

STAFWELCOME

“ Make a joyful shout to the LORD, all you lands! Serve the LORD with gladness; Come before His presence with singing.

Psalm 100:1-2 (NKJV)

J.S. Bach said, "All music should have no other end and aim than the glory of God and the soul's refreshment; where this is not remembered there is no real music but only a devilish hub-bub."

He headed his compositions: "J.J." which was short for "Jesus Juva," meaning "Jesus help me." He ended them "S.D.G." "Soli Dei gratia" which means "To God alone the praise."

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19 TODAY
8:44p Sabbath ends

22 TUESDAY, May 22
10a Bulletin Announcements Due
10a Food Store open until 12p
10a Office Hour open until 2p

23 WEDNESDAY, May 23
10a Office Hour open until 2p
7p Reunite small group studies

24 THURSDAY, May 24
10a Office Hour open until 2p
6:30p Community Gym Night

25 FRIDAY, May 25
8:51p Sabbath begins

26 SABBATH, May 26
10a Bible Study (don't miss this blessing!)
11a Worship Service *
Fellowship Luncheon Next Sabbath

* See Announcements or News pages for details

LEADERSHIP TEAM

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Summary of our outreach goals for the next 5 years. Join us!

Kids	Missions	Attendance	Community
To provide outstanding children's and youth ministries that teach, mentor, and prepare kids for Jesus' soon return.	To sponsor 2 international mission trips to build up, edify, and expand God's kingdom on Earth.	Grow to 500+ attending and involved in soul-winning and discipleship ministries.	To embrace diversity, reject racism, fight for the powerless, and break the cycle of poverty in our neighborhood.

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Church Office Hours: Tues 1 - 5 pm; Wed/Thurs 10 am - 2 pm

STAFMESSENGER

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FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON NEXT SABBATH

Next Sabbath is the fourth Sabbath of the month, and therefore our general fellowship meal weekend. Bring a dish, with a little extra to share, then stay after the message for fellowship and food.

MEDIA UPDATE

Some have been asking for recent sermons on DVD or on the live stream. Some of the presentations did not record completely perfect. Dominic is working to resolve and will have them available a.s.a.p.

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WASHINGTON CAMP MEETING — JUNE 15-23

Did you know that Camp Meetings trace their start in Western Washington all the way back to 1886? Camp Meetings hold a lot of tradition in the Adventist Church. Check it out this year! For more info: www.washingtonconference.org

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LIVING FAITH *we return our tithes & offerings*

Today's offering focus is **STAF Ministries**. This supports all of the local ministries we enjoy at STAF -- children, outreach and evangelism are emphasized in our budget.

Ways to give: tithe envelope in the pew
 online at www.stafonline.org

Monthly Goal: \$11,000

Received (April) \$11,744

Annual Goal (YTD): \$55,000

Received (YTD) \$34,373



It's Okay to Share...

Connect and continue the conversation with us socially!

- SouthTacomaAdventist — check in and give us a like!
- @STAFonline — mention us with a picture post & feedback
- @stafonline — share your pics with us
- /stafonline — subscribe and share the Gospel to a growing world-wide audience



Be sure to check weekly for updates, news, and changes at our website: www.stafonline.org

CHILDREN'S CHURCH — JUNE 2

On the first Sabbath of the month, we have a special program for children ages 3 - 10 during the sermon time in gymnasium. That mean's children's church is just around the corner again. Don't let your little one miss it—it's a great time of learning and adventure.

GET INVOLVED

At STAF, we believe every member is a minister. We all have spiritual gifts that have been granted to us by God to be used to share with others about Jesus. We have serving opportunities available. We just need you. Use your Connect Card or our Website to let us know where you would like to volunteer.

THE ORIAN'S FINAL SABBATH

Pastor Ben and family's last Sabbath with us here at STAF will be June 30. Pastor Ben has accepted the position of Lead Pastor of the Springdale, AR, Adventist church and will be moving this summer.

ALTERNATE COMMUNICATION SOURCES

If the website/app go down, please check STAF's Facebook page for updates.

IMPORTANT DATES:

- June 2 — Communion Services
- June 11-15 — Pastor Ben at Camp Meeting Set Up
- June 15-23 — Camp Meeting @ Auburn Adventist Academy
- June 30 — Celebration for Father's Day & Independence Day
Pastor Ben and Family last Sabbath at STAF
- July 12 — Outdoor Church at Spanaway Park

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Pastor Ben's Current Sermon Series

The term "gospel" is very familiar to us. It means "good news" and we attribute it to the story of Jesus and His plan of salvation. But where does the term first occur in the Bible? The Bible is not simply 66 books penned by about 40 authors over the course of 1,600 years. It is a complete work that gives continual evidence of supernatural engineering in its every detail. The Jewish rabbis demonstrated this by teaching that the Messiah, when He came, would not only interpret the Scriptures for us, He would also interpret the very words, the very letters, and even the spaces between! Look behind every detail. There's a discovery waiting to be made. This is God's Book. And we'll start at the beginning!

THE STAF PROMISE

Have you considered the benefits of Christian Education? Did you know that kids in church school excel academically beyond their public school counterparts? STAF has made a way to make Church school more affordable for our members. **Details and Applications for Fall semester are now available at our website. Or, contact the Office Admin by either email or ConnectCard.**

PREACHING SCHEDULE

19	Pastor Orian	"Go For Yourself"
26	Del Harrison	
02	Pastor Ben	"Costly... Beautiful Obedience"
09	Pastor Ben	"Stairway to Heaven"



Today's message will be made available on DVD following the worship service. Find it in the literature rack in the Foyer. If you can't be with us in person, you can always join the live stream at our website.