

**CHURCH CONTACT INFORMATION:**

**Knoxville First Seventh-day Adventist Church**

Physical Address: 3611 Kingston Pike, Knoxville TN 37919

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 10952, Knoxville, TN 37939

**Church Office Hours**.....Tuesday – Friday, 9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

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**Senior Pastor:** Marcus Bates .....mbates@gccsda.com

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**Church Wi-Fi Info**..... Sanctuary Guest, Password: guest2020

**Church Website** .....www.knoxvillefirstsda.com

**Facebook Pages**..... Knoxville 1<sup>st</sup> Seventh-day Adventist Church  
Knoxville 1<sup>st</sup> SDA Women’s Ministry

**Ministry Servants Today:**

Elder in Charge .....Larry Doran  
Deacon on Duty .....Bruce Bankhead  
Church Pianist .....Lois Kasischke  
Church Organist ..... Ronda Mostella  
Choristers ..... Rowe Group  
Sound System.....Troy Hollenbeck  
Live Streaming.....Ty Oyier  
Video Projection.....Bryan Bankhead  
Greeters ..... Rosalie Peters,  
Debbie Carithers & Mark Horton

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).....Darby Goodge

**Primary** (Ages 8-12, Primary Room).....Jussara Horton

**Youth** (Ages 13-18, Annex).....Jeff Peeke

**Young Adult** (Ages 18+, Annex) ..... Esther Spinolo

**Women’s Bible Study** (KAS Music Room) .....Janet Rowe

**Adult Class** (Main Sanctuary) .....Ronda Mostella

**Adult Class** (Downstairs Board Room).....Al Mathewson

**THE CHURCH AT WORSHIP**

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

Welcome & Announcements ..... Larry Doran

Invocation ..... Larry Doran

Songs of Praise..... Rowe Group

Opening Song ..... #294  
*"Power in the Blood"*

Morning Offering ..... Larry Doran

Offertory Pianist.....Brette Hafner

Children’s Offering .....Little Lambs for Jesus!

Kids’ Corner..... Mickey Bankhead

Morning Prayer.....Keven Burdorf

Musical Selection ..... Ian Jeldes

Scripture Reading .....Keven Burdorf  
2 Corinthians 6:14-18

Sermon..... Pastor Marcus Bates  
*"Sacred Fire"*

Song of Response ..... #309  
*"I Surrender All"*

Benediction .....Pastor Marcus Bates



April 22, 2023



**Devotional Thought for Today:**

“Now, therefore, you are no longer strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, having been built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ Himself being the chief cornerstone, in whom the whole building, being fitted together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord, in whom you also are being built together for a dwelling place of God in the Spirit.”

**Ephesians 2:19-22**

## 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, church members 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: Georgia-Cumberland Ministries

Next Week’s Offering: Church Operating Budget

Loose Offering: Church 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 April 15, 2023				
	Last Week	Weekly Goal	YTD Total	YTD Need
Church Budget	\$17,890	<b>\$4,805</b>	\$78,166	<b>\$67,270</b>
Worthy Student	\$473	<b>\$673</b>	\$6,004	<b>\$9,420</b>

**Knox Men of Integrity:** A weekly accountability group will be hosted by the Knoxville First men's ministry for men who are working through addiction. Groups will operate with high confidentiality. Curriculum and resources include Sexaholics Anonymous, Living in Freedom, Everyday Recovery, and Everyman a Warrior. Multiple options to participate are available, including virtual groups through Blueprint for Men. For more info, contact Keven Burdorf at [burdorfk@gmail.com](mailto:burdorfk@gmail.com) or (320) 267-1166.

**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.

**ABC Bookmobile** will be at Knoxville First on Sunday, April 23 from 5:30-6:30 p.m. If you would like to order books, DVDs or food, please call (423) 396-2814. Visit the ABC Facebook page to view the online version of the Schedule & Specials and Food Price List.

**Bible Study Interests:** We need your help! Currently our church has received 60+ Bible study interests from our community. We are in need of volunteers to help take & drop off studies that have been requested. If you feel impressed to help with this outreach or if you have any questions about this ministry endeavor, please speak to our Bible Study Coordinator Dennis Benedict or Pastor Matt.

**Fellowship Meal for Sabbath, May 6:** Adrienne Robinson and Team 5 will serve. Thank you: Eddie & Dennis Benedict, Almaz Biru, Diane & David Bravo, Debbie & Tim Carithers, Lindsey & Daniel Etson, Darby & Danny Goodge, Kim Goodge, Nita & Michael Holcomb, Adrienne Robinson, Goldean Robinson, Liesl & Nathan Rowe, Becky & David Smith, Danielle & Miquel Velez, 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. **(Note – There will not be a Fellowship Meal on May 13).**

**KARM Volunteers:** We are excited to see more Christ-followers engage in service to our community. We see each volunteer experience as a discipling opportunity for volunteers and would love to host people from Knoxville First Seventh-day Adventist Church. For more information, please visit [karm.org](http://karm.org) or [volunteer@karmstoes.com](mailto:volunteer@karmstoes.com).

**Emotional and Spiritual Care Certification** will be held on April 28-30 at Cohutta Springs Conference Center. This training and certification will equip people to serve as credentialed responders after disasters and other traumatic events. Approved instructors use standardized, recognized curricula and other resources developed by the International Critical Incident Stress Foundation (ICISF), Adventist Community Services (ACS), and others. See <https://www.gccsda.com/events/10082> to register for this event.

**Instant Church Directory – Text Messages:** The Church Office Staff now has the ability to send emergency text messages to church members through the church directory. Only those who are included in the church directory and who email the office requesting this service will be added to text messaging. If you are a church member and would like to be included in the church directory, please contact the church office.

**Healthy Taste Vegfest Knoxville:** Sunday, April 30 from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Knoxville Expo Center, located at 5441 Clinton Hwy in Knoxville. There will be lots of tasty vegan food and fun events! We will have health materials, cooking demonstrations, a program for kids, a physicians’ panel, and resources from local & regional vendors! Admission is free! For more info, please see [www.healthytaste.net](http://www.healthytaste.net).

**Free Webinar from Planned Giving Trust Services:** Hosted by the Florida Conference with the Georgia-Cumberland Conference Grateful Living Department, Tuesday, April 25, at 6 p.m. The topic is: “Setting Up Income Streams for Your Retirement.” This seminar will discuss tips and

strategies to put together income streams for retirement, and consider longevity, inflation, excess withdrawal risks, and giving income, while you put your assets to work. The presenter will be Jose Acosta, a Seventh-day Adventist Investment advisor. To register and get your Zoom link, please contact Ray Hartwell at [rhartwell@gccsda.com](mailto:rhartwell@gccsda.com).

## WEEKLY CALENDAR

<b>Sabbath</b> 9:30 a.m. 10:45 a.m. 8:17 p.m.	<b>April 22, 2023</b> Sabbath School Classes Worship Service: Pastor Marcus Bates Sunset
<b>Sunday</b> 5:30 p.m.	<b>April 23, 2023</b> ABC Bookmobile
<b>Tuesday</b> 3:30 p.m.	<b>April 25, 2023</b> Good Samaritan Center – Open
<b>Wednesday</b> 6:30 p.m.	<b>April 26, 2023</b> Mid-Week Bible Study (In-Person)
<b>Friday</b> 8:22 p.m.	<b>April 28, 2023</b> Sunset
<b>Sabbath</b> 9:30 a.m. 10:45 a.m. 8:23 p.m.	<b>April 29, 2023</b> Sabbath School Classes Worship Service: Pastor Marcus Bates Sunset

## SAVE THE DATES

April 30	Healthy Taste Vegfest Knoxville
May 6	Fellowship Meal – Team 5 Farewell for Pastor Marcus & Family