General Information

CHURCH FINANCIAL SNAPSHOT Preliminary Budget

Surplus (Deficit)	(\$7,642.68)	\$86.58
Spent		\$25,350.74
Received	\$25,437.32*	\$25,437.32
Needed	\$33,080.00	
January 31, 2022	Budget	Actual

*Includes restricted giving that offsets church budget expenses.

BUDGET: Our tentative 2022 church budget is \$396,960 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, though doing a vital work, 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.

REBIRTH 21: This loan was for repairs and renovations such as the kitchen, the ramp, and the sanctuary sound system. Donations to repay this loan are separate from church budget giving. Loan details:

December 31, 2021	Rebirth 21
Outstanding Balance as of Previous Month	\$84,850.94
Income Received in December 2021	\$50,808.45
Interest Paid in December 2021	\$348.13
Rebirth 21 Loan Adjusted Balance	\$34,390.62
Rebirth 21 Reserve Balance in November	\$18,193.80
2021 Pledge Amount Received in December	\$25,000.00
Rebirth 21 Reserve Balance in December 2021	\$8,803.18
YTD Rebirth 21 Loan Balance (December 2021)	\$0.00

SCHEDULE OF SPEAKERS

Mar. 5	Elijah Blackwell, SLA Education Sabbath	
Mar. 12	Einar Rom	
Mar. 19	Einar Rom	

PARENTS WITH INFANTS: We have a training chapel for your convenience in the right rear of the sanctuary. It includes a rest room, 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, and Leominster cable TV. See times and channels at https://wearecc.net/local-tv.

TO SPONSOR SANCTUARY FLOWERS to commemorate a special event, 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. There is a small donation requested, but not required.
- ✓ 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, 3:30 PM. We prepare and serve food for the needy at WHEAT in 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.

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.

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

ELEMENTARY/SECONDARY SCHOLARSHIPS for SLA or home school: Apply at https://wearecc.net/three-way. Deadline: Feb. 28.

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.

- ✓ Constituency Meeting: Wednesday, Mar. 2 (see other side).
- ✓ Newsletter: www.mysla.org/school-newsletter.
- ✓ SLA ALUMNI: Do we have your contact info, especially your email? Our email is slaalumni.contact@gmail.com, or update at www.slaalumni.org. We also post updates on Facebook.

AUC ALUMNI: Are you receiving the latest info on alumni events? Visit AlumniofAUC.com to sign up for monthly emails with news. If you don't have email, you can sign up to receive a special note from the Alumni Association. Visit AlumniofAUC.com today!

WOMEN'S CHORUS: Keila Mejia leads on Sabbaths at 5:00 PM.

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 special classes for homeschoolers. More info at 978-368-2100 or ThayerConservatory.org.

Other

JOB POSTINGS: The SNEC Office of Education is looking for qualified teachers: Bayberry Christian School in Osterville, MA (teacher, grades 1-4); Cedar Brook School in Rehoboth, MA (2 positions: principal and teacher, grades 3&4); Laurel Oaks Adventist School in Hamden, CT (teacher, grades PK-1); Greater Boston Academy in Stoneham, MA (2 positions: elementary teacher and middle school teacher); South Lancaster Academy in South Lancaster, MA (2 positions: Bible teacher grades 9-12/campus chaplain and treasurer) and Worcester SDA School in Worcester, MA (principal/grades 5-8 teacher).

✓ Please call 978-365-4551 for more info.

MASK MANDATE LIFTED

The situation has improved enough so that the Lancaster Board of Health has lifted the mask mandate. However, they still recommend that those who are immunocompromised, have chronic medical conditions, and who are unvaccinated wear face coverings indoors.

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 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 The College





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 back of the pews. You can also request membership transfer with the card, or at http://wearecc.net.

CHURCH OFFICE:

Regular Monday-Wednesday: 9:20 AM-12:30 PM, 1:30-4:00 PM

Hours: Friday: 9:00 AM-12:30 PM

It's best to confirm coverage before coming because the office administrator sometimes substitutes at SLA.

Phone: 978-368-2130

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

Mail: PO Box 877, South Lancaster, MA 01561-0877

Einar Rom, Lead Pastor:

pastor@wearecc.net 978-706-1930 home 978-833-4308 mobile

Ed Collins, Office Administrator

office@wearec.net (general communication) bulletin@wearecc.net (bulletin submissions)

Rhonda Muchiutti, Church Clerk (membership questions)

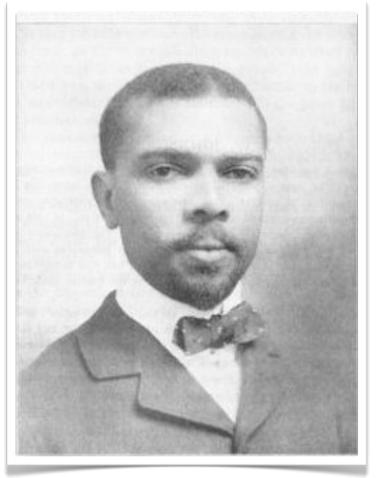
clerk@wearecc.net

Caleb Bastien and Ron Gründer, Treasurers:

treasurer@wearecc.net







James Weldon Johnson, who with his brother, J. Rosamond Johnson, wrote today's closing hymn, Lift Every Voice and Sing. The song is often referred to as the Black national anthem.

February 26, 2022

The Church at Work

PRAYER & VISITATION FOCUS

Health Concerns: Jim Segar, Ilana Cady, Julio Gonzalez, (Laura Mapes' brother), Mark (friend of Cameron Loss), Lorelie Linton (Dan's mom), Reinhard Jarschke (Annette Siver's dad), Inigo Vega, Larry Curtis, Sean Nolan (friend of Adelita Weaver), Linda Oetman, John King (Bonita's husband), six members of the Schad family, Rich Lamoureux, Keila Mejia, Salma Prata and Solange Baia (Keila's mom and aunt); Elnora King, Joe Drader; Rachel Gravelin, Danny Morris, Laura Lee Williams, David Tessier (brother of Wendy Hall), Isaac (relative of the Giffords), Bob Rogers, Donna Church (Frank Howes' niece), Juanita Quaile (Judy Moran's mom).

Week at a Glance. See the announcements or general info for more.

South Lancaster Sunset: Today 5:34 PM, Friday 5:41 PM

Today 5:00 PM Women's Choir

Mon. Education Grant Submission Deadline

2:00 PM College Church TV Broadcast (more airings)

7:30 PM Iron Sharpens Iron Men's Group

9:00 PM Late Night Bible Study Tues. Wed. 12:00 PM Bulletin Deadline

7:00 PM Prayer Meeting

6:00 PM King's Kids

7:30 PM Al-Anon Meeting

7:00 PM Young Adult Haystack Supper & Discussion

7:30 PM Gospel of Matthew Study

10:00 AM College Church TV Broadcast (more airings)

10:00 AM Sabbath School (see Church at Study)

11:15 AM Worship Service: Elijah Blackwell, SLA Educ. Day

2:00 PM Pathfinders

5:30 PM Church Business Meeting



TODAY, 11:15 AM | ONSITE AND ONLINE

Kids of all ages are invited to worship together. Join your friends in a fun and inspirational service. Login: https://wearecc.net/kids-worship



IRON SHARPENS IRON MEN'S GROUP THIS MONDAY, 7:30 PM | OFFICE **CONFERENCE ROOM**

Join this seven-meeting journey as we meet, head on, the seven challenges men face. This series is bound to challenge and help us all. Login: https://wearecc.net/ iron-sharpens-iron.

LATE NIGHT BIBLE STUDY THIS TUESDAY, 9:00-9:15 PM

More info: Contact Jonathan Bissell at 781-528-5108. Log in at wearecc.net/late-night-bible-study.

THREE-WAY AND HOMESCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP PLAN

THREE-WAY APPLICATION DEADLINE: THIS MONDAY, FEB. 28

See the other side for info on applying for this scholarship plan. Please follow the instructions on the linked page.

PRAYER MEETING

THIS WEDNESDAY, 7:00 PM | ZOOM

We're studying Deuteronomy. Login: https://wearecc.net/prayer-meeting.

KING'S KIDS

THIS THURSDAY, 6:00 PM | YOUTH CHAPEL

Kirosha Sidelca leads this group for ages 5–12. Sign up for our fun Gospel choir, singing praise to the King! Register at www.kirosha.com.

YOUNG ADULT HAYSTACK SUPPER

FRIDAY, MAR. 4, 7:00 PM | MUCHIUTTI HOME

Join us at 18 Colonial Dr., Clinton. All young adults are welcome.

GOSPEL OF MATTHEW STUDY

THIS FRIDAY, 7:30 PM | ZOOM

You can follow with Desire of Ages. Login: https://wearecc.net/.

SOUTH LANCASTER ACADEMY CONSTITUENCY MEETING

WEDNESDAY, MAR. 2, 7:00 PM. | MULTIPURPOSE ROOM

We are a constituent church of SLA, so all official College Church members can attend this meeting and vote.

PATHFINDER CLUB REGISTRATION IS OPEN

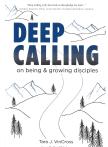
FIRST MEETING: SAB., MAR. 5, 2:00-4:00 PM | YOUTH CHAPEL

We meet March-Nov. Our club is geared for those in grades 3-8. Those in grades 9–12 are encouraged to register and be transitional staff. Looking forward to a fun year! Jill Hodson, Club Director. Register at https://wearecc.net/pathfinders.

CHURCH BUSINESS MEETING

SABBATH, MAR. 5, 5:30 PM | ONSITE AND ZOOM

We will approve the budget for the coming year and discuss other issues. Log in at https://wearecc.net/church-business-meeting.



DEEP CALLING

SAB., MAR. 12, 10:00 AM | FELL. HALL

Let the office know if you are joining us. This series promises to not just be informational but also transformational. A class will be offered Sabbath morning, 10:00 in the fellowship hall, and another class on Wednesday evening, 7:00 on Zoom (log in using the prayer meeting link). We are submitting our bulk order on the 28th, so be sure to let us know if you are joining us.

CHILD PROTECTION TRAINING FOR VOLUNTEERS & PARENTS: KEEPING CHILDREN, FAMILIES, & CHURCHES SAFE SUNDAY, MAR 13, 8:30 AM-1:30 PM | CAMP WINNEKEAG Learn about child protection guidelines. Limited seating is available, register early.

- ✓ Take-home boxed lunches will be provided.
- ✓ The first 50 people to register will receive a ministry t-shirt.

CHANGE IN CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Ed is taking over two Bible classes at SLA since Pastor Luis is leaving for Florida, so there are new office hours for the remainder of the school year, at least. Please see other side for more.

The Church at Study, 10:00 AM

See our online and in-person study options at wearecc.net/sabbath-school-options. There are free Bible study guides at www.ssnet.org, download the Sabbath School app from your app store, or scan the QR code on the right.



CLASSES FOR CHILDREN & YOUTH Downstairs: Upstairs: Newborn-Age 2: Grades 4-5 Open Open (Juniors) Age 3-Kindergarten Open Grades 5–8 Open Grades 1-3 (Primary) Open Grades 9–12 Open **ADULTS** Bible Journaling Conference Rm Sanctuary Spanish Young Adults Fellowship Hall Rom, Prather Sanctuary Livestreamed



SPIRITUAL GIFTS

This is the year for 'new', including a new list of church officers! Please help the upcoming nominating committee by completing a free spiritual gift inventory. Download the EQUIP Membership app from your app store. The inventory has 100 questions to help you discern how God has blessed you with

particular gifts. Please take the survey and send a screenshot to the church office or our pastor. A printed version of the inventory will be available in the coming weeks.

MUSIC SPOTLIGHT

Hale Smith (1925-2009) was an African American composer, pianist, and arranger. He grew up in Cleveland, learned piano at a young age, and as a teen played jazz piano at nightclubs. During his career he met Duke Ellington, who gave him critiques on his compositions. Smith was drafted and worked as an arranger for shows for the Army. He went on to study composition at the Cleveland Institute of Music, where he won first place for his composition Four Songs. Today you heard This Little Light of Mine from a set of songs entitled Witness.

Let It Shine focuses on notable events and names of the civil rights movement, especially the tumultuous years of 1955-1968, including the Montgomery Bus Boycott, the SCLC, Brown v. Board of Education, Rosa Parks, and Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. It shows the high price paid by those who fought for equal rights. You can get more info on Let It Shine online







The Church in Praise, 11:10 AM

Please silence all mobile devices.

PRELUDE (11:10 AM)

Deep River (arr. Jefferey Nall)

WELCOME, OFFERING & ANNOUNCEMENTS (11:15 AM)

Ralph Gifford III

Special Offering: SNEC Budget (mark your tithe envelope). Loose offerings go to local church budget.

INVOCATION AND CALL TO WORSHIP

699, O Come Let Us Sing Unto the Lord Kay Creighton

HYMN OF PRAISE

43, When Morning Guilds the Sky (Laudes Domini) Kristie Stevenson, leader

CHILDREN'S STORY

Kirosha Sidelca

WE THE CHURCH

Ralph Gifford, Caleb Bastien

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Prayer Song: Sweet Hour of Prayer (Sweet Hour)

Sweet hour of prayer, sweet hour of prayer that calls me from a world of care and bids me at my Father's throne make all my wants and wishes known. In seasons of distress and grief, my soul has often found relief, and oft escaped the tempter's snare by thy return, sweet hour of prayer!

Prayer: Jack Creighton

SCRIPTURE

Psalm 137:1-4; 136: 1-3 Mary Monroe

MUSICAL SELECTION

This Little Light of Mine (Hale Smith) Ralph Dawkins, tenor; Martin Robertson, piano

A SONG IS BORN

Josephine Robertson

HYMN OF DEDICATION

Lift Every Voice and Sing (see insert) (James Weldon Johnson)

BENEDICTION

Josephine Robertson

POSTLUDE

Improvisation (Juan A. Mesa) Feel free to remain in the sanctuary for a time of reflection during the postlude.

Juan A. Mesa, organ

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