

December 15, 2018

# **Baby Potential**

Babies represent a parent's hopes, dreams, and potential. No one looks at their baby, thinking anything less. The parents of John, Jesus, and yes, even Judas, gazed in wonder at their tiny boys. Two sets of parents were told their baby would become someone important, but didn't quite grasp what it was. And one set of parents had no idea then, the ignominy that awaited their son. Listen to Pastor Stuart's second sermon on a second Christmas baby. Allow this "baby" room in your heart today. If you would to comment or connect with us, fill out a Connection Card and place it in the offering plate.

#### FINANCIAL REPORT

Weekly receiving goal: \$24,000 (for December only)

### Local Combined Budget Giving

Through November 24, 2018 - Week 21

Received: \$189,977

Receiving Goal: \$183,750

Annual Budget: \$540,000

### **SUNSET TIMES:**

Today: 4:44 p.m./Next Sabbath: 4:46 p.m.

#### Online Adventist Giving

A safe and easy way to give your tithes and offerings!

- · Go to web site: spencervillesda.org
- · Use an electronic check or credit card
- · Click into secure site
- · Receive confirmation via e-mail

JOINING SPENCERVILLE: If you would like to transfer your membership or be baptized to become a member of the Spencerville Adventist Church, please submit a Connection or Welcome Card to the Hospitality Desk in the Foyer or in the offering plate.

National Domestic Violence Hotline — 800-799-7233

## Church Staff Directory

Senior Pastor	Chad Stuart	Minister of Music and Organist	Mark Willey
Associate Pastors	Lerone Carson	Office Manager	Carol Strack
	Gaspar Colón	Treasurer	Eugene Korff
	Andrea Jakobsons	SAA Principal	Jim Martz
	Jason Lombard	Prayer Request Voicemail	301-384-2920 ext. 140
Pastors Emeritus	Charlotte McClure	Spencerville Adventist Academy	301-421-9101
	Steve Willsey		

Diaconate Team Leaders on duty: Brockett, Sines H.I.S. Team on duty: Jacobson, Roth, Arthur

WiFi connectivity is available. The network is: SpencervilleChurch and the password is: Spencerville16325.

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

9:00 a.m.

Prelude: Adagio, Allegro, Pastorell WAU Baroque Ensemble

(Concerto for Alto recorders) Johann David Heinichen

IN COMMUNITY Pastor Chad Stuart

†HYMN OF PRAISE NO. 119: Angels From the Realms of Glory

REGENT SQUARE

Prayer Gary Swanson

Thank Offering Gary Swanson

CHILDREN'S LESSON Sherrie Uhrig

MUSIC MEDITATION: Cradle Song Naomy Rodriguez, soprano

Flemish Traditional Carol (arr. John Rutter)

SERMON: Two Babies of Christmas: The Anti-Celebrity Pastor Stuart

OFFERTORY HYMN No. 135: O Little Town of Bethlehem

ST. LOUIS

BENEDICTION Pastor Stuart

SONG SERVICE Choristers: Camilla Howell, Caleb Salazar,

Daniela Cruz, Rachel Rajarathinam, Andrew Remmers,

Instrumentalists: Abby Kim, Matthew Nashed, Ethan Wu, Colin Browne, Kari Remmers

†Indicates congregation is to stand

Please assist us in maintaining a reverent spirit of worship by muting your electronic devices. You may be photographed or appear in video during the services this morning.

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

11:15 a.m.

Prelude: Adagio, Allegro, Pastorell

(Concerto for Alto recorders) Johann David Heinichen WAU Baroque Ensemble

In Community

Pastor Chad Stuart

†Hymn of Praise No. 119:

Angels From the Realms of Glory

REGENT SQUARE

†Invocation

Pastor Stuart

TITHES AND OFFERINGS:

Local Church Budget

Doug Zinke

OFFERTORY:

I stand by your manger

Naomy Rodriguez, soprano

Johann Sebastian Bach

Prayer

Ellenor Paul-O'Neil

THANK OFFERING

Ellenor Paul-O'Neil

CHILDREN'S LESSON

Sherri Uhrig

†Indicates congregation is to stand

SCRIPTURE LESSON: Philippians 2:5-11 Donna Arnold

ANTHEM: Cradle Song Naomy Rodriguez, soprano

Flemish traditional carol (arr. John Rutter)

SERMON: Two Babies of Christmas: The Anti-Celebrity Pastor Stuart

†Hymn of Response No. 135: O Little Town of Bethlehem

ST LOUIS

†Benediction Pastor Stuart

POSTLUDE: Allegro Assai WAU Baroque Ensemble

(Concerto for Alto Recorders) Johann David Heinichen

#### Music Notes

We welcome the Baroque Ensemble from Washington Adventist University. Directed by Spencerville member Geri Mueller, this ensemble is formed from musicians at WAU who gather to play music from this prolific musical period, using techniques and instruments from the time.

## Today's Flowers

The flowers are given in honor of Marilyn Petersen's birthday today! We don't think she'd mind you knowing that she is 88 years young. She faithfully attends Spencerville's second service and sits in just the right spot where a wheelchair fits best. Please take the opportunity this morning to wish her a very happy birthday and a wonderful new year to come!—With love from her daughter and son-in-law, Merle and Tim Poirier

### Condolences

We are sad to share that Victor' Hernandez's father passed away this past Tuesday from a heart attack. His father had been with them for many months and had just returned to El Salvador to spend the Christmas season. This was very unexpected. Victor, his wife, Denisse, and their family are dealing with the shocking and unexpected news. Please keep the family in your prayers.

## Condolences

Joan Klassan died December 2. She'd been on our prayer list for some time. Services for Joan will be held Friday, January 4, at 3:30 p.m. here in the Spencerville Church sanctuary.

#### **ACC Christmas Concert**

This afternoon at 4:00 p.m., the Adventist Children's Choir (ACC) and the Olney Adventist Church Children's Choir will present "The Christmas Story" by Carl Orff.

## Men's MNF Bible Study

It's time to gather on Monday evening for Bible Study and football. Bring some money for food, a Bible for studying, and fun for the football game. See you there!

# Mid-Week Prayer Gathering

Each week we gather at 7:00 p.m. in the Middle School room on Tuesday evenings for a season of prayer. There is a short presentation followed by prayer time. Former Spencerville pastor, Bonita Shields, will complete her six-week series exploration of the book, *Steps to Christ*.

# Annual Toy Drive: One More Week

It's that time of year to make the young patients of Shady Grove Adventist Hospital and Washington Adventist Hospital have a happier Christmas. We will be accepting toys through December 22. Please pick up a suggested list at the Welcome Desk. The Christmas cart will be located in the foyer where you can place your gifts. Your generosity by giving, praying, and thinking of those little ones in the hospital this holiday season are really appreciated.

# **Special Evensong Concert**

On December 29 at 4:00 p.m., our Evensong Concert Series presents a special end-of-year concert with conductor and cellist Amit Peled and his Mount Vernon Virtuosi Orcheatra. They will journey through music from Russia (Tchaikovsky), Norway (Grieg), Israel, Romania, and many more.

### 2018 Charitable Contributions

In order for contributions to be receipted for 2018, donations must be post-marked or received in the church office by 5:00 p.m. on Monday, December 31 (please remember that the office is closed from December 24-28). Mail will be collected daily from our mailbox. Donations received after 5:00 p.m. on December 31 will be receipted as 2019 contributions. Contributions made via Adventist Online Giving by debit card or credit card will be receipted in the year in which the Adventist Giving server receives the authorization to charge your card.

### 2019 Devotional Books

Descriptions and order information regarding the 2019 devotional books is posted on the bulletin board near the office. There are books for everyone—preschoolers through adults. Order early so you will have them in time when the new year begins in just eight weeks! Books can also be purchased at the local Adventist Book Center.

## Dental Professionals Needed

SAA's Health Room is looking for dental professionals to help with Dental Day this February. We would love to have you visit a classroom (or two!) and speak with our students about how they can improve their dental health. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Kari Banks, school nurse, at 240-883-3509 or kbanks@spencerville.org.

### Calendars Available

Who doesn't want to know when sundown is each weekend of the year? And who wouldn't want to know what offering is designated for the next 52 weeks? You, of course! This information is conveniently found in one place on the 2019 Offering and Sunset calendars available at the Welcome Desk. Pick one up today!

### Lost and Found

While churches want to be about lost and found people, we aren't as interested in keeping lost and found items. Did you lose something at church in 2018? If so, you might want to take a look in the coat rack area in the east hallway (near Fellowship Hall). In fact, even if you don't think you lost something, look anyway. You may have and don't know it! All items will be donated to C-4 during the first week of January.

### THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, December 16

10:00 a.m. — Pathfinder Christmas Party

Monday, December 17

7:00 p.m. — Men's MNF Bible Study

### Tuesday, December 18

10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. — Keep in Stitches

5:00 p.m. — Bulletin information due

7:00 p.m. — Tuesday Night Study Group

7:00 p.m. — Prayer Gathering: Bonita Shields

#### Wednesday, December 19

7:30 p.m. — Choir rehearsal

### Sabbath, December 22

9:00 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. services:

Speaker: Chad Stuart

Offering: Chesapeake Advance

Diaconate Team: Arthur, Jacobson, Thomas

HIS Team: Volunteers from All Teams

Emergency Medical Assistance. This facility is equipped with an Automatic External Defibrillator. If a medical emergency arises, immediately call attention to the situation. Trained individuals will respond. If you are in need of immediate assistance, contact a deacon. A nurse or physician will respond to assist you.

### SABBATH SCHOOL

Sabbath School meets from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m. for all age groups. There are many classes to choose from, and we invite you and your family members to select which class is right for you.

Most of the adult classes follow the Adult Bible Study Guide, but with different emphases. Adult Bible Study Guides are available for free at the Welcome Desk.

Please see the directory below to find a class that is right for you. For more information, please visit our Welcome Desk.

Sanctuary Class: Delvin ChathamSanctuary			
George Reid ClassSouth Porch, Classroom A			
Spanish-language ClassSouth Porch Classroom B			
Prayer and Praise Class South Porch Classroom $\boldsymbol{C}$			
Hallway ClassHallway Off Foyer			
Conference Room ClassConference Room			
Great Expectations ClassFamily Room A			
A Practical ApproachFamily Room B			
Bible Discussion Class: 1 Kings Family Room C			
Young AdultsFellowship Hall—Fireplace End			
Collegiate ClassFellowship Hall—Kitchen End			
Youth (Grades 9 - 12)East Wing			
Middle School (Grades 7 - 8)East Wing			
Juniors (Grades 5 & 6)East Wing			
Primary 2 (Grades 3 & 4) East Wing			
Primary 1 (Grades 1 & 2) East Wing			
Kindergarten (ages $4$ and $5$ ) East Wing			
Beginners 2 (Ages 3 through 4)West Wing			
Beginners 1 (Birth through 2)West Wing			