

Worship Service

11:05 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Call to Worship *The Lord Is In His Holy Temple* Judith Nelson
(Congregation asked to bow their head as Platform Participants kneel)

Welcome to the Advent Season

"Joy"

Readings by Judith Nelson & Friends

Welcome/Church Family Life Frances Racobs

Opening Hymn *Joy to the World - Hymn #125* Congregation

Invocation Jeanette Griego

Tithe & Offerings **Norco Church Family Budget** Frances Racobs

Lambs Offering *(Supports Norco Children's Ministries)* Frances Racobs

Children's Ministry Sharing Time

Prayer Song *Burdens Are Lifted at Calvary - Hymn #476* Congregation
First Verse

Congregational Garden of Prayer Frances Racobs

Special Music *Hallelujah Song/Mary Did You Know* Lynne Luna

Scripture Reading 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 Frances Racobs

Sermon Jeanette Griego

Discipleship in the Last Days
The Advent Message in the Last Days
Be Encouraged

Closing Hymn *How Great Thou Art - Hymn #86* Congregation

Blessing/Benediction Jeanette Griego

Pianist Judith Nelson
Deacon of the Day Jim Racobs
Audio/Visual
Platform Worship Coordinator Frances Racobs
Chorister

WELCOME AND HAPPY SABBATH!

We at the Norco SDA Church would like to extend a warm welcome and Happy Sabbath to you.

We pray that you will experience God's presence in your life as you worship with us.

Make yourself at home and thank you for being part of our family today! God Bless!

Our purpose and mission for our church this year will focus on "**Discipleship in the Last Days**." For many of us, this year will provide substance for our lives as we navigate together what it means to be a disciple of Jesus, and also how we can be better disciples in the ever-changing world that we live in. Yes, things are changing around us every day, The question is, are we adapting to the changing times in our world today? This year's theme: "**Discipleship in the Last Days**," will provide timely messages that will encourage and equip us to live out Jesus' commission to make disciples of all nations, starting with our own communities.

Church Family Life

Today: December 9, 2023

PATHFINDERS - 9:00am to 10:00am - Pathfinder Room.

PRAYER WARRIORS: Meet in our Prayer Room at 9:30am. **We Need More Warriors!**

SABBATH SCHOOL LESSON STUDY HOUR: 10:00am - Sanctuary
Lesson #10 - Mission to the Unchurched-Part 2 - Scheduled Teacher: George Kelly

GIVING TO GOD: Our Offering Challenge today is for **Adventist Community Services**. All loose offerings will support our Norco Church Family Budget. Please remember your **local church** in your giving. Today is the last designated Norco Church Combined Budget offering for the year to meet the outstanding \$15,486.48 needs of our local ministry. Your generosity will help us continue our ministry here in our Norco community. Note: We have finished the last three months **falling short** of meeting our regularly budgeted bills. Let's make December the month we "catch up" taking care of God's House.

NO FELLOWSHIP DINNER TODAY— INSTEAD, JOIN US IN THE FIRESIDE ROOM AT 5:30 P.M. THIS EVENING FOR OUR ANNUAL CHRISTMAS DINNER.

THIS WEEK

PRAYER MEETING/BIBLE STUDY - WEDNESDAY! Please join us **Wednesday** evening at 7:00 p.m. for our weekly Bible Study/Prayer Meeting. Pastor Rob will lead the evening session as we finish our year-long journey studying about "Last Day Events." What parallels are there between the first and second Advent? Why talk about Advent at all? Shouldn't we ADVENT-ists be the foremost promoters of Advent? **Please Note: Pastor Kazar's Wednesday Afternoon study on Roman's will not be meeting until further notice.**

COMMUNITY SUPPORT GROUP - AA / Thursday, 12:-1:00pm in the Community Hall.

NEXT SABBATH, DECEMBER 23, 2023

OUR WORSHIP SERIES "DISCLESHIP IN THE LAST DAYS" enters its final month by looking at "**The Advent Message in the Last Days**." Jesus came at the first Advent as a babe in swaddling clothes. At the second Advent, He will come with a great shout and every eye will see Him. Pastor Ackerman will help unfold this promise as we work to wrap up our year-long journey in Discipleship.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY MEETING All ladies are invited to meet following the Fellowship Dinner to share and grow in our Christian walk and ministry.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Prayer Group - **George Kelly** - recovering from pneumonia; **Lavina** - Spiritual wellness
 Julie Roth - Friend, **Helen** - ALS; **Albin** - Cancer; **Patty** - Cancer; **Mark Lacey** for lodging, transportation,
 Prayer Group - **Jaime & Christine** - Dental pain/illness; **Trudy** - Increased strength
 Pastor Rob—**Jaime** for recovery from illness; **Delia** for upcoming surgery on January 4
 Jim Racobs - Travel mercies for **Frances, Jaime, Julie, and Lovenia**
 Jim Racobs & Judith Nelson - **AA Ministry**; **Literature** being passed out
 Prayer Group - Our Caregiving Team: **Julie, Kathy, Lee Ann, Cheryl**
 Pastor Rob - **Mark** - protection/direction for his life; **Our Church Budget** - More member participation
 Prayer Group - **Sister Rosita** - Recovering from stroke; **Norco Church Family** - Unity and love
 Jim Racobs - **Lou** - throat & eye issues; upcoming surgery
 Pastor Rob - Pastor Kazar's son, **Jevon** - surgery recovery
 Kathy Jones—Special prayer for the homeless and jobless
 Frances Racobs - **Steven** - spiritual direction; **Our Pathfinder Boys; Teen Pathfinder program**
 Prayer Group - Cheryl's mother's friend, **Jeanine** - Family loss
 Julie Roth - **Norco Prison Ministries need/opportunity**; Unspoken prayer requests for family
 Cheryl - **Tim** - Dealing with loss of mother; relationships and concern over unknown diagnosis
 Ladies Prayer Group - **Brenda Hernandez colleague needs room to rent in Norco**
 Pastor Rob - Brenda's Daughter, **Angel** - Spiritual & Physical healing; **Jim Racobs** - upcoming knee surgery
 Pastor Rob - **Delia and Nelson Santana** - Comfort and Healing; **Delia** - upcoming shoulder surgery
 George & Lee Ann Kelly - Sons, **Willie Joseph** - pain/needs surgery; **Kelvin** - ongoing prayer
Neighbor's husband - hospice

CHURCH FINANCE REPORT - Week 49 of 52

Weekly Church Budget - Last Sabbath

Needed\$ 1,872.92
 Received.....\$ 2,955.50
 Over/(Under).....\$ (1,082.58)
 SHORT for month..[49%].....\$ **[3,633.58]**

Monthly Debt Expenses

Parking Lot Balance.....\$ 4,970.02
 Monthly Payment.....\$ 2,326.17
 Roof Loan Balance.....\$ 11,988.44
 Monthly Payment.....\$ 166.00

Church Budget—Year to Date

Annual Total Needed.....\$ 97,392.04
 Received Year-to- date (84%)...\$ 81,905.56
 Needed to Balance 2023 Budget.....\$ **15,486.48**

Other Local Offering

Children's Project.....\$ 34.00
 Audio -Visual.....\$ 00.00
 SS Expense.....\$ 00.00
 Building Fund.....\$ 00.00
 New Wine Rental.....\$ 2000.00
 Pathfinders\$ 65.00
 Evangelism\$ 00.00
 Remodel - Window Project.....\$ 00.00

Tithe

Received Last Week.....\$ 1,447.00
 Received December.....\$ 2,679.80
 Year to date\$111,929.90

World/Local Conference Offerings

World Budget.....\$ 00.00
 Global Mission.....\$ 00.00
 Sabbath School-Mission.....\$ 86.00
 Conference Budget.....\$ 00.00
 Voice of Prophecy.....\$ 00.00
 Adventist World Radio\$ 00.00

December 2023-Combined Budget Giving

\$ 4,519.50	\$8,115/mo.	56%
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2023 - Combined Budget Giving/ REC'D

\$81,905.56	\$ 97,392/yr	84%
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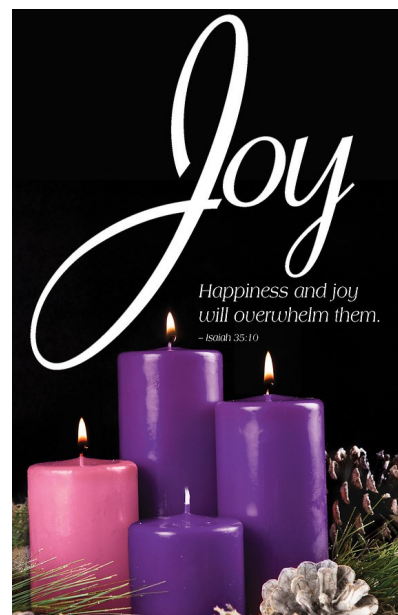
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Norco Seventh-day Adventist Church



The Advent Message in the Last Days

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December 16, 2023

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