



March 23, 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 our 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 worshiping 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



@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: 7:23 p.m.

Next Sabbath: 7:30 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 Almighty King	
Children's Lesson		Michael Campbell
Songs of Praise	In Christ Alone Bless God	
Prayer		
Sermon	"Be Last"	Pastor Chad
Song of Response	Living Hope	
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

Vocals: Kiersten Zinke, Lester Ortiz

Guitar: Nikolai Tomenko

Piano: Erwin Nanasi

SECOND SERVICE

11:30 A.M.

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Welcome		Pastor Chad Stuart
Prelude	Sonata in F Major for Treble Recorder and Basso continuo, Vivace <i>Georg Philipp Telemann</i>	Geri & Ekkehardt Müller
†Call to Worship	<i>Leader: Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all generations.</i> <i>All: Before the mountains were brought forth, or you had formed the earth and the world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God.</i> <i>Leader: God has made us! In Him we live and move and have our being!</i> <i>All: Amen! Let us worship God!</i>	Aurora Canals
†Hymn of Praise, No. 31	Tell Out, My Soul <i>TUNE: MORESTEAD</i>	
Invocation		Pastor Chad
Children's Lesson		Michael Campbell
Call to Prayer, No. 671	As We Come to You in Prayer <i>Please remain seated, and join in singing</i>	Congregation
Prayer		Merlin Burt
Scripture Reading	Matthew 19:16-20:16	Merle Poirier

† Indicates congregation is to please stand

Instrumental Anthem	Sonata in D minor for Treble Recorder and Basso continuo, Amoroso and Allegro <i>Francesco Mancini</i>	Geri & Ekkehardt Müller
Sermon	“Be Last”	Pastor Chad
†Hymn of Response, No. 569	Pass Me Not, O Gentle Savior	
Benediction		Pastor Chad
**Postlude	Introduction and Toccata <i>William Walond</i>	Mark Willey

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

MUSIC NOTES

The **Prelude** was written by one of the most prolific German composers and multi-instrumentalists in history, at least in terms of surviving oeuvre, Georg Philipp Telemann (1681–1767). This particular sonata is scored for treble recorder, a popular instrument during the Baroque period, and basso continuo, which typically consists of a harpsichord or organ and a cello or bassoon providing the bass line. The sonata is in F major, a key known for its bright and cheerful character.

Neapolitan composer Francesco Mancini (1672–1737), perhaps best known for his recorder sonatas, composed the **Instrumental Anthem**, a beautiful Baroque piece that showcases the expressive capabilities of the treble recorder. The “*Amoroso*” movement is marked by its tender and lyrical character. The treble recorder sings out a heartfelt melody, adorned with graceful ornamentations, typical of the Baroque style. In contrast, the “*Allegro*” movement is dramatic and spirited. It features a fast tempo, harmonic shifts, and lively rhythmic articulations.

The **Postlude** was written by William Walond (1725-1770), an English composer and organist who lived and worked in the late Baroque period. Born in Oxford, William Walond served there as assistant organist and copyist at New College and Christ Church Cathedral. He was succeeded at his death by his son.

CHURCH/SCHOOL LIFE

THE OFFERING FOR MARCH 23

Today's offering is for Chesapeake Advance

Did you know that your Chesapeake Advance offering goes to support ministries that serve our region and touch peoples' lives? One example of this is our summer camp, which is a place where many young people serve God and work together to bring other young people to Christ through music, games, and activities. As we give today, let's give with an open heart.

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 the delicious—ready to serve—dishes made by our members, who have brought food, enough to feed their families and our guests, who are especially invited to join us in the Fellowship Hall.

JOIN OUR CHURCH ORCHESTRA FOR A SPECIAL PASSION WEEK EVENSONG

If you play an instrument, join our church orchestra for a special Passion Evensong

on Sabbath, March 30. Rehearsal starts at 2:00 p.m., followed by the concert at 4:00 p.m. All interested members are encouraged to participate. Contact Pastor Erwin at enanasi@spencervillechurch.org for sheet music and details.

PASSION WEEK BEGINS THIS SUNDAY

Experience a profound journey of love, grace, sacrifice, and redemption as we explore Matthew's Gospel account of the final week of Jesus' earthly ministry. **Join us for the opening night of our Passion Week series tomorrow (Sunday), March 24, at 7:00 p.m.** Each evening meeting will be an immersive experience in word and song as we remember the events leading to Jesus' sacrifice on our behalf.

Learn more and RSVP to attend by visiting thepassionweek.com.

LOVE TO BIRD WATCH?

Join the newest Connect Group at Spencerville. "Spencerville Birding Connect Group" led by Michael Campbell. Their first walk will be next Sabbath, March 30 at

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[@spencervillesda](https://www.instagram.com/spencervillesda)

3:00 p.m. in Patuxent Refuge (North Tract). Explore Maryland's diverse bird species with monthly walks near Spencerville Church. All levels welcome. Join us for friendship, prayer, and appreciation of nature. Contact group leader Michael Campbell at thewalkingstick@gmail.com for details.

TUESDAY VIRTUAL PRAYER MEETING

Join the **Tuesday evening** virtual meeting at 7:00 p.m. on the web, visit spencervillechurch.org/zoom/prayermeeting. When prompted, enter the password “*prayer*.”

MIDWEEK AT SPENCERVILLE

Join us every **Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.** for Midweek at Spencerville. During our Midweek service, we'll sing together, enjoy a short teaching time, and then break into groups for a time of prayer—all within about an hour. If you have young children (ages 5-10), they'll enjoy the songs with the adults in the Sanctuary, before being dismissed to Midweek Kids, an exciting and purpose-built kids program led by Pastor Lerone and her team! Wednesday evenings at Spencerville Church are a time for the whole family!

YOU'D LOOK GREAT IN PICTURES!

Get your photo taken for our upcoming digital church directory! On **April 6, 13, and 20**, we'll have a photo station in the church

foyer, along with a table staffed with helpful volunteers to assist you with our Church Center app.

Our new directory is “digital first” through the Church Center app. However, there will be a printed paper option made available by request. The printed version is anticipated to be available by the fall of this year. More information will be available at the table next month.

VACATION BIBLE XPERIENCE

Save the date for Vacation Bible Xperience **June 24 through June, 27 from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.** Children's Ministries is excited to invite all children between the ages of 0 and 11 for a week of fun. This year we are visiting Jesus' hometown of Nazareth, where we'll stand up for our faith among people who doubt that a carpenter's son is really God's Son. We will experience what life was like for Jesus as a child, as well as meet Mary and hear her stories about Jesus. Watch this space for more Vacation Bible Xperience details.

ADULT QUARTERLY STUDY GUIDES

The adult Quarterly Study Guides for the 2nd quarter, beginning April 6, are available for pick up at the WelcomeDesk in the foyer. Study Guides are available in English, Spanish, and Russian languages.

10-3-2 GIVING INITIATIVE

Last year, we launched a new giving initiative called the 10.3.2 initiative. You may remember seeing it in the bulletin, or hearing Pastor Chad mention it from the front on Sabbath. Our goal under the 10.3.2. initiative represents **10% of income to tithe, 3% to the church operating budget, and 2% to the capital fund.** Endorsed by the Spencerville Church board and finance committee, the 10.3.2 initiative is also in line with North American Division recommendations.

Returning 10% of our income to God as a tithe is biblical (Genesis 28:20-22, Numbers 18:36, Malachi 3:8-10) and should always be our first priority as Christians. However, we also have regular local expenses at Spencerville Church, such as funding for our ministries, electricity for lighting, water, bathroom supplies, Sabbath School materials, and more. For a church of our size, these expenses can be significant and are paid for through our operating budget, which is why giving 3% of income is suggested to defray these ongoing monthly expenses. The final recommendation is 2% of income is for our capital budget. The capital budget covers larger, non-regular expenses, such as equipment like air conditioners, carpets, roofing, sidewalks, our IT infrastructure, and much more. It also pays the monthly mortgage on the horse farm property next door, allowing us to expand our facility's footprint at some point.

Above all, there is a blessing found in prayerfully returning to the Lord a portion of that with which He has blessed us. "Test me and see, says the Lord of hosts, if I will not open the windows of heaven and pour down for you a blessing until there is no more need" (Malachi 3:10). The 10.3.2 initiative provides recommendations or goals for giving in each of these areas.

If you're not currently returning a tithe, prayerfully start there. If you're not giving to the operating or capital budgets, pray about starting to give in these areas while asking God to guide you in giving more over time as He continues to bless you.

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.

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.

CHURCH NEWSLETTERS

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.

SPENCERVILLE DOUBLES PICKLEBALL TOURNAMENT

The Spencerville Athletic Booster Club will be hosting our Spencerville's Doubles Pickleball Tournament on **Sunday, April 21. Doors open at 7:30 a.m.** The event is being held at Spencerville Adventist Academy. Bring your family out to support you. Prize drawings and concessions will be sold. We hope to see you there! For more information, feel free to email: SpencervillePickleball@gmail.com Register by March 22: bit.ly/SAAPickleball (\$35 fee per player).

SPENCERVILLE ACADEMY 5K/1K RACE

Spencerville Adventist Academy hosts the 8th Annual Cross Country 5k/1k Race and 1K Kids Fun Run is **April 7**. Race starts at 9:00 a.m. on the SAA campus. All participants will receive a complimentary race T-shirt and commemorative medal. Awards for winners in each category as well as best costume. Register at spencervillechurch.org/saa5k

SPENCERVILLE ACADEMY PRESENTS "FIDDLER ON THE ROOF"

Spencerville Adventist Academy proudly presents the timeless classic, "Fiddler on the Roof," on **April 11, 13-14**. Be captivated by the enchanting story and mesmerizing performances.

Secure your seats and for additional information call 240-883-3538. Don't miss your chance to experience this beloved musical masterpiece brought to life by our talented high school students.

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.

DONATIONS NEEDED FOR CHILDREN'S HOME

Last month, Spencerville Church hosted a seminar on human trafficking led by our own Amanda Rodriguez. Amanda is the director of Turn Around, Inc., which provides counseling, support, and advocacy for victims of human trafficking, domestic violence, and more.

Later this month, Turn Around is opening a home for trafficked children in the greater Baltimore area. The home will serve 8 children at a time and will also house the staff needed for counseling and supervision. Amanda has provided a list of things needed to make this home a warm and welcoming place for these children who have already endured so much. Please prayerfully consider giving to this worthy cause.

Needed items include:

- Twin bedding (sheets, pillows, pillowcases, blankets, bedspreads)
- Towels, hand towels, and washcloths
- Place settings (dishes, glasses, flatware, cups)
- Shelf-stable food items (catsup, mayonnaise, mustard, salt, pepper, sugar, etc.)
- Cooking supplies (pots, pans, mixing bowls, cooking utensils, cookie sheets, hot pads)
- Kitchen items (can opener, trash can, trash can liners, paper towels, dish soap)

- Cleaning supplies
- Hygiene products (soap, toothpaste, body wash, shampoo and conditioner, sanitary products, toilet paper)

Items purchased can be brought to the church over the next several Sabbaths and placed on the white cart in the foyer. Online orders may also be delivered to the church address at:

Turn Around
c/o Spencerville Church
16325 New Hampshire Ave.
Silver Spring, MD 20905

Please ensure that all online orders are clearly addressed to Turn Around.

CALENDAR

MARCH

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| 23 | Monthly Church Potluck Lunch |
| 24-29 | Passion Week // 7:00–8:00 p.m. |
| 26 | Virtual Prayer Meeting // 7:00 p.m. |
| 30 | Passion Week Meeting // 4:00 p.m.
Reception following |
| 31 | Passion Week Meeting // 7:00 a.m.
Breakfast following |

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
FEBRUARY 24, 2024 - WEEK 35 OF 52

Received: \$440,515
Receiving Goal: \$469,156
2022-23 Church Budget: \$650,000

CURRENT DEBT AS OF FEB. 15, 2024 \$2,518,054

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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