

# *REALLY GOOD Neighbors*



DECEMBER 29  
PIONEER MEMORIAL CHURCH  
11:45 AM  
JOHN GLASS

# WELCOME

## *to Pioneer*

Who doesn't like to receive something new? Whether it be a new toy, a new pair of shoes, a new dress, a new golf club, or a new phone, everyone likes to receive something new. In less than three days 2018 will have become a memory and we will enter a brand-new year. As you look back on this past year what do you remember most? Are your memories mostly positive, filled with joy, or was 2018 a difficult year for you, filled with many challenges? Perhaps you may still be in the middle of a storm or struggling with something. I have good news today. Revelation 21:5 says, "Then He who sat on the throne said, 'Behold, I make all things new.' And He said to me, 'Write, for these words are true and faithful.'"

As we enter 2019 Jesus promises to make all things new for you. He has new blessings for you and new mercies to see you through new challenges. You need not to worry about tomorrow because He's not only the God of yesterday and today but He's also the God of 2019. He knows what you need before you even ask. Let Him fill every 2019 moment with you.

Welcome to church today. We hope that you experience the living Christ today and that your new year will be happy and filled with His presence.

-Bryan von Dorpowski



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### RADIO

WAUS – 90.7 FM

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Have Anyone"

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"Final Restoration  
of Unity"

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# WHEN YOU DON'T HAVE ANYONE

BY JOHN GLASS

**I**t was a Sabbath morning in Jerusalem. As Jesus was walking he came to the Pool of Bethesda. According to the account in John 5 there were five porches around the pool that were filled with sick people needing/hoping to be healed. Periodically the surface of the water would be stirred and popular expectations were that when that happened the first person in would be healed.

With all those people there wasn't much room left to walk. As Jesus picked his way through the people he came to one man who had been there for 38 years; what a case of misery! The Jewish religious leaders had been teaching that it was against the law to heal on the Sabbath. Jesus knew this. He also knew that he could heal everyone there, but if he did, it would cut short his ministry, so he didn't dare do that. However, His heart went out to this man. "Do you want to be healed?" The man's response, "I don't have anyone to put me into the water. Someone else always gets there first." Jesus replied, "Get up, take up your bed, and walk." He did—and was healed on the spot! Jesus was just the person he needed. Jesus' smile must have been beautiful as he watched the man being transformed.

I've been at the Pool of Bethesda. There isn't any water in it now, and the porches have long since disappeared. No one lies there these days. The water used to be about 40 feet deep and the pool was about 50 feet by 150 feet. These days people in Jerusalem don't rely on popular

superstition; instead, they go to doctors.

What that poor fellow said expressed a situation we have here: "I don't have anyone." There are people around us who, if we were to ask, could well say the same thing: they don't have anyone either. Of course, this isn't about not having someone to heal you: it's about having someone to take the part of a friend, to look in on them to see how he or she is doing . . . someone to stop by for a half hour or an hour or so, just to visit . . . to share a Bible thought or two . . . to smile or laugh or maybe even to shed a tear with them . . . to pray . . . to read to them . . . to let them know they're not forgotten . . . to share a big hug just before you go. Currently, we have over a couple of dozen individuals who are homebound. Others may be able to still get out, but when you become disheartened, lonely, thinking that the world has completely forgotten you, well, you really don't feel like getting out.

You could well be just the person someone needs. Are you willing to let your heart go out to another, to begin investing yourself in a lonely, needy individual? Although there are members who minister to others on a regular basis, if you would like to participate please contact Norita Lachica. She is our coordinator for homebound ministry and her contact numbers are: 269.769.8626 or 510.367.3718. Thank you for your willingness to make a difference. ■



# WE WORSHIP

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## THE CALL

### The Meditation

*What Wondrous Love Is This?* • Traditional Melody

### The Introit

*When I Survey the Wondrous Cross* • Lowell Mason

### The Call

Hebrews 7:23-25 NIV • Bryan von Dorpowski

Now there have been many of those priests, since death prevented them from continuing in office;

**but because Jesus lives forever, he has a permanent priesthood.**

Therefore he is able to save completely those who come to God through him, because he always lives to intercede for them.

### The Doxology

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

### The Invocation

John Glass

## THE CELEBRATION

### In Praising

*Worthy, Worthy Is the Lamb* • 246

### In Praying

Bryan von Dorpowski

### In Giving

Michigan Evangelism • Bryan von Dorpowski  
*What Wondrous Love Is This?* • Traditional Melody / Kenneth Logan

### In Proclaiming

"Really Good Neighbors"  
John Glass



## THE CLEANSING

When he had finished washing their feet, he put on his clothes and returned to his place. "Do you understand what I have done for you?" he asked them. "You call me 'Teacher' and 'Lord,' and rightly so, for that is what I am. Now that I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also should wash one another's feet. I have set you an example that you should do as I have done for you. Very truly I tell you, no servant is greater than his master, nor is a messenger greater than the one who sent him. Now that you know these things, you will be blessed if you do them." —John 13:12-17 NIV

## THE COMMUNION

### In Reading

Irmgard Gallos

While they were eating, Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body." Then he took a cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you. This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins. I tell you, I will not drink from this fruit of the vine from now on until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom." —Matthew 26:26-29 NIV

### In Praying

Erhard Gallos

### In Partaking

*Were You There* • st. 1-2 of 158  
*Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross* • st. 1, 3-4 of 312

## THE COMMITMENT

### In Singing

*Sent Forth by God's Blessing* • 407

### In Blessing

### In Giving

PMC Assistance Fund

### In Leaving

*Fugue on "Marvelous Grace"* • Kenneth Logan

PRESIDING PASTOR: Bryan von Dorpowski; ORGANIST: Kenneth Logan  
WORSHIP IN MUSIC: Elizabeth Wilson, mezzo-soprano

# WE STUDY

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**Song Service**

Elizabeth Wilson

**Prayer**

John Ochieng

**Scripture**

John 1:14 • Ivy Ochieng

**Welcome**

Mordekai Ochieng Ongo

**Special Feature**

Vladimir Slavujevic Family / Mission Spotlight

**Offertory Prayer**

Ian Ochieng

**Offertory**

**Lesson Study**

*"Final Restoration of Unity"*

**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**

Elizabeth Wilson

ORGANIST: Kenneth Logan

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## MUSIC ALIVE

"HOW WONDEROUS"

**W**ondrous in beauty, wondrous in subject, the traditional hymn melody WONDROUS LOVE infuses worship today with its simple sense of awe at the Christ of Calvary. Three stanzas of thought provoking text appear with the melody as number 162 in the *SDA Hymnal*. The first stanza wonders at the Lord bearing the dreaded curse "for my soul". Stanzas two and three rejoice in the

prospect of rejoicing by singing with millions, and singing on and on—for eternity. And here is a fascinating crosscultural footnote. Native American Methodists recorded that during the 1906 Indian Mission Conference, a famous Creek Native American Methodist evangelist, "although the last hours of his life are full of pain . . . died singing 'What wondrous love is this, oh my soul.'" ■



**SUBMIT** bulletin announcements by visiting our form online at [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 Budget

**SUNSET TODAY** • 5:21  
**SUNSET NEXT FRIDAY** • 5:28

## PIONEER PULPIT

| 01 • 05 |

### PAVEL GOIA

9:00 & 11:45 AM- "Victory in the Final Conflict"  
3:00 PM- "One With God's Purpose"

| 01 • 12 |

### DWIGHT K. NELSON

## FINANCIAL FEATURE

### MICHIGAN CONFERENCE EVANGELISM

Public evangelism often gets low marks. Many church members believe it is too expensive and too long. Yet, in North America, public evangelism is still the most effective outreach! Unlock Revelation has proven that. To paraphrase a Biblical principle "Whatever the church sows that it will also reap." Public Evangelism is effective when the emphasis is on people. God honors a life totally dedicated to loving people for Jesus sake, meeting their needs, sharing His message and inviting them to make the most important decision of their lives. Your offering today will contribute to Grow Michigan helping you share the gospel through various outreaches including Unlock Revelation next year.

## We Mourn

Margaret Logan, mother of Kenneth Logan, our minister of music, slipped quietly into the sleep of death. A service in her memory will be held early in January in PMC. But we pray for the comforting grace and hope of the Christ Child our King, for the children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren of this beloved matriarch. "For to you is born this Day a Savior!"

## District 9 Prayer Conference

On behalf of the thirteen churches in southwestern Michigan, we're delighted to host Pavel Goia, editor of *Ministry* magazine and international prayer conference speaker, on Sabbath, Jan. 5, 2019. Pastor Goia was featured significantly in Ron Clouzet's *Adventism's Greatest Need* because of a resurrection he and his wife sought and received from God. A man of bold prayer and intercession, Pastor Pavel is the right preacher to lead us into an uncertain New Year globally, nationally and even locally. He will preach in both the 9:00 AM and 11:45 AM services at Pioneer, and in between will preach in the Berrien Springs Spanish Church (10:30 AM). An afternoon district-wide prayer conference will follow here at Pioneer (3:00 PM). Mark your calendar, and let us discover how to make collective prayer our high priority in 2019.

## **Sabbath School Lesson Quarterly**

Adult Sabbath School teachers, you may pick up next quarter's Sabbath School lesson quarterly for your class at the lower level Welcome Center beginning today. If you are a member of PMC and not a member of a Sabbath School class, you may pick up no more than two quarterlies. Please complete the sign-out sheet if you are not a class member.

## **Honduras Youth Mission Report**

Our PMC Youth Mission team of 16 volunteers is in Honduras conducting a day camp for over 110 children from the Hogar de Niños and the surrounding communities. Each day the children learn about the Bible, have music, crafts, and health classes and games. Additionally the team is working on several projects at the Hogar de Niños. The team is also presenting 2 local hour-long television programs. Thanks to the generous donations of PMC members, food baskets have been distributed to over 30 families. Your prayers and support are much appreciated.

## **Grief Share Support Group**

Grief Share, a support group for those who are hurting or suffering the loss of a loved one is available in January. The group meets at the Village Church on Sundays from 4:00-6:00 PM. Contact Shirley Gammon at 989.427.5669 for more information or to register for the first session.

## **10 Days of Prayer**

Start the New Year right! Come and enjoy PMC's 10 Days of Prayer from January 1-10 in the Youngberg home, 4731 Greenfield Drive in Berrien Springs, MI. This is the 29th consecutive year. Each session begins at 6:00 PM. We will be praying for your requests and for an abundant outpouring of the Latter Rain. There will be special handouts for attendees each session. Bring your Bible. The topics are:

- Jan. 1 "For Such a Time as This"
- Jan. 2 "My Sheep Hear My Voice"
- Jan. 3 "Faith Is the Victory"
- Jan. 4 "His Name Shall Be Called WONDERFUL"
- Jan. 5 "Toning Up My Flabby Spiritual Muscles"
- Jan. 6 "Snacking on Spiritual Food or Enjoying a Full Course Meal?"
- Jan. 7 "Exceedingly Abundantly Above All that We ASK or Think"
- Jan. 8 "And the Earth Was Illuminated with His Glory"
- Jan. 9 "These Follow the Lamb Wherever He Goes"
- Jan. 10 "You Are My Hiding Place"

## **PMC Holiday Hours**

The PMC office will be closed on Monday-Tuesday December 31-January 1 for the holidays. We resume normal operating hours on Wednesday, January 2, 2019! Our regular office hours are 9:00 AM-12:00 PM and 1:00-5:00 PM (we are closed Friday afternoons). Have a safe and blessed holiday season!

## **House of Prayer**

You are welcome to join House of Prayer in the morning at 7:00 AM. There will not be a 7:00 PM option available for the next weeks.

## Ways to Help Children and Youth in Benton Harbor

Pray for the children, youth, their parents, teachers, and the leaders in the Sabbath School classes.

2) Order Rada Cutlery and Gifts- Affordable and durable. Proceeds go directly to Harbor of Hope. [www.radafundraising.com/?rfsn=1862551.e0e1d5](http://www.radafundraising.com/?rfsn=1862551.e0e1d5)

3) Order Citrus Fruit for yourself and or a food pantry like Harbor of Hope, Neighbor to Neighbor, or God's Abundant Pantry. Just make a note of where you want it to go on your check memo line. Order it by mid-January- Proceeds also go to Harbor of Hope.

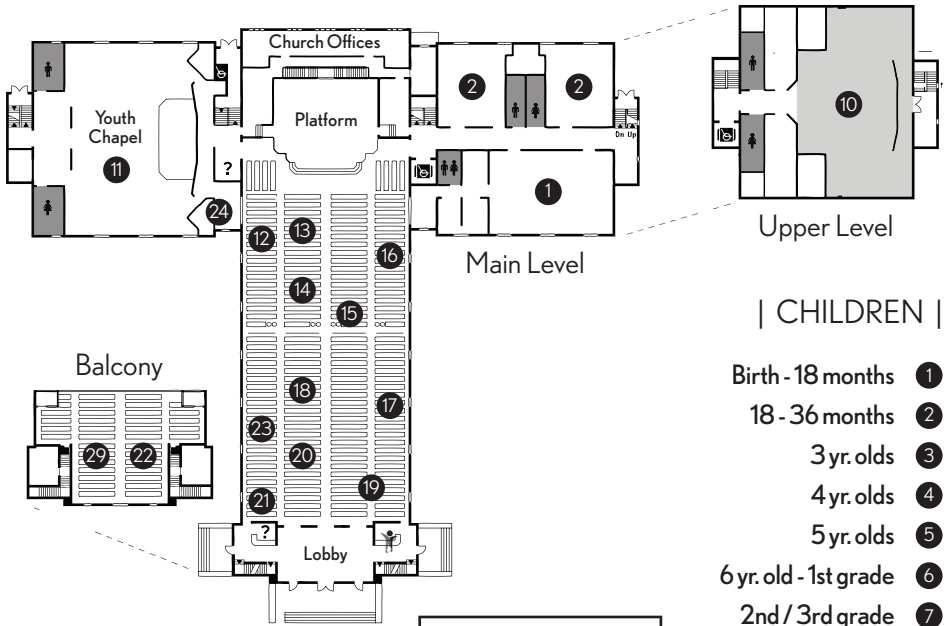
4) To help and support children and youth of Harbor of Hope contact: Terry Trecartin at [fundraising4hoh@gmail.com](mailto:fundraising4hoh@gmail.com) or (423) 645-5684, 2601 Pixley Ave. Saint Joseph, MI 49085.

## Financial Gifts for 2018

We welcome your charitable giving for 2018! We will collect your tithe and offering during our worship service on Saturday, December 29. If you wish to mail your donation ensure it is postmarked no later than December 31 to be included in your 2018 tax-deductible receipt. You can also make your contribution online by going to [www.pmchurch.org](http://www.pmchurch.org), click the GIVING tab, and choose Adventist Giving. Contributions made online until 11:59 PM on December 31 will be included in your 2018 tax-deductible receipt.

## Grief Share Support Group

In the new year, Knitting Hearts Together will alternate meeting times between afternoon and evening. Thus, the first meeting in January will be on the 8th from 1:00 to 2:30 PM. We will continue to meet at the MacCarty home. Please consider joining this ministry to deliver and/or create handcrafted items to the bereaved and seriously ill.



## | CHILDREN |

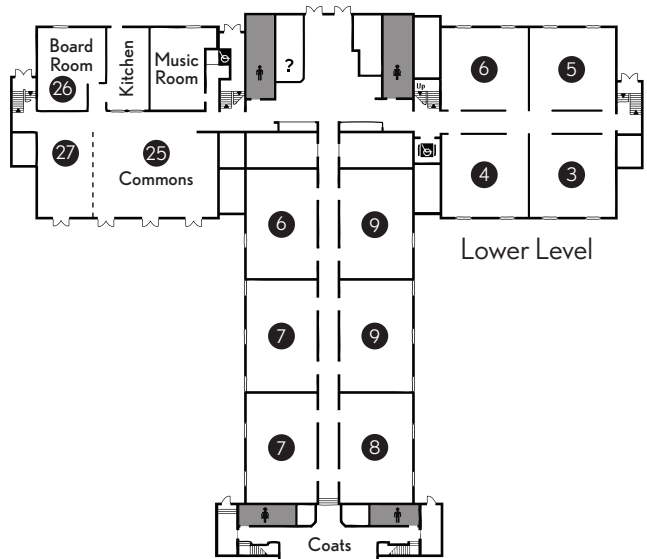
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- 3 yr. olds ③
- 4 yr. olds ④
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- 6 yr. old - 1st grade ⑥
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- 5th / 6th grade ⑨
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- Youth ⑪

## | ADULT |

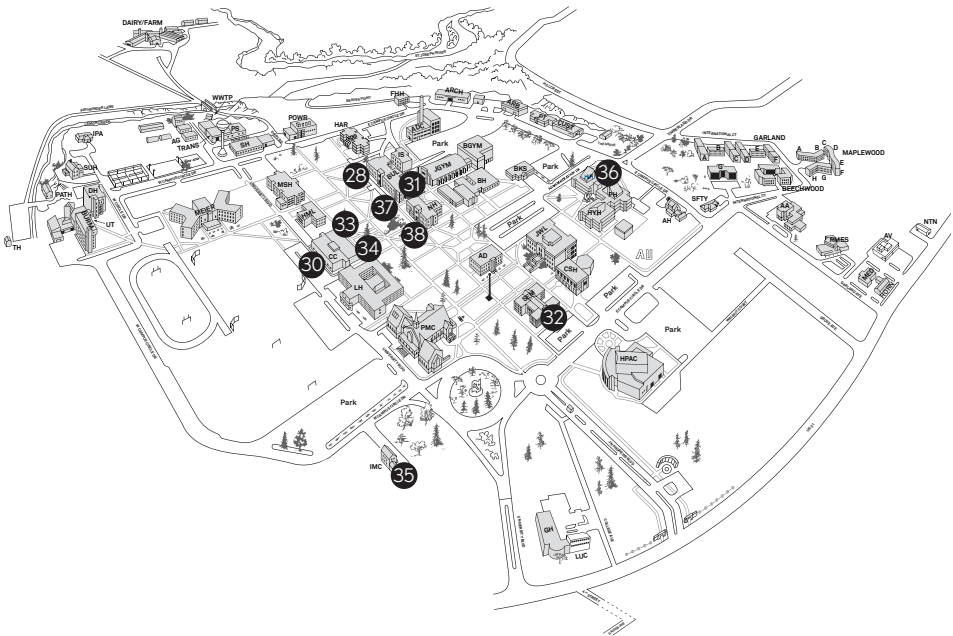
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- ⑮ Group 4 (Yugoslavian)
- ⑯ Group 5
- ⑰ Group 6
- ⑱ Group 7
- ⑲ Group 8
- ⑳ Group 9 (Spanish)
- ㉑ Group 10
- ㉒ Group 11 (Balcony)
- ㉓ Group 12 (French)
- ㉔ Conference Room
- ㉕ Something In Common
- ㉖ Young Adults
- ㉗ SDA Beliefs

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- Elevators
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# Andrews University Campus Map



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## | ADULT @ AU |

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## | TRANSFERS IN |

GRIFFIN, Brendon  
 JACKSON, Debbie  
 LaVANTURE, John  
 OMARI, Doris  
 PAGAN, Carmen  
 PAGAN, Samuel  
 STEELY, Christianna  
 STEELY, Morgan  
 TUFFOUR, Francis  
 YOUNG, Sydnee

## | TRANSFERS OUT |

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 COLE, Adam  
 COLE, Rachel  
 FUSTON, Jon  
 FUSTON, Melanie  
 MILOSAVLJEVIC, Elena  
 MUTEMA, Rheeta  
 MYERS, Brandi  
 NAKHLE, Aneesi  
 NAKHLE, Najeeb  
 NELSON, Ray  
 NELSON, Valeria  
 PARRENO, Larrie Don  
 SAMUEL, Marguerite  
 SCHEIDLER-SMITH, Lara

## | FROM |

Atholton/Columbia, MD  
 Cassopolis Calvin/Cassopolis, MI  
 Pullman/Pullman, MI  
 Dome/South Central Ghana  
 Spanish/Berrien Springs, MI  
 Spanish/Berrien Springs, MI  
 University/Loma Linda, CA  
 University/Loma Linda, CA  
 Dome/South Central Ghana  
 Yakima/Yakima, WA

## | TO |

Village/Berrien Springs, MI  
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 Warrensburg Crossroads/Centerview, MO  
 Warrensburg Crossroads/Centerview, MO  
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