

# General Information

## CHURCH FINANCIAL SNAPSHOT: CHURCH BUDGET

February 2025	Budget	Actual
Needed	\$71,208.00	
Received	\$62,398.94 *	\$62,398.94 *
Spent		(\$62,385.67)
Surplus (Deficit)	(\$8,809.06)	\$13.27
YTD Total HVAC Loan Balance		\$168,546.14

\*Includes restricted giving that offsets church budget expenses.

On our March 1 business meeting, we approved a 2025 Church budget of \$427,250. This is 0.35% more than our 2024 budget. This funds all our local ministries, expenses, and our support of SLA. We also voted to move forward with installing an elevator. We've added an Elevator Project Fund donation line in Adventist Giving, and you can write that on the tithe envelopes. Please prayerfully consider how you can help make this need a reality. We also feel that it would be wise to reduce our debt. We'd like to see our debt reduced to \$100,000 and our Elevator Fund grow to \$100,000 by December 31, 2025. The elevator project will cost around \$200,000.

March 2024	\$245,297.00
June 2024	\$231,587.00
September 2024	\$227,269.00
Feb. 2025	\$166,925.72

LOAN BALANCE: Our loan balance went from \$299,727 in December 2023 to \$169,372 in December 2024, so over \$130,000 was contributed to the loan. This saved us **thousands** in interest (our loan amount was a maximum of \$425,000). Praise God for this! We have a year ahead of us, so let us keep our eyes fixed on Jesus, the Author and Perfecter of our faith.

TITHE, although vital, goes to the SNEC and **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. You can donate in the offering boxes by the sanctuary doors, or at [wearecc.net/give](https://wearecc.net/give). Pastor Einar

DATE	SPEAKER	ELDER	DEACON
Apr. 19	Einar Rom	Naor Pinto	Fred Day
Apr. 26	C. Loss, R. DeOliveira	J. Robertson	Jon. Bissell
May 3	Maria Valente	Marta Medina	Carlos Muchiutti

BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS are due Wednesdays by noon at [bulletin@wearecc.net](mailto:bulletin@wearecc.net). **All submissions require pastoral staff approval and are subject to editing.**

OUR SERVICES AIR on local cable TV in several nearby towns. See the schedule at <https://wearecc.net/local-tv>.

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.

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).

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.

# Education & Music

**SOUTH LANCASTER ACADEMY** provides Seventh-day Adventist Christian education from Pre-K to grade 12. We are a constituent church, providing financial & logistical support. 978-368-8544, [www.mysla.org](http://www.mysla.org).

CAMP WINNEKEAG summer camp brochures are available in the foyer literature rack by the announcement screen. Please see one of the pastors for special pricing.



# 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](https://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

Bulletin



Giving



**COLLEGE CHURCH**  
— of Seventh-day Adventists —



Image by Evelyn Cunningham.

# 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., & every other Fri. 8:00–12:30, 1:00–3:30; Tue. 10:45–12:00. 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.

THE NEW CHURCH DIRECTORY IS LIVE!

If you already signed up, download the Instant Church Directory app on your phone or go to [members.instantchurchdirectory.com](https://members.instantchurchdirectory.com). Sign up at [wearecc.net](https://wearecc.net): Click Next Steps at the bottom right.

## 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.

**April 19, 2025**



# The Church at Work

PRAYER FOCUS

**Health Concerns:** Ted Jones (former Atlantic Union president), former CC pastor Dave Osborne, Lothar Suckert (Vibra Rehab, Rochdale), Kathy Suckert, Brenda Castro, Henry & Dottie Livergood, Mary Monroe (Gardner Rehab), Pearl McDonald (Tish Brahmia’s mom), Scott Meyers & Jason Lepkowski (related to June Willey), Dan Morris, the Flannery family, Sae Louis, John and Marella (friends of Cameron Loss), Julio Gonzalez (Laura Mapes’s brother), Sean Nolan (friend of Adelita Weaver), Laura Lee Williams, David Tessier (brother of Wendy Hall).

**Other:** That we can regularly offer ASL interpretation for the deaf.

**Home-bound:** Jackie Nosek, Lucy Santana, Joe Drader.

WEEK AT A GLANCE: See announcements or [wearecc.net](#) for more.

<b>South Lancaster Sunset: Today 7:34 PM, Friday 7:41 PM</b>		
Today	After Church	Prayer Session (Junior Room)
	After Church	Easter Fellowship Dinner (provided)
	2:30 PM	Pathfinders
Mon.		Happy Patriots’ Day (church office closed)
		SLA Spring Break starts
	2:00 PM	College Church TV Broadcast ( <a href="#">more airings</a> )
	7:00 PM	Iron Sharpens Iron Men’s Group
Tue.	9:00 PM	Late Night Bible Study (Zoom link on website)
Wed.	3:30 PM	The Good News Gang (FH)
	7:00 PM	Atlantic Union Town Hall (no prayer meeting)
Thur.	7:00 PM	Al-Anon (Earliteen Room)
Fri.	6:30 PM	Praise and Worship Vespers
	7:30 PM	Friday Night Study (Zoom)
Sabb.	10:00 AM	College Church TV Broadcast ( <a href="#">more airings</a> )
	10:00 AM	Sabbath School (on-site, live stream, & Zoom)
	11:15 AM	Worship Service: Cameron Loss, Rick DeOliveira
	2:30 PM	Pathfinders

FELLOWSHIP MEALS IN APRIL

- ✓ **April 19:** Enjoy a Sabbath Easter lunch provided by the church.
- ✓ No breakfast this month.

IRON SHARPENS IRON MEN’S GROUP

**THIS MONDAY, 7:00 PM | YOUTH CHAPEL & ONLINE**

Login: <https://wearecc.net/iron-sharpens-iron>.

THE GOOD NEWS GANG

**WEDNESDAYS THOUGH JUNE 4, 3:30 PM | FELLOWSHIP HALL**

We’re excited to introduce a brand new Bible study for kids in 2<sup>nd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grade! This is designed to help kids learn about their faith and prepare for baptism, but any kids are welcome to join.

✓ **Please Note: No meeting this week due to SLA spring break.**

ATLANTIC UNION TOWN HALL MEETING

**WEDNESDAY, APR. 23, 7:00 PM | YOUTH CHAPEL**

This is to update the community on the status of the AUC campus.

100 DAYS OF PRAYER

**NOW THROUGH JULY 12**

This is for our upcoming General Conference Session (July 3–12, St. Louis, MO). Visit [backtothealtar.org](#) for more info and readings. Let's keep this important meeting in our prayers since this will help set the tone and direction for the future of our global church community.

NEXT SABBATH’S MESSAGE

Next Sabbath Cameron Loss and Rick DeOliveira will present a two-person play on forgiveness and letting go of hurts. This will be in lieu of the sermon and will provide much food for discussion and thought. You will not want to miss this thought-provoking presentation that Cameron wrote. We hope that others will want to join this drama group and that we can have quarterly drama presentations.



FLUTEPHORIA CONCERT

**SATURDAY, APR. 26, 7:00 PM | FITCHBURG STATE UNIVERSITY**

The Flutephoria Flute Orchestra, under the direction of Maria Ramey, invites you to a free concert celebrating the hope of springtime. We will begin the concert with sacred works and songs of nature as the sun sets. Kent Recital Hall in the Conlon Fine Arts Center of Fitchburg State University. 367 North Street, Fitchburg, MA. Parking is also free.

ADVENTIST BOOK CENTER CLOSING

**WEDNESDAY, APR. 30**

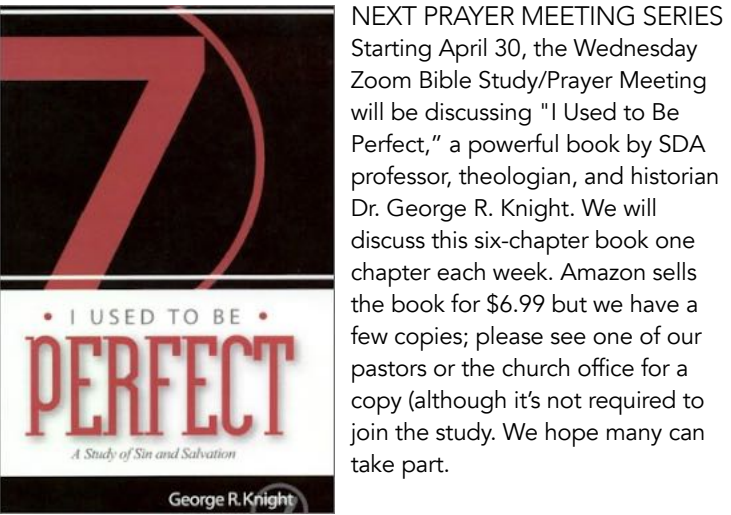
Our beloved South Lancaster ABC will close its doors for good Apr. 30. If you have gift cards, now is the time to use them.



CHOOSE WELLNESS PLANNING MEETING

**THURSDAY, APR. 24, 6:30 PM | ZOOM**

This is the first Choose Wellness Health Fair planning meeting. Zoom info to come.



NEXT PRAYER MEETING SERIES

Starting April 30, the Wednesday Zoom Bible Study/Prayer Meeting will be discussing "I Used to Be Perfect," a powerful book by SDA professor, theologian, and historian Dr. George R. Knight. We will discuss this six-chapter book one chapter each week. Amazon sells the book for \$6.99 but we have a few copies; please see one of our pastors or the church office for a copy (although it’s not required to join the study. We hope many can take part.

# The Church at Study, 10:00 AM

CLASSES FOR CHILDREN & YOUTH

<b>Downstairs:</b>	<b>Upstairs:</b>
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
Live Stream	Sanctuary	Multiple teachers
Robertson	Pastor Maria’s Office	Jos. Robertson

See more online and in-person study options at [wearecc.net/sabbath-school-options](#). Free study guides at [www.ssnet.org](#).

COLLEGE CHURCH SPRING CLEANING

**SUNDAY, MAY 4, 9:00 AM**

We’re looking to clean up and organize the interior of the church.

YOU MATTER GIRLS’ RETREAT

**MAY 16–18 | CAMP WINNEKEAG**

Join us for an unforgettable weekend filled with powerful messages, new friendships, and fun activities. Open to girls of all faith, ages 10–17. Contact: Karen Zeno (508) 320-7264; register at <https://tinyurl.com/7m8tr7dt>.

TEENS AND YOUNG ADULTS

Ever feel depressed or inadequate? Here are confidential resources:

- ✓ *For Women:* [www.gorgeous2god.org](#). A safe place to ask your toughest questions and find your deepest purpose!
- ✓ *For Guys:* [www.aruggedjourney.org](#). A rugged journey is dedicated to connecting young men to God through mentorship and community. No judgment—just compassionate advice from people who care.

**AFTERGLOW**

Paul encourages us to pray continually because prayer is our connection to God, who listens and responds to those who seek Him. We invite you to meet with some of our elders in the Junior Room after the service for a 10–15 minute time of testimony and prayer.

TODAY’S MUSIC PARTICIPANTS

Ryan Ramey, French horn

SLA Choirs, Lira Cady, director

Roy Imperio, piano

College Church Choir, Ralph Dawkins, director

Il Voce, Lira Cady, director

College Church Bells, Lira Cady, director

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

# The Church in Praise, 11:10 AM

**PRELUDE**

Christ Is Arisen (*J.S. Bach*)

**WELCOME, MINISTRY MATTERS, OFFERING**

Einar Rom

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

**CALL TO WORSHIP AND INVOCATION**

See screens.

Gianna & Emmanuella Gibson

**HYMN OF PRAISE**

Hymnal #167, Alleluia! Sing To Jesus! (*Hyfrydol*)

Arensa Morisset, leader

**SCRIPTURE READING**

John 11:25, 26

Mitchell Hall

**MUSICAL OFFERING**

In Remembrance (*Jefferey L. Ames*)

**IN REMEMBRANCE**

Einar & Dawn Rom

*Please take a flower in remembrance of someone you lost this year.*

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

Einar Rom

**HYMN OF REFLECTION**

Hymnal #530, It Is Well With My Soul (*Ville Du Harve*)

**MUSICAL OFFERING**

Hallelujah, Amen (*Nolan Williams Jr.*)

**NURTURING YOUNG DISCIPLES**

Cécile Engeln & Blanca Bruso

**SCRIPTURE READING**

Luke 23:1–25, 33–35, from *The Message*

Daniel Thomas

**MUSICAL OFFERING**

Thou Didst Leave the Throne (*Craig Courtney*)

**HE IS RISEN. WHAT NOW? LIVE.**

Einar Rom

*Einar is our lead pastor.*

**MUSICAL OFFERING**

We Welcome Glad Easter (*Brian Childers*)

**SCRIPTURE READING**

Matthew 28: 1–10

Gianna Flores, Hector Flores III

**MUSICAL OFFERING**

Glorious Is the Name of Jesus by (*Dr. Robert J. Fryson*)

**SCRIPTURE READING**

John 3:16

Elisa Joanna Haub, Rebekah Haub

**HYMN OF DEDICATION**

Hymnal #166, Christ the Lord is Risen Today (*Worgan*)

**BENEDICTION**

Einar Rom

**POSTLUDE**

Final (Symphony 1) (*Louis Vierne*)

Andrew Sheranian, organ, piano