

General Information

CHURCH FINANCIAL SNAPSHOT: CHURCH BUDGET

Mar. 31, 2023	Budget	Actual
Needed	\$104,364.00	
Received	\$71,846.75*	\$71,846.75*
Spent		(\$71,805.48)
Surplus (Deficit)	(\$32,517.25)	\$41.27

*Includes restricted giving that offsets church budget expenses.

HVAC project fundraising balance: \$147,528.21.

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.

SCHEDULE OF SPEAKERS AND PRESIDING ELDERS

Apr. 22	Bill Knott; Valencia Broushet baptism	Ralph Gifford III
Apr. 29	Einar Rom	Nicole Broushet
May 6	Einar Rom	Keila Mejia

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, 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).

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 on Sunday morning.

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](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

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

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



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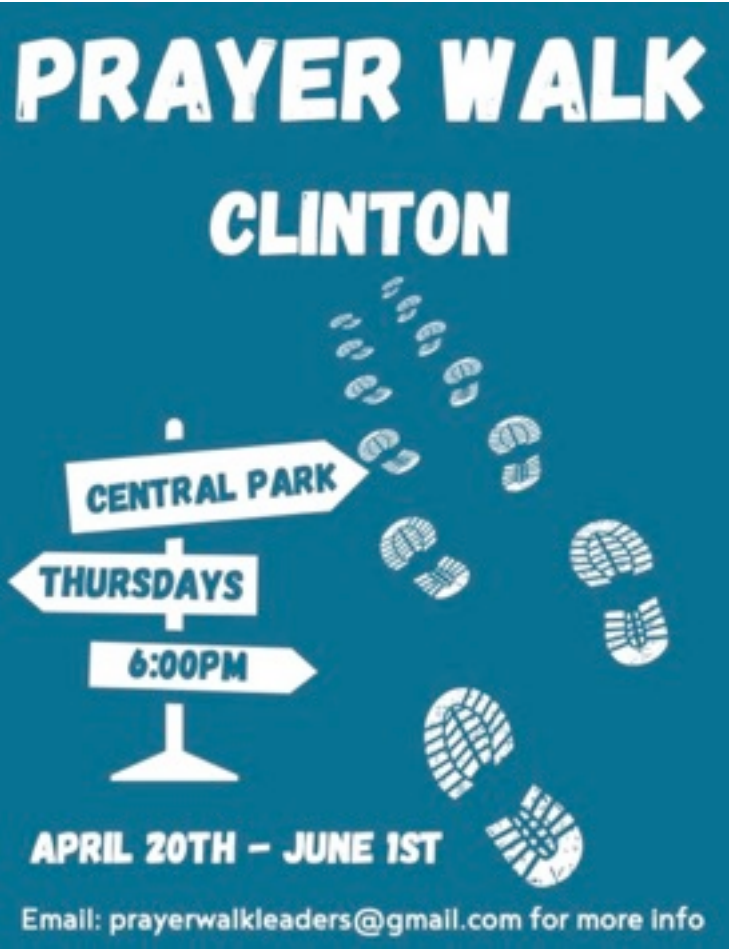
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Love. Grow. Serve.



Image by Karleigh Collins.

April 22, 2023



The Church at Work

PRAYER FOCUS

Health Concerns: The Flannery family, Sae Louis, Elnora King, 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), Inigo Vega, 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 family of John Cameron, who we just learned passed away on Mar. 2. His wife, Mary, now lives at Life Care of Nashoba Valley.

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

South Lancaster Sunset: Today 7:37 PM, Friday 7:44 PM			
Today	After Church	Potluck Fellowship Dinner	
	4:00 PM	Spencerville Academy Band Concert	
	5:30 PM	Easter Play Rehearsal	
	6:00 PM	Power in Prayer and Praise	
Sun.	1:00 PM	Women’s Ministry@Tower Hill Botanical Gardens	
Mon.	2:00 PM	College Church TV Broadcast (more airings)	
	7:30 PM	Iron Sharpens Iron Men’s Group	
Tues.	7:00 PM	Camera Club	
	9:00 PM	Late Night Bible Study (Zoom link on website)	
Wed.	12:00 PM	Bulletin Deadline	
	7:00 PM	Prayer Meeting	
	7:00 PM	Easter Play Rehearsal	
Thur.	3:30 PM	Kids’ Prayer Meeting	
	6:00 PM	King’s Kids	
	7:00 PM	SLA Board (postponed from last week)	
	7:30 PM	Al-Anon (Youth Chapel)	
Fri.	2:30 PM	Sterling Village Ministry	
	7:00 PM	Overflow Vespers	
	7:30 PM	Friday Night Study	
Sat.	8:00 AM	Easter Play Rehearsal	
	10:00 AM	College Church TV Broadcast (more airings)	
	10:00 AM	Sabbath School (Various Locations)	
	11:10 AM	Worship Service: Einar Rom, Easter Play	
	11:15 AM	Kids’ Worship	
	1:30 PM	Adventurers	
	2:00 PM	Pathfinders	
	2:00 PM	Soup and Bread Fellowship	

TODAY’S SANCTUARY FLOWERS

Today’s flowers are donated in recognition of Elnora King’s 90th birthday. A special thank you to church family and friends for your prayers and support all these years! God is still on His throne! Peace & blessings to all, especially to those who belong to the household of faith. *From the King Family*

POTLUCK FELLOWSHIP MEAL
TODAY, AFTER CHURCH | FELLOWSHIP HALL

Members, please bring your favorite dish ready to serve.

✓ **Important: We’ll have about 50 visitors from Spencerville Academy, so members, please bring extra food.**

ERRANT TEXT AND EMAIL SENT

On Thursday afternoon an unauthorized text and email of a political nature was sent through our Breeze church management system (the text was from #87447). We sincerely apologize for any annoyance or inconvenience this caused. Until we can review our policies on this, we have temporarily disabled certain communication options in Breeze for everyone but the pastor and office administrator.

SOUP AND BREAD FELLOWSHIP POSTPONED

It was scheduled for 2:00 today, but instead will be held next Sabbath.

CHOOSE WELLNESS COMMUNITY HEALTH FAIR
PLANNING MEETING: TOMORROW, 7:00 PM | ZOOM
EVENT: SUNDAY, SEPT. 17 | CENTRAL PARK, CLINTON

This is an exciting outreach adventure that takes a lot of planning. We need your help by volunteering and donating. If you use Adventist Giving (wearecc.net/give), tap/click "add other" at the bottom of the Local Church section to find Choose Wellness. Still looking for people to be part of the planning committee. Zoom Login in is on the Choose Wellness box on the our home page.

FREE SPENCERVILLE ACADEMY BAND CONCERT
TODAY, 4:00 PM | SANCTUARY

POWER IN PRAYER AND PRAISE
TODAY, 6:00 PM | YOUTH CHAPEL

Join the King family and friends for a vesper program inspired by Elnora on the occasion of her 90th birthday. All are welcome.

WOMEN’S MINISTRY UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

- ✓ *Tomorrow, 1:00 PM:* Tower Hill Botanical Gardens. Check with your local library for discounted passes.
- ✓ *Sunday, May 7, 1:00 PM:* Worcester Art Museum. On the first Sunday of each month it’s free.

IRON SHARPENS IRON MEN’S GROUP
THIS MONDAY, 7:30 PM | YOUTH CHAPEL & ONLINE
We’re studying "Seven Questions that Rattle in the Minds of Most Men." We hope you can join us. Info & Zoom login 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.

EASTER PLAY: JESUS, THE CHOSEN ONE
NEXT SABBATH, APR. 29, DURING THE WORSHIP SERVICE
We need help with actors and setting up. If you can help, please contact Megan Jones at gmt2025@gmail.com or Keila Mejia at keilamejia12@gmail.com.

GALA ORGAN CONCERT
FRIDAY, MAY 12, 8:00 PM | 111 PARK AVENUE, WORCESTER
Featuring Wesley Hall and William Ness. Free.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY NEEDS NAMES
Are you graduating from high school this spring, or do you know someone who is? Please let us know at <https://forms.gle/y16q5VvgN5sfyY8z7> so that the CC prayer shawl team can make you one for graduation!

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.

Lesson



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

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	

SUMMER PICNICS

July 1, July 15, and July 29 are picnics dates that still need hosts. For info, contact Sif at themuchiuttis@gmail.com or 978-621-2015.

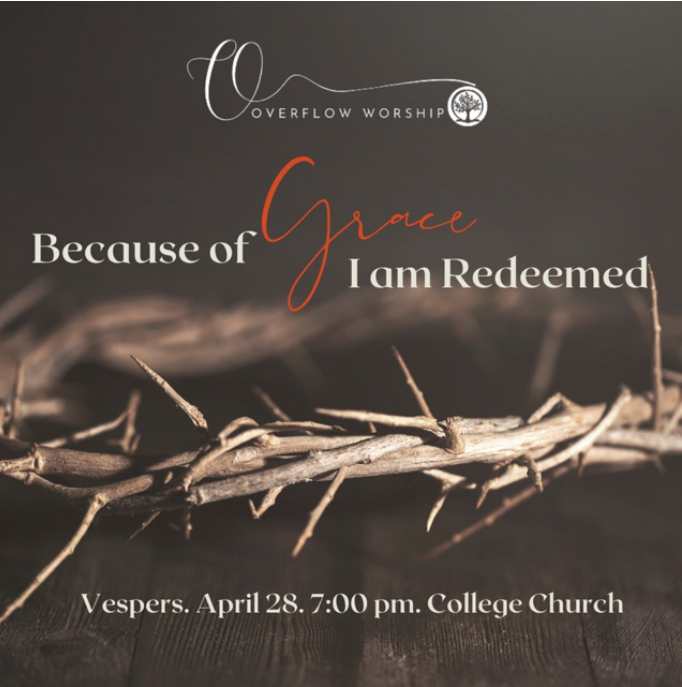
VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

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.

MORE ON MISSING MEMBERS

We continue to connect with all our members. If you have current contact information for Susan Alexander-Boyd or William & Carol Parkman, please let our pastor or church office know. Thank you.



The Church in Praise, 11:10 AM

Please silence all devices.

PASTORAL WELCOME
Einar Rom

PRELUDE
Prelude in G major (BWV 541) (*J.S. Bach*)

CALL TO WORSHIP AND INVOCATION
Hymnal #747
John Schumacher-Hardy

PRAISE
Keila Mejia, leader

LAMB’S OFFERING AND CHILDREN’S STORY
Laura Kryger

BAPTISM OF VALENCIA BROUSHET
Einar Rom

MUSICAL SELECTION
Appalachian Morning (*Robert Sheldon*)
Spencerville Academy Band, Lisa Froelich, director

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

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: Ralph Gifford III

MUSICAL SELECTION
Lead On, O King Eternal (*arr. James Swearingen*)
Spencerville Academy Band, Lisa Froelich, director

SCRIPTURE
1 Thess 5:1–11, NRSV
Marta Medina

MUSICAL SELECTION
Fortress Variations (*Tim Waters*)
Spencerville Academy Band, Lisa Froelich, director

BRIGHT NEW WORLD
Bill Knott
Bill is associate director of the Seventh-day Adventist Church’s Public Affairs and Religious Liberty Department. He is also a former College Church member.

HYMN OF DEDICATION
213, Jesus Is Coming Again (*Lee*)

BENEDICTION
Bill Knott

POSTLUDE
Fugue in G major (BWV 541) (*J.S. Bach*)
Feel free to remain in the sanctuary for a time of reflection during the postlude.

Andrew Sheranian, organ

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and we may include your image. CCLI#s 1364543, CSPL032559.*