

## General Information

### CHURCH FINANCIAL SNAPSHOT: CHURCH BUDGET

December 2024	Budget	Actual
Needed	\$424,998.00	
Received	\$397,450.40 *	\$397,450.40 *
Spent		(\$397,245.15)
Surplus (Deficit)	(\$27,547.60)	\$205.25
<b>YTD Total HVAC Loan Balance</b>	<b>\$169,371.92</b>	

\*Includes restricted giving that offsets church budget expenses.

The books for 2024 are closed, and we have much to be thankful for. We received \$397,450 for local church budget (less than budgeted), but thankfully, expenses were also less than budgeted.

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.

December 2023	\$299,727.00
March 2024	\$245,297.00
June 2024	\$231,587.00
September 2024	\$227,269.00
December 2024	<b>\$169,371.92</b>

TITHE, although vital, goes to 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. God will bless us for it. SNEC reported that CC returned \$1,017,664 in tithe in 2024. Praise God! You can donate in the offering boxes by the sanctuary doors, or at [wearecc.net/give](http://wearecc.net/give). *Pastor Einar*

DATE	SPEAKER	ELDER	DEACON
Feb. 15	Clifton Glasgow	Naor Pinto	Fred Day
Feb. 22	Einar Rom	Daniel Thomas	Jonathan Bissell
Mar. 1	Women's Ministry	Rose Dawkins	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).

✓ Newsletter: [www.mysla.org/school-newsletter](http://www.mysla.org/school-newsletter).

✓ **Our PO box has been closed.** Please send mail to 198 George Hill Road, Lancaster, MA 01523

THREE-WAY SCHOLARSHIP: You can now apply for spring Three-way and Home School scholarships at <https://wearecc.net>. Click Next Steps in the lower right corner to get started.

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.

## Choose Wellness Nutrition Series Part 2: Fruits and Vegetables

**Free Supper/Presentation**  
All are welcome – please  
invite neighbors and friends!



Thursday, Feb. 20, 6:00–8:00 PM  
Fellowship Hall, College Church  
337 Main Street, So. Lancaster, MA

Register at <https://wearecc.net> (Next Steps button in lower right corner) or this QR code.



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](http://members.instantchurchdirectory.com).  
Sign up at [wearecc.net](http://wearecc.net). Click Next Steps at the bottom right.

## 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](http://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

## 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>.

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.

Bulletin



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# COLLEGE CHURCH

— of Seventh-day Adventists —



Image by Debbie Rawson.

### 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.

## February 15, 2025

## The Church at Work

### PRAYER FOCUS

**Health Concerns:** Gunter Suckert (The Gables), Lothar Suckert (hospital), Kathy Suckert, Brenda Castro, Faith Beall, Henry & Dottie Livergood, Mary Monroe (UMass, Lake Ave.), 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).

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

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

**South Lancaster Sunset: Today 5:20 PM, Friday 5:28 PM**

Today	9:00 AM	Fellowship Breakfast
	9:15 AM	Refresh
After Church		Prayer Session (Junior Room)
After Church		Potluck Fellowship Dinner
	2:00 PM	Small Group Training (Youth Chapel)
	2:30 PM	Pathfinders
Sun.	12:00 PM	Lancaster Garden Club (Fellowship Hall)
Mon.		Happy Presidents' Day! (Church Office Closed)
	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.	12:00 PM	Bulletin Deadline
	7:00 PM	Prayer Meeting (Zoom)
Thur.	6:00 PM	Choose Wellness Supper: Nutrition Part 2
	7:30 PM	Al-Anon (Earlteen Room)
Fri.	10:00 AM	Sterling Village Ministry
	6:30 PM	Youth Supper/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 (various locations)
	11:15 AM	Worship Service: Einar Rom
	6:00 PM	SLA Romantic Dinner Fundraiser

### REFRESH

**TODAY, 9:15 AM | YOUTH CHAPEL**

### FELLOWSHIP MEALS TODAY

Breakfast provided; potluck after church with a soup/salad/bread theme. The church will provide salad and bread. Members, please bring your favorite soup and dessert.

### SMALL GROUP TRAINING

**TODAY, 2:00 PM | YOUTH CHAPEL**

The gospel of Christ is the power of God to salvation. The invitation of Christ to receive His righteousness is the most amazing gift, ever offered to man. Join us as we explore this precious truth morning and afternoon. Speaker: Clifton Glasgow.



### VALENTINE CELEBRATION FOR TONIGHT **CANCELED**

Due to the forecasted winter storm, the Valentine celebration scheduled for tonight has been canceled. We apologize for any inconvenience or disappointment.

### IRON SHARPENS IRON MEN'S GROUP

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

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

### CHURCH BUSINESS MEETING

**SABBATH, MAR. 1, 5:30 PM**

### PASSION WEEK STUDY

**WEDNESDAYS, MAR. 5-APR. 16, 7:00 PM | ZOOM**

## True Testimonies from Women of the Bible

In Celebration of Women's History Month



Saturday, March 1, 11:15 – church service

**2:00-4:30 - Afternoon session - Youth Chapel**

will include music, presentations,  
and small group discussions/prayer

**College Church, 337 Main Street,  
So. Lancaster, MA**

All are invited – free lunch between meetings!

Downstairs in Fellowship Hall

Join Pastor Einar on a Seven Week Study of the Passion Week starting on Wednesday, March 5, 7:00 PM on Zoom. We will look at the Passion Week of Christ in this sequence:

- ✓ Mar 5: Sun–Mon events
- ✓ Mar 12: Tue–Wed events
- ✓ Mar 19: Thursday events
- ✓ Mar 26: Fri. 12AM–6AM
- ✓ Apr 2: Fri 6AM–9AM
- ✓ Apr 9: Fri 9AM–12PM
- ✓ Apr 16: Fr: 12PM–3PM

### PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY NEEDS NAMES

Are you or is someone you know graduating from academy/high school this spring? We'd like to make them a prayer shawl! Scan the QR code to add info to the form.



### PASTOR EINAR IS AWAY

Pastor Einar will be away through Tuesday, but he will have access to his cell phone and email. In the meantime, you could also direct pastoral care needs to Pastor Maria or one of our elders.

## 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	Pastor Maria's Office	

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

## The Church in Praise, 11:15 AM

Please silence all devices.

### WELCOME

Pastor Maria Valente

### PRELUDE

Sorrow Song (S. Coleridge-Taylor)

### CALL TO WORSHIP AND INVOCATION

See insert

Lisa Thomas

### HYMN OF PRAISE

He's Got the Whole World in His Hands (see insert)  
Arielle Cady Flores, leader

### NURTURING YOUNG DISCIPLES

Ines Valenca

### MUSICAL OFFERING

Confia (The Reason Trio)

### MINISTRY MATTERS, OFFERING

Dave Rawson

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

### PRAYER IN SONG

Hosanna (see insert) (Hillsong)

Holy, Holy (verses 1, 4; see left) (Scott Wesley Brown)

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Dave Beall

### MUSICAL OFFERING

Finish Well (The Reason Trio)

### SCRIPTURE

Philippians 3:4-9

Naor Pinto

### REAL RIGHTEOUSNESS

Clifton Glasgow

Clifton is the pastor of the Stoneham Memorial church.

### HYMN OF DEDICATION

Hymnal #319, Lord, I Want to Be a Christian (Spiritual)

### BENEDICTION

Clifton Glasgow

### POSTLUDE

The Journey to the Great City (S. Coleridge-Taylor)

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

### 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.

The Reason Trio: Norys Aguledo, Yaliza Rodríguez, Harold Baptiste;  
Kevin Lyczak, organ, piano

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

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