

Prayer Thoughts and Requests

Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him.

1 John 2:15

“God loves us by liberating us from the bondage of self so that we can enjoy knowing and admiring Him forever” (referencing the theme of loving God over self-centered worldly desires)

John Piper

Pray for a heart that loves God primarily, asking for help to love the world less, and God more

Pray for a new pastor and new teachers, to guide our congregation and students from worldliness, and towards His eternal kingdom

Pray for strength to resist the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life

Pray for our service members in uniform — pray that God will guard their hearts and minds as they face the hardships of war and the pressures of this world, helping them to love Him above all else

Pray for those with impending surgeries, asking for His peace to calm the heart and for His protection and presence with the patient, and guidance of the medical staff

Thank you Lord for your love and enabling us to be a new creation in Christ, separated from the pleasures and pursuits of the world.

Giving Guide

We thank you for supporting our local and global church through your giving. You may place a tithe envelope in any of the locked boxes at the sanctuary entrance doors or scan the QR code in the box below to give online.

Financial Report through March 15, 2025

To financially support any of our church ministries, please mark your tithe envelope accordingly. Any undesignated contributions turned in by tithe envelope will remain in the local church



	Yearly Budget	Monthly Budget	Rec. this month	Budget to date	YTD Rec.
Church Budget*	\$223,200	\$18,600	\$6,831	\$47,218	\$40,521
Media Ministry	\$20,500	\$1,708	\$475	\$4,345	\$2,689

*Church Budget consists of: Christian Education (41%), Church Expense (30%), Operating Reserves (Working Capital) (4%), Evangelism (3.5%), Building Maintenance (3%), Community Services (3%), Media Ministry (3%), Personal Ministries (3%), Sabbath School (3%), Contingency (2%), Adventurers (1%), Pathfinders (1%), Worthy Student (1%), Youth/YA (1%), and Social Committee (0.5%)



March 21, 2026

Happy Sabbath and Welcome to the Cicero SDA Church

Sabbath School – 9:45 a.m.

There are adult Sabbath School classes located in the church sanctuary and in the fellowship hall – please feel free to join either class. For the location of children and youth classes, please ask a greeter for directions.

Worship Service – 10:50 a.m.

Mission Spotlight

Welcome & Announcements

Art Miller

Praise through Singing

Worship through the Written Word

Philippians 3:7-9

David Currier

Garden of Prayer

David Currier

Children's Story

Cassie Hooten

Shine & Share

Worship through Giving

Art Miller

Church Budget

Music for Meditation

Katie Currier

Worship Through the Spoken Word

"Jesus Is Everything"

Pastor Jesus

Closing Hymn

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I'd Rather Have Jesus

Sunset tonight at 7:57 p.m.

Sunset next Friday at 8:04 p.m.

Announcements

Mission Spotlight

Join us in the sanctuary at 10:50 a.m. today to watch the monthly Mission Spotlight video, which highlights where our Thirteenth Sabbath Mission Offering is helping this quarter. Don't forget to give your special offering too!

MMT Recommendations – Second Reading

Please see the bulletin insert for a list of church officers being recommended by the Ministry Management Team. We will vote on them during announcements.

Paul Fruth, Sr. Memorial Service

We will be having a memorial service for Paul Fruth, Sr. next Sabbath, March 28. Visitation starts at 3:00 p.m. with the service following at 4:30 p.m. After the service, we'll have a pitch-in meal together in the fellowship hall. (Note that there *will not* be a regular fellowship meal at lunch next Sabbath.)

Church Social Event

We're planning a chili/cornbread cook-off on March 29 in the church fellowship hall, starting at 6:00 p.m. Dust off your favorite award-winning chili or cornbread recipe and bring the results to be judged. Prizes will be awarded! If chili or cornbread aren't your thing, just bring some other food that goes well with chili, and pitch in for an evening of good food and fellowship with your church family.

MMT Balloting

Next Sabbath we'll have ballots in the bulletin for you to circle a set number of names of those you would like to have serve on the committee to elect four new members of our MMT committee. Every year we rotate four members, and no member can serve more than two years in a row without a break.

Reach Out Sri Lanka

We have rescheduled our Sri Lanka trip for November. Please pray that God will lead and help to create a more stable time to travel. We still need your support though to make this trip happen. As you're able, please continue to give to the Reach Out Sri Lanka funds.

Upcoming Special Sabbaths

Sabbath, April 4, is our yearly conference-wide Sabbath Celebration service. Members from around the state of Indiana will join together in the Indiana Academy gym for Sabbath worship. Children's Sabbath School classes will be held as usual at Cicero, but all other programming will be held at the gym. In the afternoon there will be a music festival concert at the church, featuring kids from around the conference.

On Sabbath, April 18, we will have our bi-annual *Young Church*. On this Sabbath, the young people of the academy and our church will lead out in all portions of the Sabbath morning duties and worship service.