General Information

CHURCH FINANCIAL SNAPSHOT: CHURCH BUDGET

Dec. 31, 2022 Budaet Needed \$405,159.96 \$395,007.78* \$395,007.78* Received (\$394,955.58) Spent Surplus (Deficit) (\$10,152.18) \$52.20

*Includes restricted giving that offsets church budget expenses.

BUDGET: Our 2022 church budget is \$405,160 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.

SCHEDULE OF SPEAKERS

Feb 18	Einar Rom & CC Couples Panel	
Feb. 25	John Amoah	
Mar. 4	Einar Rom	

BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS are due Wednesdays by noon (except in certain holiday weeks) at 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 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.

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.

- ✓ Newsletter: www.mysla.org/school-newsletter.
- ✓ SLA Alumni: Do we have your contact info, especially email? Contact us at alumni@mysla.org, or www.slaalumni.org. We also post on Facebook.

AUC ALUMNI: Are you getting the latest info on alumni events? Visit 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.



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.

Search for collegechurchofsda on [7] YouTube [7]





Giving

Find our Sabbath School podcast on our website, Spotify, and Apple

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 Mon.-Wednesday 8:45 AM-12:30 PM, 1:30-3:00 PM

Hours: Friday: 8:45 AM-12:30 PM

Phone: 978-368-2130

Address: 337 Main St., South Lancaster, MA 01561

Mail: PO Box 877, South Lancaster, MA 01561-0877

Einar Rom, Lead Pastor:

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Ed Collins, Office Administrator

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Michelle Lynn, Church Clerk (membership questions) clerk@wearecc.net

Caleb Bastien and Ron Gründer, Treasurers: treasurer@wearecc.net







Image by Evelyn Cunningham.

February 18, 2023

The Church at Work

PRAYER FOCUS

Health Concerns: Matt Bruso, Elnora King (who is back in Clinton), Lucy Santana and Roy McCoy (both at Fitchburg Health Care); Bella, John, and Mark (friends of Cameron Loss); Beth Vecchione, Julio Gonzalez (Laura Mapes' brother), Lorelie Linton (Dan's mom), Inigo Vega, Sean Nolan (friend of Adelita Weaver), Linda Oetman, six members of the Schad family, Keila Mejia, 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.

Other Concerns: Victims of earthquake in Turkey & Syria [to assist go to www.adra.org; Ukraine.

Week at a Glance. See the announcements or wearecc.net for more.

South Lancaster Sunset: Today 5:24 PM, Friday 5:31 PM

Today After Church Potluck Fellowship Dinner Mon. Presidents' Day, Church Office Closed 2:00 PM College Church TV Broadcast (more airings) 7:30 PM Iron Sharpens Iron 10:00 AM Personal Ministries Steering Committee 9:00 PM Late Night Bible Study (Zoom link on website) 12:00 PM Bulletin Deadline 7:00 PM Prayer Meeting

3:30 PM Kids' Prayer Meeting 6:00 PM King's Kids 7:00 PM Book Club

7:30 PM Al-Anon (Youth Chapel) 2:30 PM Sterling Village Ministry 7:30 PM Friday Night Study

10:00 AM College Church TV Broadcast (more airings) 10:00 AM Sabbath School (Various Locations) 11:15 AM Worship Service: John Amoah

> 11:15 AM Kids' Worship 5:30 PM Church Business Meeting 7:00 PM Free Concert Series

FELLOWSHIP MEALS

TODAY, 9:00 AM AND AFTER CHURCH | FELL. HALL

Visitors are welcome and don't need to bring anything.

- ✓ Breakfast: 9:00–10:00 AM. This will be provided for us.
- ✓ Potluck Dinner: Right after church. Members, please bring your favorite dish ready to serve.

IRON SHARPENS IRON MEN'S GROUP

THIS MONDAY, 7:30 PM | IN PERSON & ONLINE

All men are welcome, regardless of membership. Info at https:// wearecc.net/iron-sharpens-iron.

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.

BOOK CLUB

THIS THURSDAY, 7:00 PM | ZOOM

Info and login are at https://wearecc.net/book-club.

CHURCH BUSINESS MEETING

SATURDAY, FEB. 25, 5:30 PM

The main purpose will be to approve our budget for this year.

SOUTH LANCASTER ACADEMY CONSTITUENCY MEETING THURSDAY, MAR. 2, 7:00 PM | MULTIPURPOSE ROOM

All official College Church members are constituent members and can attend and vote at this meeting.

YOUNG ADULT SUPPER AND DISCUSSION FRIDAY, MAR. 3, 6:30 PM | SIF & RICARDO'S HOME

PATHFINDER CLUB REGISTRATION

Please register your Pathfinder online at College Church Catamounts Pathfinder Club Registration. The first meeting of the year will be on March 4, 2:00-4:00 PM. Our club is geared for kids in grades 4-8. Those in grades 9–12 are also encouraged to register and will be transitional staff. Jill Hodson, Club director, jilldchodson@yahoo.com.

BACH'S ST. JOHN PASSION

SUNDAY, MARCH 5, 4:00 PM | ALL SAINTS' CHURCH, DORCHESTER

The Bach Project at Ashmont Hill Chamber Music will offer a special performance of Bach's St. John Passion, for soloists, choir, and orchestra, directed by our organist, Andrew Sheranian. This is a rare opportunity to view the passion and death of Christ through the consoling and awe-inspiring lens of the Fifth Evangelist (the name Lutherans give to Bach). You will hear the musical setting of the Passion that Bach's parishioners heard in the 1720's on Good Friday in Leipzig. Mark your calendars and don't miss it! More information and tickets at www.ahchambermusic.org. 209 Ashmont Street, Dorchester.

MISSION TRIP FUNDRAISER

SNEC Mission It's Possible is going to Clarendon, Jamaica April 13-23 to work on multiple ministries—schools, VBS's, evangelistic series, and more. Support us by mailing your donation to SNEC Youth Ministries, 34 Sawyer Street, Lancaster, MA 01523. Please make checks payable to SNEC Youth Ministries, write MIP on the memo line, and to donate toward a specific person, write their name on a sticky note & place it on the check. Keep us in your prayers.

COLLECTING CLOTHES FOR CLINTON

We are collecting new boys and girls tee shirts, shorts and sweatpants in sizes 4–12 for the Clinton Elementary School students. Please put items in the bin outside the church office, or you can contribute funds (mark your tithe envelope for the Clinton School kids). Thank you!

PRAYERS FOR THAILAND

Andrew Pak is asking us to pray for the situation in Thailand. He says he can't go into detail, but there are lots of changes happening and lots of difficulties his team is experiencing. He would really appreciate it if we could support them during this time.

SABBATH SCHOOL PODCAST

We have a weekly podcast dealing with the Sabbath School lesson. You can find the episodes in the Messages section of our website, or on Spotify or Apple Podcasts. The episode for each Sabbath's lesson drops each Sunday morning.

COLLECTING CRAFTS FOR CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Our children's ministry department is collecting supplies for crafts. Markers, construction paper, glue sticks, crayons, toilet paper rolls, tissue paper, etc.—if you have any of these to donate, please put them in the white bin outside the church office door.

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

Downstairs:	Upstairs:			
Newborn-Age 2	Grades 4-5 (Juniors)			
Age 3-Kindergarten	Grades 6–8 (Early Teens)			
Grades 1-3 (Primary)	Grades 9–12 (Youth)			
CLASSES FOR ADULTS				
Bible Journaling	Fellowship Hall	Multiple teachers		
The "Cheers" Class	Fellowship Hall	Ralph Gifford III		
Deep Calling: Digging Deeper	Fellowship Hall			
Young Adults	Young Adult Room	Multiple teachers		
Blatt, Radford	Training Chapel			
Spanish	Sanctuary	Multiple teachers		
Livestream	Sanctuary	Multiple teachers		

Conference Room

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY NEEDS NAMES

Are you graduating from high school this spring, or do you know someone who is? Please let us know with this form so that the CC prayer shawl team can make you one for graduation this year!

HELP FOR EARTHQUAKE VICTIMS

We are collecting items for the Turkish Alliance to help those devastated by the earthquake in Turkey. We need tents, diapers, wipes, personal hygiene products, and flashlights. You can drop them off outside of the deacons' room beside the office by this Thursday.

YOUTH CHAPEL PIANO

Robertson

We have had multiple reports of the piano in the chapel being misused—people banging on it, food and drink being put on it, etc. Let's take good care of this donated instrument so that it will last us for many years.



The Church in Praise, 11:10 AM

Please silence all devices.

WELCOME, OFFERING, & ANNOUNCEMENTS (11:10 AM)

Loose offerings go to local church budget.

PRELUDE (11:15 AM)

Fughetta (from Suite) (Florence Price)

CALL TO WORSHIP AND INVOCATION

Ps. 92:1-5 Roger Prather

HYMN OF PRAISE

37, O Sing, My Soul, Your Maker's Praise (Finland) Chris Andrade, leader

LAMB'S OFFERING AND CHILDREN'S STORY

Karl Hernandez

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Prayer Song: See column to the left; sung twice. Prayer: Cameron Loss

MUSICAL SELECTION

Halleluiah (Leonard Cohen) Mirabel Weston, voice; Andrew Sheranian, piano

SCRIPTURE

Responsive Reading 812 Connor Allain

WHAT WE CAN LEARN FROM 112 YEARS OF MARRIAGE

Einar Rom, Megan Jones, & CC Couples Panel Einar is our lead pastor.

HYMN OF DEDICATION

654, Lord, Bless Our Homes (Charterhouse)

BENEDICTION

Einar Rom

POSTLUDE

Fantasy (from Suite) (Florence Price) 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.