

ORDER OF SERVICE

December 19, 2020

Welcome: Carl Dunn

Call to Worship: Carl Dunn

Children's Story: Pauline Dunn

Baptism: Sandra, Cecelia, and Roman Daigle

Offering Call: Carissa Steen

Local Church Budget

Scripture: Rajan Thambi

Numbers 24:17

Congregational Prayer: Rajan Thambi

Special Music: Alex Ludvig

Sermon: Pastor Luke Steen

Christmas in the Wilderness

Benediction: Pastor Luke Steen

SERVING TODAY

Adult SS: Cynthia Rajan, Gary Gardner, Nelson Fontaine

Head Deacon: Bill Millwood

Greeter: Amor Raparla



ALPHARETTA
SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to the Alpharetta Seventh-day Adventist Church! We're glad that you're here and have chosen to worship with us today. Our prayer is that you and your family will be blessed as we worship our Lord together. If you're visiting today, feel free to fill out a Connect Card and drop it in the Prayer Box, or you can go online to our [website](#) and click on Connect in the menu.

CHILDREN'S SABBATH SCHOOL

Our Kid's Sabbath Schools are back! There are two Children's Division classes that meet in the Fellowship Hall at 10 a.m. each Sabbath. Ages 12 and under meet on one side, ages 13 and up will meet on the other side with a divider between the classes. **Social distancing and masks are strongly encouraged for everyone's safety.**

CLOTHING DRIVE

During this season of giving, we are partnering with the Forsyth County public school system to meet needs of disadvantaged elementary and high school students. We will be collecting jackets, shoes, pants, shirts, etc. Please contact Barbara Ratterree for more information at: 404-358-3618 or bratterree485@gmail.com

WORTHY FAMILY PROJECT

We are adopting Chastity Hogan and her family for Christmas. They are the ones who lost their home to a fire in September. Please contact Barbara Ratterree for more information at: 404-358-3618 or bratterree485@gmail.com

YEAR-END GIVING

2020 has been a financially difficult year for most of us, and the church is no exception. As the year-end approaches, it may be advantageous for you to consider various **tax-saving strategies** for your philanthropic giving. Please see below for information about giving to the Alpharetta SDA Church Budget. Please note that we do not have a full time employee to answer financial questions about year-end giving, but Don Bunch, our Treasurer, is available to answer questions or provide assistance through the week at 404-784-2049.

CASH: Gifts of cash made by personal check should be postmarked by **December 31**. Please note “Alpharetta SDA Church Budget” on the memo line.

CREDIT CARD: The fastest way to give to your local Church Budget is to make your gift online by **December 31** and designate to the local fund of your choice.

WIRE: Wells Fargo, 3275 Buford Dr, Buford, GA 30519, 770-831-2960.
Routing Number: 061000227. Acct Number: 2000133921083.

Additionally, please consider the following:

MATCHING GIFTS: A corporate matching gift is an excellent way to increase the impact of your personal gift. More than 15,000 corporations have a matching gift program, so please inquire with your HR department today about directing a matching gift to the Alpharetta SDA Church.

We are grateful for the many ways you support Alpharetta SDA Church throughout the year. Every gift we receive makes a direct impact on maintaining our facilities, church ministries, and our ability to bring Christ to the world through our church family.

TO GIVE ONLINE, GO TO: www.adventistgiving.org/#/org/ANTFAL

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Prayer Line EVERY Night @ 8 pm: Phone 515-603-3162

Passcode 960362#

Every Sabbath: Vespers @ 6 pm (SUSPENDED)

Monday: Men's Gospel Community @ 7 pm (SUSPENDED)

Every Wednesday: Loops of Love @ 7 pm

Marsh Baby Shower: January (more info coming)

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please contact Alex Tichy at aetichy@att.net to submit a prayer request.

ATTENDANCE COVID-19 SAFETY GUIDE

We're glad to be returning to worship together as a church family! Let's do so safely and mindful of others. In general, please maintain 6 feet of social distancing from each other on the church property, inside the building and out. Please refrain from shaking hands, hugging, etc.

In the Sanctuary, rows that are unavailable for seating have been roped off. Obviously families can sit together on available rows, but please leave two seats between you and the next family on your row.

Masks or face coverings are encouraged, as long as the CDC recommends them in public spaces.

Before leaving the restrooms, please wash your hands using soap and water. In addition, hand sanitizer is available in the Foyer, and you're encouraged to use it. You will also be safer if you make a habit of not touching your face.