

CHURCH CONTACT INFORMATION

Knoxville First Seventh-day Adventist Church
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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- Facebook Pages**..... Knoxville 1st Seventh-day Adventist Church
Knoxville 1st SDA Women’s Ministry

Ministry Servants Today!

- Elder in ChargeDennis Benedict
- Deacon on Duty.....Bryan Dove
- PianistDarby Goodge
- Organist.....Eddie Benedict
- Choristers Theresa Doran
- Video Projection Larry Doran
- Live Streaming..... Ty Oyier
- Sound System Burton Goodge
- Greeters.....Rosalie 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.

OCTOBER 7, 2023

THE CHURCH AT STUDY

Sabbath School – 9:30-10:30 a.m.

- Cradle Roll** (Ages 0-3, Beginners’ Room)..... Katie Miller
- Kindergarten** (Ages 4-7, Kindergarten Room)..... Debbie Carithers
- Primary** (Ages 8-12, Primary Room).....Jussara Horton
- Youth** (Ages 13-18, Annex).....Jeff Peeke
- Young Adult** (Ages 18+, Annex) Esther Bankhead
- Women’s Bible Study** (KAS Music Room)Janet Rowe
- Adult Class** (Main Sanctuary)Randy Moeller
- Adult Class** (Downstairs Board Room)..... Dan Peters

THE CHURCH AT WORSHIP

Divine Worship Service – 10:45 a.m.

- Welcome & Announcements Dennis Benedict
- Invocation Dennis Benedict
- Songs of Praise..... Theresa Doran
- Opening Song #487
"In the Garden"
- Morning OfferingDennis Benedict
- Morning Prayer.....Bryan Bankhead
- Musical Selection Janet Rowe
- Scripture ReadingBryan Bankhead
Matthew 26:39
- Sermonette Pastor Matthew Durante
" A Thoughtful Hour Pt. II"
- ORDINANCE OF HUMILITY
COMMUNION SERVICE*
- Closing Song#309 (1, 2, and 4)
"I Surrender All"
- Benediction Pastor Thang Lian

*The **Children’s Story** will be given by Katie Miller in the sanctuary during the Ordinance of Humility. A love offering will also be collected at the sanctuary door after the service for our Agape Fund.



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Devotional Thought for Today!

"We must gather about the cross. Christ and Him crucified should be the theme of contemplation, of conversation, and of our most joyful emotion. We should keep in our thoughts every blessing we receive from God, and when we realize His great love we should be willing to trust everything to the hand that was nailed to the cross for us."

Steps to Christ, p.103

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 families, our homebound members, those facing health challenges, healthcare workers, first responders, missionaries, educators, elected officials, and those serving in law enforcement and in the military. Please also pray for the gift of the Holy Spirit!

CHURCH OFFERING SCHEDULE

Please Mark Your Tithe Envelope!

Today’s Offering Focus: Church Operating Budget

Next Week’s Offering: Christian Education

Loose Offering: Church Operating Budget

Tithes & Offerings: You can give online on our church website at mail <https://adventistgiving.org/#/org/ANTFJL/envelope/start> or by 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 30, 2023				
	Last Week	Weekly Goal	YTD Total	YTD Need
Church Budget	\$4,224	\$4,805	\$156,954	\$187,395
Worthy Student	\$414	\$673	\$15,158	\$26,247

Membership Transfers: (Second Reading)

- Mark and Diana Bravo transferring from Knoxville First SDA Church to the Middletown SDA Church in Louisville, KY

Membership Transfers: (First Reading)

- Keagan and Kayla Swilling from the Morristown SDA Church to Knoxville First SDA Church.
- Thang Lian from Bowling Green Zomi SDA to Knoxville First SDA Church..

Ministry Leaders for the Years 2024 – 2025: (First Reading)

See deacons for the list.

Family Promise: Serving families experiencing homelessness. Save the Date! The next rotation for our church will be October 29-November 5, 2023. Volunteer opportunities for Setup, Overnight Host, and Meals. For more information, call Bryan Dove or Carolyn Hansen. Sign up at [signupgenius.com/go/10C084FAEAD2EA5FDC52-43159858-knoxville#/.](http://signupgenius.com/go/10C084FAEAD2EA5FDC52-43159858-knoxville#/)

Crafts And Conversation: Sunday Oct. 15, 3-5 pm in the Hospitality House. If you have been working on scarves and or hats for Isaiah117 house this will be the collection day. Bring your crafting projects you’re working on and we’ll spend time together working on them and enjoy great conversation. Bring a friend. Contact Lisa Pfeister for questions.

Fellowship Lunch October 14: Liliane Robertson and Team 4 will serve. Thank you: Becky & Randy Barnes, Leticia & Derek Barnes, Odessa Brown, Lisa Ann Bruzzese, Sarah & Danny Clevenger, Darlene & Derrick Gillett, Sharon & Arnold Hudson, Nancy & Kelvin Mitchell, Malcolm Neely, Jr., Rosalie & Dan Peters, Liliane & John Robertson, Shirley & Steve Watson, 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.

Midweek Prayer Meeting: Please join our in-person Wednesday evening prayer meetings at 6:30pm in the church Conference Room. This will be a time of prayer, study, and discipleship as all are encouraged to attend. Our focus of study for prayer meeting during this cycle will be Matthew 5-7 (The Sermon on the Mount). We will also be reading "Thoughts From The Mount Of Blessing". If you are interested in helping, please contact Pastor Matt or the Elders for more information.

Chili Cook-Off: Come on out to the White House in Greenback for the 5th annual Chili Cook-off on Nov. 4th at 5pm! The Social Committee will provide chili toppings (cheese, chips, and sour cream) and drinks. If you plan on bringing chili, please let Amy White know so she can enter you into the chili cook-off. If you do not plan on entering the chili cook-off, please bring a side item: finger sandwiches, a veggie tray, or salad, and also bring a dessert. Don’t forget your lawn chairs and/or a blanket! Get ready for great fellowship, food, and praising our Lord and Savior!

Georgia-Cumberland Academy is hosting two festivals. **Magnify** is open to grades 6 – 11 and runs from October 26 through October 28, and **Acrofest** is open to grades 5 – 8 and runs from October 28 through October 29. Students can attend one or both! Check out the promo video for Magnify Worship and Acrofest on our GCA YouTube channel. For more information and to register visit gcasda.org. If you have any questions, please contact Mark Torsney and Kalie Kelch at events@gcasda.org or 706-625-7178.

Use Of Campus Facilities: Please email your request to reserve any of the facilities to the church office and include the event, date, time, and the facility/room(s) you are interested in using. If approved, you will be notified and it will be scheduled on the church calendar.

Coats for the Cold is an annual coat drive to collect thousands of coats for those in our area who otherwise may not have a coat during the winter months. Please donate new and gently v men’s, women’s and children’s coats at any KARM Stores or Prestige Cleaners between October 16 to November 11. Those in need of a coat can contact the church office to receive a coat voucher, then shop at any KARM Store with the voucher any time between November 13 to December 9.

Dear Church Family,

My family and I would like to express our deepest gratitude for the incredible support, love, and prayers you have shown to our family during this incredibly difficult time. The loss of our beloved Isaac has been a profound and challenging experience, but your presence and kindness have been a source of comfort and strength for us. Your prayers have lifted us up when we felt overwhelmed, and your acts of kindness, whether through a warm meal, a listening ear, or a simple hug, have provided solace in our moments of grief. So many acts of service that we can’t keep count- mowing our grass, helping fix leaking pipes, and so much more! Our church family has truly shown us the meaning of community and the power of faith during this difficult period. We are reminded of the beautiful verse from Romans 12:15: "Rejoice with those who rejoice; mourn with those who mourn." Your willingness to mourn alongside us has been a testament to the love and fellowship that defines our church family. As we navigate the path forward, we take comfort in knowing that we are not alone. Your continued prayers and support will be invaluable as we grieve and heal. Please keep our family in your prayers as we remember and celebrate Isaac’s life. Once again, thank you for your kindness, compassion, and love during this challenging time. We are blessed to be part of such a caring and close-knit church family.

In His love and grace,
Daniela Salinas and Family

WEEKLY CALENDAR

October 7, 2023 - Communion

Sabbath School Classes
Sermon – Pastor Matthew Durante
Sunset

Sabbath

9:30 a.m.
10:45 a.m.
7:12 p.m.

Monday

6:00 p.m.

October 9, 2023

(Church Office Closed on Mondays)
GriefShare Seminar

Tuesday

3:30 p.m.

October 10, 2023

Good Samaritan Center – Open

Wednesday

6:30 p.m.

October 11, 2023

Midweek Prayer Meeting

Friday

7:04 p.m.

October 13, 2023

Sunset

Sabbath

9:30 a.m.
10:45 a.m.
12:30 p.m.
7:03p.m.

October 14, 2023

Sabbath School Classes
Sermon – Pastor Matthew Durante
Fellowship Meal
Sunset

Save The Dates

October 15 Crafts and Conversation – Hospitality House
October 16 – November 11 Coats for the Cold - KARM
October 29 – November 4 Family Promise - Hospitality House