



**Join us for Virtual Prayer Gathering** – Contact Pr. Hazel Marroquin <hmarroquin@sligochurch.org> for access to the Zoom link. Invite your family and friends for this additional prayer time. Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. and Sundays at 11:00 a.m.

**Caring for One Another** is an integral part of what it means to be a church family. We want to ensure that our members are cared for. Please call the church office at 301-270-6777 or email Pr. Hazel Marroquin <hmarroquin@sligochurch.org> with names of any members who need support from the church during these challenging times.

**Save the Date:** All are welcome to attend the 2023 PCSDA's "Campmeeting In the Valley" from Thursday, June 15 until Sabbath, June 17 at Shenandoah Valley Academy in New Market, Virginia (234 West Lee Highway, New Market, VA 22844). Register for meals and housing at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/campmeeting-in-the-valley-tickets-616081856417>

**Youth & Young Adults:**

- **XP Talks at 10:00 a.m. Youth Room | Relationships** Every Sabbath at 10:00 a.m. XP Talks is a Sabbath School service for teenagers ages 13 to 18 in the youth room. Each week the SYD team leads discussions on various topics chosen by the youth. Join us in the discussion or come listen in. We hope to see you there.
- **Homeless Ministry:** Join the Young Adults in the youth room on the first Sabbath of every month at 2:00 p.m. to make sack lunches and then take them into DC to distribute to the homeless. Open to all ages.
- **Graduates, pre-K through Doctoral, you're invited** to a celebration lunch on June 24 at 1:00 p.m. Please submit your name with a graduation picture to Pastor Gantt by June 5 <jgantt@sligochurch.org>

**Bulletin information deadline is Monday evening!**  
E-mail information to: <kdriscoll@sligochurch.org>

**MISCELLANEOUS**

**\*Consent To Use Photographic Images:** Sligo SDA Church films all worship services. Attendance at, or participation in Sligo worship services constitutes an agreement by the participant to Sligo's use and distribution of the attendee's image, voice, or likeness in photos, video, electronic reproduction and audio tapes of such activities.

**calendar of events**

**Prayer Gathering via Zoom**  
Wednesdays 7:00 p.m./Sundays 11:00 a.m.

**May 27, Saturday**  
Remembering in Hope, Sanctuary, 11:00 a.m.

**June 2-4, Takoma Academy Graduation Services**  
Consecration, Sanctuary, 7:00 p.m., June 2  
Baccalaureate, Sanctuary, 11:00 a.m., June 3  
Commencement, TA Gym, 10:00 a.m., June 4

**June 17, Saturday**  
Erwin Mack Memorial Service, Sanctuary, 4:00 p.m.

**Vacation Bible School**  
July 16 - 20

**profile of giving - May 13**

**CHURCH BUDGET:** This offering supports all of the worship, nurture, and outreach ministries at Sligo Church. These funds also support projects, insitutions in our local community, church maintenance and subsidy for Takoma Academy Preparatory School.

Budget YTD	\$ 220,964
Actual YTD	\$ 189,259
Last Week: May 13	\$ 9,071

**LOVE FOR THE HOUSE:** This offering goes beyond our church budget to support previously unfunded and new ministries, eabling them to grow, connect, dream, lead, and inspire.

2023 Goal	\$ 140,000
Budget YTD	\$ 51,149
Actual YTD	\$ 21,718
Last Week: May 13	\$ 631

**TITHE:** All funds designed as tithe are sent to the Potomac Conference for support of pastors and teachers; to help fund conference schools; and for ministries worldwide.

Last Year: May 14 YTD	\$ 856,713
This Year YTD	\$ 874,719
Last Week: May 13	\$ 37,104

\*Today's offering, designated by the Global SDA Church, is for the Local Church Budget.

\*All undesignated loose offering goes to Sligo's Church Budget.

**what we believe**

We believe God became man in the person of Jesus Christ, saving us from sin by grace through faith. We believe the seventh-day Sabbath was established by God at Creation and honored by Jesus in His earthly ministry as a gift of rest and rejuvenation for all. We celebrate the church as the diverse "new community" forged through the death and resurrection of Jesus, in which all are gifted, all are valued, and all are called. We anticipate Jesus' personal and visible return to earth to raise the righteous dead, make the earth new, and dwell with His faithful children throughout eternity. We live out our love for Jesus by growing in His likeness and by serving our fellowmen.

**how you connect**

- Visit [sligochurch.org/connect2ministry](http://sligochurch.org/connect2ministry)
- Take your next step at "Connection Central" in the Atrium
- Fill out a note card (you'll find it in the pew rack in front of you)

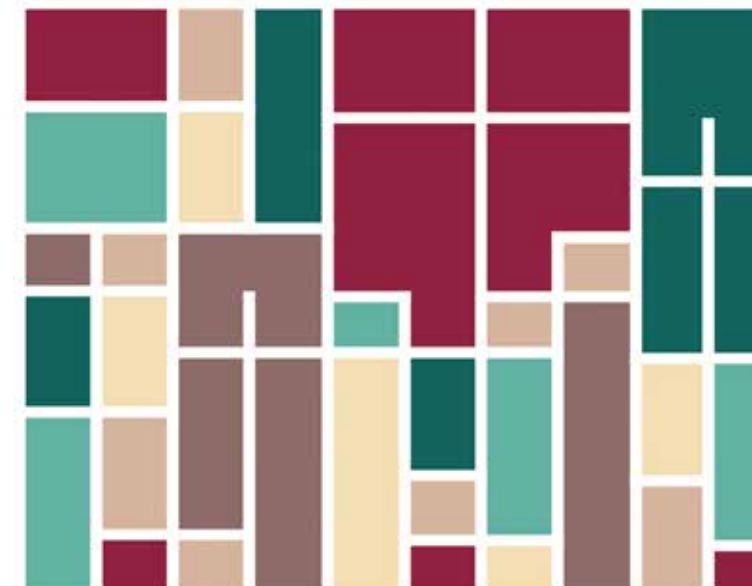


**who can help**

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Domestic Violence Hotline:	240.777.4000
National Suicide Hotline:	988

7700 Carroll Avenue, Takoma Park, MD 20912

THE CHURCH  
**at worship**



**CHRIST FIRST**

**MAY 20, 2023**  
**11:00 A.M.**



*The Washington Adventist University Church*

**OUR MISSION**

We seek to grow passionate disciples of Jesus through worship of God, nurture of one another, and outreach to the world.

## THE CHURCH AT WORSHIP

### we gather in his name

#### Song of Gathering

Jesus Is All the World to Me / No. 185

#### Welcome & Fellowship

Pranitha Fielder

#### Celebration of Ministry

Deaconess Ordination

### we honor and praise him

#### \*Hymn of Praise

Great Is Thy Faithfulness / No. 100

#### Prayer

Vijaya Ganta

### we reflect

#### Children's Message

Dana Audain

#### Scripture Reading

Aaron Wilson

1 Kings 3:3-9 (NRSV)

Solomon loved the Lord, walking in the statutes of his father David, except that he sacrificed and offered incense at the high places. The king went to Gibeon to sacrifice there, for that was the principal high place; Solomon used to offer a thousand burnt offerings on that altar. At Gibeon the Lord appeared to Solomon in a dream by night, and God said, "Ask what I should give you." And Solomon said, "You have shown great and steadfast love to your servant my father David because he walked before you in faithfulness, in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart toward you, and you have kept for him this great and steadfast love and have given him a son to sit on his throne today. And now, O Lord my God, you have made your servant king in place of my father David, although I am only a little child; I do not know how to go out or come in. And your servant is in the midst of the people whom you have chosen, a great people so numerous they cannot be numbered or counted. Give your servant, therefore, an understanding mind to govern your people, able to discern between good and evil, for who can govern this great people of yours?"

#### Music for Meditation

Seal My Heart / Dennis Clements

#### Sermon

Alex Barrientos

The Harvest of Good Things

#### Invitation to Give

Alex Barrientos

#### Offertory

I Sing Because I'm Happy / Rollo Dillworth

#### Hymn of Reflection

Be Thou My Vision / No. 547

### we go to serve

#### Benediction

Alex Barrientos

#### Postlude

Scherzo / Reginald L. Capon

### \*Congregation is standing

#### Leading our music today are:

Patrick Alston, organist

Adam Graham, pianist

Lorette Gray, chorister

#### Children's Message

Hannah Nyathera, vocalist

#### Sanctuary Choir

Kobe Brown, director

## O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee

### - Washington Gladden (1879)

O Master, let me walk with thee

In lowly paths of service free;

Tell me thy secret, help me bear

The strain of toil, the fret of care.

Help me the slow of heart to move

By some clear, winning word of love;

Teach me the wayward feet to stay,

And guide them in the homeward way.

Teach me thy patience; still with thee

In closer, dearer company,

In work that keeps faith sweet and strong,

In trust that triumphs over wrong.

In hope that sends a shining ray

Far down the future's broad'ning way,

In peace that only thou canst give,

With thee, O Master, let me live.

## THE CHURCH AT STUDY

### connection central 9:15 a.m.

Connection Central is a space where you can find fellowship and connection. Join us in the Atrium with your family and friends for a light breakfast each Sabbath.

### sabbath school 10:00 a.m.

Sabbath School offers different groups of study to nurture faith, deepen your spiritual walk, and foster interaction with other believers. Consider joining a class.

#### Sanctuary:

Women of the Word: Front Left

Silver Class: Front Center

Brown Class: Back Right

#### Atrium:

Faith and Reason: Fellowship Hall A

Wanderers: Fellowship Hall B

#### Online:

Women of the Word

Purple Class

Faith and Reason

Wanderers

Believers and Doubters

#### Lower Level:

Beginners/Little Friends: 0-3 years old

Kindergarten: 4-5 years old

Youth: High School

Young Adult: College and Young Professionals

#### Upper Level:

Primary I & II: Grades 1-4

Juniors: Grades 5-6

Earliteens: Grades 7-8

### reflection:

"Too much of a good thing can be wonderful"

- Mae West

### sabbath devotional:

Riches do not profit in the day of wrath, but righteousness delivers from death.

The righteousness of the blameless keeps their way straight, but the wicked fall by their own wickedness.

The righteousness of the upright saves them,

but the treacherous are taken captive by their schemes.

- Proverbs 11:4-6 (NRSV)

## OUR LIFE TOGETHER



**Let us hear from you!** To write the pastors a note, make a prayer request, or inquire about becoming a member of Sligo Church, please use a note card from the pew rack in front of you.

#### Prayer Requests:

**Families of these deceased:** Marvin Johnson, Erwin Mack  
**For Comfort & Healing:** Palkulam J. Samuel, Sylvie Johnson, Ellen Agard, John Joshua

**Please join us for a Memorial Service** celebrating the life of Erwin H. Mack on Saturday, June 17 at 4:00 p.m. in the Sligo Church Sanctuary.

**Ask a Doctor & Blood Pressure Screening** will be held in the Atrium today, May 20, from 9:45 a.m. until 10:55 a.m.

#### Nominating Report (second reading):

Administrative Board: Luis Garcia

Facilities Committee: Luis Garcia

Deaconess: Dennise McDonald

**Please join us Sabbath morning May 27 for "Remembering in Hope"** as we honor those we've loved and lost - to remind us of the hope that we will be reunited with them again. If you have a loved one who passed away this last year, please email their name, dates of birth and death, and a photograph to Pr. Hazel Marroquin <hmarroquin@sligochurch.org> by May 21

**To all HeartLifters:** the HeartLifters will have a Potluck Picnic at Wheaton Regional Park at 1:30 p.m. today. There will be limited transportation available. Follow the Sligo van to find the location in the park.

**Calling teens, aged 16-19, and parents of teens in this age group!** You are invited to join friends at Takoma Park Church (6810 Eastern Ave NW, Washington, DC 20012 ) on Sabbath, May 20, for an interactive discussion titled, "Real Talk: Things I Wish Somebody Told Me." Lunch will be served at 1:30 PM and the discussion will run from 2:30 p.m. until 4:00 p.m. RSVP at <healthministries@thetpchurch.org>

#### TA Commencement Weekend, June 2 - 4:

- Consecration, Sligo Sanctuary, Friday, June 2 @ 7:00 p.m.
- Baccalaureate, Sligo Sanctuary, Saturday, June 3 @ 11:00 a.m.
- Commencement, Takoma Academy Gymnasium, Sunday, June 4 @ 10:00 a.m.