

Communion Sabbath

December 30, 2023

### WELCOME

Blessings in 2024! We're glad to have you with us as we worship this morning. Please take a moment and fill out the Connect Card in your bulletin, or contact us through the website at spencervillechurch.org/contact. Let us know how we can serve you or pray for you, or if you'd like to get involved in ministry here at Spencerville Church. We pray that your Sabbath is filled with many blessings. Thank you for being here to worship with us!

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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

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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 let us know by submiting 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: 4:54 p.m.

Next Sabbath: 5:00 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 Crystal E. Ward

Song of Praise Raise a Hallelujah

Children's Lesson Pastor Kandace Zollman

Song of Praise Remembrance

Prayer

Sermon "Sufficient Grace" Pastor Crystal

#### COMMUNION

#### Ordinance of Humility

Upon returning to the Sanctuary, please sit in the pews without the white ribbons.

Ordinance of Lord's Supper

Pastors Crystal E. Ward and Lerone Carson

Songs of Response Communion

Goodness of God

Benediction Pastor Crystal

#### The offering this Sabbath has been designated for Chesapeake Education

Tithe and offerings may be returned via the collection boxes in the foyer, online at <a href="mailto:spencervillechurch.org/give">spencervillechurch.org/give</a>, or by mail using the address on the back cover.

#### Praise Team

Vocalist: Ashlyn Willhelm, Rei Stiles, Angelica Torres
Guitar: Ethan Wu

## **SECOND SERVICE**

11:30 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 Crystal E. Ward

Prelude

Holy, Holy, Holy

Pastor Erwin Nanasi, organ

Tune: Franz Schubert

†Call to Worship

Mark Noble

Leader: Today, as we gather in worship, let our hearts echo the melody of grace, for it is in Jesus that we find our joy and peace."

All: In Christ, we stand forgiven, and in Christ, we rise to newness of life. Our hearts are open to the wonders of His mercy.

Leader: We honor Christ and serve each other as we share in this communion.

May Christ's grace overflow into our lives, transforming us into vessels of love and compassion.

All: In remembrance of the Savior, we taste the bread of His broken body and taste His blood of the new covenant which was shed for the forgiveness of sins.

Leader: Taste and see that the Lord is good!

All: Let us worship God!

†Hymn of Praise, No. 83

O Worship the King

Tune: Lyons

Invocation

Pastor Crystal

Baptism 1

Ryder Martz

Pastor Lerone Carson

† Indicates congregation is to please stand

Children's Lesson

Pastor Kandace Zollman

(Please remain seated and join in singing)

Call to Prayer, No. 671 As We Come to You in Prayer

Congregation

Prayer

Claude Richli

Anthem Come Unto Me

Vocal Ensemble

Mark Blankenship

Sermon "Sufficient Grace"

Pastor Crystal

#### **COMMUNION**

#### Ordinance of Humility

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Ordinance of Lord's Supper Pastors Crystal E. Ward and Lerone Carson

†Hymn of Response, No. 109

Marvelous Grace

Tune: Moody

Benediction

Pastor Crystal

Benediction Response

(Threefold) Amen

Congregation

No. 663F

Tune: Danish

\*\*Postlude

To God Be the Glory

Pastor Erwin, organ

Tune: William Duane / Arr. Erwin Nanasi

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

### **MUSIC NOTES**

This morning's anthem "Come Unto Me" was composed by American music minister Mark Blankenship (born 1943). Inspired by Matthew 11:28-30, Blankenship's composition captures the essence of Christ's invitation to find rest in Him. This piece serves as a reminder that in the midst of life's storms, there is a sweet melody of peace in Christ, an invitation to release the weight of worries and find repose in the harmonies of the One who gives rest to weary souls. The arrangement of unaccompanied voices resonates with the promise of an easier yoke and a lighter burden offered by our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. The ensemble comprises a sextet of voices namely Prethi John (soprano), Sofya Puyul (mezzo-soprano), Kim Machado (alto), Erwin Nanasi (tenor), Matthew Loredo (baritone), Pavel Puyul (bass).

### **CHURCH/SCHOOL LIFE**

#### **CONDOLENCE**

With sad hearts we share the news that following an illness with MDS long-time Spencerville member, *Rosse Juneau* (86) went to sleep in Jesus on December 20. Plans for a Memorial Service are pending. Please remember his wife, Kitty, and their son, Jeff (Stephanie) and their children, Katelyn and Kyle Juneau; and their daughter Kim Toxie and her children, Kimberly, William, and Kendall Toxie. We all look forward to seeing Rosse again when Jesus comes to take his children home.

#### **HAPPY NEW YEAR**

Please note that the church office will be closed on January 2.

#### **OFFERING FOR DECEMBER 30**

Today's offering is for Chesapeake Education

Thank you, your prayerful support of our Church Operating Budget, which funds the ministries, utilities, and maintenance of our church, is appreciated. As God leads, please also remember the Church Capital Budget, which covers our facility maintenance and repairs—such as the new roof and sidewalks. Our online giving page is available 24/7 to receive your contributions at spencervillechurch.org/give.

#### **KEEP IN STITCHES**

The Keep in Stitches group will be taking a break for the holidays. Their get-togethers will begin again on January 9 at 10:00 a.m. Everyone is welcome to join. If you have questions, contact the church office at 301.384.2920.

#### 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.

#### **ARE YOU UP-TO-DATE?**

In January, the 2023 donation/tithe statements will be mailed. Do we have your current mailing address? To ensure that your statement arrives at your home in timely fashion, we must have your current mailing address. Please send address updates to the church office at office@spencervillechurch.org. If there are other updates for your family, such as, email addresses, telephone numbers, births, marriages, etc. we would appreciate hearing about those as well.

#### 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.

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#### PRAYER NEWSLETTER



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

#### A NOTE ON END-OF-YEAR CHARITABLE **CONTRIBUTIONS**

Your generosity in supporting the mission and ministry of the Spencerville Church throughout this past year has been greatly appreciated.

#### MAILED CONTRIBUTIONS

In order to be included in the 2023 calendar year, your contribution must be postmarked no later than December 31.

#### **ONLINE CONTRIBUTIONS**

Contributions made online by debit or credit card through AdventistGiving will be receipted in the year that the AdventistGiving server receives the authorization to charge your card.

#### **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.

#### **10 DAYS OF PRAYER**

There are exciting things coming to Spencerville Church in 2024! None more important than starting the New Year with an emphasis on prayer. Mark your calendar and make plans to join your church family each evening from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m., January 18 through 27, as we embark on Ten Days of Prayer.

This is an all-church event—we want our kids to be praying too! A children's program will be offered for ages 5-10.

## ARE YOU ELIGIBLE TO MAKE A TAX-FREE GIFT TO A CHARITABLE CAUSE?

Did you know that individuals aged 70½ or over can transfer up to \$100,000 from their IRA account to a charity of their choosing tax-free each year? These transfers, known as qualified charitable distributions or QCDs, offer eligible older Americans a great way to give to a worthy cause before the end of the year. And, for those at least 73 years old, QCDs count toward the IRA owner's required minimum distribution (RMD) for the year. For more information, visit <a href="bit:bit.ly/irs-tax-free">bit.ly/irs-tax-free</a> and, as always, consult your tax advisor.

#### **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.

## SAVE THE DATE: STATE OF THE CHURCH ADDRESS AND INTERNATIONAL SOCIAL

Join your Spencerville Church family for our State of the Church presentation in the Spencerville Adventist Academy auditorium at 6:00 p.m. on Saturday, January 27. In this presentation, Pastor Chad will share what we've accomplished as a church in the past year and where we're headed in the future.

Following the State of the Church, join us for our International Social from 7:00 to 10:00 p.m. in the multipurpose room, also at Spencerville Adventist Academy. Enjoy special cultural cuisine, games, and music that reflect the broad cultural diversity present within Spencerville Church! If you'd like to participate and represent your country of origin or culture, sign up at <a href="mailto:spencervillechurch.org/intlsocial">spencervillechurch.org/intlsocial</a> or contact Denisse Hernandez at denissemhernandez@gmail.com.

# 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.

SERMON NOTES	
	CALENDAR
	JANUARY  1 Church Office Closed: New Year's Day 2 Virtual Prayer Meeting - 7:00 p.m.
	<ul> <li>3 Sanctuary Prayer Meeting - 6:30 p.m.</li> <li>5 Youth/ High School Vespers - 7:00 p.m.</li> <li>6 Adventurers Meeting - 2:30 p.m.</li> <li>6 Pathfinders Meeting - 2:30 p.m.</li> </ul>
	7 Moms Night Out - 4:00 - 6:00 p.m.  For a complete list of events taking place at Spencerville Church, you can find the calendar on the website at spencervillechurch.org/calendar.

### FINANCIAL REPORT

# LOCAL COMBINED BUDGET GIVING NOVEMBER 25, 2023 - WEEK 22 OF 52

Received: \$247,605

Receiving Goal: \$234,052

2022-23 Church Budget: \$650,000

**CURRENT DEBT AS OF DEC. 15, 2023** \$2,532,498

#### **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!

### STAFF DIRECTORY

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