

Welcome! We're so glad you're here.

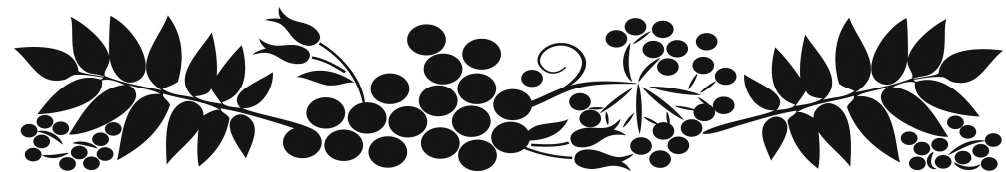
We are so glad you chose to worship with us this Sabbath! If you are looking for a church home, there is an information card in the pew that you can fill out & put in the offering plate or the brown offering box in the back of the church sanctuary. We would love to have you join our family!

"I beseech you, do not think little of the grace that you have—a holy God who longs to make you holy. Do not think little of the voice of God which calls you to give time to Him in the stillness of the inner chamber, so that He may cause His holiness to rest upon you."

~ A. Murray, "The Power of Prayer," January 21

This Week at Standifer Gap

Sabbath, December 18	Sermon ~ Pastor David Sitler Communion Sunset	10:30 a.m. 5:31 p.m.
Sunday, December 19	Women's Min. Christmas Baskets, Fellowship Hall	10:00 a.m.
Wednesday, December 22	NO Prayer Meeting (due to Christmas)	
Friday, December 24	Sunset	5:34 p.m.
Sabbath, December 25	Sermon ~ Pastor Jason Shaw Sunset	10:30 a.m. 5:35 p.m.



Upcoming Events/Meetings

Prayer Meeting (7 pm, SR 205.1, Zoom)	December 29
Standifer Gap School Christmas Break	Dec 20 - Jan 2
Finance Committee (7 pm, Zoom)	January 11
Church Board Meeting (7 pm, Sanctuary)	January 13
Student Sabbath (Grades 2 & 3)	January 22
How We Love Seminar (Church, Sabbath School & 2-4pm)	January 22
Elders Meeting (No January Meeting)	February TBA

Church in Worship

December 18, 2021 10:00 a.m.

"Embracing & Mentoring Community to Grow in Jesus"

Song of Praise	Madai Miller
#143 "Silent Night, Holy Night"	
Standifer Gap Family Life	Josh Galbraith
Opening Hymn	Madai Miller
#122 "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"	
Prayer Song	Madai Miller
#290 "Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus"	
Morning Prayer	Rick Halterman

Offering Appeal..... Andrew Osborne

Local Church Budget

Scripture Rick Halterman

Matthew 1:21, 23

Message Pastor David Sitler

A Christmas Story: Red Shoes

Children's Story Brittany Galbraith



A Celebration of Redemption

Ordinance of Humility (Foot Washing)

Ordinance of the Last Supper

Closing Hymn Madai Miller

#115 "O Come, O Come, Immanuel"

Benediction Blessing..... Pastor David Sitler

Piano: Margaret Hallock

Organ: Judy Crane

Livestream of Church Livestream.com/sgsda

For reverence in our services, please silence all media devices. Thank you!



Classes for All Ages

Sabbath School
11:30 a.m.

Adult Sabbath School Classes

Alcove

Open Circle (Behind the Organ, Right)

Ignite (Behind the Piano, Left)

Truth Seekers (Family Center, Upstairs)

Youth Sabbath School Classes

Youth (Ages 14-18)

Downstairs by Front Stairs

Juniors/Earliteens (Ages 10-13)

Downstairs by Doorway

Primary (Ages 6-9)

Downstairs by Doorway

Kindergarten (Ages 4-5)

Downstairs by Back Stairs

Cradle Roll (Ages Newborn-3)

Downstairs by Back Stairs



Finance Report

	Received	Year-To-Date Total:	Minimum for Budget:
Combined Budget	—	\$186,214	\$173,800
Student Assistance	—	\$9,273	\$7,700

If you would like to donate from home, you can give online by visiting the church website - sgsda.org - and clicking *Donate Online*.

Church Announcements

1) NEW CHURCH OFFICER NOMINATIONS—2ND READING

- *Elder: Dan Catangay
- *Deacon: Evan Gagnon

2) **TITHE & OFFERINGS** can be returned in the offering plates on the table in the foyer, by mail to PO Box 3008, Collegedale, TN 37315; online at sgsda.org/giving; or through the Adventist Giving app. Thank you for your committed faithfulness!

3) **LISTEN KIDS SERMON** Pick up today's new activity-coloring sheet during the Children's Story. *Please* turn in your sheet (with your name) after church to pick up your prize. Kids who turned in a sheet last Sabbath: Amelia, Brooklyn, Emma, James, Liam, Nathaniel, Nicole, Sailor & Sofie. Good job!

4) **FIRST READING** Patrick Hendricksen out of Standifer Gap to Collegedale Community Church.

5) **theJOURNEY SEMINAR** will continue Jan 1 as we discover how evil began in "The Blame Game."

6) **FOOT WASHING & COMMUNION** Today (Dec 18), during our church service. Foot washing locations:

- Open Circle S.S. Room (behind organ): Women
- Small S.S. Room (behind piano): Women
- Old Earliteen S.S. Room: Men
- Junior & Youth S.S. Rooms: Couples
- Pr David's Office: Men who cannot navigate stairs

7) **DEVOTIONAL BOOKS** It's time to order your 2022 devotional books for all ages. See the list of available books in the foyer on the table. The discounted pricing is valid until January 31. You may purchase directly from the ABC.

8) **VISITATION OF HOMEBOUND/SHUT-IN MEMBERS** Help build community in our church family by visiting one of our many homebound/shut-in members. To see who could use a visit, pickup a "visitation card" or two from the table in the foyer.

9) **MENTAL HEALTH COACH / FIRST RESPONDER TRAINING** People who are in need are more likely to turn to the church rather than a professional mental health care provider - so we, as the church, need to be ready! Check your email for a message that was sent out regarding a 40-hour online course (tuition waved) offered through the American Association of Christian Counselors (AACC). Turn in your certificate of completion and the church will reimburse the \$54 tech fee! Contact Heather Nissen with questions at hmrnyon@yahoo.com or 423-362-3950.

10) **CHRISTMAS BASKETS** This Sunday, December 19 at 10 am in the Fellowship Hall. Come and help us put together baskets for our shut-ins. Everything is provided. Please let me know if you can help to deliver the baskets. Pat Huey 423-715-1855

11) **HOW WE LOVE SEMINAR** January 22nd during church, Sabbath school, and 2-4pm. Chaplain Brian Burgess will present how our childhood experiences affect how we relate to one another as adults and how we can heal relational blind spots. Childcare provided.

12) **EVENING ANTHEM VESPERS** Friday, December 24th at 4pm at Chattanooga First SDA Church. Come and sing your favorite Christmas carols!

The Standifer Gap Seventh-day Adventist Church

Who we are... We are a Bible-based family of believers who want to experience God's love, acceptance, & forgiveness, & believe that His love is for all sinners. Our prayer is that your time worshiping with us will enrich your own walk with God & create a deeper desire to know Him better.

What we believe...

Christ... That Jesus Christ was God, the Son, co-eternal with God, the Father, & God, the Holy Spirit. That God's Son chose to become human so He could live & die for us. We believe He is now our High Priest in the heavenly Sanctuary preparing heaven for us & preparing us for heaven.

Cross... That Jesus' death on the cross was sufficient for all the sins of all humanity. Anyone who accepts Jesus as his/her personal Savior from sin is forgiven by God & has been born again through the Gift of God's Holy Spirit. This makes him/her a child of God & part of God's family.

Commandments... By the power of the indwelling Holy Spirit we choose to live in harmony with all of God's revealed will - including the Ten Commandments. These commandments written with God's own finger describe the principles of His Kingdom & reveal the character of God's true children. We choose to remember all ten - including God's Sabbath gift of time which He gave for building a deeper relationship with Himself & each other.

Coming... Jesus promised to come back & He will come gloriously in the clouds of heaven & every person will see, hear, & know that the King of Glory has come to take His born again children to be with Him forever. This truly is the "blessed hope" of all God's children. We look forward to meeting our Creator & Redeemer face to face.

If you would like to know more, please fill out a *Note to the Pastor* card in the back of the pew or talk to someone after the worship service.

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"Isn't the communion cup, of which we thankfully partake, a symbolic ingestion of the life of Christ? And is not the communion bread a symbolic internalization of the character, methods and principles of Christ?"

1 Corinthians 10:16
 (The Remedy Paraphrase)