis@lakeunion.org.

Knitting Hearts Together

OCTOBER 10 • 7:00 TO 8:30 PM
MACCARTY HOME

Join this ministry to the bereaved and seriously ill. Contact Alice Williams (269.461.6815 or alicew@andrews.edu).

Center for Adventist Research Book Sale

OCTOBER 11 • DURING HOURS
JAMES WHITE LIBRARY

Hundreds of used Adventist books, pamphlets, periodicals, Ellen White books, audio-visuals, and more on sale. This event will run for 3 weeks, as long as materials last. For information email car@andrews.edu.

United States Air Force Band of Mid-America

OCTOBER 12 • 7:00 PM
HOWARD PERFORMING ARTS CENTER

The United States Air Force Band of Mid-America represents the professionalism and excellence found every day throughout the Air Force. This diverse, 45-piece ensemble's repertoire ranges from symphonic band masterworks, to traditional marches, to modern compositions, to pops and jazz. During a concert, you are likely to hear stirring works from contemporary composers as well as the familiar sounds of John Philip Sousa or Major Glenn Miller.

We Mourn

Today we mourn with the Damron family on the death of their husband/father, Chester Damron. Chet was a long-time member of the Berrien Springs community—former chaplain in Campus Ministries, “Uncle Dan” on Your Story Hour episodes, and fondly known for his portrayal of Abraham Lincoln. He died on October 1, in a care center in Florida, following a 7-month battle with cancer. A memorial service will be held in the PMC Sanctuary on Sabbath, October 14, at 4 PM. Visitation with the family will be at 3 PM. With the Damron family we look forward to the resurrection morning. “Even so, come Lord Jesus.”

Fall Family Fun Day

OCTOBER 15 • 5:00 TO 8:00 PM
5 PINES ON SMITH ROAD

Join your PMC family for our annual Fall fun and hayrides. Bring your friends and enjoy good food, hayrides, a blacksmith demonstration, and a wonderful time socializing. —*Family Life Committee*

Forks Over Knives

OCTOBER 19 • 6:00 TO 8:00 PM
LINCOLN TOWNSHIP LIBRARY
(2099 W. JOHN BEERS RD.)

You are invited to a free showing of the acclaimed “Forks Over Knives” documentary that gives the rationale for a whole food, plant-based diet. A soup supper will be provided. Preregister by October 16, by contacting Joni Bell (269.876.7634 or jbell105@yahoo.com) or Jane Thayer (healthytogether25@gmail.com).

Pastor Appreciation Month

Our PMC pastors work very hard on our behalf and today we would like to give you a special opportunity to thank them for their efforts. October is Pastor Appreciation Month and we have provided a card that you can use to write a personal note to one or more of our pastors (José Bourget, Don Dronen, Ben Martin, Taurus Montgomery, Rodlie Ortiz, Sharon Terrell, Sabine Vatel, Dwight Nelson) or ministers (Kenneth Logan, Richard Parke). Return your completed cards today to the welcome stations located at the back of the church, in the basement lobby, or at the desk located between the Youth Chapel and the Sanctuary. You and your family may want to show your appreciation in another creative way as well but we wanted to give you this opportunity today. Thank you.

Pianist Ian Hobson in Concert

TOMORROW • 4:00 PM

HOWARD PERFORMING ARTS CENTER

The next Sunday Music Series concert features the piano expertise of Ian Hobson. This particular program will cover pieces from “Prelude Book 2” by Claude Debussy, “Gaspard de la Nuit” by Maurice Ravel, and “Polonaise in A-Flat Major, Op. 53” by Frederic Chopin. Admission is free and no tickets are required.

Andrews Academy Alumni Weekend

OCTOBER 20-21

Andrews Academy invites you to Alumni Weekend. Come and reunite with your academy family. We look forward to seeing all of you once again on Friday at the 7 PM Vespers; and on Saturday, with Sabbath School and Roll Call at 10 AM followed by Convocation at 11:15 AM. Honor class photographs and a Fellowship Haystack Lunch will follow. Local alumni please bring the following according to last name: A-D Chips, E-G Cheese, H-J Lettuce, K-M Tomato, N-P Olives, Q-S Sour Cream, T-V Salsa, W-Z Brownies/Cookies.

Lake Union Youth Ministries Training

OCTOBER 27-28 • 6:30 PM

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Lead a child to Christ, free seminars for Master Guide candidates and Master Guides engaged in Adventurer and Pathfinder ministries. Info & registration at cye.org/aymt. Seminars include: Pathfinder Basic Staff, AYMT Instructor, AYMT Club Director, Master Guide, AYMT Leadership, ALG (1/2).

Health Tent Website

For current health events in southwestern Michigan, visit www.healthtent.org.

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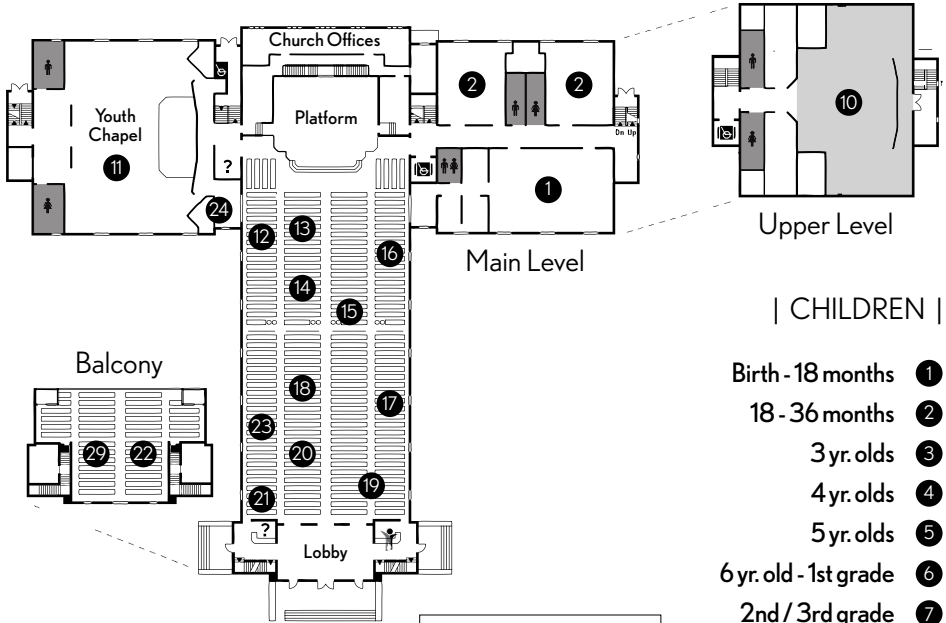
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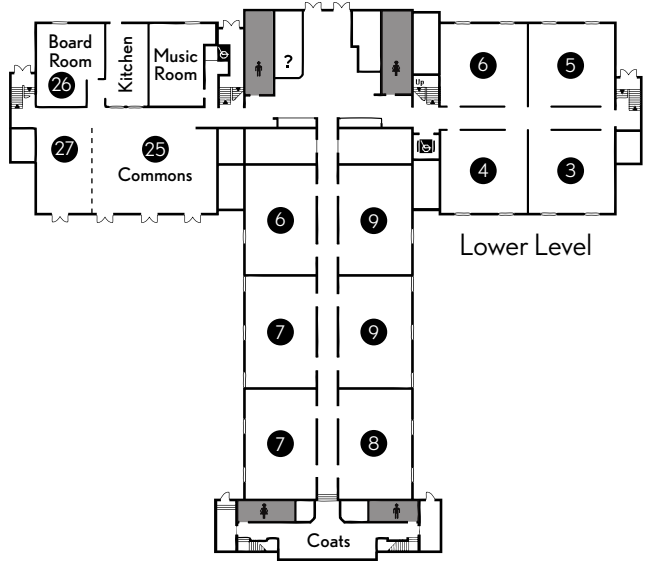
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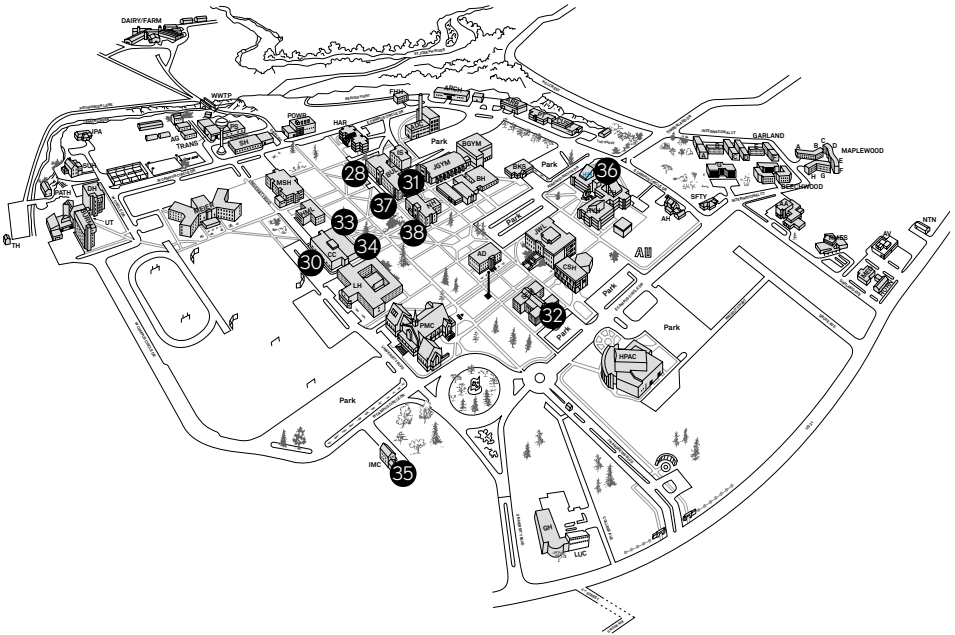
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ONLINE

www.pmchurch.org/directory

AT CHURCH

Register with a volunteer on Sabbaths between 9 AM and 1 PM at the lower level PMC Welcome Center

BY PHONE

Call David or Judy Nowack at 269.471.1932

PHOTOGRAPHY DATES

- October 29 - November 2
- November 5 - 9
- November 12 - 16

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