

# 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

**"PEACE"**

Readings by Judith Nelson & Friends

Welcome/Church Family Life      Rocio Castellanos

Opening Hymn      *It Came Upon the Midnight Clear #130*      Congregation

Invocation      Pastor Kazar Ackerman

Tithe & Offerings      **Adventist Community Services**      Rocio Castellanos

Lambs Offering      *(Supports Norco Children's Ministries)*      Rocio Castellanos

Children's Ministry Sharing Time

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

Congregational Garden of Prayer      Rocio Castellanos

Special Music      *"Because of Bethlehem"*      Matthew West

Scripture Reading      John 14:1-3      Rocio Castellanos

Sermon      Pastor Kazar Ackerman

**Discipleship in the Last Days**  
**The Advent Message in the Last Days**  
**Construction Ahead!**

Closing Hymn      *When We All Get to Heaven - Hymn #633*      Congregation

Blessing/Benediction      Pastor Kazar

Pianist      Judith Nelson  
Deacon of the Day      Jim Racobs  
Audio/Visual      Lori Mendoza  
Platform Worship Coordinator      Rocio Castellanos  
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 of times?  
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-Part1** - Scheduled Teacher: Rocio Castellanos.

**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. Do you realize we have only **4 more Sabbaths** to meet the outstanding **\$20,040.98** 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.

**FELLOWSHIP DINNER** - Join us for our Regular Fellowship Dinner following Worship today. Today's hosts: Jaime and Christine Platas.

**ELDERS MEETING - Sabbath, December 9**, following Fellowship Dinner.

**SECOND READING/MEMBERSHIP TRANSFER:** Samuel & La Jean Boynton from Loma Linda Campus Hill SDA Church. Let's welcome the newest additions to our Family!

### THIS WEEK

**"SAVE THE DATE"** - "WorkBee" - **Sunday morning, December 10, 8:00am.**

**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 16, 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. Jeanette Griego will help unfold this contrast as we work to wrap up our year-long journey in Discipleship.

**"SAVE THE DATE" ANNUAL CHRISTMAS DINNER** - Sabbath, December 16, beginning at 5:00pm. Please see the Lobby Bulletin Board for the Food Signup Sheet contributions.

## 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,  
 Julie Roth - **Mark Lacey** for lodging, transportation, legal issues and recovering from grief  
 Prayer Group - **Jaime & Christine** - Dental pain/illness; **Trudy** - Increased strength  
 Jim Racobs - Travel mercies for **Frances, Jaime, Julie**  
 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  
 Julie Roth - Brother, **Ralph** - transportation challenges and an unspoken request  
 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  
 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 48 of 52

### Weekly Church Budget - Last Sabbath

Needed .....\$ 1,872.92  
 Received.....\$ 1,564.00  
 Over/(Under).....\$ ( 308.92)  
 SHORT for month..[81%].....\$ **[6,551.00]**

### Monthly Debt Expenses

Parking Lot Balance.....\$ 4,906.91  
 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 (81%)...\$ 78,950.06  
 Needed to Balance 2023 Budget.....\$ **18,476.98**

### Other Local Offering

Children's Project.....\$ 44.66  
 Audio -Visual .....\$ 00.00  
 SS Expense.....\$ 00.00  
 Building Fund.....\$ 00.00  
 New Wine Rental.....\$ 00.00  
 Pathfinders .....\$ 00.00  
 Evangelism .....\$ 00.00  
 Remodel - Window Project.....\$ 00.00

### Tithe

Received Last Week.....\$ 1,232.80  
 Received December.....\$ 1,232.80  
 Year to date .....\$109,250.10

### World/Local Conference Offerings

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

<u>December 2023-Combined Budget Giving</u>		
\$ 1,564.00	\$8,115/mo.	19%
<u>2023 - Combined Budget Giving / NEEDED</u>		
\$78,915.06	\$ 97,392/yr	81%

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**Pastor's Office Hours**  
 Every 2nd and 4th  
 week of the month, Mon-Fri  
 10:30:00 p.m.

**Church Website**  
[Norco.adventistfaith.org](http://Norco.adventistfaith.org)  
**Church Wi-Fi**  
 NorcoSDA 2G-Guest Password:Norco@3621

# Norco Seventh-day Adventist Church



**The Advent Message**  
**in the Last Days**

***Construction Ahead***

# December 9, 2023

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