Hymn of Praise
O Come, All Ye Faithful #132

Responsive Reading #730
Christopher Chavez

Call to Prayer
Have Thine Own Way, Lord #567

Morning Prayer (Congregation Kneel)
John-Thomas Chavez
Homily
Pastor Eric

Musical Message
Flute Ensemble
Carol of the Bells/God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen

Call for Offering
Church Budget

Church Life
Pastor Eric

Sabbath Day School 9:30-10:35 a.m.

Classes for Adults:
• New Life Christian Growth class - studying Lessons Jesus Taught - W. Hutton/A. Truckenbrodt - Community Life Ctr, 1st floor
• A time to share followed by a study of the traditional SS lesson from the perspective of what we can learn about God and our relationship with Him - D. Butcher & Friends - Community Life Ctr, 1st Floor
• Reflecting Grace Class - Study based on the traditional SS quarterly and may include other resources - Matt & Cindy Hockman - Church, Bags of Love Rm, Basement Level
• Study of the traditional adult SS quarterly - C Wetmore/R Assongbon-Foly - Community Life Center, Pathfinder Rm, 2nd Floor
• Collegiate Class, 18-30-something- Melanie Yoon - Church, Basement Level
• Study of the traditional adult SS quarterly - G. Strang - Church, West Wing Rm
• Music, fellowship & the SS lesson - Down Under Class - Rotating teachers - Church, Basement Level
• Study of the traditional adult SS quarterly - T. Arany - Community Life Center, 2nd Floor

Church at Worship • December 17, 2016
Second Service • 10:50 a.m.-12:15 p.m.

Church Life
Pastor Eric

Invocation
Pastor Eric

Musical Selection
Mary's Boy Child Children's Choir

Hymn
Now is Born the Divine Christ Child #133

Musical Selection
Silent Night/Away in a Manger Chimes

Call to Prayer
Purify My Heart

Morning Prayer (Congregation Kneel)
Jerry Sturgis

Musical Selection
Welcome to Our World

Musical Selection
Christmas Meditation Bells

Call for Offering
Church Budget Pen Braister-Sturgis

Offertory
Ashley Blake & John-Thomas Chavez
Hark The Herald

Musical Selection
Carol of the Bells/God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen

Musical Selection
My Pretty Little Jesus Men's Chorus

Responsive Reading #730
Andy Braister-Sturgis

The Birth of Christ
Children's Time
Year Round Christmas!

Children's Offering for Tuition Assistance

Homily
Pastor Eric

Musical Selection
O Holy Night String Quartet

Hymn
O Come, All Ye Faithful #132
With Strings

Benediction
Pastor Eric

Postlude
Silent Night Men's Chorus

Presiding Elder: David Dobias
Deacon in Charge: Jon Bonea
First Service
Pianist: John-Thomas Chavez
Song Leader: Eran Bates
Second Service
Pianist: Sheri Baker
Keyboardist: Joyce Yoon

Song Leaders: Dan & Jennifer Zinke & Bruce Herbert
Bible year readings for the coming week - December 18: 1 Timothy 1-6; December 19: Titus 1-3; December 20: 1 Peter 1-5; December 21: Hebrews 1-6; December 22: Hebrews 7-10; December 23: Hebrews 11-13; December 24: 2 Timothy 1-4.

Prayer Ministry - If you have something that you would like your church family to be praying about, please use our email hotline, lorrie121@gmail.com.

Christmas Party Tonight at 6:30. Our Theme is “Old World.” Please bring a dish that represents your family’s history and your favorite cookies for dessert. You may want to bring the recipe! We will be wrapping presents for the Veteran’s family that we have adopted for Christmas. We will have a Christmas story, a short movie, caroling, games, and an ornament exchange. Please bring a wrapped ornament that is under $5.00 if you would like to participate. For more details, please contact Carrie Chavez or Charlene Ingulfsen.

Dear church family, Please know how grateful we are for pastoral visits, food prepared & brought by, floral arrangements, the many cards we received. We have felt and been comforted by your prayers on our behalf during and since Glenn’s passing. God bless you each one. –Kay, Glenda & Janean Nelson

Church Budget Amount Needed Weekly: $4,000.00
Church Budget Received Last Week: $1,849.05
Church Expense Received Last Week: $585.34
SS Expense Received Last Week: $6.00
Amount Short YTD: $1,689.65

Purify My Heart

Purify my heart. Touch me with Your cleansing fire. Take me to the cross. Your holiness is my desire. Breathe Your life in me. Kindle a love that flows from Your throne.

Oh, purify my heart, purify my heart.

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Mission Statement: The mission of the Arden Seventh-day Adventist Church is, by God’s grace, to reflect His character in our community, to provide a safe place to grow spiritually, and to present the Bible in a manner that will lead people into a richer, more joyous relationship with Christ and His church.

Church Office Hours
Monday-Thursday, 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.
Please communicate all bulletin information to the church by noon on Wednesday.

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Additional Announcements December 17, 2016

The holidays mean there are several schedule changes:

• There will be no planned potluck fellowship lunches at the church on December 24 or 31.
• Handbells and chimes rehearsals will resume on January 4.
• No Finance Committee or Church Board meetings this month. The next meeting will be on January 17.
• Wednesday evening prayer meetings are suspended through the end of December and will resume on January 4.
• Pastor Eric and his family will be on vacation December 18-24.
• Pastor Jeff and his family will be on vacation December 25-31.

Personal Evangelism 101 - The demand from people wanting to study the Bible is higher than ever before. Our time together on January 21 at 2:00 p.m. will include testimonies from members who have been giving studies the past few months and will teach how to follow up on requests for Bible studies following our mass mailing of invitations. “Look, I tell you lift up your eyes, and see that the fields are white for the harvest.” John 4:35.

Virginia Burton’s new address is PO Box 29, Great Falls MT 59403

Bags of Love meeting Sunday, January 8, at 3:00 p.m. Everyone welcome to help us cut, sew, and stuff bags for the kids in our community who have fallen on hard times.

Thank you to my Arden church family for all your prayers, cards and help during my recent hospitalization for back fusion surgery. And a special thank you to Dan & Jennifer Zinke for taking me in during my early recovery. God bless you all! –Jim Sullenberger

Secret Sister’s, save the date of January 8 for a ladies’ brunch to reveal who your secret sister is. Details coming soon!

Do you have managerial skills, a passion for Christian Radio and a desire to be a volunteer? If you do, please contact Dolph Diamond at 828-702-5836 ASAP.

Bags of Love needs your help to give a little extra help this holiday season to kids at Eliada Home. Sixteen kids will graduate to independent living and will need items to get started in their own apartments. A registry at Walmart.com will make it easy and make sure everyone gets the same items. All the items on the registry will be provided by our church. Access the registry by going to registry list, special occasions/list and using “Bags of” as first name and “Love” as the last name. If you order online, the item will be delivered to the church, or you can go into the store and look up the registry and purchase the item and bring it to church. We will need all items at the church by December 31. If you have any questions, please contact Kathy Herbert.

Fletcher SDA Church Christmas Eve Program: Plan now and invite your family, friends, and neighbors to a family program of music, scripture, and readings as we celebrate the Reason for the Season—the birth of our Savior, Jesus Christ, at 6:00 p.m. December 24. Following the service refreshments will be served and all are invited to go Caroling! An offering will be taken to help the needy in our community.

Fletcher Academy senior class is raising funds for their class/mission trip to Ecuador leaving January 29. Our members, Nathan Norris, Sophia Bonilla, Quinn Fowler and Michael Yoon are part of this class. They will appreciate any help you can give. There is a basket in the church lobby to collect your filled M&M containers. They also have a “Go Fund Me” (https://www.gofundme.com/fletcher-academy-sr-mission-trip) page, or you can contact one of the students or their parents for how to make a donation. Thanks for considering helping our kids!

A memorial service for Jeanne Cookson, who fell asleep on Wednesday, December 14, will be held at the Mills River SDA Church on Sunday, December 18, at 1:00. In lieu of flowers the family requests donations to Four Seasons Compassion for Life, 571 S Allen Rd, Flat Rock, NC 28731, www.FourSeasonsCFL.org, with deepest thanks for their loving care.

A memorial service for Katie Sigsworth, who passed away in November, will be held on Thursday, December 22, at 4:00 p.m. in the Fletcher SDA Church.

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It Is Written, 1:30 p.m. on TBN
Voice of Prophecy, 10:30 a.m. WHKP 1450 AM