



October 21, 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 by 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

@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 let us know by submitting 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: 6:21 p.m.

Next Sabbath: 6:12 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	Come, Now Is The Time To Worship	
Children's Lesson		Catherine Robinson
Songs of Praise	Is He Worthy The Commission	
Prayer		
Sermon	Series: When the Lord Roars (Part 5) Message: "The God of Great Reversals"	Pastor Chad
Song of Response	Come Unto Jesus	
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

Vocalist: Karen Miranda, Elena Tomenko

Guitar: Jonathan Walter

Strings: Deric Tomenko, Keri Tomenko

Piano: Amanda Walter

SECOND SERVICE

11:30 A.M.

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Welcome		Pastor Chad Stuart
Prelude	Ave Verum Corpus <i>arr. Joseph Kreines</i>	Spencerville Adventist Academy (SAA) Concert Winds
†Call to Worship	<i>Leader: In the midst of our brokenness and despair, there is hope. In the face of our deepest sins and wounds, there is grace and redemption.</i> All: Though our sins are like scarlet, they will be as white as snow; though they are red as crimson, they will be like wool. <i>Leader: He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds.</i> All: God's healing touch knows no bounds. <i>Leader: Let us worship the God who seeks the lost, bestows grace to sinners, and healing to all.</i>	Ji Chang
†Hymn of Praise, No. 71	Come, Thou Almighty King <i>TUNE: ITALIAN HYMN</i>	
Invocation		Pastor Chad
Music Meditation	A Hymn Tune Rhapsody <i>arr. Jerry Brubaker</i>	SAA Concert Winds
Children's Lesson		Catherine Robinson
Call to Prayer, No. 679	God Be in My Head <i>Remain seated and join in singing the call to prayer</i>	
Prayer		Sean Robinson

† Indicates congregation is to please stand

Anthem	On An American Spiritual <i>David Holsinger</i>	SAA Concert Winds
Sermon	Series: When the Lord Roars (Part 5) Message: “The God of Great Reversals”	Pastor Chad
†Hymn of Response, No. 109	Marvelous Grace	
Benediction		Pastor Chad
**Postlude	Spirit <i>Richard L. Saucedo</i>	SAA Concert Winds

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

MUSIC NOTES

We welcome the Spencerville Adventist Academy Concert Winds to our worship service for the first time this school year. Lisa Froelich, director, recently returned from maternity leave. During her absence, math teacher Brody Wiedemann stepped in as her substitute. “The guest conductor for the prelude is no stranger to the Spencerville community,” Mrs. Froelich reports. “Mr. Wiedemann directed the band until my return on October 2. I want to offer deep appreciation to him for his hard work and the time he gave to introduce these pieces to the students.”

“*A Hymn Tune Rhapsody*” is based on the touching hymn “*Softly and Tenderly*.” The beauty of this lovely hymn tune is present from the simple statement in the beginning through the following joyous section and the majestic and stirring conclusion. “*On An American Spiritual*” is based on one of the earliest spirituals published in a hymn collection—“*Were You There*.” In this arrangement, we might expect the plaintive opening of the well-known spiritual (“Were you there when they crucified my Lord?”) and the majestic closing portions (“Were you there when He rose up from the dead?”), but the chaotic, brutal nature of the center section may seem significantly out of place until we remind ourselves of the center portion of this Easter lament, depicting the death of Jesus when they nailed Him to a tree and laid Him in the grave.

CHURCH BUSINESS

MEMBERSHIP TRANSFERS

This is the second reading.

INCOMING

Geoffrey Fowler from Augusta First Adventist Church in Augusta, Georgia

John, Brenda, and Joel Peckham from Pioneer Memorial Adventist Church in Berrien Springs, Michigan

OUTGOING

Carol Jednaszewski to Sligo Adventist Church in Takoma Park, Maryland

This is the first reading.

INCOMING

Joycelyn Jones from Atholton Adventist Church in Columbia, Maryland

Vivek and Myrna Nowrangi from Highland View Adventist Church in Hagerstown, Maryland

OUTGOING

Eli and Loida Rojas to Pioneer Memorial Adventist Church in Berrien Springs, Michigan

MEET OUR NEW MEMBERS

Geoffrey Fowler, originally from Georgia, graduated from Southern Adventist University this past spring with a degree in public relations. He is currently working for the General Conference.

Peckham Family. John was a former professor of Theology and Christian Philosophy at Andrews Theological Seminary and recently relocated to Maryland to assume the role of Associate Editor at the *Adventist Review*. Brenda is a registered nurse who currently works remotely. Joel is 12 years old and is enrolled at Atholton Adventist Academy.

CHURCH/SCHOOL LIFE

OFFERING FOR OCTOBER 21

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 at spencervillechurch.org/give.

CONDOLENCE

The Rao family is grieving the sudden loss of their beloved father, Nalli Krupakara Rao, who passed away peacefully but unexpectedly on October 14. He is remembered as a man of deep faith, compassion, and kindness to everyone he met. Nalli lived a full, active, independent life devoted to his family and took immense pride and joy in his three grandchildren. He was married to Evangeline S. Rao (his college sweetheart who passed away in June 2009), father to Dr. Samuel Rao (Anne), Julia Rao Holm (Chad), and Alice Rao, and grandfather to Rachel Rao, Joshua Rao, and Zachary Holm.

Services will be held at the Spencerville Seventh-day Adventist Church **Tomorrow, October 22, at 10:30 a.m.**, with a graveside and repast to follow.

EVENSONG CONCERT SERIES

Join us this afternoon at 4:00 p.m. for the first Evensong Concert of the new season, to be given by the DC Brass Quintet. Their program includes favorites of the brass repertoire and some new pieces that are soon to be favorites.

LOVE HAS THE FINAL WORD

Pastor Crystal's presentations in this series have been very interesting, and we have been excited to see our guests returning night after night. **There are 3 more sessions: this evening; Monday, October 23; and the final session on Tuesday, October 24.** Plan to attend these remaining sessions which begin at 7:00 p.m. Refreshments are available in the Fellowship Hall beginning at 6:30 p.m. Prayerfully consider who you can bring to these 3 remaining meetings. You can sign up at FindingHopeMaryland.com or just come!

MONTHLY FELLOWSHIP POTLUCK LUNCH

Plan to join us next Sabbath for delightful conversation and delicious food at our monthly Fellowship Potluck Lunch. We look forward each month to this pleasant time where we can spend time with friends. Members, plan to bring enough food for your family and others. Our guests are especially invited to attend.

GAME NIGHT/MOVIE NIGHT

Join us on **October 28 at 7:00 p.m.** for a fun family evening of games, food, and a special movie titled “God’s Not Dead.”

FALL WORK BEE

Each fall, we schedule a work bee to ensure our church facility remains in good working order. With a church of our size, this takes the work of many coordinated volunteers. Please plan to join us on **Sunday, October 29, from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon** as we enjoy a light breakfast along with a few hours of fun and fellowship while taking care of God’s house.

You can help us ensure we have enough food and cleaning supplies by registering to attend at spencervillechurch.org/work-bee

ENCOURAGING PASTORS

October is Pastor Appreciation Month and we’re asking you to offer encouraging words and support. Find a moment to thank the pastors for their work in serving our church and the surrounding community by filling out a note card at the Welcome Desk. Or buy your own card and add it to the basket on the table in the foyer. Gifts in the form of a gift cards, meals, special treats, flowers, or any other creative way are also ways to express appreciation. Let’s find multiple ways to encourage our pastoral team.

CHILDREN’S WINTER CLOTHING DRIVE

Each year, our Community Services team leads several churchwide initiatives to serve those in need within our community. We collect winter clothing for area elementary school students, canned and packaged food for the underserved, and toys for critically ill and hospitalized children. If you’d like to support the seasonal efforts of Community Services, they welcome your contributions of winter clothing (coats, hats, gloves, scarves, and boots) **through Sabbath, October 28.** Collection boxes are available in our foyer and near the church office. If you’d prefer to support these efforts financially, you may do so online at spencervillechurch.org/give, or by marking a tithe envelope with “Community Services.” Your support is greatly appreciated!

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.

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.

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.

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.

SPENCERVILLE ADVENTIST ACADEMY FALL FESTIVAL

Come join us at the school for the Annual SAA Fall Festival from 12:00-4:00 p.m. **Tomorrow, October 22**. There will be games, great food, and lots of fun, What a wonderful way to show your support for our school!

2023 CHESAPEAKE WOMEN'S AND GIRLS RETREATS

These retreats happen at Mt Aetna next weekend, **October 27-29**. Registration is still open, contact Women's Ministires Department at Chesapeake Conference ccosda.org or call 443-430-2325.

2024 ADVENTIST YOUNG PROFESSIONALS (AYP) CONVENTION

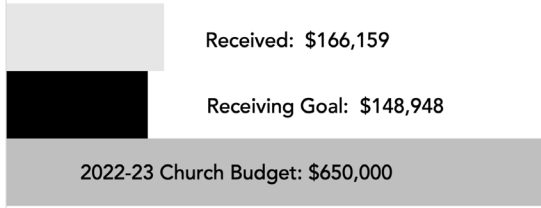
Mark your calendar for **July 19-21** for the 2024 AYP Convention to be held in Houston, Texas. Super early bird registration is now open. Visit AYP.me/Convention to learn more and to secure your spot.

ANDREWS UNIVERSITY EVENT

Andrews University Alumni and Prospective Student event will be held **Sunday, October 29**. Join us for brunch at the Hilton Garden Inn in Rockville, beginning at 11:00 a.m. The AU President and alumni director, along with other Andrews representatives will be there to meet you in person. Reserve your spot (it's free) at alumni.andrews.edu/rsvp or call 269-471-3591. We hope to see you there!

FINANCIAL REPORT

LOCAL COMBINED BUDGET GIVING
SEPTEMBER 30, 2023 - WEEK 14 OF 52



CURRENT DEBT AS OF OCT. 15, 2023 \$ 2,547,122

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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