It's Christmas and how we love the old carols that have been handed down from generation to generation. The familiar words and melodies have become woven into the very tapestry of the season right along with the tinsel and lights and the wrapping of gifts.

But Christmas is so much more than just traditions and the story is not how we celebrate but whom we celebrate: God himself, wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger.

For two thousand years God has been inviting us into the Christmas story. He longs for us to come and encounter Christ in an intimate up close way. And while the call is extended to everyone, from the very beginning, the invitation has always been personal. The angel Gabriel appeared to Mary with a promise. Joseph was awakened from a dream. And to some lowly shepherds living on a hillside keeping watch over their sheep, the call came in spectacular fashion: First one angel and then a host of heaven's angels proclaiming the good, good news of the gospel. Christ has come!

Thank you for taking the time to visit Edmonton South Church today. Our Mission Statement is very simple—so simple even a child could memorize it: Knowing Jesus, Sharing Jesus, Saving Lives. This sums up what Edmonton South is all about. Our desire is that your visit today will lead you to a relationship with Jesus Christ and we hope to see you worshipping with us again. Below are just a few things you should expect while visiting the Edmonton South Seventh-day Adventist Church.

- A warm friendly, family atmosphere
- Clear Biblical teaching, and uplifting music
- Christ-centered Community Programs
- Dynamic Children's Ministry Programs

We would be honoured to have you visit our church on a Saturday so that you can see for yourself why others have made Edmonton South their home church.

If we can be of any help, please feel free to contact us.

Senior Pastor: Pastor John Murley Associate Pastor: Pastor Kingsley Moyo

Phone: (780) 465-4426 Website: www.edmontonsouthsda.org

Sabbath School: Saturdays @ 9:45 AM Worship Service: Saturdays @ 10:55 AM

YEAR LONG

# A Dramatic Christmas Musical

Created by LARNELLE HARRIS, NICK ROBERTSON & DAVE CLARK

Arranged & Orchestrated by NICK ROBERTSON

DECEMBER 15 AT 11 AM # DECEMBER 15 AT 7 PM

Edmonton South SDA Church, 5108 106 Ave NW Tea and homemade cookies will be served following the program.

Our Worship Services can be watched live or post event in high definition format at: https://www.youtube.com/c/EdmontonSouthSDAChurch

# **Program**

Welcome & Prayer Pastor Kingsley Moyo

Carol Medley

"Just Another Christmas"

Michelle Clarke

"The Good, Good News"

Michelle Clarke & Stephanie Kalmar

"More than Enough" Stephanie Kalmar

"Shatter the Night" *Shirleen Boutcher* 

"Silent Night"

Congregation please join and sing
(words on opposite page)
& turn on your candles

"Somewhere in the Mystery" Shirleen Boutcher & Reinhardt Tonn

"All Year Long" Reinhardt Tonn

Benediction
Pastor John Murley

Please join us downstairs for tea and homemade cookies following the program

**Director :** Carole Tonn **Assistant Directors :** Kathy Fortunat & Loralee Toop

Set Design and Build Jeff Fortunat, Matthew Fortunat, Nikolas Fortunat, Reinhardt Tonn, Carole Tonn

### **CAST**

(in order of appearance)

Helen	Charlene Hymanyk
Tim	Jeff Fortuna
Laura	Laura Joseph
Daniella	Sophie Tonr
Gigi	Giselle Galdamez

# Silent Night, Holy Night

Silent Night, Holy Night, All is calm, all is bright; Round yon virgin mother and Child! Holy Infant, so tender and mild, Sleep in heavenly peace, Sleep in heavenly peace.

Silent Night, Holy Night, Son of God, love's pure light; Radiant beams from Thy holy face, With the dawn of redeeming grace, Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth, Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth

Silent Night, Holy Night, Wondrous star, lend thy light; With the angels let us sing, Alleluia to our King; Christ the Saviour is born, Christ the Saviour is born.

Audio: Steve Shim, Bjorn Clarke
Lighting: Jonathan Shim Media: Sheryllyn Shim

Video: Mark Boutcher, Alan Baird Cameras: Brent Coppock, Eireen Ng, Brenna Boutcher, Melissa Clarke, Steve Ndem, Daneel Pavlov, Sando Bawter

## Announcements December 15, 2018

#### Sabbath School - 9:45 AM

Organist		Sharron Brown
Welcome		Rizza Lirio
Opening Hymn	"Marching to Zion"	Hymn # 422
Bible Study	"Unity in Worship"	Lesson # 11

Welcome to our visitors and to our regular members." How great you are, Sovereign Lord! There is no one like you, and there is no God but you, as we have heard with our own ears". 2 Samuel 7:22 We hope that your experience in worshipping with us today will be a blessing throughout this coming week.

Elders Meeting: Monday, December 17 at 7:00 PM

Church Board Meeting: Tuesday, December 18 at 7:00 PM

**Important Reminder 2018 Receipts**: The last date for which we can issue a receipt for tax purposes for the 2018 calendar year is Sunday, December 31, 2018. Members who wish to mail tithes, offerings or donations are reminded that they must be postmarked no later than December 31st

**2019 Budget preparation**: The new year is nearly here and it is time to start thinking about budgeting for 2019. Department leaders please submit your budget request by December 31, 2018

### Please mark your calendars for the following important dates:

- Dec 31, 2018 Deadline for departments to submit budget requests for 2019
- Jan 11 & 12, 2019 GEMA Convocation
- Jan 13, 2019 Finance Committee meeting
- Jan 19, 2019 Church Annual General Meeting (AGM)

**Coralwood Adventist Academy Christmas Café -** Grade 7-12 Coralwood students will be hosting their annual Christmas Café on Wednesday, December 19 at 7 PM. Gym doors open at 6:45 PM. Join us for an evening of beautiful Christmas music and entertaining drama. Enjoy a café style meal served by our JH/SH students Please call *780-454-2173* to purchase your tickets.

Christmas with the Murleys— Instead of exchanging gifts in our family this year, our family has decided to host a Christmas Dinner on Tuesday, December 25th at 4:00 PM here in the Church Fellowship Hall. This dinner is open to all who may be alone at Christmas time this year, or simply would like to join us. There is no cost to anyone who would like to join us! Turkey or Vegetarian options will be available. Marilyn and I would be honoured to have you. We just need to know the numbers. Please let Pastor or Mrs. Murley know if you plan to come. You don't need to bring a thing, just yourself. Call us at 780-245-5646 or email marilynmurley@gmail.com or pastorimurley@gmail.com.

**Connextions Hospitality Lunch**: Next Sabbath is Carole Tonn's team and the menu will be soup & buns. Please bring accordingly if you plan to attend.

Sunset Tonight: 4:15 PM Sunset Next Sabbath: 4:17 PM

**Prayer Corner**-Praying for others in "Interessory Prayer" is an honour and a privilege we take very seriously. As believers in Jesus Christ, we come together finding Hope, Healing and Restoration! Names to pray for this week include Barnaabas & Kei Kei Bawter, Na Bhew Wa & family, the Condron Family!

Please share with us your prayer requests via the church website: www.edmontonsouthsda.org click on the Requests tab or call (780) 465-4426 and let each one of us pray daily for those needs.

**Prayer session:** Every Sabbath morning from 9:25 AM to 9:45 AM in the sanctuary. All are invited to experience the power of many uniting in prayer. "Though one may be overpowered, two can defend themselves. A cord of three strands is not quickly broken".

Criminal Record Check/Vulnerable Sector Check – According to church policy, ALL Children's Sabbath School leaders and teachers must provide the church with a Criminal Record Check/VSC. Please contact the church clerk or one of the Pastors to apply for one as soon as possible or drop off a copy at the church office. Criminal Record checks need to be done once every three years.

Christmas Hampers: Once again our Church is assisting with Christmas hampers to those who are struggling at the Christmas Season. If you or someone you know is in need and can use a hamper, please submit their names to the pastoral staff. All information is strictly confidential. Hampers will be delivered just in time for Christmas.

**Hospitality Lunch Schedule** - our new Hospitality Lunch schedule is being developed and Marilyn Murley would like to hear from all our current team leaders so that we can plan for next year. If you would like to join a team please speak to Marilyn. We hope to have 8 or more teams which means that you would be involved in this ministry once every 8 weeks or so. Call Marilyn at 780-266-5369 or email at marilynmurley@gmail.com

Coralwood Adventist Academy's initiative to lower our building debt ends today, Sabbath, December 15. Every **DOLLAR** donated to pay **DOWN** the building **DEBT** is being **DOUBLED** by the Alberta Conference up to \$95,000. We invite every school parent and every church member in the Edmonton area to partner with the Churches, Coralwood and the Alberta Conference today to help reduce CAA's building debt. Tax deductible receipts will be issued for donations of \$20 or more. Donate today by credit card online at www.coralwood.org or by placing cash/cheque donation in the offering plate (make sure to use a tithe envelope & mark your donation "Coralwood 3D Plan". Thank you for your support.

Please note that if you have any media files, announcements or music tracks that are needed for any portion of the main service, they **MUST** be to the **AV team** by **NOON ON FRIDAY**. Media files should be sent to *edmontonsouthan@gmail.com*. Last minute files will NOT be accepted.

## Church Finances Update: Dec 8, 2018 Support People for Dec 22, 2018

Ch Budget received to date	107,942.58	Sermon	Pastor John Murley
Ch Budget goal to date	122,804.29	Elder	Reinhardt Tonn
Difference	- \$ 14,861.71	Lead Deacon	Kim Nahorney
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