

Community Newsletter



Auburn

SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH

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Pastor Dana Rae's Last Sermon

On December 4, Pastor Dana Rae preached her last sermon here at the Auburn Church. It was a wonderful sermon about the puzzling but amazing birth plan of Jesus being with us. Their whole family is unfortunately moving to Tennessee sometime in the end of January and we wish them all the best in their new adventures. They will all be deeply missed!

INSPIRATION CORNER

Holy Are They

Holy, holy, holy are they
The holy trinity
It's impossible you say
To find such unity.
Holy, holy, holy are they

Find the Father's handprints
All around you
In nature, see the hints
In creation too
Holy, holy, holy are they

Find the Son's footprints
Leading the way
From the lighthouse glints
Brighter than day
Holy, holy, holy are they

Hear the Spirit's entreaty
In your heart
Condemning an inequity
Urging a new start
Holy, holy, holy are they

Father, Son and Spirit
Three in one
Harmony you can hear it
The spell is spun.
Holy, holy, holy are they

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Upcoming Events

Jan. 1 - Church New Year's Game Night Social

Jan. 7-8 - Seek Women's Retreat at Gracepoint Church

Jan. 10-14 - Week of Prayer/Worship at Pine Hills

Jan. 17 - Martin Luther King Jr. Day/NO School

Feb. 4-6 - Freshman/ Sophomore Retreat

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Sermon Notes



Jan 1: Brian Toppel
Jan 8: Pastor Mel
Jan 15: Pastor Mel
Jan 22: Pastor Mel
Jan 29: Pastor Mel



Church Birthdays

Ava Gradek.....Jan 01

Matthew Stokes.....Jan 01

Benjamin DeBusk.....Jan 05

Mark Porco.....Jan 07

Cherie Blasquez-Tracy..Jan 09

Maria Messner.....Jan 12

Melba Spycher.....Jan 15

Olivia Genobaga.....Jan 17

Rafael Ojeda.....Jan 21

Christiana Teff.....Jan 25

Cara Roderick.....Jan 30



Casting all your care upon him; for he careth for you.
-1 PETER 5:7 KJV



Jan's Healthy Recipes

And the Moral is...

Pasta with Ricotta & Vegetables

From Better Homes and Gardens Healthy Recipes

Ingredients:

- ◇ 8 Ounces dried penne (mostaccioli or cut Ziti)
- ◇ 2-1/2 cups fresh broccoli florets
- ◇ 1-1/2 cups fresh asparagus or green beans cut into 1 inch pieces
- ◇ 2 large red and/or yellow tomatoes
- ◇ 1 cup light ricotta cheese
- ◇ 1/4 cup Shredded fresh basil
- ◇ 4 teaspoons snipped fresh thyme
- ◇ 4 teaspoons balsamic vinegar
- ◇ 1 tablespoon olive oil
- ◇ 1 clove garlic, minced
- ◇ 1/2 teaspoon salt
- ◇ 1/2 teaspoon ground black pepper
- ◇ 2 tablespoons grated Parmesan or Romano cheese

Optional—fresh thyme sprigs, shaved Parmesan or Romano cheese

Directions:

Cook pasta according to package instructions, adding broccoli, asparagus, or green beans the last 3 minutes. Meanwhile place a fine strainer over a large bowl, cut tomatoes in half, squeeze seeds and juice into strainer. With the back of a spoon press seeds against strainer to extract the juice; discard seeds. Coarsely chop the tomatoes. Add ricotta cheese, basil, snipped thyme, vinegar, oil, garlic, salt and pepper to tomato juice; mix well. Stir in tomatoes. To serve, drain pasta and vegetables, add ricotta cheese mixture in bowl and toss well. Divide into 4 bowls. Sprinkle with grated cheese. If desired garnish with thyme sprigs and shaved Parmesan or Romano cheeses

Stopped by a brick

A successful young executive was riding his brand new Jaguar down a neighborhood street when he noticed a kid darting out from between parked cars. He slowed down a little but as he appeared near it, a brick smashed into his car's door. He slammed on the brakes and drove back to the place where the brick has been thrown.

The furious man jumped out of his car and caught the nearest kid shouting, "What was that all about? What the heck did you do to my car? Why did you do it?". The young boy was little scared but was very polite and apologetic. "I am sorry Mister. I didn't know what else to do," he pleaded. "I had to throw the brick because no one else would stop for my call to help". With tears rolling down his cheeks, he pointed towards the parked cars and said "it's my brother, he rolled off the curb and fell off his wheelchair and he is badly hurt. I can't lift him up."

The sobbing boy asked the man, "Would you please help me get him back into his wheelchair? He is hurt and he is too heavy for me." The young man was moved beyond words and tried to swallow the rapidly swelling lump in his throat. He hurriedly lifted the other kid from the spot and put him back to the wheelchair. He also helped the little kid with his bruises and cuts.

When he thought that everything will be ok, he went back to his car. "Thank you, sir, and God bless you", said the grateful kid. The young man was too shaken up for any word, so the man simply watched the little boy push the wheelchair bound brother down the sidewalk. It was a long and slow ride back home to the man. When he came out of the car, he looked at his dented car door. The damage was very noticeable, but he did not bother to repair it. He kept the dent to remind him of the message; "Do not go through life so fast that someone has to throw a brick at you to get your attention".

And the Moral is: Life whispers in our souls and speaks to our hearts. Sometimes when we do not listen to it, it throws a brick at us. It is our choice, listen to the whisper or wait for the brick.

Church Christmas Social



The church Christmas social on December 11 was a rousing success and enjoyed by all. Thanks to Pastor Dana Rae and so many others for a wonderful social! We also had a donut eating contest, roasting marshmallows, dinner, worship and much more.

Ladies Country Club Christmas Social



On December 8, 2021 Rhonda Rajofara organized a ladies holiday social at Winchester Country Club. There were a sing along, a white elephant gift exchange, and good food for all.



Melba Spycher Passes Away



It is with great sadness that longtime member Melba Spycher passed away on Wednesday, December 29, 2021. They were married for 57 years. Please keep Franz and their entire extended family in your prayers.