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# WELCOME

*to Pioneers*

We want to extend a very special welcome back to all of our students. Can you believe that the summer is gone already? Some went to work at summer camps. Some went home to their families or other jobs. To those—welcome back!

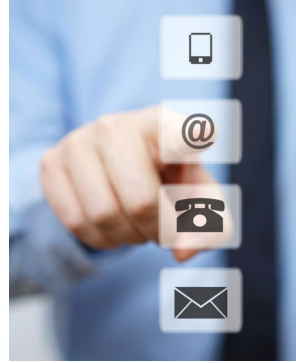
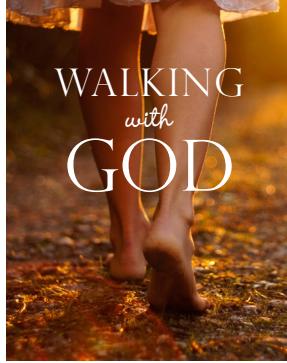
But maybe you're here for the first time today. Through a handshake, hug, or a smile, we hope you'll feel welcomed. So from our family to yours—whether you're here for the first time, or are back after a long summer—we're glad you're here. We hope you'll experience God's love in a special way today.

—Rodlie Ortiz

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# BOOTS ON THE GROUND FOR THE NEW YEAR

BY DWIGHT K. NELSON

**H**as the blogosphere always been this awash in conspiracy theories? I was reading a European writer the other day who commented (and perhaps for good reason) that Americans as a people seem to have a predilection for conspiracy theories—those wild suppositions claiming sinister powers are manipulating current events, the populace, politics, the markets, medical science (you choose), all for a nefarious end. For example, one blogger suggested one of the presidential candidates is suffering from a secret malady that will cut short their candidacy and offered a YouTube link as proof. I clicked the link, and sure enough a score of sites with video footage to “prove” the malady. Really? Not to be outdone, a popular blog posed the suggestion this week the President is quietly preparing for an emergency suspension of the Constitution this fall so he might serve an indefinite and unconstitutional “third term.” Really?

Consider for a moment what this glut of information/misinformation streaming from the internet every nanosecond creates: (1) an attitude of suspicion and disbelief toward any internet-driven information; (2) an oversaturation that numbs the mind to what in fact may be critical and necessary information; (3) a skep-

ticism toward all authority; (4) a subtle, increasing diversion from life’s most essential realities and truths; (5) the inability to even discern what is true; (6) an incapacity to respond in the event of a genuine crisis or emergency; and (7) a cynical rejection of any conspiracy theory at all.

Because as it turns out, the Bible unapologetically champions a single conspiracy, not as imaginary theory but as life-and-death truth. This week my summer worship reading through Ephesians ended with its stunning finale: “Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. Put on the full armor of God so that you can take your stand against the devil’s schemes. For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms” (Ephesians 6:10-12). There they are—cosmic sinister powers manipulating humanity, government, nature, economies, politics, entertainment, the very stuff of our existence on this planet. To what end? “Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour” (1 Peter 5:8), “filled with fury, because he knows that his time is short” (Revelation 12:12).

But here’s a stunning rejoinder and promise: “[We] are to contend with su-

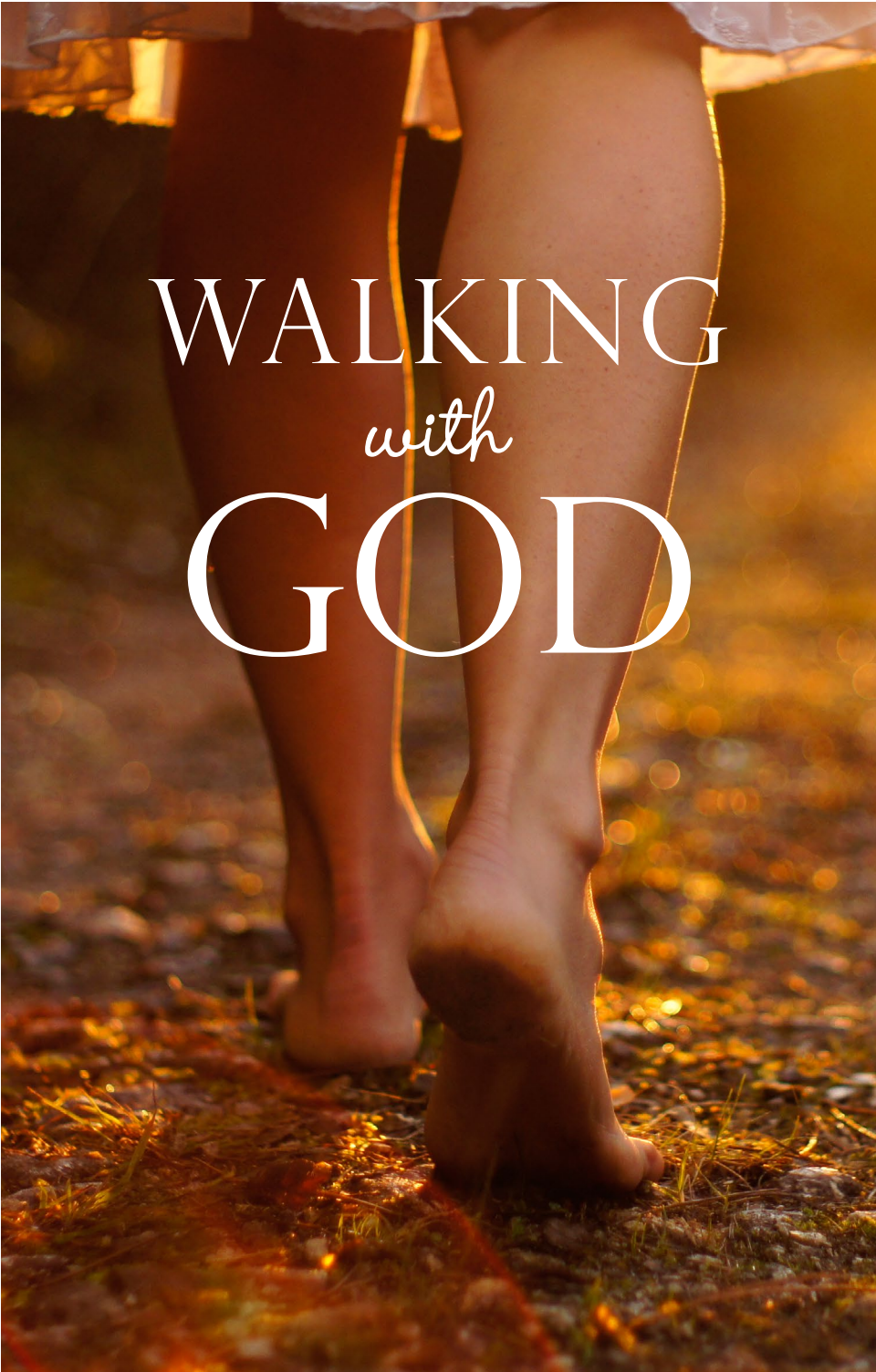


pernatural forces, but [we] are assured of supernatural help. All the intelligences of heaven are in this army. And more than angels are in the ranks. The Holy Spirit, the representative of the Captain of the Lord's host, comes down to direct the battle. Our infirmities may be many, our sins and mistakes grievous; but the grace of God is for all who seek it with contrition. The power of Omnipotence is enlisted in behalf of those who trust in God" (*Desire of Ages* 352).

What a picture of God in the midst of this cosmic battle! Grace for our litany of "sins and mistakes" grievous and many. Around the clock help and protection from the adversary. "The power of Omnipotence" for every child of God who wants Him. And all

of it poured out on this campus through the mighty Holy Spirit, Jesus' divine boots on the ground for this university this new year. There has never been a more optimistic time to trust the Savior. Let the conspiracy theorists have their day—in Christ the future is no theory—it's a promise. Absolutely secure. ■

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



WALKING  
*with*  
GOD

## BY JUNE PRICE

**W**elcome to Andrews University. Today you sit in the pews of PMC having traveled various paths to arrive here. Some have come from the west coast others from the east. Some have come from Canada or South America. Still others have traveled from diverse countries around the world. Each of you have walked the ground of your native land. You can recall the feel of hometown grass under your feet or sand between your toes. Now, finding yourself on Michigan soil and embarking a new year, I invite you to consider the importance of your faith walk.

Where and how you walk makes a difference. Enoch walked with God right off the face of the earth (Genesis 5:24). Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego walked in the flames of the furnace, with the Son of God and not a single hair on their head was singed (Daniel 3:25). Cleopas and another believer walked along the road to Emmaus with the Risen Lord and their hearts burned within them (Luke 24:13-32).

Consider how you want to walk in this new year as you traverse the sidewalks and corridors from Smith Hall to Chan Shun or from Buller to Bell. Will the sum total of your steps equal only geography or will the way you walk make this a better place? Will the steps you take serve others or only yourself? There was a man who once walked this earth like none before ever have or none after ever will. The sum total of His walk was salvation for every soul and the challenge to us is, "Follow God's example, therefore, as dearly loved children and walk in the way of love, just as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us..." (Ephesians 5:1-2 NIV).

In this new year be certain that God wants to walk with you and through you. At the beginning of scripture we find God seeking to walk with Adam and Eve in the Garden (Genesis 3:8) and at its conclusion we see the Son of God walking among the churches (Revelation 2:1). He too has been seeking to walk with you from the beginning to the end. Please consider walking with Him! Make personal connection with God a priority. Take advantage of opportunities to join Bible studies, service teams, praise teams, and prayer ministries. Contact Campus Ministries ([cm@andrews.edu](mailto:cm@andrews.edu)) or Pioneer Memorial Church GROW Groups, ([growgroups@pmchurch.org](mailto:growgroups@pmchurch.org)) to learn more about how you can be involved.

We would like to encourage you on your faith walk and invite you join us today at the new student picnic on the lawn after 2nd service. ■

*June Price is the Lead Chaplain  
for Andrews University.*

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# WE WORSHIP

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## Opening Voluntary

*Rejoice, All You Christians* • Ernst Pepping

## Introit

*Fill My Cup, Lord* • Richard Blanchard

## Call to Worship

Rodlie Ortiz

As the deer longs for a stream of cool water, so I long for you, O God.

**I thirst for you, the living God.**

When can I go and worship in your presence?

**Quench us now with your living water.**

## Doxology

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

## Invocation

Dwight K. Nelson

## Hymn of Praise

*All Creatures of Our God and King* • 2

## Congregational Prayer

Rodlie Ortiz  
*Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee* • st. 1 of 241

## Worship in Music

*Arise, My Soul, Arise!* • Dale Wood

## Tithes & Offerings

PMC Operating Expense  
*Moderato* • Christian Finck

## Children's Story

## Scripture

Isaiah 55:1; John 7:37, 38; Revelation 22:17 NIV  
Christopher & Ruth Mwashinga

Come, all you who are thirsty, come to the waters; and you who have no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without cost.

**Let anyone who is thirsty come to me and drink. Whoever believes in me, as Scripture has said, rivers of living water will flow from within them.**

The Spirit and the bride say, "Come!" And let the one who hears say, "Come!" Let the one who is thirsty come; and let the one who wishes take the free gift of the water of life.



**Hymn of Preparation**

*Jesus, Priceless Treasure* • 239

**Sermon**

"The Well Digger: How to Live Deeply in a Sun-scorched Land"  
Dwight K. Nelson

**Connect Card**

**Hymn of Commitment**

*Fill My Cup, Lord* • 493

**Benediction**

**Closing Voluntary**

*Be Not Afraid (from Elijah)* • Felix Mendelssohn

PRESIDING PASTOR: Rodlie Ortiz; ORGANIST: Kenneth Logan

WORSHIP IN MUSIC: (Vocal Quartet) Charles Reid, David Ortiz, Stephen Zork, Joshua Goines

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# MUSIC ALIVE

## FLOWING LIKE WATER

**T**oday's offertory's organ music is designated with an indication of tempo: "Moderato." It is in today's worship journey because it has a remarkable feel of flowing like water flows. Yet this is not a perfectly-smooth flow. It is more like the flow of a moderately-swift stream over a slightly-bumpy rock bed, for it has many gentle twists and turns. Why not imagine

that you are drinking water, but not water from a still cup. No, this flowing water may bring to mind refreshment from a stream out of doors, perhaps after a walk of several miles in the heat of the day. Can you savor the feel of dipping into that stream, as the music flows into your ears? Delicious! ■

# WE STUDY

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<b>Song Service</b>	Christina Carroll
<b>Welcome &amp; Prayer</b>	Sabine Vatel
<b>Scripture</b>	Acts 8:27-31
<b>Special Feature</b>	GROWing Together: PMC Young Adult Sabbath School
<b>Offertory</b>	<i>Celebration of Praise Medley</i> • arr. David Ritter
<b>Bible Study</b>	"Jesus Showed Sympathy" • Classes
<b>Theme Song</b>	<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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<b>Benediction</b>	Christina Carroll
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ORGANIST: Kenneth Logan  
OFFERTORY: Lyshll Prudente, violin

# WE WORSHIP 2

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## As We Begin

*Rejoice, All You Christians • Ernst Pepping*

## Praise

*Days of Elijah • You are Holy (Prince of Peace) • There is None Like You  
Speak, O Lord*

## Prayer

Rodlie Ortiz

## Baptism

Vikki J. Wagner with Sabine Vatel

## Tithes & Offerings

*Moderato • Christian Finck*

## Children's Story

## Bible Reading

## Worship in Music

*Arise, My Soul, Arise! • Dale Wood*

## Sermon

"The Well Digger: How to Live Deeply in a Sun-scorched Land"

Dwight K. Nelson

## Connect Card

## Hymn

*Fill My Cup, Lord • 493*

## As We Depart

*Be Not Afraid (from Elijah) • Felix Mendelssohn*

WORSHIP COORDINATOR: José Bourget; ORGAN: Kenneth Logan

BASS: L'Mar Wil; DJEMBE: Josés Ngugi; GUITAR: Matthew Master; MUSIC DIRECTOR: Joshua Goines

VOCALS: Alex Wilson, Jeremy McIntyre

WORSHIP IN MUSIC: (Vocal Quartet) Charles Reid, David Ortiz, Stephen Zork, Joshua Goines

**SUBMIT** announcements by emailing [bulletin@pmchurch.org](mailto:bulletin@pmchurch.org) or by going to [www.pmchurch.org/announcements/submit](http://www.pmchurch.org/announcements/submit). Requests must be received **Monday by 5:00 PM** for consideration.

**NEXT WEEK'S OFFERING**  
PMC Operating Expense

**SUNSET TODAY** • 8:40  
**SUNSET NEXT FRIDAY** • 8:30

## PIONEER PULPIT

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**DWIGHT K. NELSON**  
#Rx4Now—Believe!

| 09 • 03 |

**DWIGHT K. NELSON**  
#Rx4Now—Dead Man Walking

## FINANCIAL FEATURE

### PMC OPERATING BUDGET

No wonder the Ten Commandments begin with "You shall have no other gods before me . . ." and end with "you shall not covet" (Exodus 20:3,17). Some people will do almost anything for money. The Bible illustrates this subject: Judas sold Jesus for 30 pieces of silver! As followers of Jesus, may the money-making talent God has given us be used to advance His kingdom locally, regionally, and to the ends of the earth. Your offering for PMC Operating helps fund all ministries, inside and outside the doors of our church.

### New Student Picnic

TODAY • AFTER 2ND SERVICE  
BETWEEN PMC & THE LIBRARY

We invite all new students to join us for a home-cooked meal provided by your Pioneer family.

### Family Vespers

TODAY • 7:30 PM  
YOUTH CHAPEL

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

### Scrapbooking Together

TOMORROW • 11:00 AM TO 6:00 PM  
PMC COMMONS

Do you have summer memories you want to document? Bring your supplies and join us for an afternoon with friends. We will supply the prizes and chocolate. You bring your favorite snack.

### Total Body Fitness

AUGUST 22 • 5:00 TO 5:50 PM  
LAMSON HEALTH CLUB  
(AEROBICS ROOM)

Improve your strength, balance, and flexibility with Total Body Fitness (ToBoFit), a free class meeting on Mondays and Wednesdays. Open to anyone 18 years or older, male or female. Questions? Contact the instructor, Katherine Koudele ([koudelej@andrews.edu](mailto:koudelej@andrews.edu)).

## Knitting Hearts Together

AUGUST 23 • 7:00-8:30 PM  
MACCARTY HOME

Come participate in this ministry to the bereaved and sick. Contact Alice Williams ([alicew@andrews.edu](mailto:alicew@andrews.edu), 471.3373, or 461.6815) or Lyn MacCarty (471.9060 or 208.3377).

## Pathfinder Registration

AUGUST 24 • 6:30 TO 8:30 PM  
PATHFINDER BUILDING

The Evergreen Pathfinder Club is getting ready for a new year of friendships, experiences, honors, and learning about God! Bring your kids (ages 10-15) and see what Pathfinders has to offer. For questions email [evergreen.pathfinders@gmail.com](mailto:evergreen.pathfinders@gmail.com)

## Be a Pathfinder TLT

High schoolers interested in Pathfinders can join Teen Leadership Training. Contact [evergreen.pathfinders@gmail.com](mailto:evergreen.pathfinders@gmail.com) to register.

## Hope Trending Volunteers Huddle

AUGUST 27 • 4:00 PM  
PMC COMMONS

Join us for our next Volunteer Huddle. Find out about volunteer opportunities for Hope Trending and get involved—[www.hopetrending.org](http://www.hopetrending.org).

## Adventurers Registration

AUGUST 28 • 10:00 AM  
LOWER LEVEL: GRADE 1-6 SS ROOMS

Come for the 2016-17 Adventurers Club registration. We still need 3 teacher and parent assistants. Contact us at [adventurers@pmchurch.org](mailto:adventurers@pmchurch.org) if you are interested in leading.

## Memorial Service

AUGUST 27 • 3:30 PM  
PMC YOUTH CHAPEL

The family of Richard M. Rideout invite you to a celebration of his life. An informal gathering will be held on Sunday, August 28, at 11:00 AM at the Hicks Cemetery, Battle Creek, MI, where Richard will rest until Jesus comes.

## Sanctuary Choir Resumes

WEDNESDAYS • 7:00 TO 8:30 PM  
PMC TEEN LOFT

**Rehearsals begin August 31** and meet Wednesday evenings throughout the semester. Tenors and basses are especially needed, but all singers are welcome. If you have not sung with this choir previously, come for an audition and voice placement on August 17 (7 to 8 PM in the Teen Loft). For more info contact Jeannie Pedersen-Smith, at [jean.pedersen.smith@gmail.com](mailto:jean.pedersen.smith@gmail.com).

## Fall GROW Group Options

Here are two group opportunities this semester: **Watch Party**—October 14 to December 4. Visit [www.hopetrending.org](http://www.hopetrending.org) and click on "Get Involved." **GROW Groups**—October 2 to December 4. Visit [www.pmchurch.org/grow](http://www.pmchurch.org/grow). For more information contact Pastor Sabine ([vatel@pmchurch.org](mailto:vatel@pmchurch.org)). For Watch Party information contact Tabitha Umali ([tabitha.umali@pmchurch.org](mailto:tabitha.umali@pmchurch.org)).

## More Announcements

For more PMC and community announcements, please visit our website at [www.pmchurch.org/announcements](http://www.pmchurch.org/announcements).

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SMITH, Parke  
SMITH, Shereen  
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LEITE, Renee  
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