

Welcome!

November 29, 2025



SABBATH SCHOOL

SONG SERVICE

William Helbley

WELCOME & PRAYER

Philip Giddings III

SPECIAL FEATURE

LESSON STUDY

"Heirs of Promises, Prisoners of Hope"



Soup for Students is just around the corner! Sunday, December 7, at 6:00 PM in the Pioneer Commons. We'd love to know what you're planning to bring—soup, bread, your smile, or all of the above! Simply text "NOURISH" to 269.281.2345 to sign up.

Church Operating Budget



Year-to-Date: \$246,157 out of \$257,754

Adventist Education

Year-to-Date: \$63,526 out of \$69,804

Building Improvements



Year-to-Date: \$21,778 out of \$10,416

Media Ministry



Year-to-Date: \$86.540 out of \$98.205

Welcoming All Seasons piping + paving campaign



\$302,616 out of project total of \$925,000

Offerings as of November 12, 2025, reflect the year-to-date total for 2025. We have much to be thankful for, including our Pioneer members who consistently give with cheerful hearts. The amounts shown above reflect the generosity of the Pioneer family, and we feel truly blessed.

1 THESS 5:18

in all things give thanks.

SUNSET TODAY

5:15

SUNSET NEXT FRIDAY

5:14

OFFERING

11 • 29

Camp Sagola Lodge

12 • 06

Pioneer Operating Budget



VEC Report



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BELONG Ministries

PIONEER PULPIT

12 • 06

Shane Anderson

"Making Space—Part 2: Staying Strong in a World Gone Mad" 12 • 13

Children's Celebration of Christmas

WORSHIP

9:00 AM

OPENING MUSIC

Improvisation on "This Is My Father's World" arr. Kenneth Logan

WELCOME & PRAYER

Daniel Biaggi, Associate Pastor

OPENING HYMN

"Now Thank we All Our God" • 559

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

"This is My Father's World" • 92, st. 3 Daniel Biaggi, Associate Pastor

OFFERTORY

"Now Thank We All Our God" . H. W. Tauscher

CHILDREN'S STORY

Daniel Biaggi, Associate Pastor

WORSHIP IN MUSIC

"Count Your Blessings" / "Give Thanks" Medley arr. Vladimir Slavujevic

SCRIPTURE READING

Evelina Norton, Pioneer Member Daniel 12:4 NKJV

MESSAGE

"Making Space—Part 1: The Speeding Christian" Shane Anderson, Lead Pastor

HYMN OF COMMITMENT

"A Shelter in the Time of Storm" • 528, st. 1 & 4

BENEDICTION

Shane Anderson, Lead Pastor

CLOSING MUSIC

"Now Thank We All Our God" • Sigfried Karg-Elert

Organ: Kenneth Logan

Worship in Music: Slavujevic Family

11:45 AM

OPENING MUSIC

Improvisation on "This Is My Father's World" arr. Kenneth Logan

WELCOME & PRAYER

Daniel Biaggi, Associate Pastor

OPENING SONG

"Give Thanks"

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

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PRAISE

"Slow Me Down" • "Seek Ye First / "Because He Lives" "Jesus Calls Us" / "Days of Elijah"

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Praise: Bianka Rinko, Audrey Schrader, Frankel Francois, Abdi Del Arca, vocals; Carlos Mariscal, guitar; Aiko Ayala Rios, piano; Simon Luke Brown, violin; Jonathan Pelote, double bass

PIONEER FAMILY

Fellowship Dinner

There will not be a fellowship dinner today.

Update on Pastoral Transition at Pioneer

We at Pioneer were richly blessed by the ministry of Pastor Ben Martin. Unfortunately, due to tithe shortfalls (not at Pioneer, but in other portions of the conference), Michigan Conference administration has determined that his position will not be filled at this time. Please combine your prayers and patience with mine as we work to cover Pastor Ben's duties with existing pastoral staff members and volunteers. – Pastor Shane

Sabbath School Volunteers Needed

Give our Pioneer kids a gift this holiday season—your time, teaching, or supporting Sabbath Schools, 10:30-11:30 AM each Sabbath. Text "CHILDREN" to 269.281.2345 or email childrenss@pmchurch.org to learn more.

BELONG: Angel Tree

This holiday season, you have an excellent opportunity to create lasting memories for a student and their family by picking a card from the Christmas trees at our church! Each card details a family's needs and wishes. Just select a card, shop for the items, and drop them off at Pioneer by December 14th. No need to wrap the gifts—we'll handle that for you! Let's come together and spread joy with BELONG Ministries this Christmas. Your generosity can genuinely make a difference!

GROW Groups

Spring semester GROW Groups will begin the 1st week of February. If you would like to lead a group, please text "LEAD" to 269.281.2345 or click the link below to submit your information at pmchurch.org/grow before December 15.

Celebrating the Life of Woodrow Whidden

DECEMBER 5 • 1:00 PM PIONEER SANCTUARY

Woodrow Whidden passed away peacefully at home with his wife, Peggy, on November 11, 2025. He led a full life devoted to family, ministry, teaching, and writing. Pioneer has been his home church since 1990. Your support during this time means a lot to our family. Everyone is invited to the public memorial service here at Pioneer.

- Love and Thanks From the Whidden Family

2025 Advent Devotionals

Pioneer Women's Ministries' Advent devotionals will highlight a few of the promises of Jesus. To receive the "Red Letter Promises" daily devotionals by email for the first 25 days of December, text the word "ADVENT" to 269.281.2345. We pray you will sense the nearness of Jesus during this holy season through these devotionals.

With This In Mind...

In a 2021 Forbes article, Kevin Kruse noted that practicing gratitude triggers the release of serotonin and dopamine—"feel-good" chemicals that boost mood, willpower, and motivation. Gratitude requires intentionally noticing what's going well, and it strengthens with practice. Harvard Health Publishing reports that gratitude supports better sleep, heart and emotional health, longevity, and healthier relationships (Salamon, 2024). Christ knew the power of giving thanks from the beginning. The Bible reminds us to "... give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever!" (1 Chronicles 16:34). Start today by noticing and naming what you're grateful for. I'll begin. Today, I am grateful for hope.

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