



December 12, 2020

WELCOME TO WORSHIP!

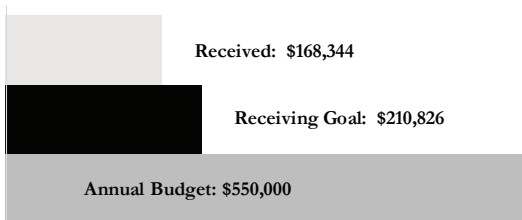
Whether you're a guest or a member, we're excited that you've chosen to worship with us. To protect the health and safety of those participating, our worship services are pre-recorded in the auditorium at Spencerville Adventist Academy while the renovations in our Sanctuary continue. Look for additional ways to digitally connect with your church family in our Friday email, the *Worship Update*. If you would like to receive these updates, visit spencervillechurch.org/weekly-update to sign up online.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Weekly receiving goal: \$8,723

Local Combined Budget Giving

Giving through November 28, 2020 - Week 22



ADVENTIST GIVING ONLINE

A safe and easy way to give your tithes and offerings online using an electronic check or debit/credit card!

Visit spencervillechurch.org/give

Log into the secure site.

Receive a confirmation via email.

Current Debt as of November 30, 2020 \$3,064,878

SUNSET TIMES:

Today: 4:43 p.m./Next Sabbath: 4:45 p.m.

CHURCH STAFF DIRECTORY

Senior Pastor	Chad Stuart	Minister of Music	Michael Patterson
Associate Pastors	Lerone Carson	Organist	Mark Willey
	Jason Lombard	Office Manager	Carol Strack
	Matthew Piersanti	Treasurer	Eugene Korff
	Kandace Zollman	Prayer Request Voicemail	301-384-2920 ext. 140
Pastor Emeritus	Charlotte McClure	Spencerville Adventist Academy	301-421-9101
		SAA Head Principal	Tissiana Bowerman

National Domestic Violence Hotline — 800-799-7233

ORDER OF WORSHIP

11:15 a.m.

WELCOME		Pastor Chad Stuart
HYMN OF PRAISE NO. 124:	Away In a Manger CRADLE SONG	Ramone Griffith, chorister
PRAYER		Anthony Kent
CHILDREN'S LESSON		Pastor Kandace Zollman
ANTHEM:	Cantique de Noël (O Holy Night) Adolphe Adams	Ramone Griffith, tenor Michael Patterson, piano
SERMON:	Jesus Loves You: As Your Intercessor Hebrews 7:25	Pastor Stuart
RESPONSE:	Sweet Little Jesus Boy Robert MacGimsey	Robert Griffith Michael Patterson
BENEDICTION		Pastor Stuart
POSTLUDE:	Joy to the World ANTIOCH Musical Setting by John Rutter	Spencerville String Mosaic Michael Patterson, conductor

Thank you for joining us in worship this morning! We will continue to provide updates on the status of our “in-person” worship services. Visit spencervillechurch.org for the latest information.

Membership Transfers

This is the first reading of these names.

Incoming:

Englawni **Chhakchhuak** from Washington Mizo Adventist Church in Beltsville, Maryland
Yvonne **Henderson** from Remnant Adventist Church in Burtonsville, Maryland

Outgoing:

Kathleen **Hess** to Mesa Palms Adventist Church in Mesa, Arizona

Congratulations to the Happy Couple!

We are so happy to announce that Ketty Bayona and Paul Gallagher are, as of November 22, married! The marriage took place at Atholton Seventh-day Adventist Church. You can view the ceremony on YouTube at <https://youtu.be/1tQlFm9ZilA>. Thank you to everyone, who helped make this day special for them even though they couldn't have more guests attend due to the pandemic.

Prayer Line

The holidays are not always “merry and bright” under the best of circumstances, and the pandemic is causing us to look ahead through a shadowed uncertainty. But as followers of “Immanuel—God with us” we know where to go for reassurance and direction! This past Monday, December 7, at 7:30 a.m., we began a call-in prayer line for those who would like to join together as a family and pray for one another. The call will last 15-30 minutes. Each person will have an opportunity to share in prayer and then the group will pray as a whole. The prayer line will be operating Monday

through Friday at 7:30 a.m. and Sabbath and Sunday at 5:30 p.m. To join the prayer call, simply dial 425-436-6376. When you are asked for an access code, type in 7924151, and follow the directions. Let's come together and tap into the most powerful Force in the universe!

Thank You for Giving!

The offering on December 12 has been designated for:

*Adventist Community Services—
North American Division/World Budget*

Your continued support of the ministry being done through Spencerville Church is appreciated. Thank you! Please continue to use the Adventist Giving website to remit your tithe and offerings at spencervillechurch.org/give. Or we can also receive contributions through the postal system. Our mailing address is:

*Spencerville Adventist Church
16325 New Hampshire Avenue
Silver Spring, Maryland 20905*

2019 Charitable Contributions

In order to be received in 2020, contributions must be post-marked by December 31, or received in the church office by 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, December 31. Donations received in the church office after 12:00 p.m. on December 31 will be received as 2021 contributions. Contributions made via Adventist Online Giving by debit card or credit card will be received in the year in which the AdventistGiving server receives the authorization to charge your card. Please note that the holiday office hours.

Advent Lessons and Carols Christmas Concert

To preserve a long-standing tradition that the Spencerville Church has held, we will have the Lessons and Carols Christmas Concert again this year; however, this year it will be pre-recorded and made available for broadcast at 4:30 p.m. on December 19. It will also be available to our broadcast partners. Using best practices and social distancing, the pre-recording of all the pieces and readings will happen separately to limit the number of people in the room at any one time. In this time of COVID-19, when we are unable to be together in a single room, we are praying that the shared experience of this concert will help the Christmas season feel as special as possible.

“The Best Christmas Pageant Ever”

The Spencerville Youth Department will be hosting a drive-in worship and movie night

for the youth of Spencerville on December 19, at 6:15 p.m. Under normal circumstances, we would plan a normal vespers for the youth, however, due to COVID-19 it is more appropriate to host a drive-in event. We will begin with worship, then proceed to watch “The Best Christmas Pageant Ever.” This allows everyone the opportunity to watch the premier of our churches Christmas program at 4:30 p.m. the same day. Please keep in mind that we ask you stay within your family and/or close cohort/bubble while attending this drive-in event. Masks and social distancing are mandatory while outside your vehicle. We also ask that you RSVP in advance! Your RSVP must include your name, phone number, and email address. Text Pastor Matthew at 410-707-6384 or email him at mpiersanti@spencervillechurch.org OR text Abby Shim at 240-758-6330.

Holiday Food and Toy Drive

This year, because of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, we’ve had to do things a little bit differently than usual. **All donations, for food and toys must be dropped off at the church no later than tomorrow, December 13 between 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.** Your participation is greatly appreciated.

Calling All College Age Students:

We’re excited to announce a new virtual collegiate level sabbath school! We meet Sabbath afternoons at 2:30 p.m. and would love to have as many people as possible join the discussion at spencervillechurch.org/collegiate/zoom.

If you have questions, or need more information contact Lindsey Gispert at lslg.gispert@gmail.com.

Drive-in Worship Services

We are excited that those who have attended the drive-in services these past three Sabbaths have expressed what a blessing it was to attend a live worship service. With COVID-19 appropriate safety precautions in place, many are enjoying being able to visit in person following the service. We will continue to hold the drive-in services at 11:30 a.m. each Sabbath in the back parking lot of the church as long as the weather permits. Join us as we worship together! Bring your Bible, and, if you have one, bring your Church Hymnal!

Pre-registration is requested at
spencervillechurch.org/drivein

You'll need to sign-up each week, the registration site will be available by the preceding Thursday.

Attention Parents!

It's such a treat to see your children via Zoom each Sabbath morning! Although we would love to see them in person again, we are thankful for technology which allows us to remain connected. We realize that at times we each need a break from Zoom, and so on **December 26, we will be suspending the Children's and Middle School Sabbath School classes** so that you have time to be with your loved ones. We pray that you will continue to stay safe, especially during the holidays, and we look forward to the day when we can meet together again.

Holiday Office Hours

Monday, December 21 — Closed
Tuesday, December 22 — 1:00-5:00 p.m.
Wednesday, December 23 — 8:00 a.m.-noon
Thursday, December 24 — Closed
Friday, December 25 — Closed
Monday, December 28 — Closed
Tuesday, December 29 — 1:00-5:00 p.m.
Wednesday, December 30 — 8:00 a.m.-noon
Thursday, December 31 — 8:00 a.m.-noon
Friday, January 1 — Closed

Show & Tell Holiday Presentations

You are cordially invited to participate in the remaining presentations with the idea of providing fun, emotional support, and inspiration during the Christmas Season. Many have already enjoyed "attending" the first three presentations. Each of the presentations are delivered online via Zoom and are for everyone—women, men, youth, and children—all are welcome! Remaining presentations are scheduled as follows:

Favorite Christmas Carols from the Homes of Our Church Members

December 13—5:00-6:00 p.m.

Sharing Your Best Christmas Ever

December 20—5:00-6:00 p.m.

An interactive evening with Geri Mueller.

Surprise Yourself with Night of Painting

December 27—5:00-6:00 p.m.

Online Paint Night with Cheryl Roeske. A list of necessary art supplies will be provided for

those who want to paint, but all are invited to come and watch! **To receive a Zoom link for the presentations, please contact Geri Mueller by email at gerimueller@gmail.com.**

First Quarter Sabbath School Lesson Study Guides

The Sabbath School lesson study guides for the first quarter, 2021 are now available online for adults, youth, and children. Using your smart phone or tablet, search for “Sabbath School” in the Apple App Store or on Google Play. If this is not an option for you, or you would prefer a paper copy, visit spencervillechurch.org/quarterly, or contact the church office by phone at 301-384-2920 or via email at office@spencervillechurch.org and we will be happy to put one in the mail for you.

Men’s Monday Night Football(less) Virtual Bible Study Group

The next MNF gathering will take place on Monday, December 21, at 7:15 p.m. via Zoom. The Bible study begins at 7:30 and adjourns by 8:45. Join us online using this link: spencervillechurch.org/mnf-bible-study. If you have questions, contact Paul Rivera at mensministry@spencervillechurch.org or 301.949.6367. Also, please take three minutes to complete the online Men’s Ministry registration at spencervillechurch.org/mens-ministry.

Tuesday Evening Prayer Meeting

Prayer meeting is a vibrant small group meeting every Tuesday evening at 7 o’clock via Zoom. The group is currently in a series discussing the prayers in the Bible—with a new prayer each

week—led by Kevin Sullivan and Tim Lale. Join prayer meeting on your device through spencervillechurch.org/zoom/prayermeeting. Alternatively, you can join the meeting through your phone by calling 301.715.8592. You’ll need the meeting ID: 479 808 915. We look forward to seeing you on Tuesday evening!

Evening Devotions on Facebook Live

Join Pastor Kandace online on the Spencerville Facebook page: facebook.com/spencervillesda for a devotional time of prayer on Thursday evenings at 7:00 p.m.

It’s Never Too Late To Get Connected!

Small groups are the best way to have every person in the Spencerville Community growing spiritually and relationally. We would enjoy the opportunity to tell you more about it! Please visit spencervillechurch.org/smallgroups to learn more. As the Holy Spirit convicts your heart, we want to hear from you!

Do You Have a Prayer Request?

Call the Spencerville Prayer line at 301.384.2920, ext. 140. Leave a message with your prayer request and/or praise report to be shared with our Prayer Ministry team. Leave a number if you wish someone to return your call.