



April 22, 2023

WELCOME

We're thankful to have you with us this morning as we worship together. Whether you're sitting in our Sanctuary or worshipping 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

CONNECT WITH US

@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: 7:45 p.m.

Next Sabbath: 7:59 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	None But Jesus	
Children's Lesson		Kandace Zollman
Songs of Praise	Simplicity Nothing But the Blood	
Prayer		
Sermon	"If Only You Had Been Here"	Pastor Matthew
Song of Response	Whole Heart (Hold Me Now)	
Benediction		Pastor Matthew

The offering this Sabbath has been designated for Chesapeake Advance

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Praise Team

Vocals: Anjali Christian, Caleb Salazar

Guitar: Isaac Tyman

SECOND SERVICE

11:15 A.M.

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Welcome		Pastor Matthew Piersanti
Prelude	Today, God's Son Triumphs, BWV 630 <i>Johann Sebastian Bach</i>	Mark Willey, organ
Introit	Let Heavenly Music Fill This Place <i>Gordon Young</i>	Sanctuary Choir
†Hymn of Praise, No. 191	Love Divine <i>TUNE: BEECHER</i>	
Invocation		Pastor Matthew
Children's Lesson		Kandace Zollman
Call to Prayer	Give Ear to My Words, O Lord <i>Melvin West</i>	Sanctuary Choir
Prayer		Debbie Bahr
Anthem	Balm In Gilead <i>William Dawson</i>	Sanctuary Choir
Sermon	"If Only You Had Been Here"	Pastor Matthew
†Hymn of Response, No. 265	Breathe on Me, Breath of God <i>TUNE: PARACLETE</i>	
Benediction		Pastor Matthew

† Indicates congregation is to please stand

Benediction Response May the Lord Bless You and Keep You Sanctuary Choir
Melvin West

**Postlude Pièce Héroïque Mark Willey, organ
César Franck

** 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

Scot, Manuela, Angela, Mckayla, and Christian Coppock from Reaching Hearts International Adventist Church in Laurel, Maryland

OUTGOING

Brent, Lisa, and Kyle Hardinge to Pioneer Memorial Church in Berrien Springs, Michigan
Hans and Angela Holbrook to Cape Cod Adventist Church in Osterville, Massachusetts

MEET OUR NEW MEMBERS

Scot is the Planned Giving Director at the General Conference. His wife, **Manuela** is a Physicians Assistant Professor. They have three children: Angela is a premed student at Andrews University, Mckayla is a junior at SAA, and Christian is in the 8th grade at SAA.

CHURCH/SCHOOL LIFE

CONGRATULATIONS

Today with great gratitude, Peter and Ros Landless are praising the Lord for 50 wonderful, golden years of marriage. In lieu of flowers they are donating to the Tuition Assistance Fund for Spencerville Adventist Academy.

CONDOLENCE

Please keep Spencerville members Ray and Maurine Wahlen, in your prayers as they grieve the loss of Ray's mother, Vicki Wahlen, who died this past Monday at her home in Bellingham, Washington.

MEMORIAL SERVICES

A service will be held for John Stephenson in the Spencerville Sanctuary at **2:00 p.m.** next Sabbath afternoon, **April 29**.

On **May 21 at 3:30 p.m.** a service will be held for former Spencerville member, Jim C. Lanning, at the Williamsport Adventist Church located at 16421 Lappans Road in Williamsport, Maryland.

OFFERING FOR APRIL 22

Offering on April 22 is for Chesapeake Advance

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 spencervillechurch.org/give.

EVENSONG CONCERT TODAY WAU PRO MUSICA

Join us **this Sabbath, April 22, 2023, at 4:00 p.m.** for an Evensong Concert presented by Washington Adventist University's Pro Musica. Pro Musica is the select choral ensemble from WAU and has a longstanding relationship with our Evensong concert series. Directed by Anwar Ottley, they will present an inspiring program of sacred choral music, including the Missa Brevis by Kodály, "Shout for Joy" by Adolphus Hailstorm, and others. Paul Byssainthe, organist and Minister of Music at Sligo, will join them at the concert.

If you love the sounds of chorus, organ, and brass, this concert is a must!

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 while

making some new friends as well. Join us in the Fellowship Hall following the close of the second worship service.

8-WEEK GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

Have you lost a loved one in the past 3-12 months? We're here to help you work through the Grieving process. Spencerville Church, in partnership with Capital Caring Hospice, will be providing a free 8-week grief counseling series "*Finding Hope in Healing*" for those who have experienced loss. These sessions will help you as you grieve while benefiting from the interaction with others that have a shared experience. **The series begins May 4, 2023 and will meet every Thursday evening (May 4 through June 22) from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.** at Spencerville Church. Sign up to attend at spencervillechurch.org/grief.

SAA TUITION ASSISTANCE APPLICATIONS DUE MAY 26

Tuition assistance applications for Spencerville Adventist Academy's 2023-2024 school year are being accepted through **Friday, May 26, 2023**. 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 for

assistance, applicants must have been members of Spencerville Church for at least six months prior to July 1, 2023, as verified by the membership clerk's official records; and must be regularly attending or actively serving in a ministry capacity. If you have any questions, please contact the church office at office@spencervillechurch.org.

JOIN US FOR AN EVENING OF FUN FOR ALL AGES

Enjoy an evening of games! Next Saturday evening, Bring your favorite board games and find an open table or join one of the games in progress. The event is FREE and open to the community, so invite your friends, family, co-workers, and neighbors! Grad popcorn and snacks and join us in the Fellowship Hall for an evening of fun for the whole family! Your RSVP is requested to help us plan for food. You can RSVP at spencervillechurch.org/games.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Save the date, **June 26-30 from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m.** Children's Ministries is excited to invite all children between the ages of 0-11 for a week of fun. This year we are on the move, following Jesus here, there, and everywhere so that we can learn how to move forward in our journey of faith.

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 spencervillechurch.org/zoom/prayermeeting. When prompted, enter the password “*prayer*”. If you prefer to meet in person, join us in the Sanctuary each **Wednesday evening at 6:30 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 cward@spencervillechurch.org. Everyone is invited and encouraged to attend either of these meetings.

FIND CONNECTION IN A CONNECT GROUP



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

JOIN US FOR SEASON TWO OF OUR BIBLICAL PERSPECTIVES VIDEO SERIES

The first four episodes of our weekly “Biblical Perspectives” video series are now available on YouTube. Hosted by Pastor Chad and theologian, Dr. Frank Hasel, this season’s videos explore the Three Angels’ Messages in a practical and conversational manner. We invite you to

watch them on our YouTube channel at spencervillechurch.org/bpvideo. After doing so, be sure to leave a comment letting us know your thoughts!

PRAYER NEWSLETTER



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

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 prayerline@spencervillechurch.org.

PARENTS, REGISTER YOUR KIDS FOR OUR SUMMER BASEBALL LEAGUE!

Do your kids enjoy baseball? If so, we have a fantastic summer league that you will want to check out. Spencerville Adventist Baseball League, (SABL) is well supported by Spencerville members, however the league also extends an invitation to the local churches and community as well. Our goal is to promote a Christian

environment that is fun and enjoyable, and nurtures a child's desire to learn the game of baseball. The SABL philosophy is to teach children the game while promoting teamwork and sportsmanship. We also strongly encourage the children's parents to become involved with their child's team to enhance their experience. **Registration closes on May 22. Early Bird Discount ends, May 15.** For additional information, or to register your child(ren) send an email to sabl@spencervillechurch.org or visit spencervillechurch.org/SABL.

HOPE CHANNEL - IMPACT DAY

Hope Channel cordially invites you to IMPACT DAY on **May 7**. This event will be held at the Hope Channel studio in Silver Spring, Maryland, 1:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m. During the event you will get a tour of the Hope Channel studios, meet the tv hosts of some of your favorite programs such as Hope Sabbath School, and receive exciting updates on how God is using the network to prepare the world for Christ's Second Coming. A free lunch will be served. This event will be limited to 60 people and the registration deadline is April 24, 2022. To register please go to hopetv.org/impactday or call 240-381-6684. We look forward to meeting you!

2023 CHESAPEAKE CONFERENCE CAMP MEETING

"*The Gathering*" Camp Meeting will be held in person from **June 13-17**, in person, at Highland View Academy. The theme is "Occupy 'Till He Comes." You are invited to come and experience enriching seminars, spiritual music, fellowship, and so much more! The keynote speaker is Derek Morris, President of Hope Channel. In addition, we will have spiritual and fun activities for children, youth, and young adults. To register for lodging/meals, and for more information, visit ccosda.org/thegathering.

2023 ANNUAL CHESAPEAKE WOMEN'S RETREAT

"*In His Presence*" is the theme of the 2023 Chesapeake Conference Annual Women's Retreat which will be held **October 27-29** in Pocono Manor, Pennsylvania. Visit ccosda.org/wmretreat for additional information and registration.

CALENDAR

APRIL

- 22 Evensong: Pro Musica of WAU - 4:00 p.m.
- 23 SAA Constituency Meeting - 7:00 p.m.
- 24 Church Board Meeting - 7:00 p.m.
- 25 Virtual Prayer Meeting - 7:00 p.m.
- 26 In-person Prayer Meeting - 6:30 p.m.
- 29 Church Social: Game Night - 8:00 p.m.
- 30 Pathfinder Meeting - 9:00 a.m.

FINANCIAL REPORT

**COMBINED BUDGET GIVING AS OF
APRIL 1, 2023 - WEEK 40 OF 52**

Received: \$465,405
Receiving Goal: \$462,561
2022-23 Church Budget: \$580,000

CURRENT DEBT AS OF APR 15, 2023 \$2,597,396

ONLINE GIVING



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

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National Domestic Violence Hotline..... 800-799-7233

CHURCH BUSINESS

SERMON NOTES

ANNUAL CONSTITUENCY MEETING FOR SPENCERVILLE ADVENTIST ACADEMY

The following is a list of additional names of Spencerville members who were nominated by the church body at large to serve as representatives at the annual SAA Constituency meeting which will be held on **Sunday, April 23, at 7:00 p.m.** The meeting is open to anyone who would like to attend, however, voting privileges are restricted to those elected by the church body as official delegates.

This is the second reading

- Rob Abraham
- Heather Cordero
- Vyacheslav Demyan
- Nahum Herter
- Becky Koeppen
- Maurice Mead
- Salma Moretta
- Beathe Ngamije
- Caleb Salazar
- Irina Tomenko
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