

Studying Together 9:30 am

Welcome Thomas Hamm

Carol Sing!

Scripture & Prayer

Sabbath Commandment

“What Christmas Means to Me”

Emily Hess & Keeley Dietze

Lesson Study Classes

The Cosmic Conflict Over God’s Character

Superintendent/Chorister: Thomas Hamm

Pianist: Donna Lester

Sabbath School Classes

Adults: East Grace Coleman

Adults: West Lloyd Conley

Spanish: Foyer Juan Estrada

Beginners/Kindergarten/Primary: Downstairs Anissa Giron

Youth: Youth Room David Im & Ua Wong

Young Adults: Foyer Patrick Giron



Worshipping Together 11:00 am

Announcements Thomas Hamm

Call to Worship Patrick Giron

Congregation Please Stand

Leader: This is the day the Lord has made. Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

People: Rejoice in the Lord always, and again I say Rejoice!

Leader: On this Sabbath just before Christmas, we gather here to acknowledge Jesus – born in a stable and placed in a manger – as Messiah, Savior, Christ the Lord.

People: O come. Let us adore Him.

Praise Hymn Congregation

“Joy to the World”

Worship through Giving Billy Ijames

Worship in Prayer Grace Coleman

Introduction to *Messiah* Thomas Hamm

Isaiah 40:1-5 Patrick Giron

“Comfort Ye My People”

“Every Valley Shall Be Exalted”

Steve Grabe, Tenor

Haggai 2:6-7; Malachi 3:1-2 Thomas Hamm

“Thus Saith The Lord”

“But Who May Abide The Day Of His Coming”

Alex Britton, Bass

Isaiah 7:14, Matthew 1:23, Isaiah 40:9, Patrick Giron
Isaiah 60:1

"Behold A Virgin Shall Conceive"
O Thou Who Tellest Good Tidings to Zion"
Karen Joy Smith, Alto

Isaiah 60:2-3; Isaiah 9:2 Thomas Hamm

"For Behold, Darkness Shall Cover The Earth"
"The People That Walked In Darkness"
Alex Britton, Bass

Luke 2:8-15; Zachariah 9:9-10 Patrick Giron

"There Were Shepherds Abiding In The Field"
"And Lo, The Angel Of The Lord"
"And The Angel Said Unto Them"
"And Suddenly There Was With The Angel"
Laura Sage, Soprano

"Glory To God In The Highest"
Quartet

"Rejoice Greatly, O Daughter Of Zion"
Laura Sage, Soprano

Isaiah 35:5-6; Isaiah 40:11,
Matthew 11:28-29 Thomas Hamm

"Then Shall The Eyes Of The Blind Be Opened"
"He Shall Feed His Flock"
Karen Joy Smith, Alto

"Come Unto Me"
Steve Grabe, Tenor

Romans 10:15 Patrick Giron

"How Beautiful Are The Feet"
Laura Sage, Soprano

Revelation 19:6, 11:15, 19:16 Thomas Hamm

"Hallelujah"

Benediction Thomas Hamm

Postlude arranged
"Silent Night"

Organist: Donna Lester
Messiah Accompanist: Robert Sage

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*We're glad you came to join us
In our worship time today
Our hope is that you feel God's love
In a new, refreshing way
For you are welcomed in His place
And our hope is that you will come again
To join with us in fellowship
And to make some special friends*

We welcome Dr. Robert Sage, his daughter, Laura Sage, Karen Joy Smith, Steve Grabe and Alex Britton today. They will be singing portions of George Handel's oratorio *Messiah*.

Parents with newborns/toddlers: You are welcome to enjoy the service on our flat-screen monitors in the church lobby while feeding your infants, changing diapers, or rocking your little ones to sleep.

Assistive Hearing Devices are available for checkout from our Greeters.

DID YOU KNOW?

The **last three rows of seats** on each side of the Sanctuary are reserved for parents with small children?

Today's Offering goes to **LOCAL CHURCH BUDGET.**

PREACHING SCHEDULE *for 2013*

Dec 21 *Messiah*—Potluck
Dec 28 Pastor Cherise Gardner
Jan 7 Pastor Cherise Gardner

MY HOUSE SHALL BE CALLED A HOUSE OF PRAYER FOR ALL PEOPLE

*But to You I have cried out, O Lord,
And in the morning my prayer comes before You.*

Psalm 88:13, NKJV

PRAYER GROUP meets upstairs in the Choir Room after the Church Service.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please pray for our church's ongoing construction project, the financial challenges and the various ministries; for Pastor Mike and his wife Diana.

UPDATE: Pastor Mike and Diana would like to thank everyone for all the prayers, cards and texts. They were very uplifting! They also miss everyone and would like to wish everyone a blessed Christmas!

To submit a Prayer Request, please visit our website at: longbeachadventist.com, or call the church office at (562) 437-2805 during office hours.

Church Office Holiday Schedule:

Tuesday, Christmas Eve (12/24): 8 a.m.-12 p.m.
Wednesday, Christmas (12/25): CLOSED
Wednesday, New Year's Day (1/1): CLOSED

EVENING BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

WEDNESDAYS at 6:30 p.m. in the Foyer:

The Young Adults Bible Study will resume on January 22, 2014.

WEDNESDAYS at 7 p.m. in the Chapel:

The Adult Bible Study will resume on January 8, 2014.

FRIDAYS at 7 p.m. in the Chapel:

12/27	Grace Coleman	1/17	Lloyd Conley
1/3	Sonny Pasco	1/24	Grace Coleman
1/10	Michael Norris	1/31	

CALENDAR and FUTURE EVENTS

TODAY:

POTLUCK: You are invited to join us after the Church Service for a delicious lunch in our newly renovated Fellowship Hall.

SPANISH CHURCH at 3 p.m. in the Chapel with Pastor Victor Aldana.

OUTREACH PROGRAMS

WEDNESDAYS:

ADDICTION SUPPORT GROUPS:

A 12-Step **CRYSTAL-METH ANONYMOUS (CMA)** meets at 7 p.m. in the Children's Sabbath School Room. Annette Alliot is the facilitator.

SMART RECOVERY ADDICTIONS meets at 7 p.m. in the Youth/Young Adult Room. Robyn Alerich, CATC is the facilitator.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 4, 2014:

A **FOOD N' GAMES NIGHT**, from 5:30 pm-8 pm will take place in the Fellowship Hall. This is a potluck event, with the theme being Soup & Salad, so bring your favorite soup or salad and have a fun time!

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 8:

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING at 6 p.m. in Pastor Mike's office.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15:

CHURCH BOARD MEETING at 7 p.m. in Pastor Mike's office.

LAUGHTER IS THE BEST MEDICINE

Christmas Prayer

A few days before Christmas, two young brothers were spending the night at their grandparent's house. When it was time to go to bed, and anxious to do the right thing, they both knelt down to say their prayers.

Suddenly, the younger one began to do so in a very loud voice.

"Dear Lord, please ask Santa Claus to bring me a play-station, a mountain-bike and a telescope."

His older brother leaned over and nudged his brother and said, "Why are you shouting your prayers? God isn't deaf."

"I know" he replied, "But Grandma is!"

SUNSET TIMES:

Today~4:48 p.m.

Friday (12/27)~4:51 p.m.

HAPPY SABBATH TO ALL

THE SON IS SHINING

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