



December 17, 2022

WELCOME

We're thankful to have you with us this morning as we worship together. Whether you're sitting in our Sanctuary or worshiping with us online, know that we consider you part of our community! We wish you a joyous holiday season and a new year filled with peace, hope, and happiness. Let us never forget the reason we celebrate at this time of year, the birth of Jesus Christ, the Redeemer of the world. Again, 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



@spencervillesda

NEED TO KNOW

INTERESTED IN BECOMING A MEMBER?

If you'd like to transfer your membership or be baptized into membership at the Spencerville Seventh-day 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: 4:47 p.m. Next Sabbath: 4:50 p.m.

FIRST SERVICE

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 Chad Stuart
Song of Praise	Go Tell It On the Mountain	
Children's Lesson		Sasha Ram
Songs of Praise	We Three Kings O Come All Ye Faithful	
Prayer		
Sermon	Series: Great Joy Message: "Fulfilled Promises" (Part 2)	Pastor Chad
Song of Response	It Came Upon a Midnight Clear	
Benediction		Pastor Chad

The offering this Sabbath has been designated for Local Church Budget

Tithe and offerings may be returned via the collection boxes in the foyer, online at <u>spencervillechurch.org/give</u>, or by mail using the address on the back cover.

Praise Team

Vocals: Karen Miranda, Elsa Balint, Giulia Balint, Carla David Strings: German Rodriguez Piano: Samuel Miranda

SECOND SERVICE

11:15 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 Chad Stuart
Prelude	Le Sommeil D'Lenfant Jésus Henri Büsser	Shanti Seidel-Molina, cello Cheryl Jacob-Roeske, harp Mark Willey, organ
Introit	Now Is Born the Divine Chris 18th Century French Carol	t Child Sanctuary Choir
†Hymn of Praise, No. 118	The First Noel Tune: The First Noel	
Invocation		Pastor Chad
Anthem	For Unto Us A Child Is Born from Messiah George Frideric Handel	Sanctuary Choir and Orchestra
Children's Lesson		Sasha Ram
†Hymn of Preparation, No. 124	Away in a Manger Tune: Cradle Song	Sanctuary Choir
Prayer		Pastor Kandace Zollman
Anthem	Still, Still, Still Sa Austrian Folk Carol Arranged by Barlow Bradford	anctuary Choir and Orchestra
Sermon	Series: Great Joy Message: "Fulfilled Promises" (P	Pastor Chad art 2)

† Indicates congregation is to please stand** During the postlude, you are invited to remain seated or to depart in the joy of Jesus Christ.

Hymn of Response, No. 122	Hark! the Herald Angels Sing Tune: Mendelssohn	
Benediction		Pastor Chad
Benediction Response	Still, Still, Still (Reprise)	Sanctuary Choir
**Postlude	Fantasia on Greensleeves Vaughn-Williams	Sanctuary Orchestra

MEMBER TRANSFERS

This is the second reading.

INCOMING

Fleur Henrisse Herinjanahary from Soamanandrariny Adventist Church in Antananarivo, Madagascar

Mirian Oliveira from Capital Brazilian Adventist Church in Highland, Maryland

OUTGOING

Alexander & Elena Vodnik to Collegedale Community Adventist Church in Ooltewah, Tennessee

This is the first reading.

INCOMING

Tom Taylor from Grasonville Adventist Church in Grasonville, Maryland Joseph Warren from Emmanuel-Brinklow Adventist Church in Ashton, Maryland Nerissa Warren from Atholton Adventist Church in Columbia, Maryland

OUTGOING

Carla Baker to Keene Adventist Church in Keene, Texas

MEET OUR NEW MEMBERS

Fleur, who goes by the name Heri, is originally from Madagascar. She works for ADRA in the areas of finance and business. During the pandemic she regularly 'worshiped' at Spencerville on Sabbath and watched our Thursday night devotional on Facebook. Heri was drawn to Spencerville because of the beautiful classical music. She is eager to get involved in the Spencerville Church life.

Mirian and her husband immigrated to the United States in 2001. In São Paulo she was a teacher, however, in the states she has made a living through housekeeping. Her eldest child still lives in Brazil, and her other two children live with her. Mirian was very involved in the children's Sabbath School divisions in Brazil, and has already become involved in our Beginner 2 Sabbath School class.

CHURCH/SCHOOL LIFE

CONDOLENCES

After a long struggle with declining health, this past Monday night **Vivien Piersanti** closed her eyes until Jesus returns. The wife of William, the mother of Pastor Matthew and his three siblings, and the grandmother to Evan, Aiden, and Lucas and their cousins, Vivien will be remembered for her bright smile and passionate love for her family. A private service was held for the family on Thursday. The Piersantis request privacy during this time of deep grief, but are grateful for every one of your prayers.

CONDOLENCES

Bert Beverly Beach, husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather, friend, and

lifelong servant and instrument of the Lord peacefully passed away in his home in Silver Spring, Maryland on December 14, 2022. A statesman and leader for the Seventh-day Adventist Church worldwide, Bert's greatest legacy is one of character, faith, and a champion of human rights and Religious Liberty. Son of Seventh-day Adventist missionary parents, he was born in Switzerland and faithfully worked for the Adventist Church for over 60 years. He leaves behind his wife. Eliane Beach of almost 70 years and the family they built together. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to their college in France, Séminaire Adventiste du Saleve in Bert's honor. A memorial service will be held at Spencerville Church at a later date.

THE OFFERING FOR DECEMBER 17

Today's offering is designated for Local Church Budget.

Your prayerful support of the ministries and church campus needs of the Spencerville Church are appreciated. Tithe and offerings may be returned online through Adventist Giving at <u>spencervillechurch.org/give</u> or deposited in one of the offering boxes in the foyer next to each of the Sanctuary doors.

EVENSONG CONCERT THIS AFTERNOON

This afternoon at 4:00 p.m. the Sanctuary Choir will lead in the annual concert of Lessons and Carols. This concert of reading and music has been a long standing holiday tradition at the Spencerville Church. See you there.

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS TOY DRIVE

Today is the last day to deliver donations.

A NOTE ON END-OF-YEAR CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS

Your generosity in supporting the mission and ministry of the Spencerville Church throughout this past year has been greatly appreciated.

MAILED CONTRIBUTIONS

In order to be included in the 2022 calendar year, your contribution must be postmarked no later than December 31.

HAND-DELIVERED CONTRIBUTIONS:

If you are dropping off your contribution at the church office, other than on **Sabbath**, **December 31**, this must be done during regular office hours prior to December 31, keeping in mind that the church office closes at 12:00 noon on December 30. Donations received after the cutoff will be receipted in 2023.

ONLINE CONTRIBUTIONS

Contributions made online by debit or credit card through AdventistGiving will be receipted in the year that the AdventistGiving server receives the authorization to charge your card.

USED HYMNALS

As our Sanctuary hymnals wear out, they are replaced with new ones. There is a limited supply of these used hymnals that will be given away upon request. If you would like one of these used hymnals, contact the church office.

CALENDAR

DECEMBER

- 17 Evensong: "Lessons & Carols" 4:00 p.m.
- 20 Keep in Stitches 10:00 a.m.
- 20 Prayer Meeting via Zoom 7:00 p.m.
- 20 Tuesday Night Bible Study 7:00 p.m.
- 23 Church Office is Closed for Christmas
- 26 Church Office is Closed for Christmas
- 31 Communion Sabbath

BIBLICAL PERSPECTIVES VIDEO SERIES

Pastor Chad and Dr. Frank Hasel are Back! Our New Topical Video Study Series Begins in January. During the pandemic, the church produced a video series that followed the Sabbath School lesson study, airing weekly on our YouTube channel. We received a lot of positive feedback after that first season, which led us to release another season at the beginning of 2022. We're pleased to share that a new season of this series, now titled "Biblical Perspectives," will return at the beginning of 2023! Pastor Chad and Dr. Frank Hasel will continue their weekly study on our YouTube channel. As we get closer to the release, we'll share more information and links to watch. We pray that this series is a blessing to your personal study and that you'll share it beyond the boundaries of Spencerville Church-it's a series we've created to be shared!

SPENCERVILLE ACADEMY ENROLLMENT INFORMATION FOR NEW FAMILIES

Please note that if you have a student you'd like to enroll at Spencerville Adventist Academy for next school year as a NEW PreK-12 student, **enrollment begins on January 30. Applications are being accepted now.** Completed applications for new families who are Spencerville Church members will be reviewed starting February 13. Due to the extremely high enrollment at SAA, space is limited for the 2023-24 school year. As Spencerville Church is the sole constituent church, any families who are members of Spencerville Church or in the process of becoming members at Spencerville Church have the first opportunity to fill available openings after the re-enrollment of current students is complete.

Note also that membership does not guarantee enrollment at SAA; you must complete all the required steps before the deadline along with the enrollment screening required for all applicants. However, your Spencerville membership does put you at the front of the line for consideration. So, please get your application in as soon as possible!

DO YOU HAVE A PRAYER REQUEST?

Call the Spencerville Prayer line at 301.384.2920, ext. 140. Leave a message with your prayer request or praise report to be shared with our Prayer Ministry team. Leave a number if you wish someone to return your call. Alternatively, you may also send an email to the prayer team at prayerline@spencervillechurch.org.



FINANCIAL REPORT

COMBINED BUDGET GIVING AS OF NOVEMBER 26, 2022 – WEEK 22 OF 52

Received: \$199,895

Receiving Goal: \$215,330

2022-23 Church Budget: \$580,000

CURRENT DEBT AS OF NOV 15, 2022 \$2,626,247

ONLINE GIVING



To make a donation, visit the church website at <u>spencervillechurch.org/give</u> or scan the QR code with your mobile device. Thank you for your generosity!

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National Domestic Violence Hotline		

SERMON NOTES







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