

General Information

CHURCH FINANCIAL SNAPSHOT: CHURCH BUDGET

| Feb. 29, 2024 | Budget | Actual |
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| Needed | \$70,833.00 | |
| Received | \$69,526.00* | \$69,526.00 * |
| Spent | | (\$69,505.20) |
| Surplus (Deficit) | (\$1,307.00) | \$20.80 |

YTD Total HVAC Loans Balance \$253,513.47

*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 doesn't 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.

Jan-Feb Local Church Budget: \$70,833



Did you enjoy last evening's Agape Supper? We all did, and it was funded by our Local Church Budget. In addition to our experience last evening, the church budget funds heat, A/C, lights, Guide Magazine, Primary Treasure, Our Little Friend, cleaning, kitchen supplies, SLA financial support, Adventurers, Pathfinders, office staff, this bulletin, and much, much more. Please keep the Local Church Budget in your stewardship planning. You can do so by using a donation envelope and placing it in the offering box by the door, or by donating online at <https://wearecc.net/give>. Pastor Einar

SPEAKERS AND PRESIDING ELDERS

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| Mar. 30 | Einar Rom (Easter Sabbath) | Cécile Engeln |
| Apr. 6 | Einar Rom | Daniel Thomas |
| Apr. 13 | Einar Rom | Cameron Loss |

BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS are normally due Wednesdays by noon at bulletin@wearecc.net. Request an announcement be read aloud by filling out the form linked at 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>.

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 restrooms downstairs.

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.

✓ *Newsletter:* www.mysla.org/school-newsletter.

✓ *Alumni:* Connect with us at www.mysla.org/alumni.

AUC ALUMNI: Sign up for monthly emails at AlumniOfAUC.com. No email address? Sign up for 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](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. *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](https://wearecc.net/messages) section of our website. Episodes 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:

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| Regular Hours: | Mon.–Wed. 8:45 AM–12:30 PM, Thur. as needed; Friday: 8:45 AM–12:30 PM. It's best to confirm coverage before coming because the office administrator sometimes subs at SLA on short notice. |
| 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:

erom@sneconline.org
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Ed Collins, Office Administrator

office@wearecc.net (general communication)
bulletin@wearecc.net (bulletin submissions)

Michelle Lynn, Church Clerk (membership questions)

clerk@wearecc.net

Caleb Bastien and Ron Gründer, Treasurers:

treasurer@wearecc.net

Bulletin



COLLEGE CHURCH
— of Seventh-day Adventists —



Image by Evelyn Cunningham.

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.

March 30, 2024

The Church at Work

PRAYER FOCUS

Health Concerns: Roy McCoy (on hospice at Fitchburg Health Care), Mary Monroe, Lorelie Linton (Dan's mom, Sterling Village), Dan Morris, Nicole Broushet, Margareta Sbacchi, Mary Lou Segar, 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), Linda Oetman, Joe Drader (Odd Fellows Rehab, Worcester), Laura Lee Williams, David Tessier (brother of Wendy Hall), Isaac (relative of the Giffords), Bob Rogers.

Also: Our 2024 Nominating Committee.

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

South Lancaster Sunset: Today 7:12 PM, Friday 7:19 PM

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| Today | 9:30 AM | Easter Breakfast Potluck |
| | 7:30 PM | Pathfinder Fundraiser |
| Sun. | | Happy Easter! |
| Mon. | 10:30 AM | Personal Ministries Steering Committee |
| | 2:00 PM | College Church TV Broadcast (more airings) |
| | 7:00 PM | Nominating Committee (FH) |
| | 7:00 PM | Conversations in Bible Fundamentals (Zoom) |
| | 7:00 PM | Iron Sharpens Iron Men's Group |
| Tue. | 9:00 PM | Late Night Bible Study (Zoom link on website) |
| Wed. | 12:00 PM | Bulletin Deadline |
| | 3:15 PM | Kids' Prayer Meeting |
| | 7:00 PM | Prayer Meeting (Zoom) |
| Thur. | 6:00 PM | King's Kids (Music Room) |
| | 7:00 PM | MindFit (also Friday, Monday, Tuesday) |
| | 7:30 PM | Al-Anon (Chapel) |
| Fri. | 6:30 PM | Young Adult Supper/Discussion |
| | 7:30 PM | Friday Night Study |
| Sat. | 10:00 AM | Sabbath School (various locations) |
| | 10:00 AM | College Church TV Broadcast (more airings) |
| | 11:10 AM | Worship Service: Einar Rom |
| | 2:00 PM | Adventurers, Pathfinders |

IRON SHARPENS IRON MEN'S GROUP

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

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

KIDS' PRAYER MEETING

THIS WEDNESDAY, 3:15 PM | KINDERGARTEN ROOM

More info at wearecc.net/cc-kids.

YOUNG ADULT SUPPER & DISCUSSION

FRIDAY, APR. 5, 6:30 PM | 33 MOUNTAIN AVE, FITCHBURG

Please contact Pastor Einar for details.

MENDELSSOHN'S ELIJAH

SUNDAY, APR. 7, 3:00 PM | FBC, 111 PARK AVE. WORCESTER,

by the Rhode Island Civic Chorale and Orchestra with the WPI choir.

Tickets @ ricco.org This will be a stirring concert by a huge choir and orchestra you will thoroughly enjoy! *Elijah* is one of the greatest oratorios ever composed.

MEMBERSHIP TRANSFERS: SECOND READING

In: Doug & Berenice Cote from Sterling.

Out: Laura Mapes to Leominster Spanish.



Register for MindFit at <https://www.mindfitevent.com>.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

JULY 10-13, 4:00-7:30 PM; JULY 14, 2:30-8:30 PM FOR PRE-TEENS

Registration is LIVE for Vacation Bible School 2024! The main VBS is for ages birth-age 10, BUT: New this year is a one-day immersive VBS for pre-teens on Sunday, July 14. Please visit <https://wearecc.net> or see Nicole Broushet for more info for volunteers and attendees.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY NEEDS NAMES

Are you or is someone you know graduating from academy/high school this spring? Our Prayer Shawl team can make them a shawl for graduation! Scan the QR code to add info to the form.



LET'S PUT THE FUN IN FUNDRAISER

JOIN US FOR A FUN-FILLED NIGHT OF GAMES & ICE CREAM!

All proceeds will go towards the College Church Pathfinder club's trip to the International Pathfinder Camporee this summer.

Date: March 30th. Time: 7:30-9:30pm.
Location: Leominster SOA Church Fellowship Hall
445 Union St. Leominster, MA

\$5 Entrance Fee
Includes a small custom ice cream sundae + board game fun!
All ages welcome. Additional treats available for purchase.
CASH ONLY

The Church at Study, 10:00 AM

CLASSES FOR CHILDREN & YOUTH

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| 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

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| 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. Free study guides at www.ssnnet.org, download the Sabbath School app, or scan the QR code on the right.



Ways to Keep Our Kids Healthy

April 11, 2024
College Church Fellowship Hall
Supper and Presentation 6-8 pm
337 Main Street, S. Lancaster, MA
This event is free!

- Important Points -**
- Exercise / outdoor time
 - Impact of pollutants
 - Screen time
 - Vaccinations - pros/cons
 - Energy drinks
 - Healthy snacks/ diet



Sign up with this QR code, or go to www.wearecc.net and click the blue N on the lower right.



It is important to register for the Kids' Health program. This event is for both adults and kids. We want to be sure we have enough food for all.

✓ **Also: Choose Wellness Health Fair:** September 22, Clearview Farm, Sterling. It's time to make the plans, line up the vendors, and strategize marketing. We are looking for volunteers who can help with these activities. We also need help to update the church website. Please consider prayerfully how your specific talents could assist in this important undertaking. Please contact Kari Radford (508-317-2400) for any questions or to volunteer.

PRAYER SONG (sung 2x)

Because He lives I can face tomorrow
Because He lives all fear is gone
Because I know He holds the future
And life is worth the living just because He lives

BRASS GROUP

Ryan Ramey, French horn
Nathan French, trumpet
Geoff Sheldon, trumpet
Noah Lauziere, trombone
Joe Wright, tuba

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

The Church in Praise, 11:10 AM

Please silence all devices.

WELCOME

Einar Rom

PRELUDE

Pange lingua (Leo Sowerby)

MINISTRY MATTERS, OFFERING

Cécile Engeln

Loose offerings go to local church budget. Offering boxes are by the doors.

MUSICAL SELECTION

O Sacred Head Now Wounded (Charles Evans)
Brass Group

CALL TO WORSHIP AND INVOCATION

Job 19:23-27

Timiyah Brahmia and Kate Hodson

HYMN OF PRAISE

223, Crown Him with Many Crowns (Diademata)
Arielle Cady Flores, leader

MUSICAL SELECTION

He's Got the Whole World in His Hands/All Through the Night
(Traditional/Tom Howard)

Kings Kids, Kirosha Sidelca, director

LAMB'S OFFERING & CHILDREN'S STORY

Cécile Engeln and Cameron Loss

MUSICAL SELECTION

That Easter Day With Joy Was Bright (Cathy Mockelbust)
College Church Bells, Lira Cady, director

IN REMEMBRANCE

Einar & Dawn Rom

Please take a flower in remembrance of someone you lost this year.

HYMN OF REFLECTION

530, It is Well With My Soul (Ville Du Harve)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Prayer Song: 526, Because He Lives, chorus only (Resurrection)
See column to the left.

Prayer: Jaslin Aubin

MUSICAL SELECTION

Were You There? (Charles Evans)
Brass Group

SCRIPTURE

Matthew 28:1-7

Vianna and Samantha Norford

I KNOW THAT MY REDEEMER LIVETH

Einar Rom

Einar is our lead pastor.

HYMN OF DEDICATION

166, Christ the Lord is Risen Today (arr. Terre Johnson)

BENEDICTION

Einar Rom

POSTLUDE

Paeon (Herbert Howells)

Andrew Sheranian, organ, piano