



August 5, 2023

WELCOME

Whether you are a member or our guest, watching online or sitting in our Sanctuary, we are happy that you have chosen to join us for worship this morning. We consider you a part of our church family and are excited to spend this special time with you. We would enjoy hearing from you via the Connection Card in your bulletin, or contacting us via our website. We wish you a Sabbath filled with blessings. Again, welcome, we are glad you are here.

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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: SpencervilleChurchGuest

CONNECT WITH US



@spencervillesda

NEED TO KNOW

INTERESTED IN BECOMING A MEMBER?

If you'd like to transfer your church 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: 8:15 p.m.

Next Sabbath: 8:07 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 Chad Stuart
Song of Praise	Heart of Worship	
Children's Lesson		Mark Willey
Songs of Praise	Death Was Arrested Build My Life	
Prayer		
Sermon	"Kissing in Church"	Pastor Chad
Song of Response	Draw Me Close	
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 spencervillechurch.org/give, or by mail using the address on the back cover.

Praise Team

Vocals: Daniela Cruz, Caleb Salazar

Guitar: Ethan Wu

SECOND SERVICE

11:30 A.M.

*Please assist us in maintaining a reverent spirit of worship by muting your electronic devices.
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Welcome		Pastor Chad Stuart
Prelude	Meditation on 'Love Unknown' <i>John Ireland (arr. M. Corl)</i>	Mark Willey, organ
†Call to Worship	<p><i>Leader:</i> Children of God, "Be devoted to one another in love. Honor one another above yourselves."</p> <p>All: We come together to worship God. We are not alone, but surrounded in the love and support of our fellow believers, lifting each other up, reflecting God's love and grace. O Lord. Strengthen our bonds of fellowship and deepen our unity in Christ.</p> <p><i>Leader:</i> "And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, encouraging one another – and all the more as we see the Day approaching."</p> <p>All: In our fellowship, may we grow in understanding and faith, discerning the truth of the Son of Man.</p> <p><i>Leader:</i> Let us worship God!</p>	Debora Kent
†Hymn of Praise, No. 80	O World of God <i>TUNE: JERUSALEM</i>	
Invocation		Pastor Chad
Children's Lesson		Mark Willey

† Indicates congregation is to please stand

Call to Prayer	Though I Speak With Tongues <i>James Bingham</i>	Denique Isaac, soprano
Prayer		Anthony Kent
Anthem	My Beloved Spake <i>Mark Willey</i>	Denique Isaac, soprano
Sermon	“Kissing in Church”	Pastor Chad
†Hymn of Response, No. 588	Lord of All Nations <i>TUNE: MELROSE</i>	
Benediction		Pastor Chad
**Postlude	Prelude to Te Deum, <i>Marc-Antoine Charpentier</i>	Mark Willey, organ

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

MUSIC NOTES

Our vocal soloist this morning is Denique Isaac. She received her music degrees from Washington Adventist University (WAU) and Indiana University. She is active in various voles in opera and oratorio performance.

The opening hymn is a tune you have likely heard, named “Jerusalem.” It was perhaps most famous in the popular culture for its use in the film “Chariots of Fire” but the hymn “Jerusalem” is often sung as a kind of sacred British National Anthem. The text that is set in our hymnal seeks to express the vast majesty of God.

The call to prayer is a hymn that you can find (and follow along with) in our hymnal as hymn number 81. It was composed by Spencerville member James Bingham, who served as chair of the music department at WAU for many years, as well as being our choral director for 17 years. He composed this hymn for the publication of the current Seventh-day Adventist hymnal, naming the tune Janelle, his wife’s name.

The anthem is based on the ultimate Biblical love song, Song of Solomon, chapter 2, verses 10-12. Often interpreted as an allegory depicting God’s relationship to his people, Song of Solomon is a unique book in the Biblical canon.

CHURCH/SCHOOL LIFE

CONDOLENCE

Liubov Tomenko, went to sleep in Jesus this past Sabbath, July 29. She was the mother to eight children and 23 grandchildren. Our hearts grieve for the Tomenko family, many of whom are part of our Spencerville church family; Larisa (Yury) Puyul and their children, Dmitry (Demi), Pavel, Maritta, Sofya, and Mark; Konstantin (Irina) Tomenko and their children, Ilia, Kira, Alexandra, and Konstantin. Deric and Keri Tomenko, and their children, Nikolai, Elena, and Natalia; Katia (Mark) Di Pinto, and their children, Sophia, Daniel, Isabella, and Eva. We rejoice that she will be reunited with her family at Jesus' return. Services were held at Sligo Seventh-day Adventist Church this past Thursday.

OFFERING FOR AUGUST 5

Today's offering is for Local Church Budget

Your prayerful support of the Church Operating Budget, which funds the ministries, utilities, and maintenance of our church, is appreciated.

Our online giving page is available 24/7 to receive your faithful contributions are at spencervillechurch.org/give.

OFFERING ON AUGUST 12

Next Sabbath August 12, the offering emphasis will be Christian Record Services for the Blind, reaching people in our community and around the world. Plan now to bring your offering or give directly at ChristianRecord.org/give.

RUSSIAN LANGUAGE SABBATH SCHOOL CLASS

The class begins at 10:15 a.m. in the South Porch B (middle) classroom.

SPANISH LANGUAGE SABBATH SCHOOL CLASS

The class begins at 10:15 a.m. in the South Porch A (front) classroom.

YOUNG ADULT SABBATH SCHOOL CLASS

A Young Adult Sabbath School class is available at 10:15 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall (kitchen end) for those ages 18-30.

FIND COMMUNITY IN A CONNECT GROUP



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

NEW CONNECT GROUP

Are you passionate about making a positive impact in your community? Join our new connect group, Matthew 25, a service-oriented group dedicated to extending the love and mercy of Christ through the exercise of our unique spiritual gifts. Matthew 25 gathers on the 3rd Saturday of every month at 3:00 p.m. on Zoom, and once a month, meet in person for hands-on service projects that create a tangible impact. For more information and to get involved, contact Luceta McRoy dlcmcroym@gmail.com. We look forward to serving with you!

SPENCERVILLE PRAYER MEETINGS

For information to join the Tuesday evening virtual meeting on the web, visit spencervillechurch.org/zoom/prayermeeting. When prompted, enter the password “prayer.” The in-person meeting is held in the Sanctuary each Wednesday evening from 6:30-7:30 p.m.

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.

BACK TO SCHOOL SUPPLIES PROJECT

One week left! Spencerville Church is asking for your help with back-to-school supplies to support students in need within our community. This project will benefit students from Greencastle Elementary, Emmanuel Brinklow Church, and Connection Community Church in Laurel. Our goal is to assist more than 300 students with school supplies; hence we need your generous support of this project! A list of preferred NEW supplies can be found on the church website, in the *Weekly Update* email newsletter, or at the Welcome Desk. **Bring your donations to church through August 12.** Look for the cart in the foyer where you can place your items. Monetary contributions can also be made through the tithe envelope by marking a blank line “Back-to-School Supplies.” Questions about this campaign may be directed to our Community Services ministry at communityservices@spencervillechurch.org.

STAY UP-TO-DATE

If you'd like to receive the two weekly emails published by Spencerville Church, the *Weekly Update* for church news, and the *Worship Update* for all things related to the weekly worship services, sign up at spencervillechurch.org/weekly-update.

A CLOSER LOOK AT THE BOOK OF EPHESIANS

The sixth episode of season three of our Biblical Perspectives series has been posted and is now available on YouTube. Hosted by Pastor Chad and theologian, Dr. Frank Hasel, this season's videos explore the book of Ephesians. We invite you to watch the videos on our YouTube channel at spencervillechurch.org/bpvideo. After doing so, be sure to leave a comment letting us know your thoughts!

SPENCERVILLE ADVENTIST ACADEMY MINISTRY OPPORTUNITY

SAA is in need of a teacher's aide in the kindergarten classroom for the coming 2023-2024 school year. What a fantastic opportunity to have an influence on these precious children and be a godsend help to a teacher. For more information about being a teacher's aide for kindergarten please contact Mr. Bragaw: pbragaw@spencerville.org. And for details on wages and the application process for the position please contact Brittany Thorp: bthorp@spencerville.org. Thank you for your support and prayers for SAA!

SLIGO BY THE SEA

If you are near Ocean City on the Eastern Shore this summer, plan to visit the Adventist Church service held each Sabbath morning through September 16. Sabbath

School begins at 10:00 a.m., and the worship service begins at 11:00 a.m. These services are held during the summer months only at the First Presbyterian Church located at 1301 Philadelphia Avenue, in Ocean City. Pick up a schedule of worship speakers at the Welcome Desk.

2023 ANNUAL WOMEN'S RETREAT

The theme for this year's Chesapeake Conference Women's Retreat is "*In His Presence*." It will be held in Pocono Manor, Pennsylvania from **October 27-29**. Visit ccosda.org/wmretreat for additional information and to register.

2023 ANNUAL MEN'S CONFERENCE

The theme for this year's annual Maryland Men of Faith Conference is "*Stand for the Right*." The conference will be held at Mt. Aetna Camp on **October 7**. Visit mmof.org for more information and to register.

CALLING ALL SAGUNTO FRIENDS

Did you attend Sagunto Adventist College as an Adventist Colleges Abroad (ACA) student—or do you know someone considering an immersive experience learning Spanish—in Spain? Sagunto Adventist College invites you to a come-and-go reception on **Tuesday, August 8, between 5:00 and 7:00 pm** in Area 3 of the General Conference world headquarters. Jeremy Pierson, Director of Alumni and

SERMON NOTES

Development for Sagunto, will be on hand to share the exciting things God is doing as Sagunto builds its witness in post-Christian Europe. Light refreshments will be served.

An RSVP is requested by texting “Yes” to (559) 967-0221.

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.

PRAYER NEWSLETTER



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

CALENDAR

AUGUST

- 6 Church Picnic and Ice Cream Social south lawn of the church - 2:00-6:00 p.m.
- 8 Keep in Stitches
- 8 Virtual Prayer Meeting - 7:00 p.m.
- 9 Sanctuary Prayer Meeting - 6:30 p.m.
- 15 SAA First Day of School
- 26 International Church Potluck Lunch

FINANCIAL REPORT

LOCAL COMBINED BUDGET GIVING JULY 15, 2023 - WEEK 3 OF 52

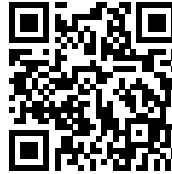
Received: \$26,601

Receiving Goal: \$31,930

2022-23 Church Budget: \$650,000

CURRENT DEBT AS OF JULY 15, 2023 \$2,568,732

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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