

## General Information

### CHURCH FINANCIAL SNAPSHOT: CHURCH BUDGET

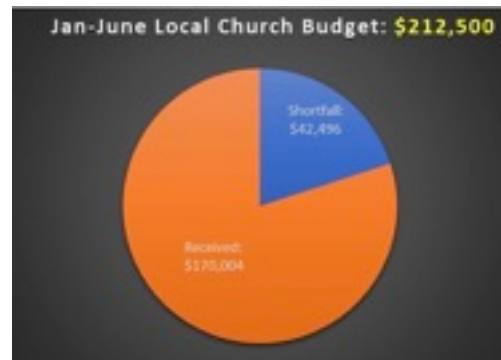
June, 2024	Budget	Actual
Needed	\$212,499.00	
Received	\$170,004.37*	\$170,004.37*
Spent		(\$169,972.64)
Surplus (Deficit)	(\$42,494.63)	\$31.73
<b>YTD Total HVAC Loan Balance</b>	<b>\$231,586.67</b>	

\*Includes restricted giving that offsets church budget expenses.

**BUDGET:** Our 2024 church budget is \$425,000 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.

**REMEMBER:** Our 2023 tithe was \$1,026,168. Tithe, although vital, goes to our local conference and **it does not cover any of our expenses.** Those come out of church budget. Let's make the church budget as regular a part of our giving as tithe. God will bless us for it.



If you have followed our pie charts, you'll see that our deficit grew in May and June. This is an annual trend here at College Church, and it is partly due to the two weeks we close at camp meeting and the start of summer vacation. Let us prayerfully consider how we can help reduce our deficit so we can begin the fall on budget. We are very blessed by a generous church family, and we are thankful to see our HVAC loan balance decrease each month ... a special thank you to those who are chipping away at that project.

Please place your offering in the offering boxes by the sanctuary doors or contribute online at [wearecc.net/give](https://wearecc.net/give). *Pastor Einar*

### SPEAKERS AND PRESIDING ELDERS

Aug. 10	Mitchell Hall	Rose Dawkins
Aug. 17	Einar Rom	Dave Rawson
Aug. 24	Einar Rom	Mariyan Montaque

**BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS** are normally due Wednesdays by noon at [bulletin@wearecc.net](mailto:bulletin@wearecc.net). Request an announcement be read aloud by filling out the form linked at [wearecc.net/bulletin](https://wearecc.net/bulletin). **All submissions require pastoral staff approval and are subject to editing.**

**OUR SERVICES AIR** on Sterling/Lancaster, Clinton, Leominster, Lunenburg, and West Boylston cable TV. See schedule at <https://wearecc.net/local-tv>.

**OUR TRAINING CHAPEL** in the right rear of the sanctuary includes a baby changing station, a private nursing area, and a restroom. There are also changing stations in the restrooms downstairs. *Note:* A Sabbath School class meets in that chapel from 10:00–11:00 AM.

**TO SPONSOR FLOWERS,** go to <https://wearecc.net/flowers>.

**FEED THE HUNGRY:** Second Friday of the month at 3:30 PM. We prepare and serve food for the needy at WHEAT, 272 High St., Clinton.

**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 in Adventist Giving or on your tithe envelope.

**CHILDREN'S CHURCH BOXES:** These boxes contain a variety of activities to keep little hands busy during the worship service. You can sign one out from the deacons' room off the upper foyer. Please return the box and its contents after the service.

**NURSING HOME MINISTRY:** Third 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.

**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](http://www.mysla.org).

- ✓ **Newsletter:** [www.mysla.org/school-newsletter](http://www.mysla.org/school-newsletter).
- ✓ **Alumni:** Connect with us at [www.mysla.org/alumni](http://www.mysla.org/alumni).
- ✓ **Nurse Position:** We need someone with an RNBSN is licensed in Massachusetts for our part-time School Nurse position. Low stress position with competitive pay. Duties include health education programs, preparing health information, maintaining school health data. Please send your resume to Ollyce Gardner, [principal@mysla.org](mailto:principal@mysla.org)

### SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS NOW OPEN

See the linked pages for requirements, deadlines, and to apply.

- ✓ **Elementary & Secondary:** For three-way and home school scholarships, go to <https://wearecc.net> and click the launcher (the little blue N in the lower right corner of any page) to get started.
- ✓ **College:** The [SNEC scholarship application](https://wearecc.net) is now open as well.

**AUC ALUMNI:** Sign up for monthly emails at [AlumniofAUC.com](http://AlumniofAUC.com). No email address? Sign up for a special note from the Alumni Association.

**THAYER CONSERVATORY:** Lessons in art, drama, music (piano, gospel piano, guitar, strings, harp, brass, woodwinds, percussion, voice). Groups: flute ensemble, brass ensemble, orchestras, and classes for homeschoolers. Info at 978-368-2100 or [ThayerConservatory.org](http://ThayerConservatory.org).

**GREATER BOSTON ACADEMY** needs a middle school Social Studies and Bible teacher. Send your resume and current NAD certificate, your philosophy of teaching, and your resume to Education Superintendent Beverley Bucknor at [bbucknor@sneconline.org](mailto:bbucknor@sneconline.org) and GBA Principal Milton Torres at [mtorres@gbaedu.org](mailto:mtorres@gbaedu.org).

## Online Services

[HTTPS://WEARECC.NET](https://wearecc.net) has our calendar, videos, bulletins, and more.

**ONLINE/MOBILE GIVING:** Download the Adventist Giving app or click the Giving link on [wearecc.net](https://wearecc.net). **Be sure to choose the College Church or we won't get your donation.** Questions? Please contact the church office.

**SABBATH SCHOOL PODCAST:** We have a weekly podcast on the adult lesson. It's on Spotify, Apple Podcasts, and the [Messages](#) section of our website. Episodes usually drop Sunday mornings.

Search for collegechurchofsda on YouTube Facebook Instagram

## 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 backs of the pews. You can also request membership transfer with the card or at <http://wearecc.net>.

### CHURCH OFFICE:

<b>Regular Hours:</b>	Tues., Wed., Fri. 8:00–12:30, 1:00–3:30.
	It's best to confirm coverage before coming because the office administrator will take vacation time this summer.
<b>Phone:</b>	978-368-2130
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Caleb Bastien and Ron Gründer, Treasurers:  
[treasurer@wearecc.net](mailto:treasurer@wearecc.net)

## 2024-25 Church Goals

- ✓ **Goal 1:** Actively engage CC children, youth, young adults, and adults in a variety of opportunities to deepen their faith relationship and outreach to our community.
- ✓ **Goal 2:** Prioritize the education of CC children, youth, young adults to identify their abilities and to nurture their use of those abilities in providing love and service within and outside of the church.
- ✓ **Goal 3:** Proactively engage in meeting the needs of our community.

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**COLLEGE CHURCH**  
— of Seventh-day Adventists —



Image by Cheri Sauls.

### Church Mission

Through our love for God, we love others. As we grow in God, we grow together. By serving our community, we serve our God.

### Church Motto

Love. Grow. Serve.

### Church Vision

Service.

### Church Focus

Working with God and our family for our community.

**August 10, 2024**

## The Church at Work

### PRAYER FOCUS

**Health Concerns:** Anna Elizabeth (friend of Nancy Broderick), Lothar Suckert, Henry Livergood, Pearl McDonald (Tish Brahmia's mom), Scott Meyers & Jason Lepkowski (related to June Willey), Roy McCoy (Leominster Hospital), Mary Monroe (home), Lorelie Linton (Dan's mom, Sterling Village), Dan Morris, Ray Dow, the Flannery family, Sae Louis, Lucy Santana (River Terrace), John and Marella (friends of Cameron Loss), Julio Gonzalez (Laura Mapes' brother), Sean Nolan (friend of Adelita Weaver), Joe Drader (Odd Fellows Rehab, Worcester), Laura Lee Williams, David Tessier (brother of Wendy Hall), Bob Rogers.

### WEEK AT A GLANCE

See announcements or [wearecc.net](https://wearecc.net) for more.

**South Lancaster Sunset: Today 7:56 PM, Friday 7:47 PM**

<b>Today</b>	After Church Potluck Picnic at the Dawkins Home
	2:00 PM Pathfinder Staff Meeting
<b>Sun.</b>	9:00 AM SLA Work Bee
<b>Mon.</b>	2:00 PM College Church TV Broadcast ( <a href="#">more airings</a> )
	7:00 PM Iron Sharpens Iron Men's Group
<b>Tue.</b>	9:00 PM Late Night Bible Study (Zoom link on website)
<b>Wed.</b>	12:00 PM Bulletin Deadline
	5:00 PM SLA Work Bee
	7:00 PM Prayer Meeting (Zoom)
<b>Thur.</b>	7:00 PM SLA Board
	7:30 PM Al-Anon (Earliten Room)
<b>Fri.</b>	10:00 AM Sterling Village Ministry
	6:00 PM Youth Supper and Vespers
	7:30 PM Friday Night Study
<b>Sat.</b>	10:00 AM Sabbath School (various locations)
	10:00 AM College Church TV Broadcast ( <a href="#">more airings</a> )
	11:10 AM Worship: Einar Rom
	After Church Potluck Picnic at Ralph & Deb Giffords' Home

### CHURCH OFFICE SUMMER HOURS

Tues., Wed., Fri. 8:00–12:30, 1:00–3:30.

### PATHFINDER STAFF MEETING

**TODAY, 2:00 PM | NICHOLAS HOME, 55 STERLING RD. LANC.**

### SUMMER PICNIC SCHEDULE

Our after-church summer picnics at members' homes are happening! Members, please bring a dish to share. Visitors are welcome and don't need to bring anything. Here are the next few hosts:

- ✓ **Today:** Ralph & Rose Dawkins, 85 Osgood Rd., Sterling. *Please Note: Rain is predicted, but it looks like it will end in time for the picnic to proceed.*
- ✓ **Aug. 17:** Ralph & Deb Gifford, 861 George Hill Road, Lancaster.
- ✓ **Aug. 24:** Tom & Barb King, 6 Stonebridge Circle, Clinton. This will be our final picnic of the summer.

### GILLETTE CAMPOREE LIVESTREAM

Pray for our Pathfinder Club, as they return from the International Camporee in Gillette, WY. A storm is predicted for this afternoon, so our group is leaving early. For the latest, download the camporee app or go to [camporee.org](http://camporee.org). *Jill Hodson*

### IRON SHARPENS IRON MEN'S GROUP

**THIS MONDAY, 7:00 PM | YOUTH CHAPEL & ONLINE**

Login: <https://wearecc.net/iron-sharpens-iron>.

## Worship at Winnekeag

Join us at 257 Ashby Rd., Ashburnham on Sabbath, Sept. 14, for outdoor worship at 10:00 AM, followed by dinner and a relaxing afternoon. We'll be in the cafeteria if it rains.

- ✓ **Sabbath dinner is free, but you have to register by Monday, Sept. 2** at <https://wearecc.net> (click the blue-and-white N in the lower right corner of any page) or by contacting the church office.
- ✓ **Registration is super important** because we have to tell the camp how many meals to prepare. *If you don't register, you may not get a meal!*
- ✓ **If you sign up but then can't go, let us know so that we don't pay for a meal no one eats.** A couple of years ago we had to pay for about 50 registered people who didn't show up.

To help with costs, go to <https://wearecc.net/give> or use a tithe envelope (CC Social Programs).

### CALLING ALL ARTISTS!

The next gallery showing will be installed August 21. If you'd like to participate, please drop off your art by August 19. Questions? Contact Ilana at 978-503-9212. If you haven't looked at this latest installation yet, go check it out downstairs!

### SNEC FAMILY MINISTRIES MENTAL HEALTH SYMPOSIUM SABBATH, SEPT. 7, 9:30 AM–5:00 PM | SANCTUARY

"Embracing Differences, Celebrating Abilities" is for all. Workshops and activities for adults, youth and children. More info to come.

### A BUSY AND MEANINGFUL SEPTEMBER IS COMING

Sept. 7: SNEC Family Ministries Mental Health Symposium at CC  
Sept. 14: Worship at Winnekeag (registration open now; see above)  
Sept. 21: Adventurers & Pathfinders lead our worship service  
Sept. 28: Worship service with a focus on mission

### CLINTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL COLLECTION

We're collecting things for Clinton Elementary School kids again (see the bin outside the church office). Needs: boys and girls sweatpants/leggings and shorts, sizes 6-14; girls socks; boys and girls underwear, sizes 6-14; small fidgets, Play-Doh, Legos, squish balls. Only new clothing please. Cash donations can be made online or put in a tithe envelope marked "Clinton School Kids." Thank you!

- ✓ The Women's Ministry is helping with this effort. Please bring your items to the church on Sabbath or the Tea Party on Sunday. Thanks!



## The Church at Study, 10:00 AM

### CLASSES FOR CHILDREN & YOUTH

Downstairs:	Upstairs:
Newborn-Age 2	Grades 4-6 (Juniors)
Age 3-Kindergarten	Grades 7-8 (Early Teens)
Grades 1-3 (Primary)	Grades 9-12 (Youth)

### CLASSES FOR ADULTS

The "Cheers" Class	Fellowship Hall	Ralph Gifford III
Young Adults	Young Adult Room	Multiple teachers
Blatt, Radford	Training Chapel	Multiple teachers
Spanish	Sanctuary	Multiple teachers
Livestream	Sanctuary	Multiple teachers
Robertson	Conference Room	

See more online and in-person study options at [wearecc.net/sabbath-school-options](https://wearecc.net/sabbath-school-options). Free study guides at [www.ssnet.org](http://www.ssnet.org).

### CALLING ALL RINGERS!

Come and join the fun of playing in the College Church Bell Choir! If you enjoy music, if you enjoy the company of friends, then the College Church Bell Choir is for you! Rehearsals are Friday nights from 6:30 to 7:30. The first rehearsal will be on Sept. 6. We will have four performances per year. Interested? Contact Lira Cady at 617-538-0099 or [liracady@comcast.net](mailto:liracady@comcast.net).

### CALL TO WORSHIP

L: *Waiting is never easy for us.*

**P: We are a culture of "instant" response.**

L: *Today, God is asking us to wait; to be patient.*

**P: It is not going to be easy for us to do that.**

L: *Quiet your spirits and open your hearts to God's word for you today.*

**P: Lord, be with us. Help us to be ready to hear and respond to your word. AMEN.**

## An Old-Fashioned Tea Party

Women can bring your daughters  
Hats are welcome!  
Please bring some finger food to share



**Sunday, August 11, 1-4**  
Kristie Stevenson's House  
444 Lancaster Avenue  
Lunenburg, MA

## The Church in Praise, 11:10 AM

*Please silence all devices.*

**WELCOME**  
Rose Dawkins

**PRELUDE**  
Toccata on *Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart!* (Albert Travis)

**CALL TO WORSHIP AND INVOCATION**  
*See column to the left.*  
Aldwyn Montaque

**HYMN OF PRAISE**  
27, *Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart!* (Marion)  
Kristie Stevenson, leader  
*Verse 1: women; verse 2: men; verse 3: all; refrains: all.*

**LAMB'S OFFERING & CHILDREN'S STORY**  
Ray Sauls

**MINISTRY MATTERS, OFFERING**  
Rose Dawkins  
*Special Offering: Christian Record Services (mark your tithe envelope).  
Loose offerings go to local church budget. Offering boxes are by the doors.*

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**  
*Prayer Song: Into My Heart (Harry D. Clarke)*  
Into my heart, into my heart  
Come into my heart, Lord Jesus  
Come in today, come in to stay  
Come into my heart, Lord Jesus  
*Prayer: Rose Dawkins*

**HYMN OF REFLECTION**  
461, *Be Still, My Soul (Marion)*

**SCRIPTURE**  
Acts 1:4  
Nathan Simon

**JUST YOU WAIT**  
Mitchell Hall  
*Mitchell is one of our elders.*

**HYMN OF DEDICATION**  
510, *If You But Trust in God to Guide You (Wer Nur Den Lieben Gott)*

**BENEDICTION**  
Mitchell Hall

**POSTLUDE**  
*Prelude in G Major (Fanny Mendelssohn Hensel)*  
*Feel free to remain in the sanctuary for a time of reflection during the postlude.*

William Ness, organ, piano

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