

11 am Worship Service

Introit *Holy Holy Holy*

Silent Prayer

Call to Worship NAH 6, verses 1 and 2

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise Him, for He is thy health and salvation!
All ye who hear, now to His temple draw near;
Join ye in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord,
Who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,
Shieldeth thee under His wings,
Yea, so gently sustaineth!
Hast thou not seen how thy desires e'er have been
Granted in what He ordaineth?

Invocation

Youth Bible Reading Psalm 23 – Jared De Bruyn

Hymn *Because He Lives*

Tithes and Offerings

Family Prayer

Children's Story Pastor Geert

Development Offering

Scripture Reading

Luke 2:22-38 – Jiae Ahn

Hymn *How Deep the Father's Love*

Sermon "To Have Everything for Christmas"
Pastor Geert Tap

Hymn 602 *Be Thou My Vision*

Benediction

Reflection in Silent Meditation

Postlude

Sunset Times

Today: 3:53pm **Next Friday:** 3:51pm (Watford)

Youth Notes

SEC Teens' DOF 10 December at the Emmanuel Centre in London. Leader supervision not provided, so parents, please organise this for your teens.

Youth Christmas Banquet 7pm Saturday, 17 December. Open to all youth aged 13-30. Tickets £5, or £7 on the night, to include 3-course meal, entertainment, photo booth and two mocktails. See youth team leaders for your ticket!

Hillsong Carols at Wembley Arena, 3.30pm, Sunday 18 December. Book your ticket online before it's too late! See Naomi or Michele for further details.

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Welcome to Stanborough Park Church



Every valley shall be exalted, and every mountain and hill shall be made low: and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough places plain: And the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together: for the mouth of the Lord hath spoken it.

Isaiah 40:4-5



Seventh-day Adventist Church
Stanborough Park
609 St Albans Road, Watford WD25 9JL

Sabbath School

9.45am

Welcome John Horwood

Hymn 478 *O Thou Who Camest*

Prayer Joanna Swain

Mission Story Angelika Horwood

Bible Study Groups *The Wrath of Elihu*

Mission Offering Prayer Michele Vitry

Hymn 101 *Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne*

Closing Prayer Nina Zvezdova

Announcements

The flowers today are given by Johnson Wong with praise and thanksgiving for God's constant loving care to him and his family. "We thank God for restoring Anneli's health. She was critically ill last October but is now fully recovered at her care home. My 96-year-old mother suffered another minor stroke at the same time last year. By the grace of God and the tender care of my sister and her husband, she appears to have recovered, and I was able to visit her earlier this year. Then, last month, we were very encouraged and relieved to learn from our son David that the recent earthquake in Christchurch, New Zealand, did not cause any damage to their property and that both David and his son Ethan are safe and well. Finally, just this week, after two months of much stress and concern, I have been cleared of a possible cancer. We may not have to endure suffering as Job did, but we should remember with grateful hearts the precious words of the apostle Paul in 1 Corinthians 10:13: "God is faithful... He will keep the temptation from becoming so strong..." Then in Romans 8:28, "And we know that God causes everything to work together, for the good of those who love God..." Praise and thanks be to Him!

The Family Ministries Prayer Basket has been presented to Gabriela and Carmen Lupu and their families. Please pray for God's guidance, blessing and protection for them as they prepare to move to new homes and jobs in London soon. "Call upon me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you will glorify Me." Psalm 50:15

Sabbath Morning Prayer Meeting 9.00-9.30am in the Maple Room. All are welcome.

Audrey, the Andersson, Boyle and Browne families express their thanks and appreciation for support, prayers and kindnesses in our difficult experience.

Membership Transfers Second Reading Mrs Uche Nwosu Ademuyiwa from Willesden Church to Stanborough Park. Mrs Monica Davis, Mr Vincent Grant and Mrs Amy Grant from Stanborough Park to Watford Town Church.

Sabbath School Lesson Study Guides 2017, calendars and devotionals for the new year now available to order. Please take an order form from the desk in the concourse and return it to Lorraine by 10 December. These items can also be purchased from the ABC shop.

Church Clerk absence Pat Swan will be on holiday 5 December-26 January. You may still contact her by email but replies may take a little longer than usual.

Lost Property will be displayed outside the deacons' room (top of the stairs/lift in the North Porch) after the service today. Unclaimed items will be disposed of today.

The Singing Group are at The Chase Care Home, 4 Printers Avenue WD28 7QR at 3.30pm. We will not be able to visit Adina and Douglas this week.

Stanborough Secondary School Carol Concert Tuesday, 6 December, 7pm at Stanborough Park Church. Get into the Christmas spirit with carols, instrumental items, choir, orchestra and a seasonal play. All welcome.

Wednesday Prayer Meeting The speaker this week will be Pastor David Neal. 7.30pm in the sanctuary.

Award Ceremony of the Christmas Art Competition 2016, run by the Co-op Food Group Watford Area and Stanborough Park Church Community Chaplaincy, will take place on Thursday 8 December in the Stanborough Centre. Watford Borough Council Chairman, Darren Walford, will present the prizes. Please come and support this event, in which seven local schools participated.

Prayer Corner

Let us pray for the success of the Gift Box for Teenagers youth initiative – a lovely idea. Also, please remember those affected by the Colombia plane crash this week.

Annual Toy Service takes place next Sabbath, 10 December at 11am. This is a special service dedicated to the giving and receiving of Christmas gifts for disadvantaged children. This year we would also like to invite the mothers in the church to bring a gift bag for the children's mothers (suggestions for contents: toiletries such as hand lotion or bath products, chocolates, gloves, etc). Please share in this occasion by bringing your gift before or during the service. We already have many soft toys for children, so please consider alternatives, especially for older boys and girls. The elected Mayor of Watford, Baroness Thornhill, will again be our special guest.



Women in Prayer will meet next Sabbath, 10 December, 12.30-2.30pm. Soup and rolls will be served after the meeting. All ladies are welcome to join us.

The Soup Run on Friday 9 December will be led by the Youth Department. If you wish to go on the Soup Run, please contact Rachel Lunan, or Pat Walton on 01923 672500. **We urgently need blankets, sleeping bags and warm men's clothing for the homeless in London.**

My Christmas Story: An evening of testimonies and song, Saturday, 10 December at 6pm in the sanctuary. Come, join us for a special time of celebration as we reflect on how God has made a difference in our lives this past year.

The Pastoral Team is seeking current contact details for the following members of Stanborough Park Church. If you have any information, please email the Church Clerk at swan.patricia4@gmail.com

Mrs Norma Bale, Mr Rodney Barker, Miss A Cochrane, Mrs Tina Devereaux, Miss Enid Goldrich, Mr Leck Raj Hauzaree, Mr Frederick Haynes, Mr John Hills, Mrs Jean Keir, Mrs Julia King, Mrs Ethel Lewis, Mrs Eleanor Llew, Mrs Sheila McLoughlin, Mr Terry Meacock, Mrs Judith Miller, Mrs Linda Phillips, Mr Paul Phillips, Mr John Pickering, Mrs Frances Pickering, Mr Andrew Reynolds, Dr Leslie Russell, Miss Marlene Russell, Miss Jennifer Simmens, Mrs Angela Small, Mr Clive Smith, Ms Margaret Smith Mrs Marie Tomlinson, Mrs Janet Walkden, Mrs Angela Wilson, Mr Christopher Wiseman.