

Frequently Asked Questions: What should I expect when I visit your church?

Coming to a new church for the first time can make anyone nervous. At the Roanoke Seventh-day Adventist Church we want you to feel welcome and wanted every time you worship with us.

What should I expect?

When you arrive you will be warmly welcomed by a member of our First Impressions Team and given a program guide for the day's activities. You will be invited into our Bible Café where beverages and breakfast treats are served.

We begin Adult Bible Study time at 9:30 in the room where the Bible Café is located. Classes conclude at 11:00.

Age appropriate Children's, Teens' and Young Adults Bible study classes also begin at 9:30 and conclude at 11:00.

Our worship services begin in the sanctuary at 11:15 and conclude at about 12:30.

What should I wear?

You will notice a variety of styles ranging from very casual to more dressy. Some women will be in pants and some in skirts or dresses. Some of the men will be in suits and ties, others in slacks and shirts. The bottom line is that you are welcome to dress however you feel comfortable!

What is the format of your Worship service?

The service usually begins with a welcome followed by a song service. All are invited to sing or simply enjoy the music. The service also includes a time for family prayer during which you may be invited to kneel.

The service will include a special story time for children after which the children will collect an offering for our school. You may choose to give but you don't need to feel any pressure.

The service also includes a special musical selection, scripture reading and the pastor or a visiting speaker presenting a Bible-based message.

After closing prayer, you will notice that some folks exit the sanctuary immediately; others spend a few minutes visiting with one another. Please do as you feel most comfortable.

How do I get there?

Our church is located at 4120 Challenger Avenue, NE, Roanoke, VA 24012. Challenger Avenue is also referred to locally as Route 460, which is the east/west route between Lynchburg and Roanoke. We are located in the Bonsack area of Roanoke County.

Where do I park?

There is abundant parking around the building. There are no assigned or reserved spaces except for those marked for the handicapped.

What happens next?

On the first Saturday of the month a church-wide Fellowship Lunch will take place following the service. All members and guests are invited. On the third Saturday of the month there is Friends and Family Fellowship time following the service during which light refreshments are served and folks fellowship for a few minutes.

Often a concert or Bible study time or other opportunities to minister to those in our community are planned for the afternoon. All are invited to participate in these programs. The program outline you receive when you arrive will give further details of the activities for the day and for the coming week.