General Information

SCHEDULE OF SPEAKERS, ELDERS & DEACON TEAMS
Today Scott Brits-Cunningham Office Staff Bruso Team
Oct. 5 Ralph Gifford Horacio Castro Muchuitti Team
Oct. 12 SLA Alumni SLA Alumni Rodrigue Team
Oct. 19 Dustan Cook Mary Montaque Bruso Team

FELLOWSHIP MEALS
Today Fellowship Potluck Picnic: Maskewich home
Oct. 5 Potluck fellowship dinner in the Fellowship Hall
Oct. 26 Haystack Dinner in the Fellowship Hall

PARENTS WITH INFANTS: We have a “training chapel” for your convenience in the right rear of the sanctuary. It includes a rest room, a private nursing area, and a baby changing station (there are also changing stations in the rest rooms downstairs). Note: a Sabbath School class meets there from 10:00–11:00 AM.

CHILDREN’S CHURCH BOXES: These boxes contain a variety of activities to keep little hands busy during the worship service. You can sign one out from the deacons’ room off the upper foyer.

TV BROADCASTS: Our worship services air on Sterling/Lancaster cable ch. 8 on a 1-week day Sabbaths @ 10:00 AM & Mondays @ 2:00 PM.

TO SPONSOR THE SANCTUARY FLOWERS to commemorate a special event, please fill out the form at www.thecollegechurch.com/flowers or the yellow card found on the backs of the pews.

AGAPE FUND AND WORTHY STUDENT FUND: The Agape fund helps College Church members who are in need, and the Worthy Student fund helps families pay for Adventist education. To donate, designate either fund accordingly on your tithe envelope.

BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS:
Deadline: Wednesday @ 10:00 AM, except in certain holiday weeks. Send announcements to bulletin@thecollegechurch.com. Elders still use Google Docs. Submissions require pastoral staff approval and are subject to editing.

GREETING CARD MINISTRY: First Sabbath of each month. At the round table in the foyer our Ministry of Nurture lays out greeting cards to brighten the day of individuals who could use a smile.

NURSING HOME MINISTRY: Fourth Friday of each month @ 10:00 AM. Michelle Lee Williams leads this ministry for the residents of Sterling Village. She needs pianists, singers and speakers each month. For info, call her at 508-728-6495.

DVDS TO LEND: We have a video cabinet in the upper foyer that contains numerous DVDS that you can check out for free. Why not stop there after the service to see what’s available?

Education & Music

ELEMENTARY/SECONDARY SCHOLARSHIPS for SDA schools or home school: Apply at www.thecollegechurch.com/scholarships.


SOUTH LANCASTER ACADEMY provides Seventh-day Adventist Christian education from Pre-K through grade 12. We are a constituent church of this fine institution, providing both financial & logistical support. For more info: 978-368-8544 or www.mySLA.org.

COLLEGE AND CAREER FAIR: Tuesday, October 29 from 5:30–7:30 PM. Representatives from several colleges, universities, and agencies in the New England vicinity, will answer parent questions regarding FAFSA and other college related paperwork and financing. Anyone is invited to attend this event FREE of charge!

SAT AND ACT TESTING: We offer Sunday SAT and ACT testing. Our CEEB code is 222015. Sign up at the College Board or ACT website. If it is your student’s first time taking the SAT, you will need to do a paper mailing through snail-mail (first time packets are available at SLA’s office). Here are the available dates:
- SAT: Nov 3, 2019; Mar 15, 2020; May 3, 2020
- ACT: Oct 27, 2019; Feb 9, 2020

MEN’S CHORUS: Ralph Dawkins leads this group Sundays at 6:30 PM.

THE THAYER PERFORMING ARTS CENTER has been the premier community music school in central Mass. since 1972. 438 Main St., So. Lancaster, MA, 978-368-2100, tepac@au.edu, www.tpacma.org

EXTRAVAGANZA INSTRUMENTS needed at Thayer for eager students. If you have any around your home we would love to give them a new life. This will make a big difference in the life of a young person. If you have some to donate, please contact us. Thank you!

Contact Us

MINISTRY NEEDS/MEMBERSHIP: We’d love to hear your prayer and ministry needs, comments, or address changes. Just fill out the card found on the back of the pews, then put it in the offering plate or turn it in to the church office.

You can also request membership transfer with the card, or at www.thecollegechurch.com/membership.

CHURCH OFFICE:
Hours: Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday 8:30 AM–12:30 PM
Address: 337 Main St., South Lancaster, MA 01561
Mail: PO Box 877, South Lancaster, MA 01561-0877

EMAIL:
Heather Cook, Interim Lead Pastor: pastorheather@thecollegechurch.com
Ed Collins, Office Administrator & Assistant Clerk for Membership office@thecollegechurch.com (general communication)
bulletin@thecollegechurch.com (bulletin submissions)
clerk@thecollegechurch.com (Membership questions)
Caleb Basien and Ron Grünner, Treasurers: treasurer@thecollegechurch.com

September Youth Birthdays

Below are College Church children & youth who have birthdays this month! If you’re not listed, we don’t have your birthday. You can email it to Ed Collins at the office address above (please include the year).

Grace Bravo
Tesi Chama
Zoe Gasbarro

Walton Kilbourn IV
Rayanne Macmillan
Aidan Milliron

Amelia Ostman
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September 28, 2019
The College Church
Sabbath School, 10:00–11:00 AM

These Sabbath School classes are age-appropriate Bible study groups that meet Saturday mornings. Please attend any class that interests you. Adult Bible study guides are available at www.scssw.org. You can also download the “Sabbath School” app, or scan this QR code.

Week at a Glance

College Church activities this week. For details, see the Announcements or General Information.

South Lancaster Sunset: Today 6:33 PM, Friday 6:22 PM
Today After Church Fellowship Picnic: Maskovich Home
Sun. 3:00 PM: Youth Hike & Ice Cream
Sun. 4:00 PM: Tom Bloom Memorial Service
Sun. 6:00 PM: Culinary Event: Baking
6:30 PM: Men’s Chorus
 Mon. 2:00 PM: College Church TV Broadcast
Wed. 10:00 AM: Bulletin Deadline
9:30 AM: Playtime
3:45 PM: King’s Kids
6:00 PM: Culinary Event: Baking
Sat. All Morning: Ministry of Narcissus Card Table
10:00 AM: College Church TV Broadcast
10:00 AM: Sabbath School
11:15 AM: Worship Service
After Church: Potluck Fellowship Dinner

KING’S KIDS
WEDNESDAY, OCT. 2 | 3:45 PM | MUSIC ROOM
Does your child love to sing? Sign them up for our fun, soulful gospel choir, singing praise to the King! Register at tinyurl.com/k42whkn.

FREE CULINARY EVENT: BAKING
WEDNESDAY, OCT. 2 | 6:00 PM | FELLOWSHIP HALL
Learn the basics of healthy plant-based baking with our own Nicole Brouseth from the Vegan Nest in Worcester. All are welcome.

THAYER MEMORIAL LIBRARY ANNUAL BOOK SALE
SUNDAY, OCT. 6 | 12:00–4:00 PM | 695 MAIN STREET, LANCASTER
Preview sale Friday 3:00–7:00 PM. All proceeds benefit books, programs and events at the library. Over 600 boxes of books, DVDs and CDs are available.

ACCESSIBILITY AWARENESS SABBATH
SABBATH, OCT. 19 | 11:15 AM
Once again we will be partnering with local leaders to raise awareness.

MY PRAY FOR TODAY
Joy of Music Program
SUNDAY, OCT. 20 | 4:00 PM | 1 GORHAM ST. WORCESTER
Join soprano Halla Kalmansson and pianist Ilana Joyce Cady for an afternoon of art song. Featuring works by Schubert, Debussy, and others.

Music of the World:
A Journey of Culture and Tradition
SUNDAY, OCT. 20 | 7:00 PM
Join us for an evening of music from around the world. Performers will include the College Church choir, singing praise to the King! Register at tinyurl.com/k42whkn.

TOM BLOOM MEMORIAL
TODAY | 4.00 PM | SANCTUARY
This is a church-wide request for help with the reception. Debbie Gifford will coordinate, so please email grd@medgifford.com to tell her what you can do. Areas of need:
* platters of finger food—fruits and veggies, cheese and crackers, cookies, brownies, finger sandwiches, deviled eggs, etc.
* help with cleanup afterwards
* kitchen help
* donations to buy food (put Bloom Memorial on the envelope)

PLAYTIME
WEDNESDAY, OCT. 2 | 9:30–11:30 AM | FELLOWSHIP HALL
Children from newborn to kindergarten with their guardians are invited each week for playtime, a craft, story time, and lunch.

MEMBERSHIP TRANSFERS: FIRST READING
Out: Scarlet Clutó to the McDonald Road Church, McDonald, TN
Gary, Pam and Kristy Cotton to the College View Church, Lincoln, NE
Daniel Daum to the Crosswalk Church, Redlands, CA
Mary Beth Harris-Hughes to the Oakwood University Church, Huntsville, AL

Worship Service, 11:15 AM

Please silence your mobile devices.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS
Cameron Loss

MUSICAL MEDITATION
Improvisation on “Just As I Am” (Woodworth)

INVOCATION & CALL TO WORSHIP
Bob Carnuthers
God comes into a world filled with uncertainties and darkness. God seeks out the voids of belief and conviction. God embraces the wounded and broken. God knocks down the walls of division and strife. God is the candle shining in the darkness of our days. God is the light of our lives. God is the one who makes all things new. Praise be to God, now and forevermore!

HYMN OF PRAISE
210, Wake, Awake, For Night is Flying (Wachet Auf)
Alex Bezaera

CHILDREN’S STORY
Amy DelMartin

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE
Rogar Prather

In His Time (Drew Ball)
In His time, in His time, He makes all things beautiful in His time. Lord, please show me every day, as you’re teaching me your way. That you do just what you say, in your time.

OFFERING
Special Offerings: SNEC Budget (mark your envelope)
Loose offerings go to local church budget.
Fields of Mercy (Roni)
Kim Abol, solo

ZEPHANIAH 1:14–18
Jaslin Aubin

Just as I Am
Scott Britz-Cunningham
Scott is an author, physician, researcher, and College Church member.

HYMN OF DEDICATION
314, Just As I Am (Woodworth)
(stanzas found on page 313)
Alex Bezaera

BENEDICTION
Scott Britz-Cunningham

POSTLUDE
Ciacona in E BusW 160 (Hanschen Buxtehude)
Juan A. Mesa, organ

We record our services for broadcast and streaming and may include your image. CCLI® #1364543, CSPL® 032559.
What Are Grow Groups?

College Church grow groups are opportunities for our community to come together around common interests. Do you have a group you could lead? Please share them at cmloss@juno.com.

GROUPS FOR OCTOBER, 2019

Essential Oils
Thursdays, October 3, 10, 17, and 24
at two different times: 1:00–2:00 PM or 6:30–7:30 PM
Both groups are the same, so sign up for the time that’s best for you. There are 500+ biblical references to essential oils and aromatic plants. Who could have predicted that these tiny drops of “liquid gold” would make such an impact on 21st century health? In this class you will learn about: Essential Oils and Scripture; DIY Winter Wellness Cabinet for Your Family; DIY Essential Oil Beauty Hacks; DIY Essential Oil Desserts; DIY Essential Oils and Cleaning.

New Group: Affirming Others’ Grief
Mondays, October 7 & 14, 6:00-7:30 PM
Leaders: Marta Medina and Kari Radford. This group will focus on ways to choose the best words and actions in order to make a positive and supportive impact on those experiencing grief from divorce, death, etc. Sometimes we think we are being supportive and our attempts come across much different than we intended.

The South Lancaster Inklings (A Writer’s Circle)
Tuesday, October 8, 7:00–8:30 PM
Unleash the writer inside you by bringing your writing to this class. We will read, share, suggest, and collaborate with the goal being to share and become better writers. The hope is that this class will eventually become a monthly meeting. All are welcome.

Glamping: The Comfortable Camping
Friday, Oct. 11–Monday, Oct. 14
NOTE: This group is limited to 12 women over the age of 21, so it has its own registration page.
Join us for a beautiful fall-color-filled weekend on the side of a remote lake in Maine, with the luxury of fireside cast iron cooking and a large canvas tent. Planned menus and activities; packing list provided. Led by Pastor Heather, Lizbeth Perez, and Kristie Stevenson.

Fireside Worship
Fridays, October 11, 18, 25 & Nov. 1, 7:00–8:30 PM
Come for a fire, friends, and fellowship! Finger foods and S’Mores will be available. Feel free to bring a Bible, your own lawn chair, a warm blanket, and flashlight. All ages are welcome! We are extremely kid friendly and hope that kids of all ages will join us. 112 Prescott Street, Lancaster.

Free, Easy Ways to be Environmentally Friendly
Tuesday, October 15, 6:00–7:00 PM
There are many ways to be more environmentally aware, and the only cost is your time and effort. This class will highlight ways to decrease your environmental footprint and use natural resources efficiently. Bring your ideas, too, as many minds create more positive possibilities.

Photography Walk
Saturday, October 19: Time TBD
New England in the fall is a beautiful place, and we want to record it through photographs. We will meet at a specific location and simply walk together, taking photographs and sharing artistic ideas. This may be a one- or two-time class.

Saving and Sharing Seeds
Sunday, October 20: Time TBD
This one-time class will feature demonstrations of how to save your seeds for future plantings and share seeds with each other and our neighbors. Bring your vegetable or flower seeds along with a description or photograph if possible. Together, we can make our world a more nutritious and beautiful place!

Estate Planning
Tuesday, October 29: 7:00–9:00 PM
Are you prepared for the retirement years? This group will focus on proven ways to be good stewards with our financial resources, including charitable giving as part of your estate planning.

How to Get the Most Out Of Your Library
Wednesday, October 30, 6:00–7:00 PM
Libraries are wonderful public resources that do far more than simply lend books. This one-night class focuses on ways to access passes, online resources, and more.

Worcester Railers Game
Saturday, November 2, 7:00 PM
Let’s go to a hockey game together! We’ll select a night where we can attend a Worcester Railers hockey game and enjoy time together in a fun, family friendly atmosphere.

Scholarship Seekers/Financing College
Tuesday, November 5, 7:00–8:30 PM
Higher education keeps going up in price, but there are ways to make it more affordable. This class focuses on resources that will make any college experience less burdensome on the family wallet.

New Group: Mexican Cooking
Date and Time TBA
The Bravo family will lead this group. Details to follow.

REGISTRATION
Sign up at www.thecollegechurch.com or turn in this slip with your name and email (circle the groups you are interested in). Please sign up by Oct 1.

Name: ____________________________
Phone: ____________________________
Email: ____________________________