

PIONEER

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OCTOBER 3, 2015

## THE PUGWASH FACTOR



## HOW TO RESPOND TO THE SUPREME COURT'S SAME-SEX MARRIAGE DECISION

## WHAT IT MEANS TO BE FAMILY

On behalf of all of us at Pioneer Memorial Church: welcome! We're glad you're here. We've been expecting you. So make yourself comfortable. You're not a visitor. You're our guest. But, of course, we would like to be more than that. We'd love to be family.

You see, being family is a promise, isn't it? It's a promise that we won't let go; that

we'll hold each other up; that we'll support and accept each other just as we are. Yup, that's a family. And that's what we invite you to today. You may have thought you were just coming to be a visitor, or even a guest. But the really great thing is the reality that, though you may have come as a first-timer, you can leave as family. So we'll see you next week. —Rodlie Ortiz

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### HARVEST PICNIC

*Alumni enjoy the Harvest Picnic and campfire last Sabbath during the AU Alumni Weekend.*

*(Photo credit: Brian Tagalog)*



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# COUNTY CLERK SAME-SEX MARRIAGE OBJECTOR MEETS PRIVATELY WITH POPE

BY DWIGHT K. NELSON

**T**alking about cramming two hot button topics into a single headline! It was announced this week (with later Vatican confirmation) that Kim Davis, the Kentucky county clerk who refused to sign marriage licenses for same sex applicants and was subsequently jailed for six days, met privately with Pope Francis this past Thursday when he was in Washington. According to the Washington Post: “The pair reportedly chatted about bravery, then hugged and exchanged promises of prayer. The pope thanked Davis for her ‘courage,’ according to the press release, and told her to ‘stay strong.’ The news release also said Francis ‘presented Kim and Joe Davis each with a Rosary that he personally blessed’” ([www.washingtonpost.com/news/morning-mix/wp/2015/09/30/the-murky-details-of-kim-daviss-alleged-secret-meeting-with-pope-francis/](http://www.washingtonpost.com/news/morning-mix/wp/2015/09/30/the-murky-details-of-kim-daviss-alleged-secret-meeting-with-pope-francis/)).

When asked about the meeting, Vatican spokesman Manuel Dorantes responded, “I do not deny that the meeting took place, but I have no comments to add.”

Is anybody surprised with the pope’s private affirmation of her conscientious

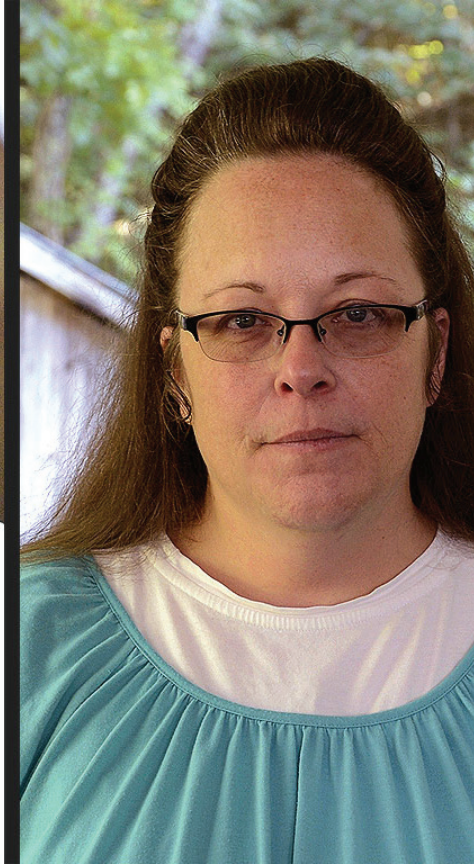
objection? Apparently some are. “Since his election as to the papacy in 2013, Francis – with his outspoken criticism of global warming and income inequality, as well as his perceived support of the gay community (‘Who am I to judge?’ he said) – has become a favorite of some liberals. His reported meeting with Davis could feel like a slap to progressives who see him – wrongly or rightly – as their ally on the topic of LGBT acceptance” (ibid).

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## IS ANYBODY SURPRISED WITH THE POPE’S PRIVATE AFFIRMATION OF HER CONSCIENTIOUS OBJECTION?

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Kim Davis herself seems surprised. The Post reports: “Davis, an Apostolic Christian, has said that her refusal to issue same-sex marriage licenses was ‘a Heaven or Hell decision’ and that she is refusing to issue the documents ‘under God’s authority.’ ‘I was humbled to meet



Pope Francis,' she said in a statement. 'Of all people, why me?' She added: 'I never thought I would meet the Pope. Who am I to have this rare opportunity? I am just a County Clerk who loves Jesus and desires with all my heart to serve him'" (ibid).

Her attorney was less equivocal: "Kim Davis has become a symbol of this worldwide conflict between Christian faith and recent cultural challenges regarding marriage,' [Mat] Staver said. 'The challenges we face in America regarding the sanctity of human life, marriage, and religious freedom are the same universal challenges Christians face around the world. Religious freedom is a human right that comes from God. These values are shared in common by people of faith, and the threats to religious freedom are universal'" (ibid).

The pope and same sex marriage in America—two combustible debates in Christian circles. So where do we stand, you and I? With Kim Davis? With Pope Francis? With the Supreme Court? In "The Pugwash Factor: How to Respond to the Supreme Court's Same Sex Marriage Decision" we grapple for the answer. Because somewhere in the life and teaching of Jesus there is enough precedence to know where He stood. And what (or who) could be more supreme than that? ■

You can follow Pastor Dwight's blog at [www.pmchurch.tv/blog](http://www.pmchurch.tv/blog).

*always*  
**KEEP A SONG**  
*in your heart*

BY GIVAN HINDS

**A**s I write, I am listening to the Oakwood University Aeolians, an award-winning ensemble of students, ministering in song. Once in awhile, my hands drift from the keyboard as I softly conduct the wharfs and woofs, swirls and curls, and riffs and runs in the music. I turn to view their faces on my iPhone, and see a talented, disciplined group enjoying an engaging and positive experience. I see fellowship, camaraderie, and most importantly, worship. The combination makes my soul soar, every time! If asked what “music” means to me . . . I believe music means almost everything.

Music has been an integral part of both my personal and academic life for as long as I can remember. My first instrument was the piano, and I played the violin and sang in children’s choirs. As an only child, my parents called instruments my “siblings,” and allowed me to take lessons for the cello, harp, acoustic and bass guitars, ukulele, flute, and French horn. In the 4th grade, Dean Boward introduced me to the B-flat Clarinet. . . . I wanted to play the trombone, but alas, wisdom and expertise compelled him to guide me to an instrument that would better accommodate my tiny lungs. Being part of my middle-school and academy music ensembles was such an invaluable and memorable part of my formative experience, that I vaguely remember school experiences that did not in some way involve music.



Some of the loveliest times in high school were the band tours, the praise teams, and my piano recitals. These experiences were not just memorable because of applause or compliments, but because I, along with my friends, was able to minister to others with my friends. I believe that music as ministry rests not as much on talent, dexterity and rehearsal, as much as it does on the God-given opportunity to uplift broken souls and soothe weary hearts.

I carried the love for such God-given opportunities into my college years, performing in various ensembles, including the Andrews University Wind Symphony, the AU Singers, and Journey Ministries. Expanding on my student conductor experience in my academy’s concert band,



I studied conducting in college, and had the privilege of using these skills from time to time. Music is enjoyable also because it presents an awesome challenge. Music theory, sight-reading, and performing with agility and poise warrant the type of focus and intentionality that can directly translate to a sharper mind and better skill across disciplines. This summer I enjoyed my first season playing the B-flat Clarinet with the local St. Joseph Municipal Band. Most of the band's musicians are professionals, some have been music educators for decades, and others played in famed Broadway productions. As a result of this fine company, my sight-reading ability increased dramatically, and I shared in the awesome experience of making music

alongside those who have made music their livelihood. This summer I also accompanied both the AU Singers and Journey Ministries to the General Conference session. We sang in various venues and ministered to many, including ourselves. As I observed the various musicians at the GC, what was most apparent was the immediate sense of respect for each other, the instant camaraderie between musicians. We reveled in the opportunity to perform and minister alongside members of our church family from *literally* all over the world.

Both of these summer experiences proved what music meant to me: a challenge for mental advancement, and a fellowship experience that can spiritually uplift. Music provides an opportunity for an encounter with God, man, and self, across time, language, culture, and religion. One Sabbath, as I fellowshiped in the home of friends, I asked the matriarch what music meant to her. 'Abuela,' as she is called, had been singing along to a selection from the Aeolians to which I had introduced her. She explained that music simply "lifts her up." Music brings peace in the face of unfortunate circumstances. Music soothes in study, work, and performance. Music facilitates human interaction in a universal language, and is a powerful contributor to cultural and religious conversations. Music has the power to bring us together if we let it.

As I move on to pursue a new degree in a new place, I will search for new spaces to share this gift, this fantastic expression of worship and talent. I will hold sweet memories of the musical moments I've experienced, and will make sure to always keep a song in my heart. ■

*Givan Hinds graduated from Andrews University in May.*

# WE WORSHIP

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## Opening Voluntary

*Moderato • Christian Finck*

## Introit

*Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence • French Traditional*

## Call to Worship

Rodlie Ortiz

The Lord God said, "It is not good for the man to be alone. I will provide a partner for him."

**The Lord God then built up the rib, which he had taken out of the man, into a woman. He brought her to the man.**

"For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother, and be made one with his wife; and the two shall become one flesh."

**God of families, Lord of all, we have come to worship You.**

## Doxology

*Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow • 2*

## Invocation

Dwight K. Nelson

## Hymn of Praise

*This Is My Father's World • 92*

## Congregational Prayer

Rodlie Ortiz

*Blest Be the Tie That Binds • st. 1 & 2 of 350*

## Worship in Music

*There Is a Redeemer • Melody Green / Holck*

## "By the Word of Their Testimony"

John Gonzalez

## Children's Story

*Alone to God in the Height Be Glory • Johann C. Bach*

## Scripture

Matthew 19:3-6 NIV • Duane & Claire Covrig

Some Pharisees came to him to test him. They asked, "Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife for any and every reason?"

**"Haven't you read," he replied, "that at the beginning the Creator 'made them male and female,'**

and said, 'For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh'

**So they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate."**



**Hymn of Preparation**

*Open My Eyes* • 326

**Sermon**

“The Pugwash Factor: How to Respond to the Supreme Court's Same-Sex Marriage Decision”  
Dwight K. Nelson

**Connect Cards, Tithes & Offerings**

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**Prayer of Commitment**

*Draw Me Nearer* • 306

**Benediction**

Response

*God Be With You Till We Meet Again* • Ralph Vaughan William

**Closing Voluntary**

*Bless the Lord, O My Soul* • Charles Wood

PRESIDING PASTOR: Rodlie Ortiz; ORGANIST: Kenneth Logan  
WORSHIP IN MUSIC: PMC Sanctuary Choir; Jeannie Pedersen-Smith, director

# MUSIC ALIVE

## MY FATHER'S WORLD

**D**o we affirm today that *this* very world is still "my Father's world"? The author of "This Is My Father's World" (hymn no. 92), Maltbie Babcock, was a tall, muscular, broad-shouldered man, a silvertongued speaker with a magnetic personality. Babcock also was a skilled musician and an accomplished scholar. He often walked on a New York

hill with a commanding view of Lake Ontario, and he would say, "I'm going out to see my Father's world." In his text, he refers to "the lily white" that praises its maker. Matthew 6:28a-29 says, "Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin; and yet I say to you that even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these." ■

# WE STUDY

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**Song Service**

Christina Carroll

**Welcome**

Mordekai Ongo

**Scripture**

Jeremiah 1:5 NKJV

**Special Feature**

The Mystery Child • Emmanuel Takyi

**Offertory**

**Bible Study**

“The Prophetic Calling of Jeremiah” • Classes

**Theme Song**

*Make Me a Blessing*

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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**Benediction**

Christina Carroll

ORGANIST: Kenneth Logan

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# WE PRAISE

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## **As We Begin**

*Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence • French Traditional*

## **Praise**

## **Prayer**

Rodlie Ortiz

## **"By the Word of Their Testimony"**

John Gonzalez

## **Children's Story**

*Alone to God in the Height Be Glory • Johann C. Bach*

## **Worship in Music**

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## **Connect Card, Tithes, & Offerings**

## **Hymn**

*Draw Me Nearer • 306*

## **As We Depart**

*Bless the Lord, O My Soul • Charles Wood*

WORSHIP DIRECTOR: José Bourget; ORGANIST: Kenneth Logan

MUSIC DIRECTOR: Joshua Goines

WORSHIP IN MUSIC: PMC Sanctuary Choir; Jeannie Pedersen-Smith, director

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**NEXT WEEK'S OFFERING**  
Voice of Prophecy

**SUNSET TODAY** • 7:27  
**SUNSET NEXT FRIDAY** • 7:15

## PIONEER PULPIT

| 10 • 10 |

### TAURUS MONTGOMERY

"How to Serve"  
Celebration of the Cross

| 10 • 17 |

### TED WILSON

Ellen White Centennial

## FINANCIAL FEATURE

### PMC OPERATING

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Today the offering is for Pioneer Memorial Church. Our church is a place where we come together to worship, fellowship, and make plans to proclaim the message of Jesus Christ. It's where we support each other and the ministries of the church. How wonderful to have such a place where we can come and enjoy God's community of believers. Let us show our gratitude to Him by being good managers of this beautiful church home. With joyful hearts let us support this church and its ministries through our offerings today.

### Sanctuary Flowers

The flowers today are given in loving memory of Dr. Constance Tiffany, by her friends and colleagues Zerita Hagerman and Jackie Kinsman.

### Memorial Service

TODAY • 4:00 PM  
PMC SANCTUARY

There will be a Memorial Service for Dr. Constance (Connie) Tiffany, Professor Emeritus of Andrews University. She is fondly remembered by her family, former nursing students, and colleagues who look forward to the hope of a soon-coming resurrection.

### Children's Worship is back!

TODAY • 4:00 PM  
ANDREWS ACADEMY

This year the theme is Discovery Space Lab. Join the captain and his crew as they orbit Earth and learn about God's amazing universe. This ministry targets kids K-5th grade and is free and open to all. Questions: [RichAguilera@gmail.com](mailto:RichAguilera@gmail.com)

### Adventurers Induction Ceremony

TODAY • 6:30 PM  
PMC YOUTH CHAPEL

Join us for the induction ceremony of the Forever Friends Adventurer Club. We look forward to seeing you there!

## Family Vespers

TODAY • 7:30 PM  
PMC YOUTH CHAPEL

Join us as we watch "Leopard Vision," recommended by Pastor Nelson during last Sabbath's sermon. We will also pray for God's courage.

## God's Hands 4 Kids

God's Hands 4 Kids is sharing another foster care need: Diapers sizes 3, 4 and 5. Please leave them in the Foster Care Donation bin by the PMC receptionist desk.

## Fall Family Fun Day

TOMORROW • 5 TO 8 PM  
5 PINES ON SMITH ROAD

Join your PMC family for Fall fun and hayrides, hot dogs and s'mores. Donations will be accepted to cover expenses. For questions contact Alina Baltazar at [baltazar@andrews.edu](mailto:baltazar@andrews.edu) or 269.471.6877.  
—Family Life Committee

## Religious Liberty Sabbath

OCTOBER 10 • 8:30 AM  
VILLAGE SDA CHURCH

All are invited to learn how religious liberty may be preserved in the USA. Lincoln Steed, Liberty magazine editor, will be speaking as well as Conrad Vine. All are welcome to join a potluck after second service. Bring any one of the following dishes to share: Soup, Green Salad, Home-baked Bread and for dessert: Anything Apple (e.g., Apple Pie, Apple Cobbler, Apple Crisp). SDA attorneys will participate in a Q&A afterwards.

## Exercise Class

Exercise class has resumed! We hope to see you there!

## Adventist Retirees of Michiana

OCTOBER 11 • 1:00 PM  
VILLAGE SDA FAMILY CENTER

Come join in good fun, superior food, and excellent fellowship. Ann Gibson and Larry Onsager will present "Adventism in China: Yesterday and Today." If you have any questions, please call Cleon or Sandra White at 269.471.5553.

## Visitor Dinner Volunteers

Several of the visitor dinner teams need new members. Each team serves about twice yearly and team members help with furnishing the food, setting up the dinner, hosting and serving the meal, and cleaning up after the meal. Visitor fellowship dinners are served immediately following 2nd service most Sabbaths throughout the year. If you would like to join a team, contact the church office or Bennett Chilson ([bennettc43@gmail.com](mailto:bennettc43@gmail.com) or 473.5077).

## The Journey to Wholeness

"The opposite of addiction is connection!" If this Ty Gibson quote struck a nerve and you are ready to explore recovery with a safe, confidential, 12-step group, contact Ray 240.346.5204 or Kathy 269.240.7630 for more information and meeting times and places.

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Edward Higgins

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GLANZ-RODRIGUES, Karen  
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LUNETTA, Mirles H.  
RIVAS, Veronica  
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SON, Sonhee  
TORRES, Jaqueline  
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ONG'OU, Thomas  
PANGMAN, Heather  
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TROUP, Dennis & Miriam, Kayla, Tayler  
VILLAMIZAR, Samuel

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Westvale • Syracuse, NY  
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Bucheon Jungang • Korea  
ANC Helderberg College • S. Africa  
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Del Septimo Dia Miraflores • Lima, Peru  
Forest Lake • Apopka, FL

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Enterprise, KS  
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### | PROFESSION OF FAITH |

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## BUCKET LIST

BY DON WILSON

**A** young man of Jewish faith had a bucket list. As the years passed by he diligently checked off items. Education, successful occupation, respect, prominence in faith and community, all of which resulted in great wealth. He enjoyed an exemplary life and had been richly rewarded.

Yet, there was a longing question; one last item on his bucket list. How to inherit eternal life? His was the question of every human being, "What must I do?"

One day the young ruler crossed paths with One whom he recognized as a master teacher. He had a desire to be one of His, a disciple. In conversation, Christ did not question his sincerity or faithfulness in commandment keeping. But, to obtain eternal life Christ directed the young man to go, sell all he had, give to the poor, and then follow Him. Quick

to contemplate the cost, the young man turned away in sorrow.

Might we also be recognized as faithful stewards? But could it also be that we value the attending blessings above the Giver of our blessings? Is there one last item on our bucket lists, one that cannot be obtained without giving up ("selling") all achievements? Do we have a longing that can only be satisfied by surrendering self?

The invitation is still open, will you "Come, follow Me?" ■

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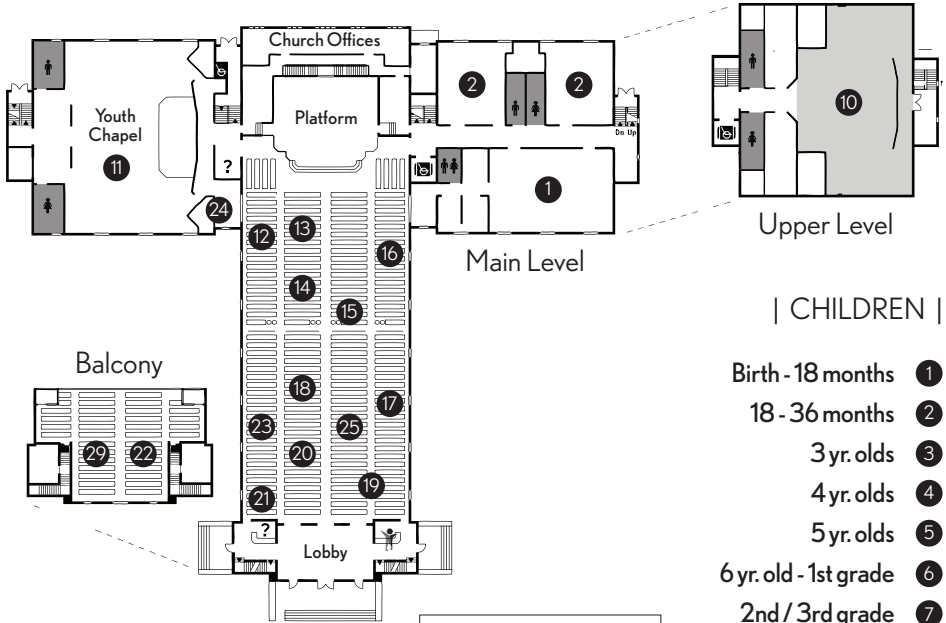
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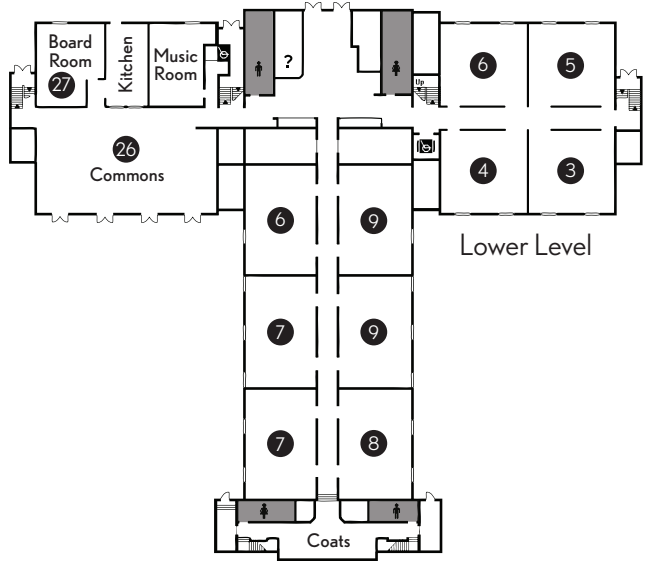
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- 4 yr. olds ④
- 5 yr. olds ⑤
- 6 yr. old - 1st grade ⑥
- 2nd / 3rd grade ⑦
- 4th grade ⑧
- 5th / 6th grade ⑨
- Earliteen ⑩
- Youth ⑪

| ADULT |

- ⑫ Group 1
- ⑬ Group 2 (Portuguese/Brazilian)
- ⑭ Group 3
- ⑮ Group 4 (Yugoslavian)
- ⑯ Group 5
- ⑰ Group 6
- ⑱ Group 7
- ⑲ Group 8
- ⑳ Group 9 (Spanish)
- ㉑ Group 10
- ㉒ Group 11 (Balcony)
- ㉓ Group 12 (French)
- ㉔ Conference Room
- ㉕ Indonesian Class
- ㉖ Something In Common
- ㉗ SDA Beliefs

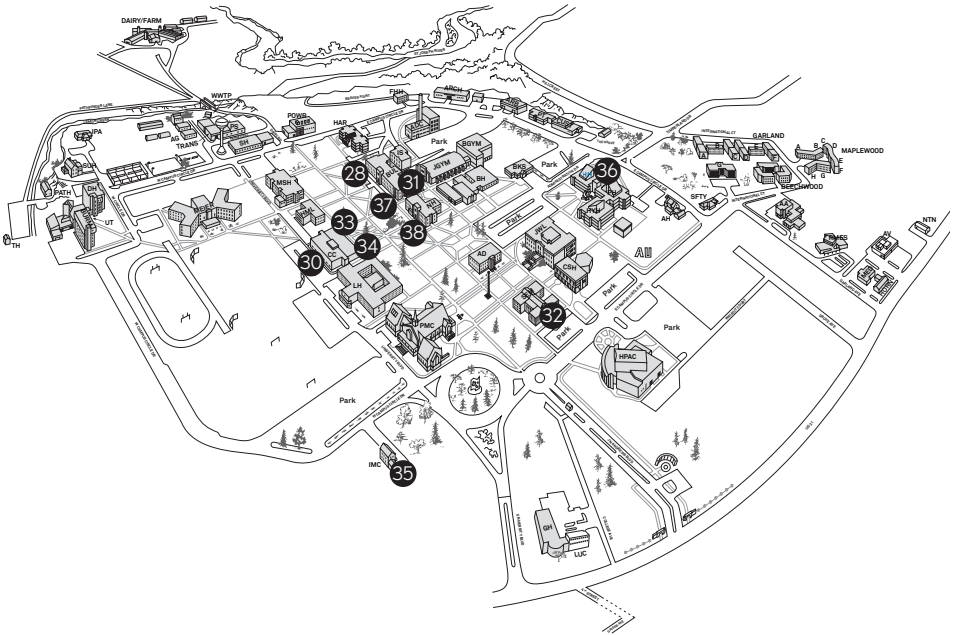
| KEY |

- ? Welcome Centers
- ⬇ Elevators
- ♿ Restrooms
- 👤 Children's Activities & Lending Library



Lower Level

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## | COLLEGIATE |

- 28 H&M (Hispanic - Religion Amphitheater)
- 29 People on the Move (PMC)
- 30 University Sabbath School (Dining Services)
- 31 Compass Sabbath School (Buller - Religion Dept.)

## | SEMINARY |

- 32 N108 (Collegiate)
- N110
- N120 (New Life Church Choir)
- N150
- N211 (Small Group)
- N235
- N310 (Russian)
- N335 (Spanish)
- S340 (Upper Room)

## | ADULT @ AU |

- 33 Main Lounge
- 34 Faculty Lounge
- 35 Back to Basics
- 36 Living Word Fellowship
- 37 Current Events (Buller - 135)
- 38 Bible Journey (Nethery - 143)

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