



SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST® CHURCH

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 Pastor Robert Lechner

Welcome! We are all glad you came today!

We extend a special welcome to our guests and members. If you are visiting or have a prayer request, we invite you to fill out the card in the back of the pew and put it in the offering plate this morning. Thank you for sharing this Sabbath with us and may God richly bless you as you worship today!

Parents, we are blessed to have you and your children worshipping with us today. Relax and remember kids get the wiggles and can forget to whisper sometimes. They are learning how to worship during church service and we are privileged to teach them. We as a congregation are here to support you as your child learns how to worship in God’s House. Please do not get discouraged if you need to take your child out in the middle of service and do not be afraid to come back. Children are a gift to our growing church family! “Let the little children come to Me, and do not forbid them; for of such is the Kingdom of Heaven.” - Matthew 19:14

Sabbath School	9:30 am
Music Meditation	10:30 am
Worship Service	10:45 am
Announcements	Tim Mercer

At Your Service

Chorister	Matt Smith
Deacon this Sabbath	Don Thompson
Elder this Sabbath	Tim Mercer
Greeter this Sabbath	David Howard
Organist	Dustin Cobble
Pianist	Cheri Stein

Call to Worship
I cast all my cares upon you
I lay all of my burdens down at your feet
And any time that I don’t know what to do
I will cast all my cares upon you

Worship Service December 19, 2020

Invocation & Welcome Tim Mercer

Congregational song – “O Little Town of Bethlehem” **#135**

Worship in Giving

Offering appeal Tim Mercer

Offertory – “Jesu, Joy of Man’s Desiring” Dustin Cobble
Cheri Stein

Worship in Word

Morning prayer Rob Lechner

“Christmas Celebration” (Bulletin insert)

Offering Next Sabbath Georgia-Cumberland Ministries

Sunset Today Sunset Next Friday
 5:17 pm 5:20 pm

Church Events

December 19	Church Christmas Program Elder – Tim Mercer Deacon – Don Thompson Fruit Baskets Assembled Food Box Distribution	10:45 am After lunch 1:45 pm
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December 25 Merry Christmas!

Coming Up

December 26	Speaker – Rob Lechner Elder – Matt Smith Deacon – Wayne Pudleiner	10:45 am
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January 1 Happy New Year! Welcome to 2021!

January 2	Speaker -- Rob Lechner Elder – Gary Zintak Deacon – Ken Cooper	10: 45 am
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Announcements

Worship Service Today: Christmas program

Sabbath Prayer Time: “Prayer is the opening of the heart to God as a friend.” We will be having a season of prayer each Sabbath morning beginning at 9:00 am in the sanctuary. Everyone is welcome to join and bring your petitions before the throne of grace. If you have any questions, please call Julie Douville at 423-302-7465.

Membership transfer: Second reading for Daniel Afilaka transferring from Windsor SDA Church in Birmingham, England to Johnson City SDA Church.

Church Office hours: The church office will be open on Monday –Wednesday from 9:00 am to noon during the next two weeks. Please have bulletin information to Karen by Tuesday midnight. The bulletin will be printed on Wednesday morning.

Special offering: We will be collecting a special offering today, as we do every year, to benefit local organizations that help people in need. Today’s offering will be divided among Haven of Mercy, Good Samaritan Ministries, The Salvation Army, and God’s Corner ministries.

Midweek Service is on hiatus until further notice.

Family Prayer Circle: Please remember to join other members of our church family in prayer on Friday night at 8:00 pm in the privacy of your homes. Let's join our hearts together praying for a great resolution for the Covid-19 virus. Please stand together! For more information, call Connie Rasnick at 423-278-6600.

Fruit baskets: We will be assembling and delivering some fruit baskets after church today. Anyone who is interested in helping is invited to stay and help. Please bring your own lunch to eat before we start. If you have any questions, please call Julie (423-302-7465) or Fred (423-302-7266) Douville or see Pastor Rob.

OASIS High School Retreat: The Georgia Cumberland Conference’s annual high school retreat for SDA students (grades 9-12) is going virtual for 2021 on February 5 and 6. This event is especially designed for SDA students who do not attend an SDA school. The event is free, but please register by February 1 for planning purposes. For more information or to register, go to www.gccsda.com/events/oasis2021. If you have any questions, please call Alyse at 706-629-7951, ext. 346.

LSCA Special Project: Living Springs Christian Academy is currently raising funds to put air-conditioning in their gymnasium. They have \$38,029.34 available, but need a total of \$39,000. Please prayerfully consider supporting this special project to make the gym more “user-friendly” during warm weather!

Cohutta Springs Youth Camp is looking for ministry-minded young people to work 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. Applications are being accepted at www.cs-yc.com. Click on "Staff Application" under the Staff heading.

TIPS FROM YOUR CHURCH TREASURER

Address change: If your address has changed at any time during 2020, the treasurer requests that you write your new address on a tithe envelope, highlight it or circle it to indicate that it is new, and drop it in the offering box. This will greatly assist him in getting your 2020 receipts out to you in a timely manner.

Tax deductions: To ensure the deductibility of your church contributions, please do not file your 2020 income tax return until you have received a written acknowledgement of your contributions from the church. You may lose a deduction for some contributions if you do so.

Combined Church Budget Offerings as of 12/12/2020

	Budget	Received
December-to-Date	\$6,249.50	\$7,164.20
7/1/20-to-Date	\$68,744.50	\$64,089.85
Annual Budget	\$149,988.00	
2020 Calendar Year Tithe		\$430,305.03

Prayer Requests

If you have a prayer request, contact our Prayer Ministry Leader, Julie Douville, by calling/texting her at 423-302-7465.

You also helping together in prayer (2 Corinthians 1:11)

Praising God for many answered prayers!

New prayer requests: Anne Olney

Continue Praying for: Connie Rasnick, Becky Heath, Javier Barragan, Evon Morrow, Kevin, Keith & Tony Riggsby, Teresa Stout, Joyce Casteel, Ruth Powers, Rob & Rosalee Rose, Lawrence & Karen Chronister, Johnny Ottinger, Vivian Swink, Brooke Burlison, Pam Burlison, Mike & Penny Shell, Marie Dannenberger, Betty Goins, and Howard & Betty Metcalfe's son, Ronnie.

Bulletin Announcements

Please email bulletin announcements to Karen Cote at info@johnsoncitysda.org by Tuesday midnight or call/text her at 423-429-7326. Please use email if possible.

Facebook and Webpage

Please like us on Facebook and visit our website, johnsoncitysda.org.

Church Officers

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Our Church Mission

***Developing deeper relationships with God and
nurturing genuine friendships within our community.***