

Norwalk Seventh-day Adventist Church

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*A family walking together in Christ
Building bridges with God's greatest love.*



Pastor P. L Baptiste

“Don’t Settle for Christian”

Sabbath, March 12, 2022

Welcome to Norwalk SDA Church

Where Did the Word “Christian” Come From?

Did you know that the word “Christian” comes from the Greek word *christianos*, meaning “little Christ”? And that the accusers of Jesus’s disciples used it as an insult...? “Check it out, there’s the ‘little Christs,’” they would say. So, what was meant to be a jeer became a blessing for billions of people. What a beautiful historical irony...

The Bible says, “(...) So it was that for a whole year they assembled with the church and taught a great many people. And the disciples were first called Christians in Antioch.” (see Acts 11:26)

But why did the opponents of “the Way” call the disciples “Christians,” “little Christs”? The believers’ lifestyle was so clear and unmistakable that this name was assigned to them. Because they put into practice what they had learned from Jesus, they completely achieved the mission that was given to them (and to us): to represent Christ and make Him known!

So what do we ourselves need to do to represent Christ? Rather than pummeling our neighbors with judgments through the strategic use of Bible verses, the gentler and most effective approach is, without a doubt, standing alongside Jesus through reading His Word and setting time aside to be with Him. The more we know Him, the more His character rubs off on us.

The Church At Worship

<i>Musical Prelude</i>	<i>Musician</i>
<i>Welcome & Announcements</i>	<i>Christina Moran</i>
<i>Call to Worship</i>	<i>Chante Smith</i>
<i>Invocation</i>	<i>Pastor P.L. Baptiste</i>
<i>Musical Praise</i>	<i>Praise Team</i>

Worship Song: Welcome Into This Place

Praise Song: Lord I Lift Your Name on High

Opening Song: Blessed Assurance # 462

Prayer Song: All to Jesus I Surrender # 309

<i>Garden of Prayer</i>	<i>Chante Smith</i>	
<i>Children Story</i>	<i>Jesus Loves Me # 190</i>	<i>Emily Moran</i>
<i>Offering Song:</i>	<i>Give and it Will Come Back to You</i>	
<i>Tithe & Offering</i>	<i>Manuel Henriquez</i>	
<i>Scripture Reading</i>	<i>Designee</i>	
<i>Music of Meditation</i>	<i>Susuky Flores</i>	
<i>Sermon</i>	<i>Pastor P.L. Baptiste</i>	

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Matthew 5:1-12

<i>Closing Hymn</i>	<i>Redeemed</i>	<i># 337</i>
<i>Prayer & Benediction</i>	<i>Pastor P.L. Baptiste</i>	
<i>End of Service</i>	<i>When We All Get to Heaven</i>	<i># 633</i>

City of Norwalk Sunset Times

Sunset Today 5:58 P.M.

Sunset Next Friday 7:03 P.M.

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Announcements

Floral Arrangement: If you would like to donate floral arrangement for a particular Sabbath, please contact Emily Moran or Susuky Flores.

Communion Service: Today we celebrate the Holy Communion and hope you came with your heart prepared.

Board Meeting: March 15, 2022, at 7:00 P.M.

The month of March is dedicated to our youth and young adults with guest speakers every Sabbath.

Thought From This Week's Sabbath School Lesson

The prophet and his people were suffering; thus, they wanted God to act. God answered, however, that there was an appointed time for the fulfillment of His promise, and they needed to wait. Habakkuk and his people lived, like us, between the time of the promise and the time of its fulfillment. God's message continued in Hebrews, "He who is coming will come and will not delay".



**YOUTH ARE THE FUTURE
OF THE CHURCH**