



January 27, 2024

WELCOME

We're glad to have you with us as we worship this morning. Please take a moment and fill out the Connection Card in your bulletin, or contact us through the website at spencervillechurch.org/contact. Let us know how we can serve you, 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 worshipping 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

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 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: 5:23 p.m.

Next Sabbath: 5:31 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 Thou Fount Come Thou King	
Children's Lesson		Catherine Robinson
Dedication	Luke Nathaniel Napier	Pastor Chad
Songs of Praise	As the Deer Lord I Need You	
Prayer		
Sermon	A Call to Prayer: Part Four "The Equality of Prayer"	Pastor Chad
Song of Response	Yet Not I But Through Christ In Me	
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, or by mail using the address on the back cover.

Praise Team

Vocalist: Karen Miranda, Sofya Puyul, Kiersten Zinke

Guitar: Armando Miranda, Joe Perry

Strings: Elise Welch

Piano: German Rodriguez

SECOND SERVICE

11:30 A.M.

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Prelude	When I Survey <i>Lowell Mason (Arr. John F. Wilson)</i>	Sophia Di Pinto, violin Nikolai Tomenko, violin Mark Di Pinto, piano
Welcome		Pastor Chad Stuart
Choral Introit	The Prayers I Make <i>Jane M. Marshall</i>	Sanctuary Choir
†Call to Worship	<i>Leader: Come, let us bow down in worship, let us kneel before the Lord our Maker.</i> People: For He is our God and we are the people of His pasture, the flock under His care. <i>Leader: God does not show favoritism but accepts from every nation the one who fears Him and does what is right.</i> People: Let us then approach God's throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need. All: Together, we stand as equals before God, rich and poor, exalted and lowly, united in prayer and purpose. Let us worship God!	Kiersten Zinke
†Hymn of Praise, No. 61	God is Here!	
Invocation		Pastor Chad
Children's Lesson		Catherine Robinson

† Indicates congregation is to please stand

Call to Prayer, No. 679	God Be in My Head	Sanctuary Choir
Prayer		Geoffrey Fowler
Anthem	My Wordless Prayer <i>Craig Courtney</i>	Sanctuary Choir
Sermon	A Call to Prayer: Part Four “The Equality of Prayer”	Pastor Chad
†Hymn of Response, No. 495	Near to the Heart of God <i>TUNE: MCAFEE</i>	
Benediction		Pastor Chad
Benediction Response	The Grace of the Lord	Sanctuary Choir
**Postlude	Gigue, from Sonata in D minor <i>Francesco Veracini</i>	Sophia Di Pinto, violin Mark Di Pinto, piano

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

MUSIC NOTES

The choral introit and anthem this morning are settings of two extraordinary texts on the subject of prayer. The introit “*The Prayers I Make*” by American composer Jane Marshall (1924–2019) is based on a text by Michelangelo Buonarroti (1475-1564); among the rarified company of artists who is known by a single name: “Michelangelo.” He was an extraordinary painter, sculptor, architect, and writer of sonnets.

*The prayers I make will then be sweet indeed,
If Thou the spirit give by which I pray:
My unassisted heart is barren clay,
Which of its native self can nothing feed:
Of good and pious works Thou art the seed,
Which quickens only where Thou say'st it may;
Unless Thou show to us Thine own true way,*

*No man can find it: Father! Thou must lead.
Do Thou, then, breathe those thoughts into my mind
By which such virtue may in me be bred
That in Thy holy footsteps I may tread;
The fetters of my tongue do Thou unbind,
That I may have the power to sing of Thee,
And sound Thy praises everlastingly.*

Music Notes continued on next page...

The anthem is by a pairing of contemporary American composer Craig Courtney (b. 1965) and author Pamela Martin. This musical offering expresses the sinner's feeble cry to the Holy Spirit, "Speak in tones unknown to man that God may hear and understand."

*My words lie still and lifeless as dust upon the sand,
I can no longer voice one request or one demand,
My cup of tears is empty, I can no longer cry,
My lips have fallen silent, my prayer is but a sigh.
Spirit come and rest Your ear upon my heart,
O come and hear my wordless prayer,
my silent plea and take them far away from me.
Take them from this heart of mine to the Father's
heart divine,
Speak in tones unknown to man that God may hear
and understand.*

*My voice is weak from calling to You both night
and day.
How long will You be silent? Why do You turn away?
Spirit, come and rest Your ear upon my heart;
Come and hear my wordless prayer,
my silent plea and take them far away from me.
Take them from this heart of mine to the Father's
heart divine.
Speak in tones unknown to man that God may hear
and understand.*

CHURCH BUSINESS

MEMBERSHIP TRANSFERS

INCOMING

This is the second reading.

Delylah Rasugu from Living Springs Adventist Church in Baltimore, Maryland

Joel & Rebekah Shetler from Robbinsville Adventist Church in Robbinsville, New Jersey

This is the first reading.

Matthew & Thalya Ramirez from Lifespring Adventist Church in Wesley Chapel, Florida

MEET OUR NEW MEMBERS

Delyah Rasugu is originally from Kenya. She is married and has a five-year-old son, Nigel, who is attending Kindergarten at Spencerville Adventist Academy. She works in business development with a government contractor. She is transferring to Spencerville to connect with, and get better acquainted with other SAA families.

Joel Shetler teaches high school science at Spencerville Adventist Academy; his wife, Rebekah, works at ADRA, (Adventist Disaster and Relief Agency) though her degree is in fitness and personal training. After living in Nebraska, they are happy to be closer to their families who live in Virginia and New Jersey.

CHURCH/SCHOOL LIFE

OFFERING FOR JANUARY 27

Today's offering is for Chesapeake Advance

Your generous support of the church's Capital Budget has been felt over the past several months. It has allowed us to complete the roof project, sidewalks, and improve north-side drainage to keep ice from building up on our parking lot. Thank you! We appreciate your continued generosity in support of the Operating Budget of Spencerville Church. Our online giving page is available 24/7 to receive your contributions at spencervillechurch.org/give.

MONTHLY FELLOWSHIP POTLUCK LUNCH

Following the second worship service **today**, join us for our Monthly Fellowship Potluck Lunch. We look forward to this social time together with friends and guests while enjoying scrumptious food. Members have brought food—ready to serve—enough to feed their families and our guests, who are especially invited to join us in the Fellowship Hall.

10 DAYS OF PRAYER

The last nine days of the Ten Days of Prayer have greatly blessed those in attendance. Please be aware that the concluding meeting for today will take place at 5:00 p.m. in the Auditorium of Spencerville Adventist Academy.

NEW MIDWEEK SERVICE

Is this just another name for Prayer Meeting? No. Instead, it's a completely new format—a midweek worship service more akin to the Sabbath worship service than it is to Prayer Meeting. During the Midweek service, we'll sing together, enjoy a short teaching time, and then break into groups for a time of prayer—all within the span of about an hour. Join us this coming **Wednesday, January 31, from 7:00-8:00 p.m.**

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. this evening**. 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 Multi-Purpose Room, also at Spencerville Adventist Academy**. Enjoy special cultural cuisine, games, and music that reflect the broad cultural diversity present within Spencerville Church!

H.I.S. TEAM MINISTRY PRESENTS LEADERSHIP WORKSHOP

Join us for a casual fellowship, food, and learning workshop featuring speaker Ruben Covarrubias, MBA, Capacity Development Advisor at ADRA International on **Sunday, February 4, 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.** Explore leadership skills through emotional intelligence and empathy, enhancing communication with your team. Gain awareness of emotions and refine your messaging for improved influence and relationships. Elevate your leadership for effective team collaboration and project success with less conflict. Limited seating is available, so register by January 28 by visiting spencervillechurch.org/leading

SANCTUARY CHOIR

Starting in February, we open our doors to new members who have a passion for worship through choral music!

Rehearsals are **Wednesdays, 7:30-9:00 p.m. and Sabbaths 9:00 a.m.** For more info, contact Pastor Erwin at enanasi@spencervillechurch.org

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.

WINTER WEATHER ALERTS

Winter weather is upon us! Up-to-date information about the weather's impact on our worship services can be found on our website and social media channels. However, you can also send an email to weather@spencervillechurch.org to receive an auto-response with the latest information. The final update for Sabbath services will be made by 7:00 a.m. on Sabbath morning.

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.

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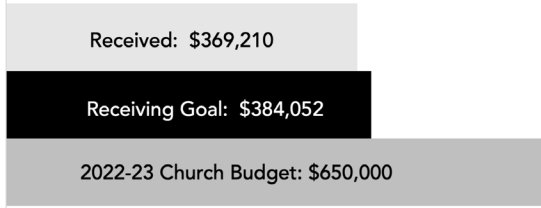
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DO YOU HAVE A PRAYER REQUEST?

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.

FINANCIAL REPORT

LOCAL COMBINED BUDGET GIVING
DECEMBER 30, 2023 - WEEK 27 OF 52



CURRENT DEBT AS OF JAN. 15, 2024 \$2,524,892

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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