# FAREWELL PIONEER VISION CALLS

# Welcome! December 23, 2023



# CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: Be not afraid because I bring good news of great joy!

# All: Behold, a great joy will come to all the people!

Pastor: An angel proclaimed. "for to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord."

All: Let us celebrate this thing that has happened, which the Lord has made known to us!

# SABBATH SCHOOL

WELCOME & PRAYER Sabeulah Bates

#### **SPECIAL FEATURE** "A Christmas Musical"

Vladimir Slavujevic & Family

**LESSON STUDY** "Esther and Mordicai"

#### SUNSET TODAY 5:18

#### SUNSET NEXT FRIDAY 5:22





Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests. LUKE 2:14

	GOAL \$1,000,000
RENOVATE 2.0	900,000 <b>851,650</b> 800,000 <b>700,000</b> <b>600,000</b> <b>600,000</b> <b>400,000</b> <b>300,000</b> <b>200,000</b> <b>100,000</b> <b>50,000</b>
	(as of 12/09/23)

#### OFFERING

12 • 23 Michigan Advance Partners

12 • 30 Camp Sagola Lodge

#### PIONEER PULPIT

12 • 30 Jenifer Daley "Outlook 2024: A View From the Top of a Mountain" 01 • 06 Shane Anderson "When God Dreams"

# WORSHIP

11:45 AM

#### **OPENING MUSIC**

"IN DULCI JUBILO" ("In Sweet Jubilation") Walther, Piutti, Lang

#### WELCOME, CALL TO WORSHIP, & PRAYER

Prescott Khair, Associate Chaplain, Andrews University

#### **"BORN TO SAVE": A HYMN CYCLE**

"Good Christians, Now Rejoice" • 136, st. 3, 2 "Now Is Born the Divine Christ Child" • 133 "O Little Town of Bethlehem" • 135, st. 1, 3 "Angels From the Realms of Glory" • 119, st. 1-3

#### CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

"Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne" • 140, st. 1

**OFFERTORY** "What Child Is This?" • traditional English

#### **CHILDREN'S STORY & PRAYER**

#### CAROL OF THE SEASON

"Away in a Manger" • 124

#### RECOGNITION OF SERVICE FOR TAURUS MONTGOMERY

Shane Anderson, Lead Pastor

#### SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 1:18-21 NIV Acts 16:6-10 NIV Rachel Wilson, Pioneer Member

#### WORSHIP IN MUSIC

"Here the World's Desire" • Kenneth Logan

#### MESSAGE

"Farewell Pioneer: Vision Calls" Taurus Montgomery, Associate Pastor

#### HYMN OF COMMITMENT

"Be Thou My Vision" • 547

#### **CLOSING MUSIC**

"IN DULCI JUBILO", ("In Sweet Jubilation") Johann Sebastian Bach

Organ: Kenneth Logan, Minister of Music

Hymn Leaders: Elizabeth Wilson, mezzo-soprano; Max Keller, trumpet; Kenneth Logan, organ

Worship in Music: Ana, Marina, and Vladimir Slavujevic, vocalists; Kenneth Logan, organ



FROM THE TEAM HERE AT PIONEER

# PIONEER FAMILY

### **Fellowship Dinner**

There is no fellowship dinner this Sabbath.

### **Farewell Reception**

Refreshments will be provided after the service for those who wish to say their goodbyes and best wishes to Pastor Taurus and his family.

# Update #10 for Renovate 2.0

The elevator and other improvements are done. It's all being used daily to improve the experience here at Pioneer. Thank you to everyone who has prayed for this project and its physical completion. We have just **\$148,350** left to raise! Please consider how this project fits into your contribution plans for the rest of the year!

### Grow Groups Leaders Wanted

Our next Season of Grow Groups is coming soon. If you have an idea for a small group we'd love to support your ministry. We are looking for activity, study, food, and fun groups. These are great ways to experience church outside of our church service. If you are interested please fill out the form here: pmchurch.org/ministries/growgroups/register

# Adopt-a-Student

You can help create a home away from home by joining our BELONG Ministries Adopt-a-Student program. You'll build meaningful connections by hosting the student for a home-cooked meal, surprising them with their favorite treats, and reminding them that they've been prayed for. If interested in joining this program, please scan the QR code on the inside of the bulletin.

### Give to Pantry Fund

This year Neighbor To Neighbor has been challenged to keep their pantry fully stocked. Thanks to a combination of inflation, supply-chain disruptions, and economically related issues, food prices have steadily risen since 2020. At the end of November 2023, we have served almost 6,000 persons with food and many other resources. As the year comes to an end, we are asking you to give a generous financial donation to our pantry fund, to help us provide essential food items for the families in our community.

## Join the Media Team

The Pioneer Media Team is a way to use or learn skills in the area of technology while serving your local church. Most volunteers help out 1-2 Sabbaths per month for both 8:00 AM and 11:45 AM worship service, but you can volunteer more often if you like. To learn more about being involved, please sign up here: pmchurch.org/mediateam.

### You Visited Me

Jesus said, "When I was in prison, you visited Me." If you have a heart for reaching out to a lonely person in need of encouragement while incarcerated, have I got a person for you! Please contact Sue Wein (whitewsu@andrews.edu).

#### Something In Common SS SATURDAY MORNINGS • 10:30–11:30 AM

The Art of Marriage— Everyone is welcome Sabbath mornings at 10:30 in Pioneer Room 141.

Dec. 23-"Love Happens: God's Purpose and Plan" Dec. 30-"Love Fades: Overcoming Isolation" Jan. 6-"Love Dances: Fulfilling Our Responsibilities"

### **Pray-ers Needed**

Each Sabbath morning at both 1st and 2nd services, people gather in "The Prayer Room" to pray for the church service, the participants, the congregants (both in-house and online), and for the prayer requests submitted each week. We are looking for more volunteers. You can set your own schedule—once a month, one month a quarter, two months a year, whatever works best for you! If you have a heart to pray for others or are simply looking for more information, please contact Deb Montcalm at greengables75@yahoo.com.

To submit or read more announcements visit pmchurch.org/announcements

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