

CHURCH CONTACT INFORMATION:

Knoxville First Seventh-day Adventist Church

Physical Address: 3611 Kingston Pike, Knoxville TN 37919
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- Church Office Hours**.....Tuesday – Friday, 9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
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- Church Website**www.knoxvillefirstsda.com
- Facebook Pages**..... Knoxville 1st Seventh-day Adventist Church
Knoxville 1st SDA Women’s Ministry

Ministry Staff Serving Today:

- Platform Elder..... Keven Burdorf
- Deacon on DutyBryan Dove
- Pianist.....Darby Goodge
- OrganistJussara Horton
- ChoristerGillett Family
- Visual Aids..... Brian Arner
- Sound Board.....Bill Mitchell
- Live Streaming Innocent Rudasingwa
- GreetersRosalie Peters,
Monica Peeke and Danny Goodge

For those serving on the platform, please meet in the Elders’ Room promptly at **10:30 a.m.** Our Worship Service is live-streamed on Facebook, YouTube, and Roku.

THE CHURCH AT STUDY

Sabbath School – 9:30-10:30 a.m.

- Cradle Roll** (Ages 0-3, Beginners’ Room)..... Kaley Hinson
- Kindergarten** (Ages 4-7, Kindergarten Room)..... Cassia Owen
- Primary** (Ages 8-12, Primary Room).....Danielle Velez
- Youth** (Ages 13-18, Annex)..... Mark Jones
- Young Adult** (Ages 18+, Annex) Pastor Matthew Durante
- Women’s Bible Study** (KAS Music Room)Janet Rowe
- Adult Class** (Main Sanctuary)Ronda Mostella
- Adult Class** (Downstairs Board Room)..... Dan Peters

THE CHURCH AT WORSHIP

Divine Worship Service – 10:45 a.m.

- Welcome & AnnouncementsKeven Burdorf
- InvocationKeven Burdorf
- Songs of Praise..... Gillett Family
- Opening Song Hymn #487
“*In the Garden*”
- Morning Offering.....Keven Burdorf
- Children’s OfferingLittle Lambs for Jesus!
- Kids’ Corner..... Kathy Burdorf
- Morning Prayer.....Nathan Rowe
- Musical Selection Esther Spinolo and Michelle Bankhead
- Scripture Reading Daniel Etson
John 15:5
- Sermon..... Pastor Matthew Durante
The Jesus of John: The Abundant Life with the Great I AM
The Vine
- Song of Response Hymn #483
“*I Need Thee Every Hour*”
- Benediction Pastor Matthew Durante



March 4, 2023



Devotional Thought for Today:

“Relying on God has to begin all over again every day as if nothing had yet been done.”

C.S. Lewis

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome Members and Honored Guests!

Thank you for choosing to worship with our church family this morning! We hope you feel welcome and want to call this church “home!” We have several prayer needs to keep in mind: our children, grandchildren and great grandchildren, our homebound members, Joe Ellison, Dan Belic, people with health issues, healthcare workers, first responders, missionaries, educators, elected officials, and those serving in the military and law enforcement. Please also pray for the gift of the Holy Spirit!

CHURCH OFFERING SCHEDULE

Please Mark Your Tithe Envelope!

Today’s Offering Focus: Operating Budget

Next Week’s Offering: Adventist World Radio

Loose Offering: Operating Budget

Tithes & Offerings: You can give online on our church website at <https://adventistgiving.org/#/org/ANTFJL/envelope/start> or by mail to Knoxville First SDA Church, P.O. Box 10952, Knoxville TN, 37939. Thank you for being a faithful supporter of God’s work!

Church Giving – Through February 25, 2023				
	Last Week	Weekly Goal	YTD Total	YTD Need
Church Budget	\$1,102	\$4,805	\$20,657	\$33,635
Worthy Student	\$167	\$673	\$2,948	\$4,711

Mid-Week In-Person Bible Study, Wednesday at 6:30 p.m.: Our in-person mid-week Bible study is held each Wednesday from 6:30-7:30 p.m. in the church board room.

“Partnering for Eternity” Mentors: We have KAS students who are in need of mentors for our “Partnering for Eternity” program. If you would like more info on being a student mentor, please see Dan Peters.

Friday Evening Vespers at Little Creek: A vespers service is held every Friday at 7:00 p.m. through the month of April at the Little Creek Chapel, 9020 Leland Straw Way, on the Little Creek campus.

GCC Women’s & Teen Girls’ Retreat: Ladies, join us on April 14-16 at the Cohutta Springs Conference Center for the annual retreat entitled, *She’s Armed & Dangerous--Ephesians 6*. On Friday, April 14 there is also an optional one-day Leadership Conference. The deadline to register is March 30. Go to <http://www.gccsda.com/events/100799> for more info.

Fellowship Lunch March 11, 2023: Team 3 will serve. Thank you: Tatiana & Denis Arvat, Susana & Abener Bondo, Kathy & Dale Burdorf, Margaret Cloud, Theresa & Larry Doran, Tami & John Geli, Lynnette & Troy Hollenbeck, Jussara & Mark Horton, Katie & Paul Miller, Dylan Smith, Betty & Elvin Vence, for setting up, serving, and cleaning up. Everyone attending this luncheon, please bring enough food (vegetarian or vegan dishes only please!) for your family and to share with others.

Knoxville Adventist School (KAS) Visitor Day: Calling all kindergarten and first graders, or anyone who is interested in finding out more about KAS! Please come join us for our KAS Visitor Day this month. It will be held Friday, March 24 from 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.. It is open to anyone going into grades K-8, and interested in attending KAS for the 2023-2024 school year. It will be a morning full of information, learning, and fun. Lunch will be provided, and all who take part will receive a \$50 discount toward their registration fee if they attend the 2023-2024 KAS school year. We would like to send your child a personalized invitation, so please contact the school for more information by calling (865) 522-9929 or emailing knoxvilleadventistschool@gmail.com.

Great Controversy Book Distribution Event: On Sabbath, March 18 the Streams of Light International ministry will be hosting a *Great Controversy* book distribution effort in partnership with the Roane Community SDA Church, located at 336 Patton Lane, Harriman, TN 37748. The goal is to distribute 2,700 copies of this book to members of the community, and anyone wishing to help is encouraged to participate. There will be a motivational message given during the Roane Community SDA worship service and a training session after church prior to sharing books in the community. If you have any questions, contact Johnny Henderson at (254) 383-3532.

Helpers Needed in Preparation for Family Promise! Our next Family Promise ministry effort will take place on April 2-9, 2023. We urgently need 14 volunteers to serve as overnight hosts for one evening during this week at the church annex to support the families we will be helping. Since we are starting up this in-person ministry again, all volunteers must go through training, which will take place on Sabbath, March 11 after our fellowship lunch. Background checks are also required for all helpers. If you would like to help with this important ministry event, please contact Carolyn Hansen at (865) 384-4711.

The Immune Boosting Seminar originally scheduled for March 25-26, 2023 in Collegedale, TN has been cancelled.

Night of Worship: Please join us for our Spring 2023 “night of worship” event on March 25, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. in our church sanctuary. Several talented musicians and singers from our local church will share inspiring Christian music and devotional thoughts that will be a great blessing for those who attend. Try to bring a friend to this inspiring program!

The Southern Union Conference is currently accepting applications for an Audio/Visual Director. If you are interested in this position, please go to www.southernunion.com/employment for more information.

Oh Boy! Join us for a baby shower for Cassia Owen, which will take place on March 19, from 2:00-4:00 p.m. at the Goodge residence, located at 1730 Little Creek Lane, Knoxville, TN 37922. Cassia is registered at Babylist.com. Please RSVP by calling (770) 375-1976.

Vacation Time for Pastor Marcus & Family: The Bates family will be on vacation this coming week (March 5-10) and will be unavailable. Please contact Pastor Matt or our local church elders for any pastoral needs.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Saturday **March 4, 2023**
 9:30 a.m. Sabbath School Classes
 10:45 a.m. Worship Service: Pastor Matthew Durante
 6:33 p.m. Sunset

Wednesday **March 8, 2023**
 6:30 p.m. Mid-Week Bible Study (In-Person)
 7:00 p.m. Weekly Prayer Meeting on Zoom

Friday **March 10, 2023**
 6:39 p.m. Sunset

Saturday **March 11, 2023**
 9:30 a.m. Sabbath School Classes
 10:45 a.m. Worship Service: Pastor Marcus Bates
 12:30 p.m. Fellowship Lunch – Team 3
 Training for Family Promise Volunteers after lunch
 6:39 p.m. Sunset

SAVE THE DATES

March 12, 2023 Daylight Savings Time – “Spring Forward”
March 18, 2023 Safety Sabbath
March 19, 2023 Baby shower for Cassia Owen
March 23, 2023 Finance and Church Board Meetings – In Person
March 24, 2023 KAS Visitors Day
March 25, 2023 KAS Christian Education Sabbath
March 25, 2023 Night of Worship