



FLETCHER

SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH

Newsletter

November 27, 2025

Join us for a
Christmas Eve Service

December 24, 2025

6:30 pm

Beautiful Music & Scripture
Fletcher Seventh-day Adventist Church
1141 Howard Gap Rd. Hendersonville, NC



POTLUCK SCHEDULE - We normally have a vegetarian potluck on the third and last Sabbath of each month after the worship service. The next potluck will be **November 29**. Please bring food to share.

KENYA MISSION TRIP - Want to participate in the Kenya Mission Trip without leaving home? Sponsor a clean water filtration bucket for \$30. It will provide clean water for a family for up to 10 years. The filtration systems are purchased through RipplAffect and are geo tagged, so once we've handed them out in June 2026, you'll be able to see a photo of the family who received it, and track their location on the website's map.

WYLER FAMILY UPDATE - Since 2021 the Fletcher Church has provided financial support to the Wylers, a missionary family serving with Adventist Frontier Missions in a creative access country. Thank you to the many of you who gave generously to the Fletcher Mission Fund and the Wyler Fund these past several years. Our missionaries shared the light of Jesus with many people under difficult circumstances. A few months ago the Wylers came home to the USA on permanent return and their project has been closed down. Because of this the option to give to the Wyler project through AdventistGiving has been discontinued. If you contributed to the Wyler Fund in the past please consider reallocating your mission offering to the Fletcher Mission Fund going forward. The Mission Fund is used to support various mission projects at home and abroad. This year during the month of December (and continuing through January 2026) the offerings given to the Fletcher Mission Fund will be used to support and expand the work of our own Community Services and Thrift Store ministry.

A NEW WAY OF THINKING - This year your pastors and elders spent time reflecting on what God is calling us to be and do as leaders. We recognized the need for a new way of thinking about ourselves and our church. As your leaders, we are not simply the elders and pastors of this church, but of the cities of Hendersonville and Fletcher. Each member of the Fletcher Church is invited into this new way of thinking and living. We are not a church that exists to serve only ourselves, but to serve the communities in which we live. We want to think of the people around us as part of our community and part of our church family even if they aren't formal members of the Adventist Church. In alignment with this new way of thinking, the church board voted on November 18 to merge the Benevolent Fund and the Emergency Assistance Fund into one fund that will be called the Benevolent Fund. These two funds were set up years ago with good intentions - one fund to serve church members and the other fund to serve non-members. But we aren't going to make a distinction any longer based on church membership. The fund will exist to help anyone in need. The fund will continue to be administered as it has in the past. A small and confidential committee considers requests for financial assistance and provides help with a goal of sustainable empowerment. If you know of someone who is in need of financial assistance, please contact one of the pastors. You may give to the Benevolent Fund online or by marking an offering envelope accordingly. It is also our practice to collect an offering for the Benevolent Fund at the end of each communion service. Our next communion service will be January 10, 2026.

SERMON SERIES: GOD WITH US

November 29

Pastor Ryan Ashlock 1 John 3:1-3

Sons & Daughters of God



December 6

Pastor Ryan Ashlock 2 Cor. 5:11-21

Emmanuel & Christian Identity



December 13

Pastor Ryan Ashlock Luke 2:8-14

Christ the Lord



December 20

Pastor James Reynaert Genesis 3:8-15

Nakama



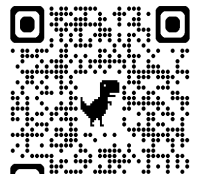
December 27

Pastor Ryan Ashlock Romans 5:15-19

From Stuck to Unstuck

**JEANNIE'S
CARINGBRIDGE** -

Updates about
Jeannie Larrabee's
battle with cancer
are available at the



CaringBridge website. Use the link
or QR code to sign up for access -
<https://tinyurl.com/7kv275b3>.

CGCS CHRISTMAS PROGRAM - We invite you to support our Captain Gilmer Christian School students by attending their annual holiday program, entitled "The King is Coming". It will be held at the Lelia Patterson Center, on **December 12** at 7:00 PM. You may also watch it by broadcast at fletcheracademy.org (Campus Life/Livestream).

FLETCHER ACADEMY CHRISTMAS PROGRAM - Mark your calendar to enjoy Christmas inspiration as the academy presents its annual program: Saturday, **December 13**, Time to the announced, at the Lelia Patterson Center.

PRAYER REQUESTS

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.
- AdventHealth
- Captain Gilmer Christian School
- Fletcher Academy Ministries Inc.
- Our home-bound members
- Radio Station WFHC
- Also:*
- Ana Roberts, friend of Georgina Hill
- Anne Krishinger
- Annette Heller, friend of Greg & Connie Peters
- Bob Hansen
- Brad Hansen
- Brexton Fleming
- Brittany (Weis) Kinney
- Cheri Matthews, her step-father & mother
- Colton Summey
- Dawn Christianson, daughter of Shirley Polivka
- Dave Pendleton's friends
- Debbie Shaw's friend
- Gene Wilkie
- Gerald Moretz
- Hayden Brown
- Jeannie Larrabee
- Jill Barnett & Julio Chavez
- John Campbell
- John Carter
- Jon Smith
- Julie C. and her family
- Kathy Sterner's sister-in-law
- Larissa Moon's teacher & teacher's daughter
- Leroy Brown
- Linda & Gary Thiry
- Lorraine Gang
- Mike Summey
- Opie Winston
- Paula Saunders
- Rodney Johnson, brother of Sarah Huston
- Rosa Kirwan
- Shirley Polivka's friends Christine & Jad Davis
- Shari & Kyrie Ruiz
- Sharon Brinson
- Sharon McGraw and her Aunt Mary, Betty and cousin Gary Wayne Sanders
- Steven Jones, military service
- Sylvia Donahue
- Tara Rains and Emilee, family of Kathy Lynch
- Theresa Southard
- Tisha Kirwan
- Velda Capps

END-OF-YEAR MISSION PROJECT - Every December the Fletcher Church adopts a mission project or several projects both local and across the world. In the past we have supported local ministries like the Asheville Dream Center and Open Arms Pregnancy Center in Hendersonville as well as a Clean Water Project in Kenya and the Wyler Family, a missionary family sharing Jesus in a hard-to-reach context overseas. This year our mission project is our very own Community Services and Thrift Store. This ministry of the Fletcher Church had been operating for decades out of an old dormitory on the Fletcher Academy campus, but this summer we were able to purchase a new building at 2231 Howard Gap Rd. The center provides free food, low-cost clothing and home goods to hundreds of people each month. Dozens of people who walk through the doors of the center are able to pray with one of our volunteers. They consider the center to be their "church." We aim to expand the hours of operation, further improve the facility, and expand the ministry offerings. Your end-of-year gift to the Fletcher Mission Fund will bolster the effectiveness of the Community Services and Thrift Store. Give online <https://www.fletchersda.org/give> or mark your offering envelope for "Fletcher Mission Fund."

REMINDER - Please check the Lost and Found for any missing items. Anything left after **December 28** will be discarded or donated, so be sure to pick up your belongings before then!



**LOST &
FOUND**

CHRISTMAS CAROL SING-ALONG

Silent Night, Holy Night



KELLY
MOWRER
CONCERT PIANIST

December 6, 2025
4:00 PM

Fletcher Seventh-day Adventist Church
1141 Howard Gap Rd, Hendersonville NC 28792

PODCAST - Have you missed a sermon or want to revisit a powerful message from our church? Now you can! Our podcast features recordings of past sermons, allowing you to listen and reflect on inspiring messages from our dedicated pastors anytime, anywhere. Listen on [Spotify](#)!



CRAVING FRESH? - Come check out the Fletcher Academy Farm. The self-serve farm stand is open Monday 8 AM - Friday 4 PM, and is stocked with fresh, seasonal produce grown using organic methods right on campus. 15 Academy Farm Tr. Fletcher, NC 28732. Contact the farm by phone at (828) 209-6747 and follow on Instagram @fletcheracademyfarm.



FLETCHER CHURCH SINGLES
MINISTRY

Christmas PARTY

DECEMBER

6

AT 3:30PM

We will be celebrating the birth of our Savior on December 6 beginning at 3:30 pm until 7:00 pm in the Fletcher Church Fellowship Hall. All Singles are welcome. The Kelly Mower concert will be part of our program from 4:00 - 5:00 pm.

PLEASE CONTACT KATHY LYNCH FOR
INFORMATION. CALL OR TEXT 828-693-9936
OR EMAIL SINGLES@FLETCHERSDA.ORG.

❖ OTHER NEWS AROUND OUR COMMUNITY ❖

DONATE TO JAMAICAN RELIEF EFFORTS - On October 28 one of the most intense Atlantic hurricanes to ever make landfall hit the island nation of Jamaica, causing widespread devastation. Adventist Community Services (ACS) is providing relief to communities affected by the storm. If you would like to donate to the efforts through our local church please designate your offering for ACS Disaster Response. In online giving, you will find ACS Disaster Response listed under World Offerings.

AFTER SCHOOL CARE NEEDED - After School Care Needed - A single mother needs help with after school care. She has two children who need to be picked up and cared for until she can pick them up after work. The days needed are: Wednesdays and Thursdays, 3:00-5:30 PM and every Other Friday, 2:00-5:30 PM. This will be a paid position every week. Please contact Jana @ 828-545-1044 for more information.



EMERGENCY RELIEF NEEDED NOW

Hurricane Melissa has torn through communities, leaving families without homes, power, or essentials.

THEY NEED OUR HELP; AND THEY NEED IT NOW.

Your gift can bring hope, food, and shelter to those in crisis.

ADVENTIST COMMUNITY SERVICES

North American Division of Seventh-day Adventists

EVERY DONATION MAKES A DIFFERENCE.

EVANGELISM IMPACT 2026 - Grow Carolina: Together in Mission **January 1-3, 2026**. Start the new year with Evangelism Impact 2026, a weekend of inspiration and training hosted by the Carolina Conference. Beginning Thursday evening at 7:00 PM and continuing through Sabbath night, the event features plenary sessions and breakout workshops from multiple ministries. Make your own hotel reservations. Sabbath lunch is included; all other meals are on your own. <https://register.adventsourceevents.org/EvangelismImpact>



THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Friday, November 28	7:30 am 5:19 pm	Praying Together on the Phone, call 425-436-6304 access code 684-0332# Sunset
Sabbath, November 29	9:30 am 10:50 am 12:30 pm 5:17 pm	Sabbath School, all ages, classes listed in bulletin Worship Service, Sanctuary & Livestream, Pastor Ryan Ashlock Potluck, Fellowship Hall, Ashlock Team Sunset
Sunday, November 30	7:30 pm	Praying Together on the Phone, call 425-436-6304 access code 684-0332#
Monday, December 1	6:15 pm	Bible Study-Hebrews, Conference Room, Mary Alice White
Tuesday, December 2	10:00 am-4:00 pm	Thrift Store, Merle Peterson, 2231 Howard Gap Rd
Wednesday, December 3	5:20 pm 6:30 pm 7:00 pm	Adeventurers & Pathfinders, Lower Level, Pastor James Reynaert Mid-Week Prayer Service, Youth Room, Ryan Ashlock HOPE Bible Study, Fellowship Hall, Mike Cabana & Don Wetmore
Thursday, December 4	6:45 am	Men's Bible Study, Conference Room, Pastor Ivan Blake
Friday, December 5	7:30 am 5:17 pm 7:30 pm	Praying Together on the Phone, call 425-436-6304 access code 684-0332# Sunset Fletcher Academy Christmas Vespers, Sanctuary
Sabbath, December 6	9:30 am 10:50 am 4:00 pm 5:17 pm	Sabbath School, all ages, classes listed in bulletin Worship Service, Sanctuary & Livestream, Pastor Ryan Ashlock Christmas Carol Sing-Along with Kelly Mowrer, Sanctuary Sunset

CHURCH BUDGET JULY 2025 - JUNE 2026

YTD through October:

Needed: 160,278.00

Received: 133,117.07

November:

Needed: 40,069.50

Received: 14,245.39

You can make contributions online by going to fletchersda.org/give or you can mail your tithe and offering for Fletcher Seventh-day Adventist Church: 1141 Howard Gap Road, Hendersonville, NC 28792

Note: All appeals for funds are to be approved by the Finance Committee.

Send tax deductible donations for WFHC Radio to: PO Box 153, Naples, NC 28760



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

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 five 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 Men's Basketball Ministry** starting at 9am. Please contact Jacob Stout at 573-303-1969 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.