

General Information

CHURCH FINANCIAL SNAPSHOT: CHURCH BUDGET

August 2024	Budget	Actual
Needed	\$283,332.00	
Received	\$224,740.63*	\$224,740.63*
Spent		(\$224,700.81)
Surplus (Deficit)	(\$58,591.37)	\$39.82
YTD Total		

*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: 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.

Our 2024 Local Church Budget is \$425,000, and that breaks down to \$35,417/month. You may wonder where do those dollars go? Here are a few examples: Each month CC sends \$10,294 to help operate SLA for its 283 students; last Sabbath approximately 175 of us enjoyed a beautiful Sabbath at Camp Winnekeag and a wonderful meal in the cafeteria thanks to our Local Church Budget; we purchase Sabbath School magazines for our kids; we heat and cool our building with utility costs of several thousand dollars each month; we helped our Pathfinders attend the Believe the Promise Camporee in Wyoming; ran a VBS that blessed many children; are gearing up for tomorrow's Choose Wellness Fair in Sterling, MA; purchased new mics for our sound system; enjoyed a delicious hot breakfast this morning in our fellowship hall; printed this bulletin; and much, much more. To sum it up: Many lives are blessed thanks to our Local Church Budget. Please continue to support our Local Church Budget in your stewardship planning.

Please place your offering in the offering boxes by the sanctuary doors or contribute online at wearecc.net/give. Pastor Einar

SPEAKERS AND PRESIDING ELDERS

Sep. 21	Einar Rom	Thomas Nicholas
Sept. 28	Einar Rom	Horacio Castro
Oct. 5	Brian Allison	Mariyan Montaque

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 in Sterling, Lancaster, Clinton, Leominster, Lunenburg, and West Boylston. 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 to grade 12. We are a constituent church of this fine institution, providing financial & logistical support. Info: 978-368-8544, www.mysla.org.

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

SCHOLARSHIPS: See the linked page for requirements, deadlines, and to apply. **Elementary & Secondary:** For three-way and home school, go to <https://wearecc.net> and click Next Steps in the lower right corner. **Deadline: Monday, Sept. 30.**

VOLUNTEER WITH US!

Help us prepare to spread the message of Christ's birth by joining our team!

SEPTEMBER 29, 2024 | 10:00 AM

Bailey Hall ~ SNEC Campgrounds
34 Sawyer Street ~ South Lancaster, MA 01561

Info Meeting

Contact Us
OLLYCE GARDNER
ogardner@mysla.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](#) 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 : ministry needs, comments, or address changes. See below to con 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:

Regular Hours:	Mon., Wed., Fri. 8:00–12:30, 1:00–3:30. It's best to confirm coverage before coming because the office administrator sometimes subs at SLA on short notice.
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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.

Bulletin



Giving



COLLEGE CHURCH
— of Seventh-day Adventists —



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.

September 21, 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), Mary Monroe (home), Dan Morris, Ray Dow, the Flannery family, Sae Louis, Lucy Santana (River Terrace), John and Marella (friends of Cameron Loss), Julio Gonzalez (Laura Mapes's 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 for more.

South Lancaster Sunset: Today 6:47 PM, Friday 6:36 PM

Today	9:00 AM	Breakfast (provided)
		After Church Potluck Dinner
		After Church Quick meeting about Mission Sabbath
Sun.	11:00 AM	Choose Wellness Health Fair
Mon.	2:00 PM	College Church TV Broadcast (more airings)
	7:30 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
	7:00 PM	Prayer Meeting (Zoom)
Thur.	7:30 PM	Al-Anon (Earliteen Room)
Fri.	6:30 PM	Youth Supper/Vespers
	7:30 PM	Friday Night Study
Sat.	10:00 AM	College Church TV Broadcast (more airings)
	10:00 AM	Sabbath School (various locations)
	11:15 AM	Worship Service: Mission Sabbath
		After Church Potluck Dinner

MEETING FOR MINISTRY SABBATH

TODAY, RIGHT AFTER CHURCH | FRONT OF THE SANCTUARY

Josephine would like all CC department heads (or a person they designate) to meet for just five minutes right after church today, up front by the baptistery.

FELLOWSHIP MEALS TODAY

BREAKFAST (PROVIDED) 9:00 AM, POTLUCK AFTER CHURCH

Members, please bring a dish ready to serve for the potluck. Visitors are welcome at both meals and don't need to bring anything.

MISSION SABBATH

NEXT SABBATH, SEPT. 28

Please plan to be a part of this mission-critical day as we prayerfully consider how to reach our community with the good news we know and love. A potluck will happen, so be sure to bring food. Then we'll meet to brainstorm ideas on reaching our world that needs hope.

CHOOSE WELLNESS FREE SUPPER/PRESENTATION

THURSDAY, OCT. 10, 6:00-8:00 PM | FELLOWSHIP HALL

Topics: Breast Cancer, Grief. Presented by Ilsa Gründer, NP, Cancer Center; Marta Medina, MSW. Sign up at wearecc.net (Next Steps button in lower right corner) or use the QR code.



SLA 142ND ALUMNI WEEKEND

FRIDAY-SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11-13

Guest speaker Loran Hauck '69, vespers, worship, basketball and volleyball games, business meetings. Register at www.mysla.org/alumni.

LOST & FOUND

Please check out the lost and found table in the foyer. Anything remaining after church on 9/28 will be given away or discarded, so if it's yours, please pick it up today or next Sabbath!

PRAISE TIME LYRICS

He's Got the Whole World

He's got the whole world in His hands (4x)
He's got you and me sister in His hands (females only)
He's got you and me brother in His hands (males only)
He's got everybody in His hands

Deep and Wide

Deep and wide, deep and wide
There's a fountain flowing deep and wide
Deep and wide, deep and wide
There's a fountain flowing deep and wide

Wide and deep, wide and deep
There's a fountain flowing wide and deep
Wide and deep, wide and deep
There's a fountain flowing wide and deep
There's a fountain flowing wide and deep

This Little Light of Mine

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine (3x)
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Everywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine (3x)
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine

All around the world, We're gonna let it shine (3x)
Let shine, let it shine, let it shine! (2x)

PLEASE JOIN US FOR A
Thanksgiving Choral Celebration
NOVEMBER 23 9:30 AM

Join us for a choral collaboration with SLA choirs, learn the song at home at your own pace and join SLA for two rehearsals and a performance for our Thanksgiving service.

Email Ilana Cady for music & practice tracks & rehearsal schedule (only 2 rehearsals)
ilanacady16@gmail.com

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. Free study guides at www.ssnet.org.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalms 95:1-2 (NIV): "Come, let us sing for joy to the LORD; let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation. Let us come before him with thanksgiving and extol him with music and song."

CLOSING HYMN

We Are His Hands

We are His hands to touch the world around us.
We are His feet to go where He may lead.
We are His light burning in the darkness.
We are His love shining in the night.

We are His eyes to see the need in others.
We are His voice to tell of His return.
We are His love burning in the darkness.
We are His love shining in the night (2x)

CHOOSE WELLNESS

A Free Community Health Fair

Sunday, September 22 | 11:00am - 3:00pm

- Kids' area
 - Bouncy house
 - Games
 - Face painting
 - Chair massages
- Vegan food options
- Information on nutrition and lifestyle

Clearview Farm
4 Kendall Hill Road, Sterling, MA

This is a chance to reach out to our community about the impact nutrition and lifestyle have on their lives. If you can help, sign up at www.wearecc.net (Next Steps button in the lower right corner) or with the form in today's bulletin.

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

The Church in Praise, 11:15 AM

Please silence all devices.

WELCOME

Einar Rom

PRELUDE

Allegro moderato & Adagio from Sonata I (BWV 525) (Johann Sebastian Bach)

MINISTRY MATTERS, OFFERING

Thomas Nicholas

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

PATHFINDER/ADVENTURER PROCESSIONAL

We Are Adventurers and Oh, We Are the Pathfinders Strong

WELCOME FROM THE CLUBS

Sarah Nicholas, Virginia Norford,
Emmanuella Gibson, Arielle Cady Flores

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalms 95:1, 2 (see column to the left)
Teaghan Hearson

INVOCATION

Hector Flores III

PRAISE MEDLEY

Tom Engeln, Jonathan Bissell, guitar; Annette Siver, piano;
Hector Flores, percussion (see lyrics to the left)

SCRIPTURE

Ephesians 6:16
Kelsey Evans

PLEDGE, LAW AND SONG

Adventurer Club

LAMB'S OFFERING & CHILDREN'S STORY

"Yes, no and not yet": Arielle Cady Flores

INTERNATIONAL CAMPOREE VIDEO MONTAGE

MUSICAL SELECTION

Ode to Joy (L. van Beethoven)
Jonathan Nicholas, violin

GARDEN OF PRAYER

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: Adrian Devasigamony, Gianna Gibson

MUSICAL SELECTION

It Is Well With My Soul (Jonathan Bednarczyk)
Samantha & Vianna Norford, violin

PATHFINDER LEADERSHIP CHANGE & INDUCTION CEREMONY

HYMN OF DEDICATION

We Are His Hands: Ofelia and Sofia Maskewich (see lyrics to the left)

BENEDICTION

Einar Rom

POSTLUDE

Allegro from Sonata I (BWV 525) (Johann Sebastian Bach)
Feel free to remain in the sanctuary for a time of reflection during the postlude.

Andrew Sheranian, organ, piano