

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

**THE CHURCH AT STUDY**  
December 16, 2017 9:30–10:45 AM

Song Service	Luke Moss Jr.
Mission Story	Malcolm Dwyer
Lesson Study	“The Elect”
Teacher	Malcolm Dwyer

**TODAY’S PROGRAM**

Elder in Charge	James Reynolds
Deacon in Charge	Alvin Jackson
Pianist/Organist	Sharon Reynolds
Greeter	Betty Austin
Sunset tonight:	4:37 PM

**SCHEDULE FOR NEXT WEEK**

Elder in Charge	James Reynolds
Deacon in Charge	Alvin Jackson
Greeter	Derek Colaw
Offering	New York Advance
Sunset Next Friday	4:39 PM



*I say then, Hath God cast away his people? God forbid.  
For I also am an Israelite,  
of the seed of Abraham, of the tribe of Benjamin.  
Romans 11:1*

**THE CHURCH AT WORSHIP**  
December 16, 2017 10:50 AM

Song Service	Luke Moss Jr.
Announcements	James Reynolds

**PRELUDE**

Scripture Meditation	Titus 2:13-15	Gary Beach
Chimes		Organist
Introit	“Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus” (refrain only)	#290
Invocation		James Reynolds

**DEDICATION AND PREPARATION OF HEART**

Opening Hymn		#229
	“All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name”	
Pastoral Prayer		Kevin Wahl
Response		Organist

**DEDICATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

Tithes & Offerings		Virginia Miller
	Local Church Budget	
Offertory		Organist

**MINISTRATION OF THE WORD**

Children’s Story		
Scripture Reading	Matthew 16:19	Debbie Fieno
Sermon		Kevin Wahl
	“The Keys of the Kingdom”	

**BENEDICTION**

Closing Hymn		#426
	“I Shall See the King”	
Benediction		Kevin Wahl
Response		Organist
Postlude		Organist

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to the pulpit to our Bible worker, Kevin Wahl, who will be bringing us today's sermon.

Holiday Luncheon – next Sabbath following the worship service. This is a planned meal. You will be contacted as to what to bring. All are invited.

Bible Study – each Tuesday evening, 7:00 PM at the church. Our current study is the gospel of John and will be followed by the gospel of Matthew, with Kevin Wahl leading out. There will be no study December 26.

Fruit Sale – Our first citrus fruit sale will be Sunday, December 17, 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM in the Nature's Garden building.

New York Conference Constituency Meeting – April 29 will be our quadrennial session. Our church is allowed five delegates. The following have accepted the request to attend: Derek Colaw, Malcolm Dwyer, Alvin Jackson, Luke Moss Jr, and Earle Stewart. Alternates: Martha Jackson and Kevin Wahl. Derek Colaw will be our Organizing Committee Delegate, attending the meeting on April 8.

Lawnmower Fund – An anonymous donor has offered to match your donation to the lawnmower fund.

Drink Water! – please refrain from bringing any beverages other than water into the sanctuary. Thank you.

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*Admidst the strife and tumult of nations,  
He that sitteth above the cherubim  
still guides the affairs of the earth...  
To every nation and to every individual...  
God has assigned a place in His great plan.  
... Men and nations are being measured  
by the plummet in the hand of Him who makes no mistake.  
All are by their own choice deciding their destiny,  
and God is overruling all  
for the accomplishment of His purposes.  
The Faith I live By, p. 168*

## 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 16	Sermon–Kevin Wahl
Tuesday December 19	Bible Study 7:00 PM
Next Sabbath	Sermon–Malcolm Dwyer/Hymn Sing Holiday Luncheon

## FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Church Website	elmirasda.com
Church Phone	734-1560
District Pastor	Waren Muir 530-434-1533
Head Elder	Malcolm Dwyer 739-7748
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	

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*And the angel answered and said unto her,  
The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee,  
and the power of the Highest shall overshadow thee:  
therefore also that holy thing which shall be born of thee  
shall be called the Son of God.  
Luke 1:35*