

**THE CHURCH AT STUDY**

**September 13, 2025**

**Sabbath School: 9:30 – 10:30 a.m.**

<b>Cradle Roll</b> (Ages 0-3, Beginners' Rm)	Kaley Hinson
<b>Kindergarten</b> (Grades PreK–2 <sup>nd</sup> , Kindergarten Rm)	Cassia Owen
<b>Primary</b> (Grades 3 <sup>rd</sup> –5 <sup>th</sup> , Primary Rm)	Darby Goodge
<b>Earliteen</b> (Grades 6 <sup>th</sup> –8 <sup>th</sup> , KAS Library)	Heather and Jason Ruffner
<b>Youth</b> (Grades 9 <sup>th</sup> –12 <sup>th</sup> , KAS 6 <sup>th</sup> –8 <sup>th</sup> Gr Rm)	Mark Jones
<b>Young Adult</b> (Ages 18+, KAS 9 <sup>th</sup> –10 <sup>th</sup> Gr Rm)	Moses Boy
<b>Women's Bible Study</b> (KAS Music Room)	Janet Rowe
<b>Adult Disciple Class</b> (18+, KAS 3 <sup>rd</sup> – 5 <sup>th</sup> Gr Rm)	Florence Oyier
<b>Adult Class</b> (Sanctuary)	Rick Greve
<b>Adult Class</b> (Downstairs Conference Room)	Al Matthewson

**THE CHURCH AT WORSHIP**

**Divine Worship Service: 10:45a.m.**

<b>Welcome &amp; Announcements</b>	Derrick Gillett
<b>Invocation</b>	Derrick Gillett
<b>Baptisms</b>	Pastor Matthew Durante
	Ishmel Dunson
	Jenerose Tuyisenge
<b>Songs of Praise</b>	Janet Rowe
<b>Opening Song</b>	<i>Draw Me Nearer</i> # 306
<b>Morning Offering</b>	Bill Mitchell
<b>Kid's Corner</b>	Theresa Doran
<b>Morning Prayer</b>	Pastor Rick Greve
<b>Musical Selection</b>	Deih Niang
<b>Scripture Reading</b>	Matthew 5:13–15 Mark Jones
<b>Sermon</b>	Pastor Thang Lian
	<i>"Kingdom Influencer"</i>
<b>Closing Hymn</b>	<i>Rescue the Perishing</i> #367
<b>Benediction</b>	Pastor Thang Lian

For those serving on the platform,  
please meet in the Elder's Room 10:30 a.m.

Service available on Facebook, YouTube, or Roku this Sabbath.

**KNOXVILLE FIRST SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH**

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<b>Church Office Hour:</b>	Tuesday – Thursday from 9:00am – 2:00pm
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<b>Good Samaritan Center</b>	(865) 524-7842
<b>Compassion Outreach</b>	(865) 524-7842
<b>Facebook Pages</b>	Knoxville 1 <sup>st</sup> Seventh-day Adventist Church Knoxville 1 <sup>st</sup> SDA Women's Ministry

**Ministry Servants Today**

<b>Elder in Charge</b>	Derrick Gillett
<b>Deacon on Duty</b>	Bruce Bankhead
<b>Choristers</b>	Janet Rowe
<b>Pianist</b>	Timothy and Ty Oyier
<b>Organist</b>	Eddie Benedict
<b>Live Streaming</b>	Larry Doran
<b>Slides</b>	Jeanna Crews
<b>Sound</b>	Trey White
<b>Greeters</b>	Beverly Duckett, Allyson Carithers, and Mark Horton



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**A Devotional Thought for Today!**

“But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you. And you will be My witnesses, telling people about Me everywhere—in Jerusalem, throughout Judea, in Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.”

Acts 1:8

## CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Welcome to Worship!** We're so glad you've chosen to worship with us today. Whether you're a longtime member or visiting for the first time, you are a valued part of our church family. As we gather in worship, let's remember those in need of prayer: our church families, the homebound, those facing health challenges, and all who serve—healthcare workers, educators, first responders, missionaries, elected officials, law enforcement, and military personnel. Most of all, let us continue to pray for the gift of the Holy Spirit—to lead, empower, and renew us as we seek to follow Jesus more fully. May God richly bless you today!

## CHURCH OFFERING SCHEDULE

### Please Mark Your Tithe Envelope!

Today's Offering: Radio Ministries—WB GC

Next Week's Offering: Church Operating Budget

Loose Offering Today: Church Operating Budget

**Tithes and Offerings:** You can give online on our church website at <https://adventistgiving.org/#/org/ANTFJL/envelope/start> or 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 September 6, 2025				
	Last Week	Weekly Goal	YTD Total	YTD Need
<b>Church Budget</b>	\$1,129	\$5,154	\$138,080	\$185,544
<b>Worthy Student</b>	\$400	\$673	\$22,974	\$24,228
	Collected Last Week	Collected to Date	Goal	
<b>Building Project</b>	\$6,524	\$413,840	\$3,000,000	

**Prayer Meeting Returns** – We're excited to resume Prayer Meeting on Wednesdays beginning September 10th! There are two ways to join: online at 11:00am or in person at 6:00pm in the Sanctuary for a dedicated time of prayer and seeking God together. There won't be a study, just hearts lifted in united prayer. For the Zoom option, use Meeting ID: 842 9624 6733 and Passcode: 654321.

**GriefShare Seminar** – Monday evenings, from 6:00 - 8:00pm in the KAS Music Room. Contact Mark Horton 865-824-6474 or John Geli 865-806-3728 or go to <https://www.griefshare.org/groups/267600>

**Fellowship Lunch Returns** – beginning in October Fellowship Lunches will be held on the Second Sabbath of each month. Everyone attending are encouraged to please bring enough food (vegetarian or vegan dishes only please!) for your family and to share with others. If you would like to join a team twice a year to help serve, setup and cleanup, contact Eddie Benedict.

**Prayer Changes Things** - The Prayer Ministry Team wants to pray for you! If you have a praise or prayer request, the Prayer Ministry Team would be delighted to include it on their prayer list. You can send your request via text or email to any of the pastors, elders, Bryan and Carol Dove, or Amy White. Contact information is available in the church directory. Let's stay united in prayer as we go boldly before the throne of grace!

**Healthy Taste Dinner** - You're invited to the next Healthy Taste Dinner tomorrow, Sunday, September 14 from 6:00-7:30pm. This free, plant-based dinner's theme will focus on one-dish meals. For questions or to RSVP, contact Bryan Dove.

**Please plan to join the Knoxville First Campus** in a Revival for our church, families, and School. Pastor Don MacLafferty will teach us a variety of important pieces of Discipleship in our homes, School, and community. Friday night Sept. 19th, starting at 6:00pm, come and enjoy a warm meal and the first session. Pastor Don will challenge us with a second message during the sermon on Sabbath, September 20<sup>th</sup>, followed by a potluck lunch, and a third session Sabbath afternoon on the 20th. We look forward to seeing you then!

**NE TN Camp Meeting** - which will be held at the Oaks Retreat Center September 19 - 20, 2025. Here is a link for the program information, <https://events.gccsda.com/netn2025/program>

**Tennessee Valley Fair Booth** - September 5-14, 2025. Interested in volunteering at the Fair Booth this year or would like more information? Please call Kim Goodge at 425-350-3430.

**Sundays at 7am** - Our Running Group is off to a great start! A variety of runners/walkers are involved and you are welcome to join us in the KAS gym tomorrow at 7:00a.m. Bring your own mat for the pre-run warm up and post run stretching session. Water and post run nutrition is provided. Contact Rick Greve at (865)803-9959 for more details.

**ENGAGE Youth Leadership Convention, September 26-27, 2025** - A training event for anyone who feels called to serve in youth and young adult ministry held at the Georgia-Cumberland Conference Office in Calhoun, GA with lodging at a local hotel. Registration deadline is Wednesday, September 17th or September 10th if you plan on staying in a hotel. To register go to: [events.gccsda.com/mobilize2025](https://events.gccsda.com/mobilize2025) or contact Janae Bowman: 706-629-7951 or [jbowman@gccsda.com](mailto:jbowman@gccsda.com).

**Sabbath in the Smokies** - September 26-27 2025 in Cades Cove, Great Smoky Mountains National Park. This weekend promises a time of fellowship to renew your spirit. We will enjoy music, nature, and time in worship together. Visit [events.gccsda.com/smokies2025](https://events.gccsda.com/smokies2025) for more info.

**Southern Union Young Adult Life Tour** – Oct 24–25 at Raleigh SDA Church. A free event to inspire and equip young adults and leaders. Register by Oct 16: <https://d.io/YALifeTour2025/0e6ff5>

## 2025 WEEKLY CALENDAR

### Sabbath

10:45 a.m.  
7:48 p.m.

### Sunday

7:00 a.m.  
6:00 p.m.  
6:00 p.m.

### Monday

6:00 p.m.

### Wednesday

11:00 a.m.  
6:00 p.m.

### Friday

7:39 p.m.

### Sabbath

10:45 a.m.  
7:37 p.m.

### September 13

Service -Pastor Thang Lian  
Sunset

### September 14

Training for Running  
Healthy Taste Dinner  
InStep Walking Group

### September 15

GriefShare Seminar

### September 17

Prayer Meeting – Online  
Prayer Meeting – In Person

### September 19

Sunset

### September 20

Service -Pastor Don McLafferty  
Sunset

## NOTES