

General Information

CHURCH FINANCIAL SNAPSHOT: CHURCH BUDGET

Apr. 30, 2023	Budget	Actual
Needed	\$173,940.00	
Received	\$141,989.63*	\$141,989.63*
Spent		(\$141,945.92)
Surplus (Deficit)	(\$31,950.37)	\$43.71
HVAC Project Monthly Income		\$2,908.59
HVAC Project Fundraising Target Balance		\$126,551.03

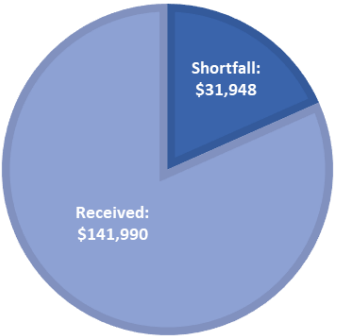
*Includes restricted giving that offsets church budget expenses.

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.

JANUARY - MAY CHURCH BUDGET: \$173,938



CHURCH FAMILY, Thank you for a blessed April. We were blessed with many activities, and also blessed with your generosity. Thank you. Our 2023 shortfall shrank significantly, thanks to a larger than expected Church Budget income in April. Praise God! What is not reflected in the chart above is the fact that donations continue to be made for our HVAC project that is now underway. We are making great progress on that and perhaps we can avoid taking a loan for it. Let us all prayerfully consider how we can help fund this needed project.

SCHEDULE OF SPEAKERS AND PRESIDING ELDERS

July 1	Einar Rom	Margarita Merriman
July 8	Einar Rom	Mariyan Montaque
July 15	Einar Rom	Ralph Gifford

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).

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.
- ✓ *Assistant Treasurer and Spanish Teacher Positions:* Please contact David Branum at principal@mysla.org or 978-368-8544 for info; also see the slide on the screen in the upper foyer.

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

SABBATH SCHOOL PODCAST: We have a weekly podcast on the Sabbath School lesson. It's on Spotify, Apple Podcasts, and the [Messages](#) section of our website. Episode drop on Sunday mornings.

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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Bulletin



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July 1, 2023

The Church at Work

PRAYER FOCUS

Health Concerns: The Flannery family, Sae Louis, Elnora King (Corcoran House, Clinton), 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), 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.

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

South Lancaster Sunset: Today 8:29 PM, Friday 8:28 PM		
Today	After Church	Fellowship Picnic
Mon.	2:00 PM	College Church TV Broadcast (more airings)
Tues.		Happy Independence Day! Church Office Closed
	9:00 PM	Late Night Bible Study (Zoom link on website)
Wed.	7:00 PM	Prayer Meeting
Thur.	3:30 PM	Kids’ Prayer Meeting
	7:30 PM	Al-Anon (Youth Chapel)
Fri.	6:30 PM	Young Adult Supper/Discussion
	7:30 PM	Friday Night Study
Sat.	10:00 AM	College Church TV Broadcast (more airings)
	10:00 AM	Sabbath School (various locations)
	11:10 AM	Worship Service: Einar Rom, Graduate Recognition
	4:00 PM	Sabbath School Dept. Meeting

TODAY’S SABBATH FLOWERS

Today’s flowers are from Mary Monroe.

POTLUCK FELLOWSHIP PICNIC

TODAY, AFTER CHURCH | JOSEPHINE ROBERTSON HOME

All are welcome to join us at 26 Long Hill Dr., Leominster, MA. Members, please bring your favorite dish to share. Visitors are welcome and don’t need to bring anything.

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.

YOUNG ADULT SUPPER/DISCUSSION

THIS FRIDAY, 6:30 PM | AUTMN LYONS’ HOME

Join us at 33 Mountain Ave., Fitchburg MA.

GRADUATE RECOGNITION

SUBMISSION DEADLINE: THIS THURSDAY, JULY 8

Please tell us about your accomplishments! If you or anyone you know has graduated from any academic program since last July, please fill out the form linked at <https://wearecc.net>.

REQUIRED SABBATH SCHOOL DEPT. MEETING

NEW DATE & TIME: SABBATH, JULY 8, 4:00 PM | YOUTH CHAPEL

This meeting is for all Sabbath School teachers and leaders. We’ll discuss the worship service that our department is planning for Aug. 26, as well as changes in the department and how we can improve.

- ✓ This past Wednesday’s email announced this as being tomorrow, but due to the July 4 holiday it has been decided that it would be better to have it this coming weekend.



JULY 10–14, 6:30 PM | YOUTH CHAPEL

Forgiveness is a process that impacts all humans. Pastor Darold Bigger and his wife experienced an indescribable loss when their daughter was murdered while away at college. By sheer grace they have been able to forgive, and in this seminar Pastor Bigger, Ph.D. and Barbara Hernandez, Ph.D., walk us through the journey of forgiveness. This eight-part series will be condensed to be completed during the five days of VBS. We hope you can join us for this journey of healing.

IRON SHARPENS IRON MEN’S GROUP

MONDAY JULY 10, 7:30 PM | YOUTH CHAPEL & ONLINE

Please join us for these relevant meetings. Info & login: <https://wearecc.net/iron-sharpens-iron> (NO meeting this week).

CHOOSE WELLNESS HEALTH FAIR

SUNDAY, SEPT. 17, 10:00 AM–3:00 PM | CENTRAL PARK, CLINTON

The Choose Wellness Health Fair is just around the corner. We encourage you to prayerfully consider helping with our expenses through a financial donation. This is a very important outreach for our community. Thank you in advance for your support.

- ✓ You can donate by clicking “More Offering Categories” at the bottom of the Local Church section of your Adventist Giving donation screen, and Choose Wellness will be an option near the bottom.



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	Next meets 9/16/23
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	

NEW SOCIAL MEDIA ADDRESS

To request that something be posted to College Church social media accounts, send a request to socialmedia@wearecc.net.

CARE NEEDED WITH DOWNSTAIRS RENOVATIONS

Don’t you love the new flooring?! It’s commercial grade meant for rugged use, but it will scar if we drag heavy and/or rough things across it. If something is too heavy to carry, please get help or a dolly instead of dragging it across the floor. Thanks!

- ✓ Also, with the humidity we’ve had, the paint will take a long time to cure, so please don’t touch it.

The Church in Praise, 11:10 AM

Please silence all devices.

PASTORAL WELCOME

Einar Rom

PRELUDE

Song Without Words, Op. 19, No. 1 (*Felix Mendelssohn*)

CALL TO WORSHIP AND INVOCATION

Responsive Reading #885
Doug Cote

HYMN OF PRAISE

460, As Water to the Thirsty (*Oasis*)
Ralph Dawkins, leader

LAMB’S OFFERING & CHILDREN’S STORY

Richard Clark

MINISTRY MATTERS, OFFERING

Loose offerings go to local church budget; please put in the boxes by the doors.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Prayer Song: Breath on Me, Breath of God (see handout; sing entire song)

Prayer: Margarita Merriman

SCRIPTURE

Matthew 6:25–27
Ruby Hernandez

MUSICAL SELECTION

Great is Thy Faithfulness (*Faithfulness*)
Mary Monroe

FREE AS A BIRD?

Einar Rom
Einar is our lead pastor.

HYMN OF DEDICATION

493, Fill My Cup, Lord (*Richard Blanchard*)

BENEDICTION

Einar Rom

POSTLUDE

America, the Beautiful (*Arr. Bill Wolaver*)

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

Annette Siver, piano

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

