

Clark Fork Seventh-day Adventist Church

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For Today: Perfect Peace

Once upon a time, a king offered a prize to the artist who would paint the best picture of peace. The contest stirred the imagination of artists everywhere. Many artists wanted a chance at winning the prize. Paintings from far and wide began to arrive.

The king looked at all the pictures, uncovering one peaceful scene after another until only two pictures remained veiled. As the king pulled the cover from one, a hush fell over the crowd. It was a picture of a calm lake. The lake was a perfect mirror for peaceful towering mountains all around it. Overhead was a beautiful blue sky with fluffy white clouds. Along the grassy shore, a flock of sheep grazed undisturbed. All who saw this picture thought that it was a perfect picture of peace. Surely this was the winner.

The king uncovered the last painting, and the crowd gasped in surprise. Could this be peace? This picture had mountains like the previous painting, but these were rugged and bare. Above was an angry sky, from which rain fell and in which lightning played. Down the side of the mountain tumbled a foaming waterfall; the crowd could almost feel its cold, penetrating spray. This did not look peaceful at all.

But when the king looked closely, he saw a little bird had built a nest on a tree branch, one that reached out in the direction of the tumultuous waterfall. Yet in the midst of the rush of angry water, undisturbed in her stormy surroundings, sat the mother bird on her nest in perfect peace. The king chose the last picture.



Although an idyllic landscape is most calming and peaceful, unfortunately it does not last. Life will never be 100% perfect or void of trials and tribulations. The Lord's plan is for us to be tried and tested so that we may learn and grow. He has also made a way for us to find everlasting peace in the midst of conflict that comes from within. True peace comes only as we seek Jesus, keep His Commandments, and give freely of ourselves to others. As we do this, we will feel that peace that we so truly desire and it will become anchored in our hearts and souls, firmly secured regardless of the tumultuous conditions going on in the world around us.



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Sabbath, August 27, 2022



Sabbath Worship

Rejoicing in God's Presence, 9:30 a.m.

Sabbath School Superintendent

Manfred Bauer

Adults Sabbath School, Sanctuary, 9:50–10:45 a.m.

Robert Steele

God's Family in Worship, 10:30 a.m.

Hymn of the Month: "Crowning Jewel of Creation" Hymn 385

Welcome and Announcements, about 10:45 a.m. James Hunt

Preparing our hearts for worship Leaders and congregation kneel in prayer

Opening Hymn: "Crown Him with Many Crowns" Hymn 223

Scripture: Matthew 12:35-37 (see below) #799

Prayer and Praise

Congregation Hymn *Hear Our Prayer, O Lord, Hear our prayer, O Lord;
Incline Thine ear to us, and grant us Thy peace. Amen.*

Call for Morning Offering: Upper Columbia Conference Advance

Doxology, "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow" Hymn 694

Children's Story: Wally Remitz

Special Music Manfred and Sheri Bauer

Sermon: **Sticks and Stones** Wally Remitz

Closing Hymn: "Jesus Is Coming Again" Hymn 213

Benediction

³⁵ A good man out of the good treasure of his heart brings forth good things, and an evil man out of the evil treasure brings forth evil things. ³⁶ But I say to you that for every idle word men may speak, they will give account of it in the day of judgment. ³⁷ For by your words you will be justified, and by your words you will be condemned.

Matthew 12:35-37 (NKJV)

Welcome

We are glad that you came to worship Jesus with us today! Our prayer is that you will experience God's presence and blessing. Please join us for potluck in the Fellowship Hall, following our service. Vegetarian/vegan contributions preferred.

Upcoming Speakers: September 3, Jim Brackett
September 10, Patty Marsh

Announcements

Our condolences to Pastor Worf and family on the passing of his Aunt Ruth.

Communion postponed. Next Communion service on Sabbath, September 24.

Guest speaker Jim Brackett next Sabbath is the retired pastor, evangelist, and well-known co-author (with his wife Neva) of the Seven Secrets cookbook.

The bulletin cover today is about summertime fruit, which nourishes and delights us. Apparently, God loves this imagery, too, because the theme of fruitfulness appears throughout scripture. The Bible mentions the word fruit about 200 times, and Jesus spoke about fruit on multiple occasions. In fact, some of the last words that He spoke to His disciples before His death included instructions on how to be fruitful (John 15:1-17).

Reversing Disease and Depression Seminar: Upcoming in Sandpoint Sept 26 to Oct 1. Details are in the attachment on today's clipboard.

Vertical: Praying God's Vision: Plan on participating and inviting others to participate in: The 40 Days of Prayer—September 1 to October 10. Invite friends to sign up at: <https://www.uccsda.org/vertical> and look for "Join the Vertical Event." Have you found your prayer partner(s) yet? Pastor Jason will be hosting zoom prayer sessions on Tues mornings at 9 a.m. and Thurs evenings at 6 p.m. through the 40 days.

Upcoming Equipping for Service Weekend, September 9-10: EVERYONE IS ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND. UCC special event for all churches in the Sandpoint region. Friday vespers in Sandpoint, Sabbath service in CF with Guest Speaker Patty Marsh, Sabbath afternoon seminars, dinner, and vespers in Sandpoint. Details available at www.uccsda.org/equipping.

Pend Oreille Valley School Registration, Sept 7: see info attached to clipboard.

Bonnors Ferry Church Campout, Sept 16-18: see info attached to clipboard.

Cuba Mission Trip Opportunity: see info attached to clipboard.

Prayer Requests: If you have a prayer request, please call Janet Remitz at 406-847-5526.

Clark Fork, sunset tonight:
7:37 p.m.; next Friday night: 7:25 p.m.

