

CHURCH FINANCIAL SNAPSHOT: CHURCH BUDGET

*Includes restricted giving that offsets church budget expenses.

September 2024	Budget	Actual
Needed	\$318,748.50	
Received	\$256,643.70*	\$256,643.70*
Spent		(\$256,638.69)
Surplus (Deficit)	(\$62,104.80)	\$5.01
YTD Total		

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? Funny you should ask. Last month we spent:

- ✓ \$10,294 on Christian Education as we support SLA
- ✓ \$2,662 on utilities (this is a low month)
- ✓ We used funds on church social programs; the Choose Wellness Health Fair; music ministry; AV needs; office expenses; building maintenance; Pathfinders & Adventurers; young adults; and much more. Please continue to support our Local Church Budget in your stewardship planning.

You can donate in the offering boxes by the sanctuary doors, or online at wearecc.net/give. Pastor Einar

General Information

DATE	SPEAKER	ELDER	DEACON
Nov. 2	Tom Murray	Rose Dawkins	Fred Day
Nov. 9	Einar Rom	Dave Rawson	Carlos Muchiutti
Nov. 16	Einar Rom	Cécile Engeln	Debbie Gifford

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.



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 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:

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.



Image by Kendra Chama.

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.

November 2, 2024

The Church at Work

PRAYER FOCUS

Health Concerns: Alan Collins (Ed's brother), Henry & Dottie Livergood, Linda Wilson (friend of Kim and Steve's), Mary Monroe (Holden Rehab, 32 Mayo Dr., Holden, MA), Anna Elizabeth (friend of Nancy Broderick), Pearl McDonald (Tish Brahmia's mom), Scott Meyers & Jason Lepkowski (related to June Willey), 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.

Home-bound: Jackie Nosek.

WEEK AT A GLANCE: See announcements or wearecc.net for more.

South Lancaster Sunset: Today 5:40 PM, Friday 4:32 PM

Today	After Church	Haystack Fellowship Dinner
	2:00 PM	Adventurers, Pathfinders
	4:00 PM	Christmas Play Rehearsal
	6:00 PM	Rehearsal for Nov. 8 Praise & Worship Vespers
Sun.	2:00 AM	Daylight Saving Time Ends, Set Clocks Back
	9:30 AM	Men's Ministry Breakfast & Discussions
Mon.	2:00 PM	College Church TV Broadcast (more airings)
	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
	6:30 PM	Young Adult Gathering
	7:00 PM	Prayer Meeting (Zoom)
Thur.	7:30 PM	Al-Anon (Earliten Room)
Fri.	3:30 PM	Feed the Hungry
	6:00 PM	King's Kids
	6:30 PM	Bell Choir Rehearsal
	7:30 PM	Praise & Worship in Concert
	7:30 PM	Friday Night Study
Sabb.	9:15 AM	Refresh (Youth Chapel)
	10:00 AM	College Church TV Broadcast (more airings)
	10:00 AM	Sabbath School (various locations)
	11:15 AM	Worship Service: Einar Rom, speaker

HOLIDAY FOOD DRIVE

- ✓ We need your help in this wonderful ministry. Please join us in collecting food for the holiday food drive.
- ✓ **Today:** pick up your collection bags (list on bag, please stick to list, no expired products, please). Take as many bags as you can fill. Ask friends, family and colleagues to assist in filling a bag! Here's the list if you aren't attending today: cake or brownie mix, oatmeal, jello, oil, peanut butter, flour, sugar, pasta, pasta sauce, rice, canned beans.
- ✓ Nov. 9: Bring ALL bags back to church and put in the fellowship hall downstairs off the kitchen. We'll have helpers to move them from your cars if needed.
- ✓ Monetary donations are appreciated. You can do it online (state HFD) or mark a tithe envelope.
- ✓ Nov 11: Need volunteers for sorting and counting 9:30-12:00.
- ✓ Nov. 23: Volunteers deliver boxes after a light lunch.

CHRISTMAS PLAY REHEARSAL

TODAY, 4:00 PM

"FALL BACK" 

TOMORROW, 2:00 AM

It's time to set your clocks back as we return to standard time.

IRON SHARPENS IRON

- ✓ **Breakfast:** Tomorrow, Ricardo Muchiutti's house, 201 Langen Rd. Lancaster, MA. Bring ideas and swimsuits.
- 9:30 AM cold plunge (not for the faint of heart), 10:00 AM food (provided)
- This time will also be used to gather ideas for Men's Ministry activities, projects, and ways of involvement for 2025.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

- ✓ Tomorrow @ 10:00 AM we meet at the Worcester Art Museum. It's a free day and they will have the Diwali Celebration.
- ✓ December 10, 6 PM is our annual Yankee Swap at 31 Main Street, Sterling, MA. This is always a fun-filled event with a favorite holiday foods potluck and Yankee Swap.
- ✓ We are starting to collect funds to support the families of North Star at Christmas. Please mark your contribution to Women's Ministry Christmas Fund. Thanks in advance for your support.

MAJOR COMMUNITY SERVICE DEVELOPMENT

SNEC is creating a new community service center and will sell the property at 129 Bolton Rd., Lancaster. To prepare, we're cleaning tomorrow @ 9AM. Please come and help out!

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

BOXES DUE NOV. 16

OCC's mission is to show God's love to needy children around the world, and to share the Good News of Jesus Christ. Please consider filling a shoebox for a needy child. See the foyer display for info and supplies. To track where your box goes, donate \$10 (see insert).

THANKS FOR PASTOR APPRECIATION DAY

- ✓ **From Pastor Einar:** A huge thank you for your generosity when you presented to me your loving and thoughtful Pastor Appreciation gifts. Your kindness means so much to us, as do your prayers and friendships. I want you to know that it's truly my privilege to serve as your pastor, and your support and prayers adds to this wonderful experience.
- ✓ **From Pastor Maria:** I appreciate your recognition on Pastor Appreciation Day. Thank you so much for your demonstrations of thoughtfulness and consideration, both for me and my family and for our larger faith community. And thank you, Pastor Einar, for the privilege of working with you and learning about spiritual leadership from you.



The Church at Study, 10:00 AM

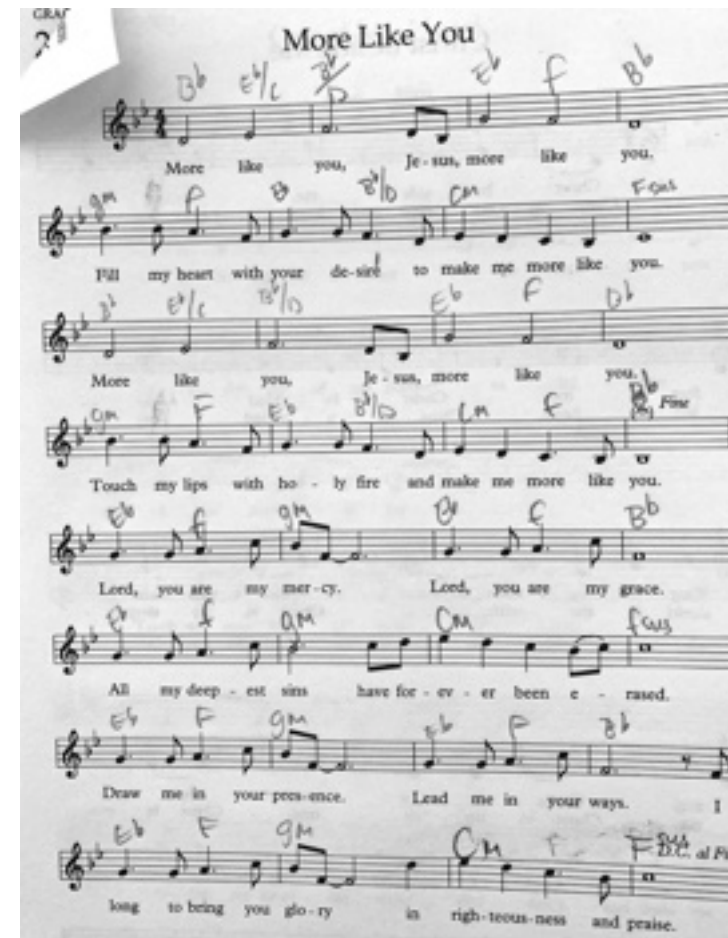
CLASSES FOR CHILDREN & YOUTH

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.ssnec.org.



NEW CHURCH DIRECTORY

We will be using the web platform Instant Church Directory. Please use our online form to be included. Just go to <https://wearecc.net> and click Next Steps in the lower right corner. We look forward to connecting with you!

The Church in Praise, 11:15 AM

Please silence all devices.

WELCOME

Einar Rom

PRELUDE

Tocatta in D minor: "The Dorian," BWV 538 (Johann Sebastian Bach)

CALL TO WORSHIP AND INVOCATION

Psalm 121
Eva Casareale

HYMN OF PRAISE

7, The Lord in Zion Reigneth (Crosby)
Arensa Morisset, leader

LAMB'S OFFERING & CHILDREN'S STORY

Andrea Baldwin

MINISTRY MATTERS, OFFERING

Rose Dawkins

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

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Prayer Song: More Like You (Scott Wesley Brown)

Refrain: More like You Jesus, more like You

Fill my heart with Your desire to make me more like You

More like You Jesus, more like You

Touch my lips with holy fire and make me more like You

Lord You are my mercy, Lord You are my grace

All my deepest sins have forever been erased

Draw me in Your presence, lead me in Your ways

I long to bring You glory in righteousness and praise

Prayer: Rose Dawkins

MINISTRY IN MUSIC

Mansion Over the Hilltop (Bill Gaither)

Alex Bezerra, voice

SCRIPTURE

Exodus 15:2

Bella Casareale

AT THE END OF THE DAY

Tom Murray

Tom is the treasurer of the Southern New England Conference of SDA's.

HYMN OF DEDICATION

511, I Know Whom I Have Believed (McGranahan)

BENEDICTION

Tom Murray

POSTLUDE

Fugue in D minor: "The Dorian," BWV 538 (Johann Sebastian Bach)

Feel free to remain in the sanctuary for a time of reflection during the postlude.

Andrew Sheranian, organ, piano

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