Sandy Utah Willow Creek Stake Saturday Adult Session

October 7, 2017 7:00pm – 9:00pm

Presiding	Elder J. Devn Cornish
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Conducting Pres Kevin J. Ludlow (1st Counselor)

7:00-7:03 Welcome & Introductions

Elder J. Devn Cornish of the Seventy

Patriarch David J. Sperry

7:03-7:07 Opening Hymn - Congregation

Hymn # 81 Press Forward, Saints

Organist: Bonnie Carter Conductor: Janice Maughan

7:07-7:09 Invocation - **Brother Reid Monson** (1st Ward)

7:09-7:16 (7 min) Speaker - Sister Patricia Stevenson (7th Ward)

"My journey to the Temple

Sister Stevens is very sports minded but has not always been active. She wanted to be on the Lord's team. Christian fellowship in Arizona during the winter. We need to ask God for blessings. Alma talks about growing faith by planting a seed. Her son was paralyzed in skiing accident. Dealing with this was one of the many steps she had to take to get her family to the temple.

7:16-7:23 (7 min) Speaker - **Sister Dawnie Elzinga** (2nd Ward) "Observing the Sabbath has deepened my discipleship"

Sister speaking on sabbath day worship. The sabbath is a gift for us. It is a tool to get color to Jesus Christ. What do I need from the sabbath day. I need the sacrament and the renewal of my covenants. I need time with my family. A perfect sabbath I day requires planning. Captain Moroni prepared for war. We need to prepare our life to create a perfect sabbath day. plan time to pray deeply. The spirit will magnify our efforts. Our conduct on the sabbath allows us to fall down blessings.

7:23-7:30 (7 min) Speaker - **Brother Greg Bellessa** (6th Ward) "Serving in the Church deepens my discipleship"

Les Miserables. Forget yourself and go to work. True followers of Jesus must serve others. Be where you are supposed to be.

7:30-7:35 *Musical Number -* violin duet - "Consider the Lilies"

Peter Lambson, (2nd Wd) & Hallie Mosteller, accompanied by Mecham

Groneman, (7th Wd) on the piano

7:35-7:42 (7 min) Speaker - **Sis Jaclyn Mallory** (2nd Ward) "Scriptures have deepened my discipleship"

The scriptures have been a great blessing in my life. One of my professors in college was an atheist. Psalms 1. God are you there? I have always felt the hand of God in my life. I feel better on the days I read the scriptures. "And when you shall receive these things, I would ask God if these things are not true." I can feel the power of the Holy Ghost when I read the Book of Mormon. She referenced the virtuous woman in Proverbs. "Who can find a virtuous woman?" She took care of the needy. She was wisdom and kindness. She shall be praised, 2 Nephi 10:24. "It is through the grace of God that we are saved. The river of living water is my testimony.

7:42-7:49 (7min) Speaker - **Sis Michelle Rhodes Lockart** (9th Ward) "Deepening discipleship in the midst of change"

She had survived a trail of adversity. She had 4 children and their lives were great. Then her husband was diagnosed with brain cancer. When he died she created a mission statement from her patriarchal blessing. She came to know that joy and peace can coexist with deep sorrow. The Lord will carry our burden if we cast it on the Lord. She saw a vision of a young woman carrying a child and diaper bag. There was a man walking beside her who offered to carry the child but she would not allow it. Three times he offered. She responded, "I can do it." She would not share the burden with her husband. She pushed him away even though she was weary. Finally, she realized that Heavenly Father knows best what we need. He is willing to help us carry our burdens. He knows what we need and when we need it.

Video - The Widow of Zarephath

There were many widows in Israel during this time of famine. One widow in Zarephath was asked to give a small cake to Elijah. Having great faith, she made him a cake with the last of her meal and oil. She was surprised to discover that she had enough meal and oil left for she and her son. They were able to survive certain death. "If we give the Savior everything, he will cover our lack. We do not know what we are capable of until we are put to the test.

7:59-8:22 (23 min) Follow up Discussion by Kimo Esplin

President Esplin questioned the congregation about the video. What do we learn from this righteous woman? The Lord will provide. Even non-members can show us what faith is. The Lord can take bitterness from our heart. Our faith increases when we consecrate ourselves to God.

8:22-8:55 (33 min) **Elder J. Devn Cornish** "We ask you not to record, transcribe, or otherwise electronically transmit the message of Elder Cornish. Thank you for your help in assuring that this request is followed."

8:55-8:58	Closing Hymn	#85 How Firm a Foundation
8:58-9:00	Benediction	Sis Kathie Kern (4 th Ward)

Sandy Utah Willow Creek Stake Sunday General Session

October 8, 2017 10:00am – 12:00 noon

Presiding Conducting	Elder J. Devn Cornish President J. Kimo Esplin (Stk Pres)
9:45-10:00	Prelude Music 3 rd Ward Choir "Nearer, My God to Thee" "Be Still, My Soul" Director: Gonzalo Pena Accompanist: Richard Holder
10:07-10:09	Invocation: Bro. Robin Russell (3 rd Ward)
10:00-10:03	Welcome & Introductions Elder J. Devn Cornish a General Authority Seventy
10:03-10:07	Opening Hymn Choir & Congregation Hymn # 6 "Redeemer of Israel" Organist: Bonnie Carter Conductor: Janice Maughan
10:09-10:15	Stake Business - President J. Kimo Esplin Release & Sustain: High Council, Stake YW Presidency Sustain & Ratify Priesthood Advancements (No General Authorities and Officers of the Church sustained here.)
10:15-10:20	Musical Number 3 rd Ward Choir "Dedication"
10:20-10:28 (8 min)	Speaker Pres. Joseph A. Staples (2 nd Counselor) (click for transcript of talk)
10:28-10:36 (8 min)	Speaker Pres Kevin L. Ludlow (1 st Counselor)
10:36-10:48 (12min)	Speaker Sister Sharon Porter (2 nd Assistant to the Matron Draper Temple)

President Richard Porter

(2nd Counselor Draper Temple Presidency)

We come to church to rally together and feel the spirit. If you are 12 years or older, find a name and go to the temple. Enoch had a vision, Moses 7. He saw the pain of the earth; a great darkness will cover the whole earth. We live in such a time as this. it's hard to watch the news. So where can we go for peace? Come to the temple. The house of the most-high God. Attending the temple gives us strength to do the work that God has given us to do.

10:48-10:53 Intermediate Hymn - Congregation

Hymn #239 "Choose the Right"

1st Verse - Primary Age 3-12 yrs. Stand and Sing

2nd & 3rd Verse - Congregation Stand and Sing

10:53-11:05 Speaker - **Sister Erlynn Lansing** (Wife of the Pres of S.L.C.'s South Mission)

I sent cards to my missionary son. The woman who worked in the shop became interested in the church. I introduced this widow to the missionaries. She was baptized and became an active member until she got cancer. Many of the sisters loved and visited her. She died and was reunited with her husband. We tell our missionaries OYM. This means "Open your mouth." DC 33 instructs us to. "Open your mouth and tell others about the gospel." Joseph did see God and the son in the Grove. This is my testimony.

Speaker - President Christopher Lansing (Pres of Salt Lake City South Mission)

President and Sister Lansing are from Virginia. He noted that 40% of all missionaries come from the Wasatch Front. He explained that all our missionaries were evacuated from Puerto Rico. Four of them were assigned to come to his mission after being flown to Miami and then scattered all over North America. They left with only the clothes they were wearing. We bought them clothing and settled them into our mission. During an interview one missionary stared at him and asked, "Do you love the savior?" Then asked his new mission president to bear his testimony. It is wonderful to be missionaries. Some wear name tags but some of us do not. Be good to our missionaries. They will go home and become leaders in their areas all over the world. Pray for the missionaries serving our stake -- Sister Gerrand and Sister Hutchings.

11:05-11:20 (15 min) Speaker <u>J. Kimo Esplin</u> (Stake President) click for transcript of talk

11:20-11:55 (35 min) Speaker **Elder J. Devn Cornish** (1st Quorum of Seventy) "We ask you not to record, transcribe, or otherwise electronically transmit the message of Elder Cornish. Thank you for your help in assuring that this request is followed."

11:55-11:58 Closing Hymn - 3rd Ward Choir #147 "Sweet is the Work"

11:58-12:00 Benediction Sister Katie Walk-Fox (6th Ward)

12:00-12:10 Postlude Music