

**WELCOME TO
THE ELMIRA SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH
813 Maple Avenue
Elmira, New York 14904**

THE CHURCH AT STUDY
December 24, 2016 9:20–10:45 am

Song Service Rebekah & Sharon Reynolds
Opening Prayer
Remarks Superintendent
Mission Story Martha Jackson

Lesson Study "The Character of Job"
Teacher Pastor Waren Muir

Superintendent—Malcolm Dwyer

TODAY'S PROGRAM

Elder in Charge James Reynolds
Deacon in Charge Derek Colaw
Pianist Patty Greenleaf
Organist Sharon Reynolds
Greeter Joan Van Galder
Sunset tonight: 4:40 pm

SCHEDULE FOR NEXT WEEK

Elder in Charge James Reynolds
Deacon in Charge Derek Colaw
Greeter Dee Colaw
Offering Local Church Budget
Sunset Next Friday 4:44 pm



*Seest thou how faith wrought with His works,
and by works was faith made perfect?
James 2:22*

THE CHURCH AT WORSHIP
December 24, 2016 10:50 am

Song Service Rebekah & Sharon Reynolds
Announcements James Reynolds

PRELUDE

Scripture Meditation 1 John 5:13 Betty Austin
Chimes Organist
Introit "Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus" (refrain only) #290
Invocation James Reynolds

DEDICATION AND PREPARATION OF HEART

Opening Hymn #251
"He Lives"
Pastoral Prayer Luke Moss Jr.
Response Organist

DEDICATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Tithes & Offerings Debby Montopoli
New York Advance
Offertory Organist

MINISTRATION OF THE WORD

Children's Story Virginia Miller
Special Music "Some Golden Daybreak" Men's Chorus
Scripture Reading John 20:24-29 Martha Jackson
Sermon Pastor Waren Muir
"My Lord and My God"

BENEDICTION

Closing Hymn #183
"I Will Sing of Jesus' Love"
Benediction Pastor Muir
Response Organist
Postlude Organist

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to the pulpit to our new pastor, Pastor Waren Muir, who will be bringing us today's sermon.

Youth Potluck – Potluck today for Teen Youth Ministry, in the Primary room. Welcome home, Carlos.

Bible Study is each Tuesday, 7:00 pm at the church. Our current study is from the "It Is Written" Bible study guides.

New Year's Eve Singles in Ministry Event – 5:30 pm December 31, 2016 until 12 AM, January 1, 2017. This is for everyone, not just singles. For more information and to RSVP, contact Debby Montopoli at 483-4064.

Fellowship Luncheons – Our luncheons, beginning in January, will be the second and fourth weeks of the month. The second week will be soup & sandwiches and the fourth week will be a regular luncheon. January 14 will be a soup & sandwich luncheon. Please bring a dish to share. Everyone is invited.

Vespers – January 7, 5:00 pm. Come and learn about the history of your church. We will be viewing and discussing the movie, "Tell the World." Pizza is planned, bring a dish to share and games for after the movie.

Defibrillator Class – January 7, 5:40 pm, following vespers. Please talk to Brittany if you would like to be involved in learning to use the defibrillator.

Nature's Garden Hours – Thursday, 4:00-6:00 pm, or by appointment. Call Harold Washburn Jr. at 733-6367, or Mac Dwyer at 739-7748.



*Christmas— a Time to Honor God
It is our privilege to depart
from the customs and practices of this degenerate age;
and instead of expending means merely
for the gratification of the appetite
or for needless ornaments or articles of clothing,
we may make the coming holidays
an occasion in which to honor and glorify God.”
The Adventist Home, p. 480*

CHURCH MISSION STATEMENT

“To seek and to save the lost by uplifting Jesus Christ as Saviour and Lord, inviting people into God's family, and promoting gospel order and discipleship in an atmosphere of peace, love, and unity.”

CHURCH CALENDAR

TODAY December 24	Sermon—Pastor Waren Muir
Tuesday December 27	Bible Study 7:00 pm at the church
Next Sabbath	Hymn Sing/Malcolm Dwyer

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Church Website	elmirasda.com
Church Phone	734-1560
District Pastor	Waren Muir
Head Elder	Earle Stewart 733-6181
Head Deacon	Derek Colaw 426-2317
Head Deaconess	Joan Van Galder 732-8775
Church Treasurer	James Reynolds 732-9629
Church Clerk & Bulletin	Sharon Reynolds 732-9629
	By Wednesday, 8:00 pm

*Heaven and earth are no wider apart today
than when shepherds listened to the angel's song.
Humanity is still as much the object of heaven's solicitude
as when common men of common occupations
met angels at noonday, and talked with the heavenly messengers
in the vineyards and the fields. To us in the common walks of life,
heaven may be very near.
Angels from the courts above will attend the steps
of those who come and go at God's command.
The Desire of Ages, p. 48*