

THE CHURCH AT WORSHIP

December 26, 2020

FIRST WORSHIP SERVICE

Sanctuary – Masks Required

9:00 a.m. – 9:50 a.m.

Opening Prayer, Song Service

Sermon – Pastor Matthew Durante

Closing Song, Closing Prayer

SECOND WORSHIP SERVICE

Sanctuary – Masks Optional

11:15 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.

Welcome/Announcements		Keven Burdorf
Invocation		Keven Burdorf
Opening Hymn	<i>O Come, O Come Immanuel</i>	155
Special Music		Bethany & Daniel Howard And Breanna Thorton
Pastoral Prayer		Dennis Benedict
Scripture Reading	<i>Isaiah 9:1-7</i>	Dennis Benedict
Sermon		Pastor Matthew Durante <i>“Advent: The Personhood of the Messiah, Part II”</i>
Closing Hymn	<i>Joy to the World</i>	125
Benediction		Pastor Matthew Durante

SERVING TODAY

Elder in Charge: Keven Burdorf

Deacon on Duty: David Bravo

Piano: Eddie Benedict

Chorister: Steve Grimsley

Sound Tech: Troy Hollenbeck

Live Streaming: Bryan Dove

Adult SS Class and Second Sabbath Worship Service
will be live streamed and available on Facebook, YouTube and Roku

THE CHURCH AT STUDY

10:15 – 11:00am Adult Sabbath School Class

Randy Moeller (Church Sanctuary)

10:00 – 11:00am Youth Sabbath School Class

Geoff & Amy White

(Ages 11-18 KAS Gym)

Children’s Sabbath School Class

Debbie Dowling (Carithers)

(Ages 4-10 Kindergarten Room)

Cradle Roll Sabbath School Class

Theresa Doran (Beginner’s Room)

**At 11:05am the church congregation assembles in the
Sanctuary for praise and worship!**

KNOXVILLE FIRST SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH

3611 Kingston Pike, Knoxville, TN 37919

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

Church Office Hours: Monday–Thursday, 9am -2pm
Tuesday, 9am - 1:30pm

Church Office Number: (865) 524-7842

Church Office Fax: (865) 523-7471

Church Office Email: knoxsda@gccsda.com

Church Website: knoxvillefirstsda.com

Church Wi-Fi Sanctuary Guestpw: guest 2020

Senior Pastor: Marcus Bates (865) 524-7842

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Associate Pastor: Matthew Durante (865) 524-7842

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Good Samaritan Center (865) 524-7842

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Facebook Page: Knoxville 1st Seventh-day Adventist Church

Woman’s Ministry Facebook page:

Knoxville 1st SDA Women’s Ministry



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"By His life and His death, Christ has achieved even more than recovery from the ruin wrought through sin. It was Satan's purpose to bring about an eternal separation between God and man; **but in Christ we become more closely united to God than if we had never fallen.** In taking our nature, the Saviour has bound Himself to humanity by a tie that is never to be broken."

Desire of Ages, 25

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome Members and Honored Guests

LET'S LIFT UP THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE IN OUR PRAYERS

Kristy Siddel, Susan Melton, Donna Norton, Dan Belic, Debbie Simmons, Wayne Knickman, Sande' Korp, Joe Ellison, Heather Brockett, Elvin Vence, Scott Hansen; all of our church members and guests who have health or personal issues; those needing spiritual victories in their lives; those affected by recent events, including healthcare workers, first responders and volunteers; our missionaries; our elected officials; those serving in law enforcement and military.

OFFERING SCHEDULE

(Please mark your tithe envelope)

Today: Georgia-Cumberland Ministries

Next Week: Local Church Budget

Today's loose offering goes to Church Family Budget

Church Giving Through

December 19, 2020

	Last Week	Weekly Goal	YTD Received	YTD Needed
Combined Budget	\$23,110	\$4,512	\$216,424	\$230,112
Worthy Student	\$ 4,519	\$1,000	\$ 53,582	\$ 51,000

THREE OPTIONS TO RETURN YOUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

A beautifully carved box is available in the Sanctuary; give online at <https://adventistgiving.org/#/org/ANTFJL/envelope/start>; or mail to Knoxville First SDA Church, P.O. Box 10952, Knoxville, TN 37939. Please remember our Local Church Budget and Children's Offerings.

2021 DEVOTIONAL BOOKS – SPECIAL OFFER

Brochures available in the Literature/Coat Room. ABC special prices are good through January 31, 2021. Orders must be placed through the church office to insure discount. Payment due after delivery. If you have any questions, please call the church office.

HOMEBOUND MEMBERS: If you know of any church member that is homebound, please contact the church office.

NEW STUDY FOR PRAYER MEETING

Weekly Prayer Meeting - Please join us every Wednesday evening at 7pm on Zoom for our weekly prayer meeting. We are presently going through a verse-by-verse study on the book of Hebrews. Outlines for each chapter will be made available on a weekly basis on our church website (go to the website home page - <https://www.knoxvillefirstsda.com> - then scroll down and click on "Midweek Service - Studies in Hebrews"). To participate, please login at <https://zoom.us/j/8987439349>. The meeting ID is 898-743-9349. To join by phone, please call (646) 558-8656 and enter the meeting ID. This weekly event will be streamed on Facebook, YouTube, and Roku.

“AMINA’S CHRISTMAS PROJECT”: Gift bags are available in the church foyer and in the Conference Room for members to give out during the holidays. They include Steps to Christ, The Great Hope, and sharing cards. Amina Newton began this Christmas project to encourage our church members to bless neighbors with books by Ellen White. **This ministry continues, in Amina’s memory.**

COMPASSION COALITION: Do you know someone in need of assistance with food, rent, utilities, etc. call 865-251-1591. (Church members in need can contact Carolyn Hanson. All inquiries held in the strictest of confidence.) Request help and/or volunteer at Compassion Coalition.

WEBSITE CALENDAR: Check out our church calendar on our website. As our church opens up it is now possible for members to see the time and place of approved events and activities scheduled. Platform and other Sabbath schedules are also listed. As always, if you have any questions, please call or email the church office.

AREA LITERATURE EVANGELIST LEADER: Aaron Harlock is our local Georgia-Cumberland Conference literature evangelist leader for this area. If you have any questions or desire to learn more about the conference literature work in this area, please contact Aaron at (423) 907-4422 or aharlock@gccsda.com.

CHRISTMAS MUSIC AND FREE ECARDS WITH LIFETALK RADIO. lifetalk.net/sharing-cards/.

OASIS - HIGH SCHOOL RETREAT: Feb. 5 & 6. Our annual retreat is going virtual for 2021. If you are an SDA student (grades 9-12) who does not attend an SDA school, this Bible conference type event is for you. The event is FREE to join, but we still ask that you register by Feb. 1 for planning purposes. For more information or to register, go to www.gccsda.com/events/oasis2021. Have questions? Call Alyse at 706-629-7951, ext. 346.

COHUTTA SPRINGS YOUTH CAMP: We are looking for young people to minister at camp next summer. If you will be at least 18 years old by summer 2021 and you are looking for a way to minister, summer camp may be the right fit. Apply at www.cs-yc.com. Click on "Staff Application" under the Staff heading.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

HAPPY NEW YEAR 2021!

Sabbath **December 26, 2020**
 9:00 a.m. Worship Service – Pastor Matthew Durante
 10:00 a.m. Cradle Roll, Children’s and Youth’s SS Classes
 10:15 a.m. Adult Sabbath School Class
 11:15 a.m. Worship Service - Pastor Matthew Durante
 5:28 p.m. Sunset

Wednesday **December 30, 2020**
 7:00 p.m. Prayer meeting and study on Zoom

Thursday **December 31, 2020 – New Year’s Eve**
 Church Office Closed

Friday **January 1, 2021 – New Year’s Day**
 5:32 p.m. Sunset

Sabbath **January 2, 2021**
 9:00 a.m. Worship Service - Pastor Marcus Bates
 10:00 a.m. Cradle Roll, Children’s and Youth’s SS Classes
 10:15 a.m. Sabbath School Class – Adult
 11:15 a.m. Worship Service - Pastor Marcus Bates
 5:33 p.m. Sunset

Church Office will be closed:
December 31, 2020 – January 4, 2021