

Fletcher Seventh-day Adventist Church

Sabbath, February 3, 2024

Our Purpose is to Lift Jesus Up and Love People In

We welcome all who want to know Jesus and His love for people.

Let's grow together, discovering Jesus and His plan for our lives.

Prelude Russell Drapiza

10:50 am Family Worship Service

Hymn of Praise Russell & Lauren Drapiza

#524 'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus

Prayer Song *#482 Father, Lead Me Day by Day*

Prayer Tom Lugas

Children's Feature Karie Nelson

Connecting Pastor Ryan Ashlock

Worship in Giving Jimm Bunch

Tithes, & Offerings, Church Budget

Adoration & Praise Russell & Lauren Drapiza

Gratitude

Still

Build My Life

Scripture Fonda Lynes

Daniel 3:13-25

Sermon **THE KING AND THE FURNACE** Pastor Ryan Ashlock

Song of Response Russell & Lauren Drapiza

The Steadfast Love of the Lord

Benediction Pastor Ryan Ashlock

Postlude Russell Drapiza

WELCOME! We are happy to have you with us today at the Fletcher Seventh-day Adventist Church. Whether this is your first time or you are a regular attendee, we pray that you will experience the welcoming presence of Jesus as you worship in person or via our livestream. We would love to have you join us on the journey of faith. To become a member, please inquire at the information desk in the narthex.

WHAT'S HAPPENING: For information about church events please visit <https://www.fletchersda.org/whats-happening> or scan the QR code to the right. If you would like a printed copy of our newsletter, it is available on the welcome table in the narthex.



WOULD YOU LIKE SOMEONE TO PRAY WITH YOU? After the worship service today and every Sabbath, one of the church elders will be available to pray with you in Room #210 on the main level.

TODAY

9:30 am Sabbath Schools, various locations

10:50 am Family Worship Service (in person and livestream)

Video - Jason Gardner

Audio - Ken Arany

Platform Elder - Mike Witt

Deacons on Duty - Jim Archer, Terry Higgins, Bryan Beerbower, Richard Berry

Hospitality - Jimm Bunch, Hilary Resla, Debbie Engelkemier, April Sigsworth

NEXT WEEK'S TEAM

Video - Jason Gardner

Audio - Heath Miller

Platform Elder - Elvera Blake

Deacons on Duty - Jim Archer, Terry Higgins, Bryan Beerbower, Richard Berry

Hospitality - Lisa Albertson, Marcia Van Arsdell, Pat Higgins, Jacqui Sutton

Our Schools



CAPTAIN GILMER CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

A Ministry of FAI

Grades K-8

www.captaingilmer.com

Phone: 828-684-8221



FLETCHER ACADEMY

A Ministry of FAI

Grades 9-12

www.fletcheracademy.org

Call 828-209-6800

Ministries & Growth Opportunities

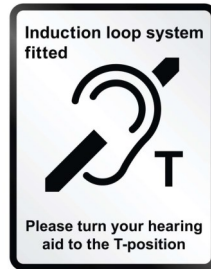
Thrift Store open on Tuesdays 9am-1pm. Located on Doelger Drive.

Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting at 7 pm each Sunday, Room 118, Lower Level.



FLETCHER CHRISTIAN COUNSELING CENTER

If you or someone you know is in need of mental health services go to our website at fletcherccc.com, email thefletcherccc@gmail.com or call (828) 263-6526. If you call, please leave a message.



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Address: 1141 Howard Gap Road, Hendersonville NC 28792

Telephone: 828-684-0332

E-mail: secretary@fletchersda.org

Website: www.fletchersda.org

Live Streaming: Church website online live streaming tab

Church Secretary: Katie Thrash **Office Hours:** Wed-Thu 8am – 1pm

Lead Pastor: Ryan Ashlock pastorryan@fletchersda.org (704) 534-6480

Youth Pastor: James Reynaert james@fletchersda.org (239) 671-5669

Associate Pastor: Ivan Blake pastorivan@fletchersda.org (828) 782-7777

Treasury: Darlene Nash treasury@fletchersda.org

AV Director: Jason Gardner, contact the church office

SABBATH SCHOOL CLASSES FOR ALL AGES

Join us at 9:30 am each Sabbath for an age-appropriate Bible class.

Ask at the information desk for directions to classrooms.

Children

Beginner (birth-2yrs)	Room# 103	Teacher: Darlene Nash
Pre-K (3-4yrs)	Room# 106	Teacher: Vangie Archer
Kindergarten (5-6yrs)	Room# 101	Teacher: Tami Summey
Primary (grades 1-3)	Room# 303	Teacher: Evelyn Nicholaides
Junior (grades 4-6)	Room# 310	Teacher: Jason Wightman
Earliteen (grades 7-8)	Room# 313	Teacher: Becki Wightman
Youth (grades 9-12)	Youth Room	Teacher: Pastor James

Collegiate

Upper Level - Room #308 Teacher: John Krishingner

ADULT CLASSES

Lower Level - Room #105 Teacher: Nate Moretz

Lower Level - Room #118 Teacher: Mike Cabana

Upper Level - Room #301 Teacher: Connie Peters

Upper Level - Room #306 Teacher: Debbie McDonald

Upper Level - Room #311 Teacher: Pat Moore

Main Level - Room #203 Teacher: Beres Powell

Main Level - Room #211 Teacher: Jerry Nash/Mitchell Nicholaides

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NEWSLETTER - February 1, 2024



RELIGIOUS LIBERTY - theme during the month of February for Sabbath sermons. This week on **February 3**, Pastor Ryan will preach from Daniel 3. Study the passage to prepare for this week's message. On **February 17**, Amireh Al-Haddad, Director of Public Affairs & Religious Liberty for the Southern Union Conference of the Seventh-day Adventist Church, will be our guest speaker. Following potluck on that date she will conduct a seminar on current events affecting religious liberty. All are welcome.

SDA COMMUNITY SINGLES IN THE PARK - is hosting a potluck meal on Sabbath, **February 3** in the fellowship hall at 12:30pm. Please bring food to share. Please bring a single friend. All area singles are invited. Please contact Kathy Lynch for information. 828.693.9936 or singles@fletchersda.org.

GYM/GAME NIGHT - at the Lelia Patterson Center, **February 3** at 7:00pm, starting with worship, games to follow. Everyone is welcome. Join us as we fellowship together!

FLETCHER CHURCH SINGLES MINISTRY - is hosting a Valentines Event. The date is Sabbath, **February 10** at 3:30 pm. The meal will be held in the fellowship hall. Please bring food to share. Please bring a single friend. All area singles are invited. Please contact Kath Lynch for more information. 828.693.9936 or via email at singles@fletchersda.org.

NORTH CAROLINA OPPORTUNITY SCHOLARSHIP - For the 2024-2025 school year all North Carolina K-12 students are eligible for the scholarship regardless of income. Prior public school enrollment is no longer a requirement for eligibility. The Opportunity Scholarship helps parents pay tuition and fees at eligible nonpublic schools. Both of our schools, Captain Gilmer and Fletcher Academy, are currently eligible. Scholarship applications open on February 1, 2024 for new applicants. Families should apply by March 1st (there is no advantage to applying February 1st). Current scholarship families will receive renewal notifications beginning in February. Scholarships range from approximately \$3,000 to \$7,000 and are based on a family's household income. For more information and to apply visit <https://www.ncseaa.edu/k12/opportunity/>

SUITCASES NEEDED - for the Kenya Mission Trip. The mission trip team will be taking supplies to be used and donated. They need suitcases that can be left in Kenya, so if you have a suitcase you no longer need, please drop it off at the church office or contact Laura Ashlock @ 704-534-6999 or laura.ashlock@gmail.com

JOB OPENING - Community Services Director - The Fletcher Church Thrift Store is a growing ministry. This is a paid position. 10 hrs/week. Contact Pastor Ryan Ashlock. Please keep our thrift store and the team of volunteers who serve there in your prayers. We need a better location for the thrift store sooner rather than later.

PRAYER POWER

If you would like to be added to our prayer list please speak with one of the pastors or contact the church office during office hours. You are welcome to join us in praying for the following people:
 Individuals with private needs. Also: Opie Winston; Annette Heller, friend of Greg & Connie Peters, cancer diagnosis; Dolly Sills, pancreatic cancer, (sister of Don Wetmore); Rodney Johnson, (brother of Sarah Huston); Darlene Nash; Tim Browning; Janis Moore's cousin Debi, brain tumor; Mike Summey; Julie C. with kidney failure, and her family, for strength & comfort; Hayden Brown; Jim Archer; Nancy Merz; Rolene Hanson; Noreen Harrison (in hospice care) and her children, Lori & Michael; Cheri Matthews recovery from surgery, her step-father (cancer) & mother; Elizabeth Culver; Elaine Myers; Brittany (Weis) Kinney; Ellen Herman, Maria Nudd's mother; Gene and Anne Krishinger; Paula Saunders; Shari & Kyrie Ruiz; Susan Chun's niece, Janice Chun, leukemia; Debbie Shaw's friend; Tara Rains; Steven Jones, military service; Sharon Brinson; Gerald Moretz; Brad Hansen; Bob & Joyce Osborne; Jack LaPrade; John Campbell; Brexton Fleming, developmental challenges; Shirley Polivka's friends Christine & Jade Davis; Kathy Sterner's sister-in-law, heart; Dave Pendleton's friends; Our home-bound members; Fletcher Academy Ministries Inc.; Captain Gilmer Christian School; Fletcher Park Inn; Radio Station WFHC; AdventHealth.

INTERFAITH ASSISTANCE MINISTRIES

Please leave items for Interfaith in the box in the coat closet near the narthex.



IAM INTERFAITH ASSISTANCE MINISTRY
IAM PANTRY NEEDS
 FEBRUARY 2024

Your generosity will have a direct and immediate impact on the lives of Henderson County residents dealing with issues of health, safety, and food insecurity.

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| <p>Food Items</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Peanut Butter • Canned fruit • Canned tuna and chicken • Canned corn • Canned mixed vegetables • Canned beans • Canned soup • Canned diced tomatoes • Dry pasta • Pasta Sauce • Cereal | <p>Personal Care Items</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Diapers sizes 4,5,6 (no pull-ups) • Stick deodorant • Shampoo • Bar Soap • Toothpaste • Toothbrushes • Razors • Baby wipes • Gallon ziplock bags |
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Pantry items can be dropped off at our facility located at 360 Freeman Street, Monday thru Thursday 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. and Friday 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. For more information, please contact our Food Assistance Department Manager at 828-497-7029 ext. 208.

Our offices are located directly behind Topple's Mexican Restaurant and inside the Blue Ridge Mall off Four Seasons Boulevard.

THANK YOU!




IAM INTERFAITH ASSISTANCE MINISTRY
IAM CLOTHING NEEDS
 FEBRUARY 2024

New Items Appreciated. Gently Used Always Welcomed.

- Men's Jeans Sizes 28-32
- Towels
- Blankets/Comforters
- Boys' and Girls' Shoes - New and Gently Used
- Boys' and Girls' Teen Clothing
- New Underwear in All Sizes
- Gently Used or New Hooded Winter Coats
- Plastic Totes



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OTHER NEWS AROUND OUR COMMUNITY

DO IT TOGETHER SABBATH SCHOOL CONFERENCE - Free online training **February 2-3, 2024** hosted by the North American Division. General sessions and workshops for Sabbath School Superintendents, Adult Sabbath School leaders, Children's Sabbath School leaders, Youth Sabbath School leaders, and Young Adult Sabbath School leaders. To register and for more information go to www.OneTeamPlaybook.org

FREE EVENT - SABBATH SCHOOL TRAINING SEMINAR - for Sabbath School leaders and teachers of Beginner-Youth to share ideas and encouragement. **February 3, 2024** from 2:30-5:30pm at the Hendersonville SDA Church. Presenters: Greg & Kim Taylor from the Southern Union Children/Youth/Young Adult Ministries, Kathy Russell, Children's Min. Dir., and Children's Ministry Leaders; Elvera Blake, Patty Dmytriyev, & Desiree Magnant. Free light supper provided from 5:30-6:30pm for those interested. (After supper, the church is having a family night roller skating session, providing roller skates and you are invited to join.) To register: Please RSVP at <https://d.io/childrensministryssworkshop>.

ALUMNI DINNER - Andrews University is hosting a dinner for alumni and prospective students in the Asheville area on Tuesday, **February 6**, at 6 pm at the Hilton Garden Inn Downtown. Enjoy networking with fellow alums, as well as learning about current news and future events. For more details and to reserve your spot (its free), contact alumni.andrews.edu/rsvp, call 269-471-3591, or email alumni@andrews.edu.

ROMANCE AT THE RANCH - **February 9-11, 2024** at Nosoca Pines Ranch with Roger and Latonia Schmidt. You may register at d.io/romanceattheranch. See flyers on the table in the narthex under the TV screen.

RELIGIOUS ACCOMMODATION IN THE WORKPLACE - The Southern Union PARL Department is hosting a [Zoom](#) session on February 24 at 5:00 pm. This live webinar reviews the EEOC Guidelines and will help to clarify some common misconceptions about the employment law that covers religious accommodation. Learn the basic "dos and don'ts" before you head into a crisis. Presented by Kevin James, passcode is: freedom



AWAKEN - **March 1-3, 2024**. A 3-day conference at Nosoca Pines Ranch in South Carolina, designed to equip young adults for the next step in their journey to spiritual revival. Keynote speaker Sam Leonor, Music by Warehouse and Pursuit. The theme this year is "The Power of Love" Register at awakenncc.com

SINGLES MINISTRY RETREAT - March 8-10, 2024 at Nosoca Pines Ranch with speaker Pastor Eli Rojas. Register at carolinasda.org. For more information contact lmoyer@carolinasda.org.

LIGHT THE NIGHT - **March 18, 2024** at BRCC Conference Hall, 49 E. Campus Dr. Flat Rock from 5:30p-7:30p. A documentary film to spread hope and fight suicide with guest speaker Emma Benoit. This event is designed for teens. Free Chick-Fil-A, candy, merch and more! Learn more: <https://www.lighthenight828.com>

ADVENTIST YOUNG PROFESSIONALS MISSION TRIP - **May 22-27, 2024** During the 5 days together, you'll participate in a restoration project, outreach projects, and impactful worship. Beyond making a missional impact in Miami, you'll have the opportunity to experience the sights of SoFlo alongside new friends from across North America and beyond! Pre-registration is now open! Visit AYP.me/MissionTrip to learn more and pre-register.

ASAP MINISTRIES - Partner with Asap Ministries in serving the marginalized and reaching the unreached in Southeast Asia with the wholistic gospel. What you do today can change a life for eternity! To learn more visit asapministries.org. Subscribe to their weekly Mission Matters videos. Follow them on [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), and [YouTube: asapministries](#)

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2	7:30 am 5:59 pm 6:00 pm	Praying Together on the Phone, call 452-436-6304 access code #6840332 Sunset 'The First', Fellowship Hall, Family Life Sabbath School
SABBATH, FEBRUARY 3	8:15 am 9:30 am 10:50 am 12:30 pm 5:59 pm 7:00 pm	Elders Meeting, Conference Room, Merle Peterson Sabbath School, all ages, classes listed in bulletin Worship Service, Sanctuary & Livestream, Pastor Ryan Ashlock SDA Community Singles Potluck, Kathy Lynch Sunset Gym Night, Lelia Patterson Center
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4	7:00 pm 7:30 pm	AA Meeting, Room #118, Kris Wetmore Praying Together on the Phone, call 452-436-6304 access code #6840332
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 5	6:30 pm 7:00 pm	Handbell practice, Fellowship Hall, Debbie & Kevin Engelkemier Bible Study, Holy Spirit, Conference Room, Mary Alice White
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 6	9:00am-1:00pm	Thrift Store, Doelger Drive, Gerald Moretz
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 7	11:00 am 6:00 pm 6:30 pm After Prayer Service	Faithlift Women's Bible Study, Matthew's Take on Jesus, Room #311, Elvera Blake Adventure and Pathfinder Club Meetings, Lower Level, Pastor James Reynaert Mid-week Prayer Service, Sanctuary, Pastor Ryan Ashlock Bible Study, Room #212, Mitchell Nicholaides
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8	6:45 am	Men's Bible Study, Conference Room, Pastor Ivan Blake
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 9	7:30 am 6:02 pm	Praying Together on the Phone, call 452-436-6304 access code #6840332 Sunset
SABBATH, FEBRUARY 10	9:30 am 10:50 am 3:30 pm 6:02 pm	Sabbath School, all ages, classes listed in bulletin Worship Service, Sanctuary & Livestream, Pastor James Reynaert Fletcher Church Singles, Fellowship Hall, Kathy Lynch Sunset


CHURCH BUDGET JULY 2023 - JUNE 2024 You can make contributions online by going to fletchersda.org and clicking on "online giving" or you can mail your tithe and offerings to:

YTD through December: Needed: 201,106.00
Received: 231,935.43

January: Needed: 33,518.00
Received: 6,712.80

A copy of the Church Budget is available at the desk in the narthex.

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1141 Howard Gap Road, Hendersonville, NC 28792
Note: All appeals for funds are to be approved by the Finance Committee Send tax deductible donation for WFHC Radio to:
PO Box 153, Naples, NC 28760



COMMUNITY OUTREACH BY THE FLETCHER SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH

Many church members are actively involved in serving their community. They do it freely, generously, without making known what they do. But we hear about some of what is done in the name of Christ, and we give thanks to God for this effective ministry.

Below is a list of some of the organized and known activities that serve the needs of people in our community and beyond. If you would like to get involved in helping with one or more of these ministries, please contact a pastor or one of the ministry leaders.

1. The **Thrift Store**, a ministry of Fletcher Church, is staffed by volunteers from our church community and beyond. It provides clothing, furniture, and household items to the public. Often the store assists people who face hard times by donating materials.

2. The **Fletcher Christian Counseling Center** is a ministry of the Fletcher Church and provides Christ-centered mental health services. We currently employ three therapists who meet with clients throughout the week.

3. We partner with other Seventh-day Adventist Churches to support our schools **Fletcher Academy** and **Captain Gilmer Christian School**. Members of our congregation work and volunteer at the schools and provide scholarship funds for children from the community as well as for members of our church family.

4. Programs on **Mental and Physical Health, Divorce Recovery, and Depression Management** attract people from the community. The programs run for several weeks at a time and occur throughout the year.

5. **Bible Presentations** are held each year to serve those who respond to our invitations with opportunities to know God, the Gospel of Jesus Christ and life in the Spirit.

6. Our church facility is a venue for weekly meetings held by **Alcoholics Anonymous** and **Narcotics Anonymous**. Such organizations often have difficulty being accommodated by churches. We are happy to open our doors to these recovery support groups.

7. Each year up to 70 children attend the **Foster Children's Christmas Party** which is put on by our church. Henderson County Social Services partners with us to select the families. Our church members purchase gifts for the children and provide food and funds to shower the kids with love.

8. Children and youth from the community are sponsored each summer to attend age-appropriate **Summer** Camp at NOSOCA Pines Ranch in South Carolina.

9. We partner with the Lelia Patterson Center on Sunday mornings for an **Adult Basketball Ministry** starting at 9am. Please contact Mark Murrill at 918-361-6794 for more information.

10. A faithful team of volunteers from our church serves lunch every Sunday to the homeless at the **Hendersonville Rescue Mission**.

11. Our congregation supports the **Interfaith Assistance Ministry** organization with funds and volunteer help. This organization has skilled personnel who assist needy people in Henderson County with food, clothing, rent assistance, and utility payments.

12. Agencies such as **Safelight, Free Clinics, and Open Arms Pregnancy Center** in Hendersonville are supported by members of our church who provide volunteer help.

13. Our church sponsors a family who has devoted years of their lives to serve in a country where Jesus is not known, to share Christ through incarnational ministry in **Overseas Missions**.