General Information

CHURCH FINANCIAL SNAPSHOT

August, 2021	Budget	Actual
Needed	\$264,640.00	
Received	\$237,135.01 *	\$237,135.01 *
Spent		\$237,078.37
Surplus (Deficit)	(\$27.504.99)	\$56.64

*Includes restricted giving that offsets church budget expenses.

BUDGET: Our 2021 church budget is \$396,960 to cover our ministries, SLA subsidy, building maintenance, and operating expenses.

ACTUAL: This compares income vs. expenses. We'd like to fund everything according to budget, but we try not to spend what we haven't received yet.

REBIRTH 21: This loan was for repairs and renovations such as the kitchen, the ramp, and the sanctuary sound system. Donations to repay this loan are separate from church budget giving. Loan details:

August, 2021	Budget
Needed	\$3,032.00
Received	\$4,654.05
Applied	\$4,654.05

Loan Balance \$133,953.58

REMEMBER: Tithe, though doing a vital work, goes to our local Conference and doesn't cover any of our expenses. Those come out of Church Budget. So let's make the Church Budget as regular a part of our giving as tithe. We believe God will bless us for it.

SCHEDULE OF SPEAKERS

Oct. 16	Ralph Dawkins	
Oct. 23	Bill Knott	
Oct. 30	Pathfinder Sabbath	

PARENTS WITH INFANTS: We have a "training chapel" for your convenience in the right rear of the sanctuary. It includes a rest room, a private nursing area, and a baby changing station. There are also changing stations in the rest rooms downstairs.

• Note: a Sabbath School class meets there from 10:00–11:00 AM.

TV BROADCASTS: Our services air on Sterling/Lancaster, Clinton, and Leominster cable on a 1-week delay. Please see https://wearecc.net/ local-tv for times and channels.

WANT TO SPONSOR SANCTUARY FLOWERS to commemorate a special event? Please fill out the form at https://wearecc.net/flowers or the yellow card found on the backs of the pews.

AGAPE FUND AND WORTHY STUDENT FUND: The Agape fund helps College Church members who are in need, and the Worthy Student fund helps families pay for Adventist education. To donate, designate either fund accordingly on your tithe envelope.

COMMUNITY SERVICE CENTER: 129 Bolton Rd., Lancaster, 978-365-7152.

- Help for the Needy: On Tuesdays from 9:30 AM-noon you can pick up clothing and housewares. There is a small donation requested, but not required.
- House of Refuge: 7:00–8:45 PM on the second Friday of each month. Come for a sermonette, music, and testimonies. To take part in the service, call or text Becky Renzi at 978-870-0266.

FEED THE HUNGRY: Second Friday of the month, 3:30 PM. We prepare and serve food for the needy at WHEAT in Clinton.

NURSING HOME MINISTRY: Fourth Friday of the month. Michelle Lee Williams leads this ministry for the residents of Sterling Village, 18 Dana Hill Rd, Sterling, MA. She needs pianists, singers, and speakers each month. For info, call her at 508-728-6495.

BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS are due Wednesdays by 10:00 AM (except in certain holiday weeks) at bulletin@wearecc.net. All submissions require pastoral staff approval and are subject to editing.

HARD OF HEARING? Try an assisted listening device from the sound booth in the back of the sanctuary. Bring your headphones to connect (needs standard headphone jack).

Education & Music

SOUTH LANCASTER ACADEMY provides Seventh-day Adventist Christian education from Pre-K through grade 12. We are a constituent church of this fine institution, providing both financial & logistical support. Info: 978-368-8544, www.mysla.org.

• SLA ALUMNI: Do we have your contact info, especially your email? Our email is slaalumni.contact@gmail.com, or go to our website at www.slaalumni.org to update your info. We also post updates on Facebook. Alumni Weekend is October 8-10. Have you made your plans?

AUC ALUMNI: Are you receiving the latest info on alumni events? Visit AlumniofAUC.com to sign up for monthly emails with news. If you don't have email, you can sign up to receive a special note from the Alumni Association. Visit AlumniofAUC.com today!

MEN'S CHORUS: Ralph Dawkins leads this group Sundays at 6:00 PM.

THAYER CONSERVATORY is open for lessons in art, drama, and instruments: piano (including gospel piano), guitar, strings, harp, brass, woodwinds, percussion, and voice. Groups include flute ensemble, brass ensemble, orchestras, and special classes for homeschoolers.

 More Info: At 438 Main St., So. Lancaster, MA; 978-368-2100; or ThayerConservatory.org. Please pray for us as we not only serve our Adventist friends, but also seek to reach the greater community.



Online Services

HTTPS://WEARECC.NET has our calendar, videos, bulletins, and more.

ONLINE/MOBILE GIVING: Download the Adventist Giving app or click the Giving link on our website. Be sure to choose the College Church or we won't get your donation. Questions? Please contact the church office.







Bulletin

Contact Us

MINISTRY NEEDS/MEMBERSHIP: We'd love to hear your prayer and ministry needs, comments, or address changes. See below to contact us, or fill out the card found on the back of the pews. You can also request membership transfer with the card, or at http://wearecc.net.

CHURCH OFFICE:

Regular Monday, Wednesday: 11:15 AM-1:00 PM, 2:00-4:00 PM

Hours: Tuesday: 8:30 AM-1:00 PM, 2:00-4:00 PM

Friday: 10:00 AM-1:00 PM

It's best to confirm coverage before coming because the office administrator sometimes substitutes at SLA.

Phone: 978-368-2130

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Caleb Bastien and Ron Gründer, Treasurers:

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Photo of kingfisher by Peter Christoph.

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The Church at Work

PRAYER & VISITATION FOCUS

Health Concerns: Reinhard Jarschke (Annette Siver's dad), Inigo Vega, Ofelia Maskewich, Larry Curtis, Liam Henderson (son of Winnekeag director Andrew), Sean Nolan (friend of Adelita Weaver), Linda Oetman, John King (Bonita's husband), George Price and family, six members of the Schad family, Rich Lamoureux, Keila Mejia, Salma Prata and Solange Baia (Keila's mom and aunt); Elnora King, Joe Drader; Michael (friend of Cameron Loss); Rachel Gravelin, Danny Morris, Laura Lee Williams, David Tessier (brother of Wendy Hall), Isaac (relative of the Giffords), Bob Rogers, Lorelie Linton (Dan's mom), Donna Church (Frank Howes' niece), Juanita Quaile (Judy Moran's mom).

Week at a Glance. See the announcements or general info for more.

South Lancaster Sunset: Today 6:04 PM, Friday 5:55 PM

Today Church Photo Directory Pictures 8:30 AM SLA Fundraiser Breakfast 11:00 AM Grow Group: Running

10:30 AM SLA Grades 6–9 Week of Prayer (all week)

2:00 PM College Church TV Broadcast

7:00 PM Finance Committee 7:00 PM Church Board

Tues. 9:00 PM Late Night Bible Study

Wed. 12:00 PM Bulletin Deadline

7:00 PM Adult Prayer Meeting

6:00 PM King's Kids Thur.

7:00 PM SLA Board

7:30 PM Al-Anon Meeting

2:00 PM Sterling Village Ministry

6:30 PM Community Handbell Choir Rehearsal

7:00 PM Friday Night Lights

7:30 PM Gospel of Matthew Study

Sat. 10:00 AM College Church TV Broadcast (more airings)

10:00 AM Sabbath School (see Church at Study)

11:15 AM Worship Service: Bill Knott, speaker

After Church Fellowship Dinner

ds' Worship TODAY, 11:15 AM | ONSITE AND ONLINE

Kids of all ages are invited to worship together. Meet God through songs, prayer, interactive Bible stories, creative crafts, learning about people around the world, and nature nuggets. Join your friends in a fun and inspirational service.

Login here: https://wearecc.net/kids-worship

CHURCH DIRECTORY PHOTOS

TODAY | LOWER FOYER

If you would rather, you may email a 'selfie'to office@wearecc.net.

WILLIAM NESS IN RECITAL

TOMORROW, 3:00 PM | FIRST CHURCH, MARLBOROUGH

In person at 37 High St., Marlborough, and live streamed on Facebook.

MEMBERSHIP TRANSFERS: FIRST READING

In: Kleber Ceron from Leominster All Nations Alexis and Mandy Connor from Fitchburg

Out: Mary Jo and Bob Daum to Niles Westside Church, Niles, MI Karen Walker to Gardner, MA

MASKS ARE MANDATORY

The Lancaster Board of Health has passed a mask mandate for all public buildings in town, so please mask up when you're here. This includes the balconies.

LATE NIGHT BIBLE STUDY

THIS TUESDAY, 9:00-9:15 PM

More info & login at wearecc.net/late-night-bible-study.

PRAYER MEETING

THIS WEDNESDAY, 7:00 PM | ZOOM

We are studying Deuteronomy. All are welcome to join. Login info is at wearecc.net/prayer-meeting.

KING'S KIDS

THIS THURSDAY, 6:00 PM | YOUTH CHAPEL

Kirosha Sidelca leads this group for ages 5–12. Sign up for our fun Gospel choir, singing praise to the King! Register at www.kirosha.com.

STERLING VILLAGE MINISTRY

THIS FRIDAY, 2:00 PM | STERLING, MA

Michelle Lee Williams leads this monthly ministry for the residents of the Sterling Village nursing home. She needs pianists, singers and speakers each month. For info, call her at 508-728-6495.

COMMUNITY HANDBELL CHOIR REHEARSAL

THIS FRIDAY, 6:30 PM | FELLOWSHIP HALL

GOSPEL OF MATTHEW STUDY

THIS FRIDAY, 7:30 PM | ZOOM

You can follow along with Desire of Ages. We are anticipating the Lord's blessing on this journey. Login info is at https://wearecc.net/.



The Church at Study, 10:00 AM

Check out our online and in-person study options at wearecc.net/sabbath-school-options. There are free Bible study guides at www.ssnet.org, you can download the Sabbath School app from your app store, or scan the QR code on the right.



CLASSES FOR CHILDREN & YOUTH

Downstairs: Upstairs: Newborn-Age 2: Grades 4-5 Open Open (Juniors) Age 3-Kindergarten Open Grades 5–8 Open Grades 1-3 (Primary) Open Grades 9–12 Open **ADUITS** Bible Journaling Conference Rm Spanish Sanctuary Young Adults Balcony

Livestreamed

HAYSTACK POTLUCK DINNER

SABBATH, OCT. 23, AFTER CHURCH | FELLOWSHIP HALL

Sanctuary

Haystacks are a traditional Adventist meal that consists of chips, beans, cheese, and plenty of toppings. The church provides the basics, so please bring your favorite toppings ready to serve.

• We'll have 52 guests from Indiana Academy, so please bring extra.

WOMEN'S CHOIR

Rom, Prather

SABBATH, OCT. 23, 5:00 PM | COLLEGE CHURCH

If you are interested in the women's choir, please email Keila Mejia at keilamejia12@gmail.com with your name and phone number. The first meeting will be next Sabbath at the church.

COLLEGE CHURCH FREE CONCERT SERIES STARTS!

SUNDAY, NOV. 7, 5:00 PM | SANCTUARY

New this year, we will be having a free concert about once a month. Our first one features Juan A. Mesa, organ, Lira Schmidt Cady, harp, and Ethan Lin, flute. You don't want to miss it! Check out our poster on the bulletin board in the foyer for more dates.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

SUNDAY, NOV. 7 | WORCESTER ART MUSEUM

Women, mark your calendars for a day at the Worcester Art Museum. Admission is free the first Sunday of each month. More details to follow.

MEALS FOR OETMANS

Sign up to take them a meal as Linda recuperates. Directions are in the note section of this link: https://www.TakeThemAMeal.com/WZPJ3634

The Church in Praise, 11:10 AM

Please silence all mobile devices.

PRELUDE (11:10 AM)

O Gott, du frommer Gott, Op. 122 No. 11 (Johannes Brahms, 1833-1897)

WELCOME, OFFERING & ANNOUNCEMENTS (11:15 AM)

Ralph Gifford III

Loose offerings go to local church budget.

INVOCATION AND CALL TO WORSHIP

Arya Chery

L: Come, let us celebrate the forgiving, reconciling love of God.

P: For once we were lost and felt so far away; now we have been found and welcomed home.

L: Know that God's love is lavished upon you forever.

P: We rejoice at the news of forgiveness and hope!

L: Come, let us celebrate and praise the God of Love.

P: AMEN!

HYMN OF PRAISE

4, Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven (Lauda Anima) Kirosha Sidelca, leader

CHILDREN'S STORY

Ralph Gifford III

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Steve Aubin

Change My Heart, O God (Eddie Espinosa) Chorus: Change my heart, O God, make it ever true; Change my heart, O God, may I be like You.

You are the Potter, I am the clay; Mold me and make me, this is what I pray. Repeat chorus

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 6:11–15 Lucas Chery

MUSICAL SELECTION

Adagio in G minor (Albanoni) Arielle Cady Flores, violín

THE DARK SIDE OF FORGIVENESS

Ralph Dawkins Ralph is one of our College Church elders.

HYMN OF DEDICATION

299, Rock of Ages (Toplady) BENEDICTION

Ralph Dawkins

POSTLUDE

Komm, Heiliger Geist, Herre Gott, from the Leipzig Chorales (J. S. Bach. 1685-1750) Feel free to remain in the sanctuary for a time of reflection during the postlude.

Wesley Hall, organ

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