

THE CHURCH AT STUDY
December 28, 2024
Sabbath School: 9:30 – 10:30 a.m.

Cradle Roll (Ages 0-3, Beginners' Room)	Kaley Hinsen
Kindergarten (Ages 4-7, Kindergarten Room)	Cassia Owen
Primary (Ages 8-12, Primary Room)	Danielle Velez
Youth (Ages 13-18, Hospitality House)	Jeff Peeke
Young Adult (Ages 18+, Hospitality House)	Kurt Kuhlman
Women's Bible Study (KAS Music Room)	Janet Rowe
Adult Class (KAS Gym)	Randy Moeller
Adult Class (Downstairs Board Room)	Al Mathewson

THE CHURCH AT WORSHIP
Divine Worship Service: 10:45a.m.
In the Knoxville Adventist School Gym

Welcome & Announcements	Bryan Bankhead
Invocation	Bryan Bankhead
Songs of Praise	Kids Team
Opening Song	<i>The First Noel</i> #118 (1, 3, 5)
Morning Offering	Bryan Bankhead
Kid's Korner	Tyler Irvine
Morning Prayer	Florence Oyier
Musical Selection	Caleb Geli
Scripture Reading	<i>Luke 1:28-33</i> Alex Stallings
Sermon	Pastor Matthew Durante <i>"The Weight of Favor"</i>
Closing Hymn	<i>Angels We Have Heard on High</i> #142
Benediction	Pastor Matthew Durante

For those serving on the platform, please meet in the Music Room promptly at 10:30 a.m.

Our Worship Service is live streamed on Facebook, YouTube, and Roku.

KNOXVILLE FIRST SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH
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Ministry Servants Today

Elder in Charge	Bryan Bankhead
Deacon on Duty	Dale Burdorf
Chorister	Kids Team
Pianist	Jean Forster
Live Streaming	Larry Doran
Video Projection	Brian Arner
Sound	Derrick Gillett
Greeters	Tim Carithers and Debbie Carithers



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A Devotional Thought for Today!

"Hear instruction and be wise and do not neglect it. Blessed is the one who listens to Me, watching daily at My gates, waiting beside My doors. For whoever finds Me finds life and obtains favor from the Lord."

Proverbs 8:33-35

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 Tithes Envelope!

Today’s Offering: GCC Ministries – Evangelism
 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 December 14, 2024				
	Last Week	Weekly Goal	YTD Total	YTD Need
Church Budget	\$7,237	\$4,899	\$205,284	\$249,849
Worthy Student	\$789	\$673	\$24,072	\$34,323
	Collected to Date		Goal:	
Building Project	\$170,230		\$3,000,000	

Worship Service in KAS Gym – Please join us for worship service in the KAS gym starting at 10:45am every Sabbath..

Sabbath School classes will still meet at 9:30am in their regular classrooms. Adult Sabbath School classes will be held in the Conference Room and in the KAS Gym.

Church Service Set Up - Every Friday at 5:00pm chairs need to be set up for Sabbath morning worship in the KAS gym. All are invited to participate in this weekly endeavor. For more information or questions please contact our Head Deacon, Bruce Bankhead.

Church Office - Due to construction, times in which the office staff are present to assist with needs will vary. Please schedule an appointment either by phone or email.

ABC Devotion Books – Devotional Books offered at a discount price if ordered through the church office. If you are interested in an order form, please contact the church office. Deadline is January 31, 2025.

Knoxville Area Young Adult Movie Night! It will take place tonight, December 28 starting at 6:30 p.m. at the Maryville SDA Church. Pizza, popcorn, chips, and drinks will be served! The age group is 18 to 35. If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Lian.

Bridge Refugee Services - Bridge Refugee Services needs several items as they prepare for several families that are arriving in Knoxville. Let's welcome our new neighbors by helping to provide: Coat hangers (preferably plastic but will accept wire ones also)deodorant (for men and women), hygiene pads (sanitary pads) and laundry detergent. A collection bin in the gym will be there through the end of December. For questions and additional information please contact Beverly Duckett at 865-384-2154.

KARM - We thank you for your support in the Coats for the Cold giveaway. Your kindness helped provide warmth and dignity to so many in need during the winter season. Together, we distributed 7,899 coats through KARM Stores, an incredible testament to what we can achieve when we work together.

GCC Prayer Conference - The annual GCC Prayer Conference will be held February 14-16, 2025 at Cohutta Springs Conference Center.. Our speaker will be Elder William Smith, the Southern Union Publishing Director, who is a real prayer warrior. For further information, please contact the GCC Prayer Ministries Department. Registration is now open at <https://events.gccsda.com/prayerconference2025>

Church Directory – We have transitioned to a new church directory called Breeze. If you would like to be added please send an email and phone number to the church office. If there is certain information that you would like the Office Staff to have but not be visible to members, let us know. An invitation email will be sent to you with instructions on how to sign up. Please check your spam folder as the email may have been marked as spam. When logging into the app, the domain name is "knoxvillefirstsdachurch". Once you sign up, you can download the app from your app store called “Breeze ChMs”. If you need assistance, please contact the church office.

OASIS - High School Retreat - Jan. 24-26 at Cohutta Springs Youth Camp. Join us at this Bible conference event for students (grades 9-12 only), who are not attending SDA schools. (Those attending SDA schools may attend with their church group.) Come experience nature, new friends and fun activities. Fees: \$89 (\$99 after Dec. 30) per student, \$59 per sponsor. Registration deadline is Jan. 14. For more info go to: events.gccsda.com/oasis2025 or call Alyse at 706-629-7951, ext. 346.

2025 GCC WM Retreat: Registration - is now open for the GCC WM Retreat April 11-13, 2025 at Cohutta Springs. There is an early bird discount through December 31, 2024. Deadline to register is March 21. Please visit: <https://events.gccsda.com/womensretreat20252025>

Ten Days of Prayer - The annual *Ten Days of Prayer* is January 8-18, 2025. We invite all churches to participate. You can find more info at: <https://www.tendaysofprayer.org/>.

Cohutta Springs Youth Camp- Registration opens at 12:00 pm on January 1, 2025. We offer youth camp (ages 7-18), Family Camp (all ages) and Alumni Family Camp (former CSYC staff & families). Register soon for the most options. www.cs-yc.com or 706-602-7346.

2024 WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sabbath	December 28
9:30 a.m.	Sabbath School Classes
10:45 a.m.	Service – Pastor Matthew Durante
6:30 p.m.	Knoxville Area Young Adult Movie Night
5:32 p.m.	Sunset
Wednesday	January 1, 2025 – New Year’s Day
Friday	January 3, 2025
5:00 p.m.	Church Service Setup- KAS Gym
5:36 p.m.	Sunset
Sabbath	January 4, 2025
9:30 a.m.	Sabbath School Classes
10:45 a.m.	Service – Pastor Matthew Durante
5:37 p.m.	Sunset

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