



**August 26, 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 using 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



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## 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: 7:48 p.m.

Next Sabbath: 7:37 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	How Great Is Our God	
Children's Lesson		Ken Scribner
Songs of Praise	Here is Love, Vast as the Ocean Whole Heart (Hold Me Now)	
Prayer		
Sermon	Series: Hygge (Part 3) Message: "Where Things Go Wrong"	Pastor Chad
Song of Response	The Commission	
Benediction		Pastor Chad

*The offering this Sabbath has been designated for Chesapeake Advance*

Tithe and offerings may be returned via the collection boxes in the foyer, online at [spencervillechurch.org/give](http://spencervillechurch.org/give), or by mail using the address on the back cover.

## **Praise Team**

**Vocals:** Anjali Christian, Karen Miranda

**Guitar:** Christian Hernandez

**Piano:** German Rodriguez

# SECOND SERVICE

11:30 A.M.

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Welcome		Pastor Crystal E. Ward
Prelude	Pastorale <i>Joel Martinson</i>	Mark Willey, organ
†Call to Worship	<i>Leader: Once we were lost, “aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world.”</i>  <b>All: But now, in Christ, we are no longer strangers. We are citizens in the household of God.</b>  <i>Leader: In the heart of our God, no one is a stranger. For we were once without hope, yet God welcomed us into His family.</i>  <b>All: May our actions reflect our faith, showing love and hospitality to both friends and strangers alike.</b>  <i>Leader: Let us worship God!</i>	Cornelia Scribner
†Hymn of Praise, No. 382	O Day of Rest and Gladness <i>Ellacombe</i>	
Invocation		Pastor Crystal
Baptism	Kate Wilcox	Pastor Chad Stuart
Children’s Lesson		Ken Scribner
Call to Prayer	Sweet Hour of Prayer <i>W.B. Bradbury (arr. G.M. Martin)</i>	Sanctuary Choir
Prayer		Delvin Chatham

† Indicates congregation is to please stand

Anthem	Sing, Sweet Song <i>TUNE: EARLY AMERICAN HYMN</i> <i>arr. G.M. Martin</i>	Sanctuary Choir
Sermon	Series: Hygge (Part 3) Message: “Where Things Go Wrong”	Pastor Chad
†Hymn of Response, No. 355	Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life (vs. 1, 3, 5) <i>Gardiner</i>	
Benediction		Pastor Chad
**Postlude	Trumpet Tune <i>John Stanley</i>	Mark Willey, organ

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

## MUSIC NOTES

The Spencerville Church Summer Sanctuary Choir is in the loft for our second service this morning for the last of their “Summer Sabbaths.” The regular choral year will begin with a rehearsal on Wednesday, September 13 and regular worship leadership twice per month. Singing in the choir is an amazingly fulfilling way to participate in the life of this church. Please prayerfully consider joining.

“In today’s service, the choir sings two anthems by contemporary American composer Gilbert Martin based on 19th-century hymn tunes: “*Sweet Hour of Prayer*” and “*Sing, Sweet Song*.” The words for “*Sweet Hour of Prayer*” were penned by William Walford, an English preacher, in 1845, while the music was composed by William Bradbury a few years later. The song’s structure and melodic progression are representative of the early 19th-century Protestant hymnody in America, marked by its directness and emotional clarity. “*Sing, Sweet Song*” bears the tune name “*Cincinnati*” and was first published in the 1813 edition of “*The Western Harmony*” compiled by Freeman Lewis.

# CHURCH/SCHOOL LIFE

## CONDOLENCES

Please remember two Spencerville families in your prayers as they have each recently laid a loved one to rest.

*Vara Prasad Jacob* (63), brother of Renee (Ravi) Pitta, and uncle of Reevan Ravi and Blossom (Jonathan) Gantt died unexpectedly on August 15.

*Jean Smith* (91), mother of Lois Foard, and grandmother of Bobby (Cassie) Foard died peacefully on August 20.

## OFFERING FOR AUGUST 26

*Today's offering is for Chesapeake Advance*

Your local Conference is a sisterhood of local churches that helps each congregation within its boundaries to accomplish important objectives that are beyond the reach of any one church alone. The Chesapeake Advance offering addresses these specific needs as well as a variety of special projects.

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](http://spencervillechurch.org/give).

## INTERNATIONAL POTLUCK LUNCH

Today, our monthly Fellowship Potluck enjoys a special twist! Our theme is "International Cuisine." Our guests are especially invited to attend. Members have prepared delicious food to be enjoyed while spending time in the company of friends and making some new friends as well. Join us in the Fellowship Hall following the close of our 11:30 a.m. worship service.

## FIND COMMUNITY IN A CONNECT GROUP

View the list of available Connect Groups by using this QR code, or on our website:



[spencervillechurch.org/connectgroups](http://spencervillechurch.org/connectgroups). Several

new groups are available as part of our Connect Group season which begins in

September. Many of our established groups will continue as well. There is a table in the foyer, staffed to answer your questions and share information about our exciting list of groups. If you're interested in hosting or leading a new Connect Group, please contact Keri Tomenko at [connectgroups@spencervillechurch.org](mailto:connectgroups@spencervillechurch.org).

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## JOIN ONE OF OUR TWO NEW CONNECT GROUPS!

### MEN ON A MISSION

Men! If you'd like to grow personally and spiritually with other like-minded men while making friendships through fun activities like kayaking, bowling, and fishing, this group is for you! For more information on this group, contact Brad Martin at [bradmartin214@gmail.com](mailto:bradmartin214@gmail.com).

### FITNESS FOR A HEALTHIER YOU

Join Julia, an experienced fitness trainer with 18 years in the field, for dynamic functional training sessions. Together, we'll focus on fundamental exercises like squats, lunges, pushups, extensions, and abduction raises, to target major muscle groups and cultivate a strong core.

Through these exercises, we create new neuromuscular connections by consciously engaging in specific movements. This training approach translates into our daily activities, enabling us to execute movements more efficiently and safely, as our brain retains the correct techniques. Let's build strength, prevent injuries, and enhance our overall fitness journey! Starting September 6, this group will meet in the Fellowship Hall every **Wednesday morning from 8:30 a.m. to 9:15 a.m. for 8 weeks**. The session finishes on October 25.

## SPENCERVILLE PRAYER MEETINGS

For information to join the **Tuesday** evening virtual meeting on the web, visit [spencervillechurch.org/zoom/prayermeeting](https://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.

## A CLOSER LOOK AT THE BOOK OF EPHESIANS

The ninth 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](https://spencervillechurch.org/bpvideo). After doing so, be sure to leave a comment letting us know your thoughts!

## PATHFINDER REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN FOR THE 2023-24 SEASON

Registration for this year's Pathfinders Club is now open! If your children are in grades 5 through 12, join us for a fun year of learning, honors, camping, and more! Learn more and find registration information at [spencervillechurch.org/pathfinders2023](https://spencervillechurch.org/pathfinders2023).

## ADVENTURERS REGISTRATION IS OPEN

We invite children ages 3 up through the 4th grade to join our Spencerville Polar Cubs Adventurer Club! Sign up at [spencervillechurch.org/adventurers](http://spencervillechurch.org/adventurers).

## LADIES NIGHT OUT

Join the ladies from Women's Ministries for a fun and creative Ladies Night on **September 19, from 6:45 p.m. to 8:45 p.m.** at the Pottery Stop in Ellicott City. During this two-hour event, you'll have the ability to create a mug, bowl, or decorative item for yourself, or to share with a friend!

The cost is \$25, which includes all of the materials necessary to create your personalized item..

Don't wait! Registration is limited to the first 25 participants! Sign up at [spencervillechurch.org/pottery](http://spencervillechurch.org/pottery).

## SPECIAL TRIBUTE CONCERT

You are invited to a special tribute concert on **September 10, 4:00 p.m.** at the Kennedy Center Concert Hall in Washington, DC celebrating religious freedom from Romania to America The concert will feature hymns for orchestra, choir, and seven of Romania's finest Christian artists. There is no charge for admission, but you must register to attend by sending an email to [music@spencervillechurch.org](mailto:music@spencervillechurch.org).

## SLIGO BY THE SEA

As summer draws to a close, so do the worship services in Ocean City. **September 16** is the last Sabbath of for services on the Eastern Shore. If you find yourself in or near Ocean City, plan to visit the Adventist Church service held on Sabbath mornings. Sabbath School begins at 10:00 a.m. and the worship service begins at 11:00 a.m. The services are held 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 MEN'S CONFERENCE

The annual Maryland Men of Faith Conference will be held at Mt. Aetna Camp on **October 7**. Visit [mmof.org](http://mmof.org) for more information and to register.

## 2023 ANNUAL WOMEN'S RETREAT

The Chesapeake Conference Women's Retreat will be held in Pocono Manor, Pennsylvania from **October 27-29**. Visit [ccosda.org/wmretreat](http://ccosda.org/wmretreat) for additional information and to register.

## STAY UP-TO-DATE

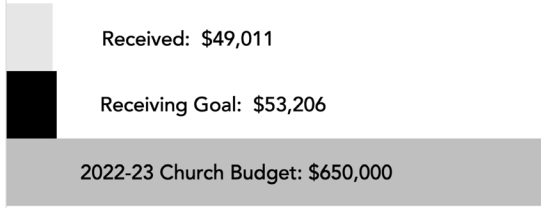
If you'd like to receive the two weekly emails published by Spencerville Church, the *Weekly Update* for church news, and the *Worship Update* for all things related to the weekly worship services, sign up at [spencervillechurch.org/weekly-update](http://spencervillechurch.org/weekly-update).





# FINANCIAL REPORT

**LOCAL COMBINED BUDGET GIVING**  
**JULY 29, 2023 - WEEK 5 OF 52**



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

## ONLINE GIVING



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

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