**Upcoming Events**

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**Sabbath School:**

Ryan Hayes

*Water of Life - Part 16”*

**Speaker:**

Sabbath Speaker: Pastor Ted Toms

**Sermon Title:** "I Love you, But Why Do You Have to be so Strange?"

**Farewell Potluck and Program in honor of Jim and Debbie Gray**
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<td><strong>Prayer Meeting</strong>&lt;br&gt;Our Prayer Meeting small group is meeting Wednesday evenings from 7-8 pm at the church. We are praying through any prayer requests members have, and encourage you to add a prayer request in the tithe and offering plate if you want the group to intercede through prayer! We are also reading through &quot;40 Days of Prayer&quot; by Dennis Smith as we continue to fellowship and discuss faith. <strong>We would like to have as many prayer partners as possible!</strong>&lt;br&gt;For details contact David Stratton, 269-635-2321, <a href="mailto:strattod@andrews.edu">strattod@andrews.edu</a></td>
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| June 24-29 | **Vacation Bible School**  
             | Experience Antioch A.D.  
             | 49 here at Eau Claire SDA Church from June 24-29!  
             | Please pray for this ministry as it is in the planning  
             | stages and begin to consider where you can use your  
             | talents to further its work.                        |

### Operation Shortage - Treasurer Report

- **Donations for matching** -- $9,853
- **Spaghetti Dinner** -- $1,336
- **Alaina's 5k Fund-raiser** -- $400
- **International Food Fair Fund-raiser** -- $415
- **Other Donations** -- $13,669
  - **We made it!** -- $25,673

**Congratulations Church Family, we made it!**  
**Praise God for all His blessings!**
Bogs are a very unique type of wetland in which the only source of moisture is from atmospheric sources such as rain, snow or fog (also called a closed stem). Decomposition is very slow, causing an accumulation of organic matter called muck. Bogs are found mostly in the cold, heavily forested regions of the northern hemisphere, north of the 45th parallel, also termed the Boreal zone. Bog plants have many adaptations such as waxy coated leaves, wooly hair like fibers, grow low to the ground or very stunted growth, live in acid conditions with low nutrients, survive dramatic temperature differences simultaneously (partly frozen roots and very hot leaves for ample), tundra like conditions in the winter. One of these plants is Sphagnum Moss, family Sphagnaceae. It is a strange plant in that it literally shapes and drives bog chemistry dynamics. It grows out slowly from shore eventually forming a roof like covering over any
open water preventing the sun from warming the water below. Icy condition may occur even during the summer, especially at night. Sphagnum moss grows from the top and dies just a small distance down the stem. Gas filled cells enable this plant to float and absorb on average 40 times its dry weight in water. When new moss is formed, the old moss is pushed underwater and slowly decays into a pre-coal form called peat. As it slowly decays, it releases a chemical called Tannin and acids that dissolve oxygen and kill bacteria that would otherwise cause decomposition to occur. Anything that becomes submerged becomes perfectly preserved including woody material, pollen, now extinct plants and animals, even humans from thousands of years ago have been discovered. Sphagnum Moss supports a variety of acid loving plants, shrubs and even trees to grow on top of its floating mass over deep water, also called bog forest. When stepped on, the mats shake, tilt and ripple causing even trees to sway (also termed Quaking Bog). Given enough time, peat will fill the entire bog basin.

Satan has tried since the beginning of time to destroy the Bible and everything that is good, he wants to destroy us, he desires complete destruction. Yet God had another plan just like Sphagnum Moss induces conditions in favor of preservation. He gives us life through the plan of salvation, to document through history that He is in control and that soon this "bog" we call earth will be full (ie all prophecies completed) just like a bog’s conditions preserve its natural history and eventually fills up. Life on this earth is like walking on a Quaking Bog, a very unstable and swaying experience. However, we know from studying God's word that our journey on this Earth can stabilized through Him, that the "Sphagnum Moss" beneath our feet will be thick enough to hold us up. Pray today that He will help you stand strong and be part of God's bog forest.

**Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee; because he trusteth in thee.** Isaiah 26:3

**bog picture link**


When you have something to submit for nature nugget, email [Holly Beckermeyer](mailto:Holly.Beckermeyer@earth ministry.com) or [Brandon Lubbert](mailto:Brandon.Lubbert@earthministry.com). Include all sources.
### Audio/Visual Team

Audio/Visual Team

The Audio/Visual team is in need of additional staff to operate the audio and visual equipment for our church. There are times when the church puts on special programs that it may also be necessary to call upon you for special additional help.

If you would like to help out and are willing to commit to a one Sabbath per month long term schedule, please contact David Poplewski at 269-684-4514, dpopski@comcast.net or at church.

### Pastor Toms Upcoming Sermon Series

In the coming weeks, Pastor Toms will present a series of sermons on the very real challenge of loving people who are difficult to love. The Series title is, "I Love you, But . . ."

**Additional topics conclude this series:**

- I love you, but you scare me
- I love you, but you drive me crazy

### School pre-registration

The school is preregistering students for the 2013-2014 school year. If you are interested for your children or know of any families who would be interested in registering early please contact either Jim Gray, Principal, 269-449-2227; Ashley Johnson, Teacher, 517-416-2435; Betsy Schooler, School Board Chairperson, 269-363-9778; or go to our website [www.eauclaireschool.org](http://www.eauclaireschool.org).

Financial Information for 2013-2014:
Registration fee is $180 per student.

Tuition:
1 student $3320/year
2 students $6142/year
3 students $8134/year
4 students $9462/year

Home and School

Several ways you can show support for our Church School:
- Save your box tops and labels for Education.
- Purchase 2013 calendars (they make nice gifts) from a student
- Save your pop cans - give to student
- Contribute a food item to school functions
- Attend school functions
- Most important pray for our teachers and students

Community Happening and Other Announcements

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<td>Cathie Jolly Hartman will be presenting a mission report this afternoon at 3:30 p.m. in Pioneer Memorial Church with her husband Curtis on the miraculous beginnings of Starting Point Life University in the Mongolian countryside. Following the mission presentation, there will be time for your questions on this remarkable new development. Come and witness the miracle of God's transforming trial, difficulty, loss and heartache into eternal joy. The challenges and hardships are not over, but He is doing great things right before our eyes. He is still at work and He is using you and me.</td>
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<td>&quot;Come Visit Alaska&quot; on Sunday, June 9 at 1 p.m. at the Village Church Family Center when Chuck Nelson presents his travel</td>
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pictures of our largest state. Potluck to follow.

**August 4-9**

**2013 Natural Remedies and Hydrotherapy Workshop**

This year's Natural Remedies and Hydrotherapy Workshop is scheduled for August 4-August 9 and is sponsored by the Andrews University Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary. The focus will be on the skillful use of natural remedies, water and nutrition in times of illness and health. The workshop is limited to 60 participants so early registration is encouraged. Registration closes July 24.

This five day workshop involves 30 hours of lectures and demonstrations along with hands-on labs. All participants who successfully complete the workshop will receive a certificate of achievement. Graduate credit (1-4 credit hours) is available for MA, MDiv, MAPMin students.

The lectures and labs will include topics such as how to treat the common cold or fever; charcoal therapy; use of garlic and other medicinal herbs; treating sprains and strains; hydrotherapy and the immune system; and much more. For more information, visit [www.andrews.edu/go/nrhw/](http://www.andrews.edu/go/nrhw/) or e-mail fran@andrews.edu.

For more community events see the [Andrews Agenda](http://www.andrews.edu/go/nrhw/).
The ripple effect of hospitality is ________________ .

The structured office of deacons was added because of the ____________

Joseph Kidder's insights focus on ____________ 

Formula for church hospitality: _________ ___________

When someone acts with the following verbs towards you, it is __________ behaviors?

A question we often ask ourselves is: What is the profit of ________________

The Church at Worship
10:50 a.m.

Welcome & Announcements Rick Beckermeyer
~ Faith Lab ~

Worshipping God Joel Almeida

Praise and Prayer Ted Toms

Scripture Reading Acts 6:1-7

Tithes and Offerings Church Budget

Special Music Linette Rubio

Children's Story Ryan Hayes

Sermon "I Love You, But Why Do You Have To Be So Strange?"

Closing Song "In The Heart Of Jesus"

Benediction Ted Toms

Organist ~ Eileen Horne
Church Calendar
June 9 ~ Elders meeting 9 a.m.
June 9 ~ Pathfinders 10 a.m.
June 24-29 ~ Vacation Bible School

Upcoming Speakers
June 8 ~ Rick Beckermeyer
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June 29 ~ Amy Moreno VBS

Treasurer's Report April 30, 2013

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Worthy Student Needs 2012-13

| Elementary Students | $5,520 | $3,275 |
| Academy Students    | $750   | $357   |

School Operating Needs 2012-13

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Matching Funds for School Operation Needs --
Matching: Dollar for dollar with no ceiling cap.
Time Length: Nov. 24, 2012 thru end of school year.
Limitations: Other fundraisers excluded.
Special thanks for this very generous family.

Our church emphasizes these values:
- Bible based
- Family focused
- Lay leadership
- Evangelistic outreach

Church Leadership
Pastor ~ Ted Toms 269-657-2390
Head Elder ~ Tom Shepherd 269-471-3889
Head Deacon ~ Andy Lubbert 269-463-5156
Head Deaconess ~ Cindy Beckermeyer 269-683-8817
Worship Chair ~ Joel Almeida 269-282-8407
Treasurer ~ Lance Mack 269-461-6605
Church Clerk ~ Myrna Lemon 269-757-7640
Community Service ~ Cloice Lemon 269-757-7640
Food Bank ~ Cloice Lemon 269-757-7640
Eau Claire Elementary School 269-944-4132
School Principal ~ Jim Gray 269-944-5233

Bulletin/Announcement Contact Person
Francie Reents
269-757-1985 or franciebakken@yahoo.com

~ Sunset in Eau Claire~
Tonight 9:14 p.m. June 7 ~ 9:18 p.m.