



# 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 worshiping 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 during the 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**

Prayer time	9:00 am
Sabbath School	9:30 am
Music Mediation	10:30 am
Worship Service	10:45 am
Hymn Sing	Josie Watson
Children’s Story	Linda Zintak
Announcements	Gary Zintak

### At Your Service

Chorister	Josie Watson
Deacon this Sabbath	Wayne Pudleiner
Elder this Sabbath	Gary Zintak
Greeter this Sabbath	Don Thompson
Organist	
Pianist	Beth de Fluiter

*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 26, 2020

<b>Invocation &amp; Welcome</b>	Gary Zintak
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<b>Hymn of Praise – “Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne”</b>	<b>#140</b>
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### *Worship in Giving*

<b>Offering Appeal – Georgia Cumberland Ministries</b>	Gary Zintak
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<b>Offertory</b>	
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### *Worship in Word*

<b>Morning Prayer</b>	Gary Zintak
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<b>Special Music –</b>	Grayson Ilchuk
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<b>Scripture – Luke 2:8-14</b>	Gary Zintak
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<b>Message– “Christmas Celebration”</b>	Rob Lechner
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<b>Closing Hymn – “Joy to the World”</b>	<b>#125</b>
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<b>Benediction</b>	Rob Lechner
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<b>Offering Next Sabbath</b>	Local Church Budget
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Sunset Today 5:21 pm	Sunset Next Friday 5:25 pm
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## Church Events

<b>December 26</b>	Speaker – Rob Lechner Elder – Gary Zintak Deacon – Wayne Pudleiner	10:45 am
<b>January 1</b>	Happy New Year! Welcome to 2021!	
<b>Coming Up</b>		
<b>January 2</b>	Speaker – Rob Lechner Elder – Gary Zintak Deacon – Ken Cooper	10:45 am
<b>January 6-16</b>	10 Days of Prayer	6:30-7:30 pm
<b>January 9</b>	Speaker – Rob Lechner Elder – Marcus Williams Deacon – Nathan Phelps	10:45 am

## Announcements

**Speaker Today:** Rob Lechner **Theme:** Christmas is a time for celebration. If the angels, the shepherds, and the Magi celebrated, shouldn't we also celebrate the birth of Jesus?

**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.

**A special "Thank you!"** to those who coordinated the fruit basket project, as well as those who helped assemble and deliver the baskets last Sabbath! A number of our church members who received the baskets have called/texted/e-mailed us to express their deep appreciation to their church family for their thoughtfulness in remembering them!

**Church Office hours:** The church office will be open on Monday –Wednesday from 9:00 am to noon this week. Please have bulletin information to Karen by Tuesday midnight. The bulletin will be printed on Wednesday morning.

**Midweek Service** is on hiatus until further notice.

**10 Days of Prayer:** During the 10 Days of Prayer 2021, we invite you to experience the promised blessings of the Holy Spirit. Before He returned to heaven, Jesus gave us this promise: "But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you. And you will be my witnesses, telling people about me everywhere -- in Jerusalem, throughout Judea, in Samaria, into the ends of the earth." (Acts 1:8 NLT)

Come join us as we seek the outpouring of the Holy Spirit and allow God to reproduce His fruit in our lives during the 10 Days of Prayer. We will gather together Jan 6-16, 6:30-7:30 pm, at the church (so we have room to spread out). Come and be blessed! If you have any questions, please call Julie Douville 423-302-7465.

**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.

**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](http://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 \$38,194.34 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](http://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 12/19/2020

	Budget	Received
<b>December-to-Date</b>	<b>\$9,374.25</b>	<b>7,854.20</b>
<b>7/1/20-to-Date</b>	<b>\$71,869.25</b>	<b>\$64,779.85</b>
<b>Annual Budget</b>	<b>\$149,988.00</b>	
<b>2020 Calendar Year Tithe</b>		<b>\$433,695.31</b>

## **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](mailto: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](http://johnsoncitysda.org).

## **Church Officers**

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## ***Our Church Mission***

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