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Auburn SDA Church

Weekly Newsletter

Important Information

- Sunset Times July 12
- This Sabbath 8:48 pm.
- Next Friday Night 8:48pm.

The Church in Study.	9:30 am - 10:40 am.
Worship Service.	11:00 am.
Sermon Speaker	Pastor Jeff Westberg
Sermon Title	What God Requires
Sermon Text	Exodus 30: 17-21

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Peace Through The Cross

It is peace that you need—Heaven's forgiveness and peace and love in the soul. Money cannot buy it, Intellect cannot procure it, Wisdom cannot attain to it, you can never hope, by your own efforts, to secure it. But God offers it to you as a gift, "without money and without price." Isaiah 55:1... Go to Him, and ask that he will wash away your sins, and give you a new heart. Then believe that He does this because He has promised... It is our privilege to go to Jesus and be cleansed, and to stand before the law without shame or remorse.

When at the foot of the cross the sinner looks up to the One who died to save him, he may rejoice with fullness of joy, for his sins are pardoned. Kneeling in faith at the cross, he has reached the highest place to which man can attain.

Thank God for the gift of His dear Son, and pray that He may not have died for you in vain. The Spirit invites you today. Come with your whole heart to Jesus and you may claim His blessing.

As you read the promises, remember they are the expression of unutterable love and pity....Yes, only believe that God is your helper he wants to restore His moral image in man... As you draw near to Him with confession and repentance, He will draw near to you with mercy and forgiveness.

Our Father Cares.....Ellen White

Pastor Jeff Message

GIDEON AND THE MIDIANITES

During the period of the judges, the Midianite Army, aided by the Amalekites and the Ammonites, poured into Israel. They destroyed the countryside from Jezreel to the Gaza strip. The terrified Israelites fled to their homes, villages, towns... Even hid in the mountain caves. There was one soul however, who didn't surrender to fear: **Gideon**.

He firmly believed God would deliver His people. Gideon never lost faith...or hope. He dared to believe that God would raise up a mighty army to smash the Midianites and return the people to their land. God asked Gideon to gather all of the able-bodied military men in the valley of Jezreel – at the hill of Moreh—to organize an army to attack the Midianites. Gideon persuaded 32,000 men to join him at the camp. However, God wanted Gideon to believe the impossible! So, God told him to multiply his resources by trimming down his forces. (God sometimes works in mysterious ways!) God ordered Gideon to get rid of 31,700 men. With only 300 men, Gideon was told he could defeat hundreds of thousands of Midianite soldiers.

Gideon dared to take God at His word. At nightfall, Gideon assembled the 300 Jewish troops on the slopes of the hill Moreh. On his command, they lit torches, smashed empty water pitchers, and shouted at the top of their lungs while attacking the Midianite army. As it was dark, this commotion looked and sounded like a tremendous swarm of soldiers coming down the hill onto the Midianite army. So, they turned and fled in fear. In the darkness of the night the Midianite soldiers began to attack each other. Hundreds of thousands of enemy soldiers died. Inspired by Gideon's great courage, the Israelites from all over the land came and aided in the battle...finally, the Midianites were completely defeated.

The good news is that we can choose to be like Gideon. When we think we've exhausted all the possibilities - remember we haven't. Pray, think, ask God for an idea and a solution. Be clever and bold... confront the issue... multiply your resources by stripping away unneeded excess. Gideon multiplied his resources by trimming down his military force. And when the call came for Gideon to fight - he wasn't just sitting around. He was gathering wheat; he was doing something productive. The end result was that Gideon was able to lead God's people to ultimate victory.

Take a moment this week and consider what's holding you back from being what God's called us all to be. Are you waiting for conditions to be perfect? Satan will ensure they never will be. None-the-less, clothed in God's armor, we can choose to move forward - advancing His Kingdom and bringing glory to His name...just like Gideon did.

Church & Community Outreach Activities

Summer Camp, Prayers and Packages Project - It wasn't just Auburn children having fun at summer camp! A group of adult volunteers joined a fun summer project. Each volunteer sent a "camp package" to an Auburn camper. In addition they uplifted that camper in prayer throughout their week at camp. Thank you parents for signing your child up for the Prayers and Packages Project, we had a good time!

Aug 10 -17 OSHKOSH PATHFINDER CAMPOREE

Pathfinders....July 26—Investiture, and pathfinders will also have potluck that day....

August 6– Leave for Oshkosh 6:00 am

Regular Pathfinder meetings will begin August 27

We will not be having a fellowship meal this month, to be able to prepare for the Tiger Event.

July, 19 After church there will be a meeting for all volunteer's for the Tiger Event .

Spiritual Text to Ponder

James 1-2My brethren, "count it all Joy when you fall into various trials. 3 Knowing that the testing Of your faith produces Patience...4 But let patience have its perfect work, that you may be perfect and Complete, lacking nothing...5 If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God , who gives to all liberally And without reproach, and it will be given to him..6 But let him ask in faith, with no doubting, for he Who doubts is like a wave of the sea driven and tossed by the wind...7 For let not that man suppose that He will receive anything from the Lord.

Prayer Meeting Tuesday, 10 am. & 7:00 pm., 7/8/2014

10 am. No morning meeting at 10:00

7 pm. Christ—The Light of the WorldJohn 8:12-20



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Future Items for you to Schedule on your Calendar.

Tiger Event-July 20th, 1:00pm-4:00pm– Fund raising for school supplies is here. Please mark Your title envelope “Tiger Event ,” without your support this event could not take place, Thank You. If you have a corporate sponsor that you would like to get donations from, The Tiger Team Can provide you with a support letter and necessary tax documents. If you would like to join a A Team of Prayer warriors that will be praying for each student and their families throughout The school year, see Bonnie Alley. We Look forward to welcoming the Auburn Elementary School 5th graders and their families to the 2014 festival. Theme: Helping Hands for Education..... Thank You,,,,,,