



March 25, 2023

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 Sabbath filled with blessings. Again, welcome!

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INTERNET ACCESS

In order to facilitate participation in our services, complimentary internet access is available for those with WiFi equipped devices. 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: 7:25 p.m. Next Sabbath: 7:31 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 Lerone Carson |
|-------------------|---|----------------------|
| Song of Praise | 10,000 Reasons (Bless The Lord) | |
| Children's Lesson | | Sheralee Thomas |
| Songs of Praise | Whole Heart (Hold Me Now) Battle Belongs | |
| Prayer | | |
| Sermon | "The Upside-Down Kingdom" | Pastor Lerone |
| Song of Response | Remembrance | |
| Benediction | | Pastor Lerone |

The offering this Sabbath has been designated for Chesapeake Conference

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

Praise Team Vocals: Jennifer Lalaki, Isaac Tyman Guitar: Isaac Tyman

SECOND 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 Lerone Carson |
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| Prelude | Nocturne in C-Sharp Minor M Frederick Chopin | Aichael Patterson, piano |
| Introit | Now Let Us All Praise God and Sir Gordon Young | ng Sanctuary Choir |
| †Hymn of Praise, No. 21 | Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise <i>Tune: St. Denio</i> | |
| Invocation | | Pastor Lerone |
| Children's Lesson | | Catherine Robinson |
| Call to Prayer | With Humble Heart Alvin Carpintero | Sanctuary Choir |
| Prayer | | Sean Robinson |
| Anthem | Devotion John Ness Beck | Sanctuary Choir |
| Sermon | "The Upside-Down Kingdom" | Pastor Lerone |
| †Hymn of Response, No. 306 | Draw Me Nearer | |

† Indicates congregation is to please stand

| Benediction | | Pastor Lerone |
|----------------------|--|--------------------------|
| Benediction Response | May God Be With You Alvin Carpintero | Sanctuary Choir |
| **Postlude | Song Without Words, Op. 19, No. 1 Felix Mendelssohn | Michael Patterson, piano |

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

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MEMBERSHIP TRANSFERS

This is the second reading.

INCOMING

Raquel Caroline Lins Carvahlo Rego Baracho from Washington Brazilian Adventist Church in College Park, Maryland

Donna Wallace from Gladstone Adventist Church in Kansas City, Missouri

This is the first reading.

INCOMING

Paul & DeeAnn Bragaw from Campion Adventist Church in Loveland, Colorado

Johnny & Eunice Hernandez from Wheaton Spanish Adventist Church in Rockville, Maryland

MEET OUR NEW MEMBERS

Raquel Baracho moved to the United States from Brazil about five years ago. She has recently begun taking classes in nursing school. She and her husband, Bernardo, have two children, Beatriz and Eduardo, who will be attending Spencerville Adventist Academy in the Fall.

Donna is an accountant who has degree this in both accounting and music. She is currently studying for the CPA exam. She attends the Fireside Sabbath School class with her friend, Heri, who also recently transferred her church membership to Spencerville. Donna is eager to become involved in Spencerville church life and service.

CHURCH/SCHOOL LIFE

OFFERING FOR MARCH 25

Offering on March 25 is for Chesapeake Conference Your prayerful support of the ministries and church campus needs of the Spencerville Church is appreciated.

Our online giving page through Adventist Giving is available 24/7 to receive your tithe and offering contributions. Give online at adventistgiving.org/donate/ANB8GQ

MONTHLY FELLOWSHIP POTLUCK LUNCH

Today is our monthly Fellowship Potluck lunch. Our guests are especially invited to attend. Members have prepared delicious food to be enjoyed while we spend time in the company of current friends and making some new friends as well. Join us in the Fellowship Hall following the close of the second worship service.

RELIGIOUS LIBERITY PANEL DISCUSSION

Join us on April 15 at 4:00 p.m for an important discussion on current events, Religious Liberty, and the Seventh-day Adventist Church. Pastor Crystal E. Ward will moderate this discussion. Save the date, more details to come.

BIBLICAL PERSPECTIVES VIDEO SERIES

Our weekly "Biblical Perspectives" video series that was created to add an additional blessing to your personal study has come to a close. Hosted by Pastor Chad and theologian, Dr. Frank Hasel, these videos explored key Biblical themes through a practical and conversational approach. Find the entire first season on our YouTube channel at <u>spencervillechurch.org/</u> <u>bpvideo</u>. Thank you for spending time with us these past 12 weeks! Please share with family and friends.

SUPPORT LOCAL REFUGEE FAMILIES THROUGH HOMES NOT BORDERS

This spring, Spencerville Church is partnering with Homes Not Borders (a local non-profit organization serving refugees) to provide toiletries and cleaning supplies to refugee families in our area. We are asking for your generous support of this project through in-kind or monetary donations. A list of items needed can be found at the Welcome Desk. Donations accepted through next Sabbath, April 1. Look for the cart in the lobby and leave your donated items on the cart. Questions about the campaign may be directed to our Community Services ministry at community@spencervillechurch.org.

SPENCERVILLE PRAYER MEETINGS

If you would like to join the virtual prayer meeting that meets each **Tuesday evening at 7:00 p.m.**, here is the information needed to join. On the web, visit <u>spencervillechurch.</u> <u>org/zoom/prayermeeting</u>. When prompted, enter the password "*prayer*". If you prefer to meet in person, join us the Sanctuary each **Wednesday evening at 7:00 p.m.**. We are looking for volunteer pianists who are willing to accompany the group for two or three hymns. If you are interested, contact Pastor Crystal at <u>cward@spencervillechurch.</u> org. Everyone is invited and encouraged to attend either of these meetings.

ANNUAL CONSTITUENCY MEETING FOR SPENCERVILLE ADVENTIST ACADEMY

The annual constituency meeting for Spencerville Adventist Academy (SAA) will be held on **Sunday, April 23**. As the constituent church of SAA, we are responsible for selecting delegates to represent our church and vote on the reports and matters brought before this constituency meeting. To build this delegation, we are asking you to nominate TWO members of Spencerville Church to be considered by the church for representation. This is a nomination, not a vote. The vote happens at the second reading presentation of the selected individuals before the entire church. Therefore, please do not write a name down twice or encourage others to write down one name multiple times; a person's name only needs to appear once for that individual to be nominated. Each name will then be considered based on the qualifications provided in the Seventh-day Adventist Church Manual. Nominations must be submitted by tomorrow at 11:59 p.m.

Please note that only baptized church members of Spencerville Church can serve as delegates at this meeting. The pastors of the Spencerville Church; teachers and faculty of SAA; and SAA school board members are already designated as "ex-officio" members of the meeting, so please do not nominate any of these individuals. Submit your nominations using the following link <u>spencervillechurch.</u> org/nominate

FIND CONNECTION IN A CONNECT GROUP



View a list of open Connect Groups and sign up using the QR code below, or visit: <u>spencervillechurch.org/</u> <u>connectgroups</u>.



PRAYER NEWSLETTER



Are you receiving the weekly newsletter from Prayer Ministry? Use the QR code to sign up, or visit: <u>spencervillechurch.org/</u> <u>prayerministry</u>.

DO YOU HAVE A PRAYER REQUEST?

Our Prayer Ministry team would be happy to pray for you. Leave a message with your prayer request or praise report on the Spencerville Prayer line at 301.384.2920, ext. 140. Leave your number if you would like someone to return your call. Alternatively, you can also send an email to the prayer team at <u>prayerline@spencervillechurch.org</u>.

SAA HIGH SCHOOL DRAMA

"Cinderella" will be presented on **April 13**, **15**, **and 16**. Tickets are now on sale. Call 240-883-3538 to reserve your seat today and support our Spencerville Adventist Academy Youth.

SAA 7TH ANNUAL FUN RUN

It's that time of year again! Time for the SAA annual 5K, 1 mile and Kids 1K Fun Run. The Run will take place on **April 2** with a rolling start beginning at **9:00 a.m.** Sign up to run or come out to support. All funds raised support sports and STEM programs at SAA. Sign-up <u>spencervillechurch.org/5k</u>

SAA SOPHOMORE CLASS FUND RAISER

Sophomore Class Yard Sale April 2 from 1:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m. at Spencerville Adventist Academy.

WAU CONCERT WINDS AT SLIGO

Tonight, the Washington Adventist University Concert Winds, directed by Michael Patterson, will perform an evening concert at Sligo Seventh-day Adventist Church. The concert theme is entitled "*Sounds from Far Away Lands*" and will feature music by Wagner, Bernstein, Ginastera, Sousa, Bach, and more. The concert begins at **7:00 p.m.** and is free to the public.

CALENDAR

MARCH

- 26 Pathfinder Meeting 9:00 a.m.
- 27 Church Board Meeting- 7:00 p.m.
- 28 Virtual Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.
- 29 In-person Prayer Meeting 6:30 p.m.

APRIL

- 7 Youth/High School Vespers 6:30 p.m.
- 8 "He Is Risen" Easter Celebration
- Religious Liberty Panel Discussion Spencerville Church - 4:00 p.m.

FINANCIAL REPORT

COMBINED BUDGET GIVING AS OF FEBRUARY 25, 2023 – WEEK 35 OF 52

Received: \$415,343

Receiving Goal: \$413,626

2022-23 Church Budget: \$580,000

CURRENT DEBT AS OF FEB 15, 2023 \$2,605,222

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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| Mark Willey, organist | ••••• | mwilley@spencervillechurch.org |

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OTHER CONTACTS

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|-----------------------------------|----------------|-----------------------------------|
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| Spencerville Academy | | info@spencerville.org |
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SERMON NOTES

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