

# General Information

## CHURCH FINANCIAL SNAPSHOT: CHURCH BUDGET

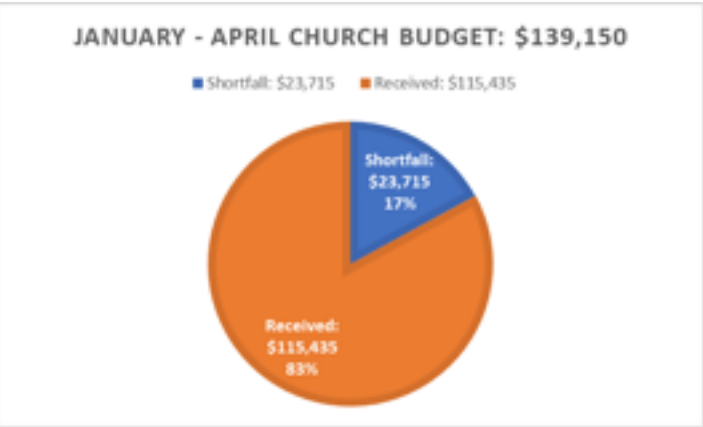
Apr. 30, 2023	Budget	Actual
Needed	\$139,152.00	
Received	\$115,435.67*	\$115,435.67*
Spent		(\$115,398.56)
<b>Surplus (Deficit)</b>	<b>(\$23,716.33)</b>	<b>\$37.11</b>
HVAC Project Monthly Income		\$9,582
HVAC Project Fundraising Target Balance		\$129,460

\*Includes restricted giving that offsets church budget expenses.

**BUDGET:** Our 2023 church budget is \$417,450 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:** Tithe, although vital, 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.



CHURCH FAMILY, Thank you for a blessed April. We were blessed with many activities, and also blessed with your generosity. Thank you. Our 2023 shortfall shrank significantly, thanks to a larger than expected Church Budget income in April. Praise God! What is not reflected in the chart above is the fact that donations continue to be made for our HVAC project that is now underway. We are making great progress on that and perhaps we can avoid taking a loan for it. Let us all prayerfully consider how we can help fund this needed project.

## SCHEDULE OF SPEAKERS AND PRESIDING ELDERS

May 27	Einar Rom; Sofia Maskewich baptism	Dave Rawson
June 3	Joyce Malin, SLA Baccalaureate	N/A
June 10	Einar Rom	Cécile Engeln
June 17	Camp Meeting, no CC Services	
June 24	Camp Meeting, no CC Services	

BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS are due Wednesdays by noon (except in certain holiday weeks) at [bulletin@wearecc.net](mailto:bulletin@wearecc.net). *All submissions require pastoral staff approval and are subject to editing.*

PARENTS WITH INFANTS: We have a training chapel for your convenience in the right rear of the sanctuary. It includes a restroom, a private nursing area, and a baby changing station. *Note:* A Sabbath School class meets in that room from 10:00–11:00 AM.

✓ There are also changing stations in the rest rooms downstairs.

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

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

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.

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. They request a small donation.  
✓ *House of Refuge:* 7:00–8:45 PM on the second Friday of each month. Sermonette, music, testimonies. To take part in the service, call or text Becky Renzi at 978-870-0266.

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.

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.

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.

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).  
✓ *SLA Alumni:* Do we have your contact info, especially email? Contact us at [alumni@mysla.org](mailto:alumni@mysla.org), or [www.slaalumni.org](http://www.slaalumni.org). We also post on Facebook.  
✓ *Assistant Treasurer and Spanish Teacher Positions:* Please contact David Branum at [principal@mysla.org](mailto:principal@mysla.org) or 978-368-8544 for info; also see the slide on the screen in the upper foyer.

AUC ALUMNI: Are you getting the latest info on alumni events? Visit [AlumniofAUC.com](http://AlumniofAUC.com) to sign up for monthly emails. If you don't have email, you can get a special note from the Alumni Association.

THAYER CONSERVATORY: Lessons in art, drama, music (piano incl. 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).

# 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 our website. *Be sure to choose the College Church or we won't get your donation.* Questions? Please contact the church office.

Search for collegechurchofsda on YouTube Facebook Instagram

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

# 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:

<b>Regular Hours:</b>	Mon.–Wednesday 8:45 AM–12:30 PM, 1:30–3:00 PM Friday: 8:45 AM–12:30 PM <i>It's best to call or email to confirm coverage because the office administrator sometimes subs at SLA on short notice.</i>
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**COLLEGE CHURCH**  
— of Seventh-day Adventists —  
**Love. Grow. Serve.**



Image by Sofia Maskewich.

May 27, 2023



The Church at Work

PRAYER FOCUS

**Health Concerns:** The Flannery family, Sae Louis, Elnora King (Corcoran House, Clinton), Lucy Santana (at River Terrace), Roy McCoy (Fitchburg Health Care); Bella, John, and Mark (friends of Cameron Loss); Julio Gonzalez (Laura Mapes’ brother), Lorelie Linton (Dan’s mom), Sean Nolan (friend of Adelita Weaver), Linda Oetman, six members of the Schad family, Salma Prata and Solange Baia (Keila’s mom and aunt); Joe Drader (Odd Fellows Rehab); Rachel Gravelin, Dan Morris, Laura Lee Williams, David Tessier (brother of Wendy Hall), Isaac (relative of the Giffords), Bob Rogers.

**In Bereavement:** The Vega family, who lost Inigo last Sabbath morning; the Engeln family, who lost Tom’s aunt; and the Hearson family, who lost Tammy’s mother.

Week at a Glance. See the announcements or <a href="#">wearecc.net</a> for more.		
South Lancaster Sunset: Today 8:14 PM, Friday 8:19 PM		
Mon.	Have a blessed Memorial Day	
	2:00 PM	College Church TV Broadcast ( <a href="#">more airings</a> )
Tues.	9:00 PM	Late Night Bible Study (Zoom link on website)
Wed.	12:00 PM Bulletin Deadline	
	7:00 PM	Prayer Meeting
Thur.	3:30 PM	Kids’ Prayer Meeting
	6:00 PM	King’s Kids
	7:00 PM	SLA Eighth Grade Graduation
	7:30 PM	Al-Anon (Youth Chapel)
Fri.	6:30 PM	Young Adult Supper/Discussion
	7:00 PM	SLA Consecration
	7:30 PM	Friday Night Study
Sat.	10:00 AM	College Church TV Broadcast ( <a href="#">more airings</a> )
	10:00 AM	Sabbath School (Various Locations)
	11:10 AM	Worship Service: SLA Baccalaureate

TODAY’S SANCTUARY FLOWERS  
Today’s flowers are provided by Micro Plant Studio in celebration of Sofia Maskewich’s baptism and birthday. Love, her uncle, Tío Julio C. Román

NO IRON SHARPENS IRON MEN’S GROUP THIS MONDAY  
We’ll meet again next week. Happy Memorial Day!

KIDS’ PRAYER MEETING  
**THIS THURSDAY, 3:30 PM | YOUTH CHAPEL & FELL. HALL**  
More info & registration: [https://wearecc.net/cc-kids](#).  
✓ 3:30–4:30 PM: Light early supper and activities.  
✓ 4:30–5:30 PM: Worship, Bible study, prayer, crafts.

THAYER SPRING CONCERT  
**THIS WEDNESDAY, 6:30 PM | YOUTH CHAPEL**  
Performances by Rose,Thorn and Fiddle, Thayer Homeschool Chorus, and The Youth Ensemble of New England.

YOUNG ADULT SUPPER/DISCUSSION  
**THIS FRIDAY, 6:30 PM | GIFFORD CAMP**  
Haystack signup sheet available. Please ask our pastor for details. There’s lake access, so bring swimsuits if you wish. 75 Island Rd., Winchendon.

NORMAL SABBATH SCHOOL CLASSES NEXT WEEK  
Next Sabbath’s worship service will be the baccalaureate for SLA, but we will be holding our regular Sabbath School classes.

GRADUATE RECOGNITION  
**SABBATH, JUNE 10, 11:15 AM | DURING WORSHIP SERVICE**  
We’re celebrating the accomplishments of our church members & regular attenders who are graduating from 8th grade, 12th grade, and all forms of post-secondary education, including certificates. If you know of anyone who has graduated since last July, please fill out the form linked at [https://wearecc.net](#) by Wednesday, June 7.

SOUTH LANCASTER ACADEMY ATHLETIC BANQUET  
**SUNDAY, JUNE 11 | SCHOOL GYMNASIUM**  
All are welcome as we look back on the 2022–23 athletic season. Adults are \$10 and pre-K–12th grade \$5 if paid by May 31. After that adults are \$15, pre-K–12th grade are \$10. Thank you for your support of SLA. For more info, contact Cameron at [cmloss@juno.com](#).

CAMP MEETING  
Camp meeting happens just 'down the road' and is 'just around the corner.' The dates are June 16–24, and, the venue is the campgrounds of the Southern New England Conference at 34 Sawyer Street, So. Lancaster. Details: [www.sneconline.org/campmeeting](#).

SUMMER PICNICS  
The only date we still need a host for is July 29. For info or to host, contact Sif at [themuchiuttis@gmail.com](#) or 978-621-2015.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL  
VBS is coming, and we want your help! We need enough volunteers for a safe and successful VBS, and not have to turn away kids. There's something for everyone to do, and you can have a kingdom impact.  
✓ Register to help at [https://collegechurch.breezechms.com/form/vbs-helper-reg-2023](#), or contact Nicole at [cckids@wearecc.net](#).

LEAVE KITCHEN STOVE GAS ON  
People keep turning off the gas on the stove in the kitchen. This could be dangerous if it isn’t re-lit correctly. Please leave it to the kitchen staff to turn the gas on and off as needed. Thanks.



The Church at Study, 10:00 AM

See more online and in-person study options at [wearecc.net/sabbath-school-options](#). Get free study guides at [www.ssnet.org](#), download the Sabbath School app, or scan the QR code on the right.



CLASSES FOR CHILDREN & YOUTH		
<b>Downstairs:</b>	<b>Upstairs:</b>	
Newborn-Age 2	Grades 4-6 (Juniors)	
Age 3-Kindergarten	Grades 7–8 (Early Teens)	
Grades 1-3 (Primary)	Grades 9–12 (Youth)	

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CLASSES FOR ADULTS		
Bible Journaling	Fellowship Hall	Multiple teachers
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	

CAMP WINNEKEAG CLEAN UP  
As we prepare for the 70th anniversary of the first Pathfinder Camporee, we need help to get the camp ready: volunteers who can bring equipment and hands to cut down and remove trees as well as other tasks. You can earn community service hours. [Register here](#).

PASTOR EINAR AWAY 5/31–6/6  
Our pastor will be away May 31 through June 6 but will have his cell phone with him. Feel free to call or text him should the need arise.

POSITIONS OPEN AT SLA  
South Lancaster Academy is looking for an assistant treasurer and a Spanish teacher. Please see the other side for info.

SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT  
**From the pen of John Eldredge in Wild at Heart**  
"If you’re not pursuing a dangerous quest with your life, well, then, you don’t need a Guide. If you haven’t found yourself in the midst of a ferocious war, then you won’t need a seasoned Captain. If you’ve settled in your mind to live as though this is a fairly neutral world and you are simply trying to live your life as best you can, then you can probably get by with the Christianity of tips and techniques. Maybe. I’ll give you about a fifty-fifty chance. But if you intend to live in the Story that God is telling, and if you want the life he offers, then you are going to need more than a handful of principles, however noble they may be. There are too many twists and turns in the road ahead, too many ambushes waiting only God knows where, too much at stake. You cannot possibly prepare yourself for every situation. Narrow is the way, said Jesus. How shall we be sure to find it? We need God intimately, and we need him desperately.

“You have made known to me the path of life,” David said (Psalms 16:11). Yes—that’s it. In all the ins and outs of this thing we call living, there is one narrow path to life, and we need help finding it."

The Church in Praise, 11:10 AM

*Please silence all devices.*

**PASTORAL WELCOME**  
Einar Rom

**PRELUDE**  
Tema con variazioni (Sonata Celtica) *(Charles Villiers Stanford)*

**HYMN OF PRAISE**  
#1, Praise to the Lord *(Lobe den Herren)*  
Arielle Cady Flores, leader

**CALL TO WORSHIP AND INVOCATION**  
Luke 18:16  
Tom Nicholas, SLA Chaplain

**PATHFINDER SONG AND PLEDGE**  
Tom Nicholas; Kate Hodson, piano *(see screen)*

**BAPTISM**  
Sofia Cristina Maskewich by Pastor Einar  
As She Goes Down Into the Water *(words & music by Ofelia R. Maskewich)*  
Ofelia R. Maskewich, vocal; Abel Herrera, guitar;  
Olga Garcia, violin; Frances Lamar, ASL signing

**LAMB’S OFFERING & CHILDREN’S STORY**  
Eliezer Ortiz, Conference Pathfinder Coordinator

**MINISTRY MATTERS, OFFERING**  
*Special Offering: SNEC Budget (mark your tithe envelope).*  
*Loose offerings go to local church budget; please put in the boxes by the doors.*

**BAPTISMAL PINNING**  
Welcome of Sofia by Einar Rom; prayer: Danny Velez

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**  
*Prayer Song:* 482, Father, Lead Me Day by Day *(sung twice)*  
Father, lead me day by day, ever in Thine own sweet way  
Teach me to be pure and true; show me what I ought to do  
*Prayer:* Ollyce Gardner

**SCRIPTURE**  
Acts 27:21–26  
Jill Hodson, Pathfinder Director

**MUSICAL SELECTION**  
Love Medley *(Schlotes and Walton, arr. Sidelca)*  
King’s Kids, Kirosha Sidelca, director

**STANDING, SITTING, SLEEPING SECURELY IN THE STORM**  
Einar Rom  
*Einar is our lead pastor.*

**HYMN OF DEDICATION**  
*See column to the left.*

**BENEDICTION**  
Danny Velez, SNEC Youth Department Director

**POSTLUDE**  
St. Patrick’s Breastplate (Sonata Celtica) *(Charles Villiers Stanford)*  
*Feel free to remain in the sanctuary for a time of reflection during the postlude.*

Andrew Sheranian, organ

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