



April 23, 2022

WELCOME

We're glad you're here! Today, Pastor Matthew shares a message based on the opening chapter in the book of Genesis titled, "Created, But Not Complete." If you aren't receiving the two weekly emails from Spencerville Church, the *Weekly Update* for church news, and the *Worship Update* for all things related to the weekly worship service, we invite you to sign up at spencervillechurch.org/weekly-update. Again, we're glad to have you with us today. Welcome!

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INTERNET ACCESS

Complimentary internet access is available for those with WiFi equipped devices in order to facilitate participation in our services. You may connect using the information below:

Network: SpencervilleChurch

Password: Spencerville16325

CONNECT WITH US



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NEED TO KNOW

INTERESTED IN BECOMING A MEMBER?

If you'd like to transfer your membership or be baptized into membership at the Spencerville Adventist Church, please submit a Connection Card to the Welcome Desk or place it in the offering box, both of which are located in the foyer.

EMERGENCY MEDICAL ASSISTANCE

This facility is equipped with an Automatic External Defibrillator (AED). If a medical emergency arises, please call attention to the situation immediately and trained individuals will respond. All persons in the area should make room for the emergency responders to gain access. If you experience sudden illness and need immediate assistance, please contact the Welcome Desk or the deacon posted in the lobby. A nurse or physician will respond.

SUNSET TIMES

Today: 7:53 p.m.

Next Sabbath: 8:00 p.m.

FIRST SERVICE

9:00 A.M.

*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 service.*

Welcome

Pastor Matthew Piersanti

Song of Praise Who You Say I Am

Children's Lesson

Catherine Robinson

Songs of Praise Broken Vessels (Amazing Grace)
I Surrender All

Prayer

Sermon "Created, But Not Complete"

Pastor Matthew

Song of Response Do It Again

Benediction

Pastor Matthew

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Praise Team

Vocals: Jennifer Lalaki

Piano: Isaac Tyman

SECOND SERVICE

11:25 A.M.

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Welcome		Pastor Matthew Piersanti
Prelude		Mark Willey, organ
Call to Worship	Isaiah 45:18	Pastor Kandace Zollman
†Hymn of Praise, No. 2	All Creatures of Our God and King <i>TUNE: LASST UNS ERFREUEN</i>	
Invocation		Pastor Matthew
Children's Lesson		Catherine Robinson
Prayer		Sean Robinson
Anthem	O, Divine Redeemer <i>Charles Gounod</i>	Henrique Carvahlo, baritone Cory Shim, piano
Sermon	"Created, But Not Complete"	Pastor Matthew
†Hymn of Response, No. 524	'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus	
Benediction		Pastor Matthew
**Postlude	Prelude no. 3 in D Minor, Op. 23 <i>Sergei Rachmaninoff</i>	Cory Shim, Piano

† Indicates congregation is to please stand

** During the postlude, you are invited to remain seated or to depart in the joy of Jesus Christ.

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MUSIC NOTES

This week we welcome baritone Henrique Carvahlo to the platform. He is a student at the University of Maryland, studying in the Opera Graduate Program. He is accompanied by Cory Shim, long known member of the Spencerville Community. Cory is also a graduate student at UMD, nearing the completion of his Masters of Music in piano performance.

The anthem this week is composed by French composer Charles Gounod in the year 1893. The title is O Divine Redeemer and though the original text is in French the song will be sung in English today. The text, written by Gounod, is an emotional expression of the human feelings when longing for repentance. It also relates to the feeling of abandonment when longing for mercy from God. This theme ties well with the word given this morning by Pastor Matthew. The text reads:

Ah! Turn me not away, receive me, tho' unworthy!
Hear Thou my cry, behold, Lord, my distress!
Answer me from Thy throne, haste Thee, Lord, to mine aid,
Thy pity show in my deep anguish!
Let not the sword of vengeance smite me,
Tho' righteous Thine anger, O Lord!
Shield me in danger, O Regard me! On Thee, Lord, alone will I call.
O Divine Redeemer! O Divine Redeemer!
I pray Thee, grant me pardon, and remember not my sins!
Forgive me, O divine Redeemer!
Night gathers round my soul; fearful I cry to Thee;
Come to mine aid, O Lord! Haste Thee, Lord, haste to help me!
Hear my cry, Save me, Lord, in Thy mercy;
Hear my cry! Come and save me, O Lord!
O, divine Redeemer! I pray Thee, grant me pardon,
And remember not, O Lord, my sins!
Save, in the day of retribution, from Death shield Thou me, O my God!
O, divine Redeemer, have mercy! Help me, my Savior!

MEMBER TRANSFERS

INCOMING

This is the second reading.

Nisha Abraham from International Adventist Church of Brussels, in Brussels, Belgium

OUTGOING

This is the second reading.

Larry and Jana Luce to WholeLife Adventist Church in Orlando, Florida

MEET OUR NEW MEMBERS

Nisha is a diplomat who works for the American government and is back in the states after serving in Brussels, Belgium. She has already become greatly involved in the Spencerville Church, helping to lead out in our Tuesday night prayer gathering, becoming part of our Pray for Me prayer champions, and serving on various committees.

CHURCH/SCHOOL LIFE

YOUR GENEROSITY IS APPRECIATED!

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Thank you for your generous support of the ministries of Spencerville Church! You may remit your tithe and offerings at spencervillechurch.org/give.

CHILDREN'S ACTIVITY BULLETINS

Activity bulletins are available each Sabbath for children ages 3-6 and 7+. The

bulletins are available in the Children's Sabbath School classrooms or at the Welcome Desk in the foyer.

PATHFINDERS – READY TO ROCK TONIGHT!

Our Polar Bears Pathfinders are ready to rock for charity again...in rocking chairs, of course! They will be rocking the night away TONIGHT during their 8th Annual Rock-a-thon for Charity. The Pathfinders are rocking for up to 12 hours to raise money

for Ukraine Relief through ADRA. Please support their efforts by pledging at church (there is a pledge sheet in the bulletin), or by seeking out your favorite Pathfinder who will tell you more about how you can support their all-night Rock-a-thon. You can make an hourly or flat rate pledge in any amount to support this effort. If you wish, you can also designate a specific Pathfinder to receive your pledge. Contact Event Coordinator Lisa Burrow at 301-346-9641 or at mommyapple@icloud.com for more information. Thank you for supporting your Polar Bears and please pray for us!

TUITION ASSISTANCE APPLICATIONS

Tuition assistance applications for Spencerville Adventist Academy's 2022-2023 school year are being accepted through Friday, May 20, 2022. Applications for tuition assistance must be submitted through spencervillechurch.org/tuition-assistance and must be verified with supplemental documentation that all applicants are required to submit.

To be eligible, applicants must have been members of Spencerville Church for at least six months prior to July 1, 2022, as verified by the membership clerk's official records; and must be regularly attending and actively serving in a ministry capacity. If you have any questions, please contact the church office at office@spencervillechurch.org.

SPRING WORK BEE

It's a big job to keep our church running in tip-top shape! Typically, our Facilities Management committee plans two work bee events each year, one in the Spring and another in the Fall. However, due to the COVID pandemic, it's been several years since our last work bee. We need your assistance at the church on **May 1 from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.** with light cleaning and general maintenance of our facility, and we're hosting a light breakfast to say, "thank you for your help!" **Please sign up by April 27** to help us finalize our headcount for food. Sign up at spencervillechurch.org/work-bee. Thank you!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR A VBS FAMILY WEEKEND

On **July 7-9, from 6:00-8:00 p.m.** Children's Ministries is excited to invite all children between the ages of 0 and 11 for a weekend full of family fun. This year we are exploring God's monumental love for us by reviewing the life of Joseph. Watch this space for more Family Vacation Bible School details.

SPRING 2022 CONNECT GROUPS

A new season has arrived for our Connect Groups. We invite you to take a moment to visit the Connect Groups page on the church website and explore what each group has to offer. If you don't see anything

that feels like the right fit, perhaps God is calling you to start your own Connect Group? The only requirement for Connect Groups is that the group is actively seeking to connect with other people and with Jesus! Have questions? Contact Nancy Cabrera, our Connect Group Coordinator, at connectgroups@spencervillechurch.org

EVENING DEVOTIONS ON FACEBOOK

Pastor Kandace continues her Thursday evening devotional service at 7:00 p.m. on the Spencerville Facebook page. If you'd like to participate, visit facebook.com/spencervillesda to experience this special time of devotion and prayer.

KEEP IN STITCHES

If you enjoy quilting or stitching of any kind, check out the Keep in Stitches group that meets in the Fellowship Hall each **Tuesday from 10:00 a.m.** through mid-afternoon. You'll enjoy good company and have fun as you create items to minister to folks locally and around the world.

DO YOU NEED PRAYER?

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

may email the prayer team at prayerline@spencervillechurch.org.

WAU STUDENT RECITALS

Join us tomorrow (Sunday), April 24, for two Washington Adventist University senior violin recitals. Jenna Lettsome and Sofya Puyul will perform their individual final recitals as a part of the Department of Music. Jenna's recital will begin at 7:00 PM and Sofya's will begin at 8:00 PM.

Both recitals will be accompanied by Dr. Mark Di Pinto. If you enjoy beautiful violin playing, these are two performances that you won't want to miss. **Admission is free.**

TWO WAYS YOU CAN HELP THE RELIEF EFFORTS IN UKRAINE

It's easy to feel overwhelmed by the news from Ukraine. If you would like to help, here are two organizations that are working locally and internationally to help the people of Ukraine.

- 1. ADRA International (Adventist Development and Relief Agency)** - ADRA has teams actively working in the region, and they are helping people with food, water, medical supplies, and shelter. Visit their website to donate at adra.org.
- 2. St. Andrew's Ukrainian Orthodox Cathedral**, located just down the street from our church on New Hampshire Avenue, is accepting donations at the

church. Alternatively, you may bring supplies ordered through Amazon or other means to be delivered directly to their church. To make a donation, or for more information on hours and the specific items that are needed, visit standrewuoc.org.

ADVENTIST HEALTH CARE 2022 NURSE'S APPRECIATION DAY

Attention all Adventist active and retired professional nurses, as well as nursing students and nursing assistants. Nurses are exceptional people who give essential care. "Especially during this unprecedented time with the lingering effects of COVID-19, we want to connect with you." You are invited to attend the **virtual gathering on May 7 from 4:00-5:00 p.m.** The guest speaker is India Medley, PhD, MSN, RN, CPNP, Vice President and Chief Nursing Officer Howard University Hospital. Join via Zoom. Meeting ID: 957 6481 3420, Passcode: 761029. One tap mobile 301-715-8592.

TAKE A 3-MINUTE QUESTIONNAIRE ON PARTICIPATING IN THE BODY OF CHRIST

According to scripture, the Spencerville Seventh-day Adventist Church is incomplete without our service (Romans 12:4-8; 1 Corinthians 12; Ephesians 4:11-13). In fact, the Bible says the role of every member

CALENDAR

APRIL

- 23 Pathfinders Rock-a-thon // 6:30 p.m.
- 25 Church Board Meeting // 7:00 p.m.
- 26 Keep in Stitches // 10:00 a.m.
- 26 Prayer Meeting via Zoom // 7:00 p.m.
- 28 Facebook Live Devotional // 7:00 p.m.

MAY

- 1 Spring Work Bee // 8:00 a.m.
- 26 Prayer Meeting via Zoom // 7:00 p.m.
- 28 Facebook Live Devotional // 7:00 p.m.

JOIN US ONLINE



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in this body is indispensable! Paul wasn't writing those words to a denomination or to church workers or to Bible scholars. He was writing them to members of a local church. If our church has ever felt incomplete to you, it may be, in part because many of us are not serving within the Body of Christ.

Help us by taking a 3-minute questionnaire on how YOU are participating in the body, and how you would like to participate. Visit: spencervillechurch.org/questionnaire.

FINANCIAL REPORT

AS OF APR 9, 2022 - WEEK 41 OF 52

LOCAL COMBINED BUDGET GIVING

Received: \$405,756

Receiving Goal: \$446,821

2021-22 Church Budget: \$544,000

CURRENT DEBT AS OF MAR. 15, 2022 \$2,681,373

ONLINE GIVING



Visit the church website at spencervillesda.org/give or scan the QR code with your mobile device to make a donation. Thank you for your generosity!

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