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 HVAC Loan Balance \$227,269.49		

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. 9	Einar Rom	Dave Rawson	Carlos Muchiutti
Nov. 16	Einar Rom	Cécile Engeln	Debbie Gifford
Nov. 23	Thanksgiving	Mitchell Hall	Jean-Claude Rodrigue

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 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 VouTube 🚹 🌀



Bulletin

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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Michelle Lynn, Church Clerk (membership questions) clerk@wearecc.net

Caleb Bastien and Ron Gründer, Treasurers: treasurer@wearecc.net

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.



HAPPY VETERANS' DAY



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 9, 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 $\underline{\text{wearecc.net}}$ for more.

Sc	outh Lancaster	Sunset: Today 4:31 PM, Friday 4:27 PM
Sabb.	9:15 AM	Refresh (Youth Chapel)
	All Morning	Bring in your food to donate for HFD
	After Lunch	Pathfinders collect the bags they distributed
Mon.		Happy Veterans Day!
	2:00 PM	College Church TV Broadcast (more airings)
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.	6:00 PM	King's Kids (Music Room)
	7:30 PM	Al-Anon (Earliteen Room)
Fri.	10:00 AM	Sterling Village Ministry
	7:00 PM	Youth Supper/Vespers
	7:30 PM	Friday Night Study
Sabb.	10:00 AM	College Church TV Broadcast (more airings)
	10:00 AM	Sabbath School (various locations)
	11:15 AM	Worship Service: Einar Rom, speaker
	4:00 PM	Youth & Young Adult Vespers/Social
	4:00 PM	Christmas Play Rehearsal

HOLIDAY FOOD DRIVE

- √ Thank you for your bag donations. It's not too late to help, monetary donations are appreciated as well. This can be done online or mark a tithe envelope.
- ✓ Nov 11: Sorting/counting 10:00 AM-12:00 PM.
- ✓ 11/13: Packing will be done with some SLA students 10:00 AM– 12:00 PM.
- ✓ Nov. 23: Volunteers deliver boxes after a light lunch.

NO IRON SHARPENS IRON THIS WEEK

See you next week!

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).

UPCOMING FELLOWSHIP MEAL SCHEDULE

- ✓ November 16: NO meals due to the food drive.
- √ December 7: Haystacks provided by the church; bring a favorite dessert.
- ✓ December 21: Christmas breakfast potluck; NO lunch potluck.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

- ✓ Our annual Women's Ministries Yankee Swap will be on Sunday, Dec. 15 (note corrected date) at 6 pm at 37 Main Street, Sterling, MA - enter in the rear. This is always a highlight of the holiday season! Everyone brings food to share and a gift that will be put under the tree! You won't want to miss it!
- ✓ We are again reaching out for donations to help the families at North Star have a blessed Christmas. Please mark your tithe envelope or online giving with WM Christmas Families. Your donation is important in order to make this outreach possible. We need the funds by December 6 so we can get the gift cards to them two weeks before Christmas. Thanks in advance for your support in this important outreach event.





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 <u>wearecc.net/sabbath-school-options</u>. Free study guides at <u>www.ssnet.org</u>.



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

Méditation de Thaïs (Jules Massenet)

CALL TO WORSHIP AND INVOCATION

Responsive Reading #755 Kari Radford

HYMN OF PRAISE

524, 'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus (*Kirkpatrick*) Connie R. Drexler, leader

LAMB'S OFFERING & CHILDREN'S STORY

Alfonso Vega

MINISTRY MATTERS, OFFERING

Dave Rawson, Cameron Loss Special Offering: World Budget (Annual Sacrifice; mark your tithe envelope).

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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

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: Dave Rawson

MUSICAL OFFERING

Give Me Jesus (*Traditional Spiritual, Arr. Mark Hayes*) Michelle Lee Williams, voice; Annette Siver, piano

SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 30:1–3; 18–21 Lisa Tambolleo

IS EGYPT REALLY THE RIGHT CHOICE?

Einar Rom
Einar is our lead pastor.

HYMN OF DEDICATION

532, Day by Day (Blott En Dag)

BENEDICTION

Einar Rom

POSTLUDE

In paradisum (Théodore Dubois)

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

Andrew Sheranian, organ, piano

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