General Information

CHURCH FINANCIAL SNAPSHOT				
October, 2020	Budget	Actual	Rebirth 21	
Needed	\$326,670.00		\$32,667.00	
Received	\$292,277.15 *	\$292,277.15 *	\$22,949.78	
Spent		\$292,180.48		
Surplus (Deficit)	(\$34,392.85)	\$96.67	(\$9,717.22)	

BUDGET: Our 2020 church budget is \$392,000 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. Our outstanding balance is \$200,155.62.

REMEMBER: Tithe, though doing a vital work, all goes to our local Conference and does not 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.

* Includes restricted giving that offsets church budget expenses.

SCHEDULE OF SPEAKERS

Nov. 21	Einar Rom (Bell Choir)
Nov. 28	Einar Rom
Dec. 5	Einar Rom
Dec 12	Finar Rom

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 cable ch. 8 and on Clinton cable channels 8 and 99 on a 1-week delay. Please see https://wearecc.net/local-tv for times.

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.

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

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 to the needy at WHEAT in Clinton.

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. For more info: 978-368-8544 or www.mysla.org.

• Christmas Wreaths For Sale: Beautify your home for the holidays and help the 8th grade class fundraise for graduation expenses. Wreaths costs \$15 and are 20 inches. For info, email Grace Bravo at grace.bravo@mysla.org. Deadline: Dec. 8.

GATEWAY TO COLLEGE is a National Award-winning opportunity for students who either have not experienced success in traditional high school or are looking for a new opportunity to excel while still in high school or home school. The program is ideal for students who have dropped out of high school or are at risk of dropping out. Gateway students have the opportunity to earn a high school diploma with the added benefit of receiving free college credits toward an Associate degree or certificate through a variety of career-focused pathways.

• To sign up for an information session, please contact Lisa Burns at 978-630-9248 or mburns11@mwcc.mass.edu.

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: Stop in at 438 Main St., So. Lancaster, MA, call 978-368-2100, or visit ThayerConservatory.org. Please pray for us as we not only serve our Adventist friends, but also in our endeavor to reach out to the greater community.

PANDEMIC PARENTING:



BEST PRACTICES BASED ON EMERGING EVIDENCE Topics addressing:

More than 30 years of Experience Other Sponsors Leominster All Nations SDA Church New evidence and best practices in preventing anxiety & depression in

- Children and teens. · The impact of video games
- & social media. · Toxicity of American
- · How to strengthen your

KUM (N Saturday November 21, 2020 6PM (EST) REGISTER HERE;

https://bit.ly/3kpphld

Online Services

HTTP://WEARECC.NET has our calendar, videos, bulletins, and more. Note: there were no bulletins during the coronavirus shutdown.

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, Friday 8:30 AM-12:30 PM Hours: (see announcements for any changes)

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Caleb Bastien and Ron Gründer, Treasurers: treasurer@thecollegechurch.com



Though the cherry trees don't blossom and the strawberries don't ripen,

Though the apples are worm-eaten and the wheat fields stunted,

Though the sheep pens are sheepless and the cattle barns empty,

I'm singing joyful praise to God.

I'm turning cartwheels of joy to my Savior God.

Counting on God's Rule to prevail,

I take heart and gain strength.

I run like a deer.

I feel like I'm king of the mountain!

- Habakkuk 3:17-19, The Message

November 21, 2020

The Church at Work

OUR PRAYER & VISITATION FOCUS

Health Concerns: Bob & Joyce Malin, Elnora King, Joe Drader, Henry Livergood, Andrew Pak, Michael, Mike, Nora, and Stuart (friends of Cameron Loss), Rachel Gravelin, Salma Prata (Keila Mejia's mom), Chip Schad (Peter's brother), Danny Morris, Laura Lee Williams, Doug & Joy Swan (friends of Ed Collins), David Tessier (brother of Wendy Hall), Isaac (relative of the Giffords), Eric Weaver (Adelita's husband), Andy Rodriguez (Luz's brother), Bob Rogers, Lorelie Linton (Dan's mom), Donna Church (Frank Howes' niece), Bob Bloemer (friend of Annette Siver), Juanita Quaile (Judy Moran's mom).

This week at a glance. For details, see the announcements.

South Lancaster Sunset: Today 4:19 PM, Friday 4:16 PM

Sun. 2:30 PM Decorating the Church for Christmas Mon. 2:00 PM College Church TV Broadcast

Wed. 12:00 PM Bulletin Deadline

7:00 PM Adult Prayer Meeting (Zoom)
Thur. 7:00 PM Happy Thanksgiving!

Thur. 7:00 FIVE Happy Thanksgiving:

10:00 AM College Church TV Broadcast (more airings)10:00 AM Sabbath School (see Church at Study)

11:15 AM Worship Service: Einar Rom, speaker

HELP DECORATE THE CHURCH FOR CHRISTMAS

SUNDAY, NOV. 22, 2:30 PM | OUTDOORS AND INDOORS

Many hands make light work, so help us beautify God's house!

• Also, we'll be lighting up our outdoor Christmas lights on

Sabbath, Dec. 5. More into to come.

PRAYER MEETING

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 25, 7:00 PM | ZOOM

We are studying Exodus. All are welcome to join.

Zoom Link: <u>Prayer Meeting</u>.

Meeting ID: 445 587 563.

Passcode: 01561.

LAST DAY EVENTS ZOOM MEETING

FRIDAY, DEC. 4, 7:30 PM | ZOOM

Keila Mejia leads this series. You can find the book in the Ellen G. White app for iOS and Android, <u>find it free online</u>, or <u>buy it at the ABC</u>.

- Please Note: No meeting this coming Friday, Nov.
- Zoom Link: Last Day Events.
- Meeting ID: 882 0529 0082.
- Passcode: 01561.

BULLETIN ARTWORK

We are seeking your artwork for the bulletin. The plan is to highlight art each month that corresponds with the time of year. All ages are welcome. Please send yours to office@thecollegechurch.com.

PSALM READING

If you are reading through the Psalms, add 120 to the date of the month of November. For today, Nov. 21, 21+120=141, so we read Psalm 141.

BELL CHOIR ARTICLE

The Worcester Telegram and Gazette ran a <u>really nice article</u> about our new handbell choir, led by Lira Cady and Ilana Joyce Cady (who is our church <u>music coordinator</u>).

MEMBERSHIP TRANSFERS: FIRST READING

In: Orlando David Argueta from Leominster Spanish Randy, Kristie, Timothy and David Creitz from Clovis, CA Aeisha Kelley from Warwick, Bermuda Naor Toledo Pinto & Candida Toledo from Framingham Portuguese

Out: Georgia Trott to Collegedale, TN

IF YOU'RE CLEANING OUT YOUR CLOSET ...

Please remember our <u>Helpsy bin</u> (the blue one) in our parking lot. It is a great place to repurpose your used clothing. We recently received a check for \$98.28 that will be used in our Agape Fund.

HOLIDAY FOOD DRIVE—VOLUNTEERING

As you may know, this year's food drive is taking the form of helping the WHEAT food bank in Clinton. They still need a few volunteers, so please sign up if you can help.

FLOWERS FOR CHURCH SERVICES

Are you interested in being sure we have fresh flowers to enjoy each Sabbath? Please contact our Pastor if you are. You can also sign up at wearecc.net/flowers.

WE NEED POINSETTIAS!

If you'd like to help add some Christmas cheer to the church, please consider donating a pink, red or white, poinsettia to the church for this Christmas season. You can leave plants in the upper foyer, or mark your tithe envelope Poinsettias. Thanks!





The Church at Study, 10:00 AM

Check out our online and in-person study options at https://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: Grades 1-3

Upstairs: Grades 4–5

Grades 6–8 Grades 9–12

ROOF PROJECT

Total Cost: \$341,100

Cash raised as of Nov. 7: \$145,011.46*

* Not including 2020, 2021, or 2022 pledges not received yet.

The project is in the final stretch that is slated to be completed next week. We have much to rejoice about, and that includes the generosity of our church family. Thus far \$145,011.46 has been received! Thank you all! If we can keep up this level of support we can likely eliminate the Atlantic Union Revolving Fund loan of \$100,000 that we have been approved for. Let us advance upon our knees.

Here's some of the water damage we're repairing:





The Church in Praise, 11:10 AM

Please silence all mobile devices.

PRELUDE (11:10 AM)

To God Alone Be All Glory (Georg Boehm)

WELCOME, OFFERING & ANNOUNCEMENTS (11:15 AM)

Pastor Einar Rom

Loose offerings go to local church budget.

CALL TO WORSHIP AND INVOCATION

Psalm 34:1-10 Lucie Hynes

MUSICAL MEDITATION

Improvisation on "Let all things now living" (Juan A. Mesa)

CHILDREN'S STORY

Ofelia & Sofia Maskewich

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Kleber Ceron Sr.

SCRIPTURE READING

Habakkuk 3:17–19 Alex Bezerra

MUSICAL SELECTION

Allegro, from Pastorale in F (J. S. Bach)

THE FAITH OF THE 'UNBLESSED'

Einar Rom Einar is our lead pastor.

MUSICAL SELECTION

Immortal, Invisible (arr. Arnold B. Sherman) Community Bell Choir, Lira Cady, director

BENEDICTION

Einar Rom

POSTLUDE

Now Thank We All our God (Sigfried Karg-Elert)

Juan A. Mesa, organ

We record our services for broadcast and streaming and may include your image. CCLI#s 1364543, CSPL032559.