



If you are looking for a Bible study class to prepare for baptism or simply want to study the foundations of the Christian faith, please join the 10-week Pastor's Bible Study Class on Sabbath mornings at 10:00 a.m. in the Church Office Conference Room. Contact Pastor Hazel Marroquin for additional information <hmarroquin@sligochurch.org>.

Caring for One Another is an integral part of what it means to be a church family. 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.

Pathfinder camporee fundraising: Sligo pathfinders need your support to raise \$100K to sponsor our 50 pathfinders to attend the upcoming camporee at Gillette, WY in 2024. Every donation is greatly appreciated. Please contact Amram and Afia Ewoo for additional information <kwame.ewoo@gmail.com>

Save the Date for a seminar about Music & Mindfulness, featuring Dr. Alicia Barksdale, Director of Music Therapy at Washington Adventist University. This in-person seminar will be held in the Atrium on January 20, 2024 at 1:00 p.m. & works toward healing your mind and spirit by understanding how to incorporate music into your life, increase your neuron connections and calm the vagus nerve – the part of the system that controls your digestion, heart rate and the immune system.

Attention, Parents of 8th graders! If you are planning to enroll your children at Takoma Academy, the \$125 application fee for the 23-24 school year is waived from now until 12/31/2023. Even if you are unsure about enrolling your child at TA, it's great to submit the application while it is free. For more information, email <kcollins@ta.edu>

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

MISCELLANEOUS

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Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name. For the Lord is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations.
- Psalm 100:4-5 (NRSV)

calendar of events

- Prayer Gathering via Zoom**
Wednesdays 7:00 p.m./Sundays 11:00 a.m.
- December 1, Friday**
Washington Adventist University
Christmas Concert, Sligo Church, 7:00 p.m.
- December 2, Saturday**
Waiting Room: Advent I, Sligo Church, 11:00 a.m.
- December 5, Tuesday**
Takoma Academy Preparatory School,
Christmas Program, Sligo Church, 7:00 p.m.
- December 8, Friday**
Takoma Academy High School,
Christmas Program, Sligo Church, 7:00 p.m.
- December 9, Saturday**
Waiting Room: Advent II, Sligo Church, 11:00 a.m.
- December 16, Saturday, Communion**
Waiting Room: Advent III, Sligo Church, 11:00 a.m.
- December 23, Saturday, Christmas Program**
Waiting Room: Advent IV, Sligo Church, 11:00 a.m.
- December 30, Saturday**
Worship Service, Sligo Church, 11:00 a.m.

profile of giving - November 11

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	\$510,140
Actual YTD	\$457,197
Last Week: November 11	\$ 7,144

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

2023 Goal	\$140,000
Budget YTD	\$ 121,141
Actual YTD	\$ 73,442
Last Week: November 11	\$ 1,534

TITHES: All funds designated 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: November 12 YTD	\$ 1,917,937
This Year YTD	\$2,004,380
Last Week: November 11	\$ 37,673

*Today's offering, designated by the Global SDA Church, is for the Local Budget.
*All undesignated loose offering goes to Sligo's Church Budget.

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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
- 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

- CHURCH OFFICE: 301.270.6777
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- Domestic Violence Hotline: 240.777.4000

7700 Carroll Avenue, Takoma Park, MD 20912

THE CHURCH
at worship



CHRIST FIRST

NOVEMBER 18, 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

Festival of Praise

we gather in his name

Song of Gathering

Lord We Have Come / Damian Chandler

Welcome & Fellowship

Pranitha Fielder

we honor and praise him

*Hymn of Praise

We Gather Together / No. 8

Verse 1 & 2: Choir and Congregation

Verse 3: Choir

Verse 4: Choir and Congregation

Prayer

Kylynda Bauer

Anthem

J.E.S.U.S. / Livre

we reflect

Children's Message

Jean Audain

Scripture Reading

Alexis Driscoll

1 Timothy 1:12-14 (NRSV)

I am grateful to Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, because he considered me faithful and appointed me to his service, even though I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and a man of violence. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus.

Music for Meditation

The Lord is My Light / Horatio Parker

Sermon

Alex Barrientos

Happy With What I Have

Invitation to Give

Alex Barrientos

Offertory

Fairest Lord Jesus / arr. Mark Hayes

Procession of Thanksgiving

Alex Barrientos

Adoration / Florence Price

Caring Heart Award

Ken Flemmer

*Hymn of Reflection

I'd Rather Have Jesus / No. 327

we go to serve

*Benediction

Alex Barrientos

+Postlude

March Triumphale "Nun Dunkett All En Einem Gott" /

Karg-Eler

***Congregation is standing**

+Congregation is seated

Leading our music today are:

Patrick Alston, organist

Kobe Brown, chorister

Giovanni Jackson, pianist for Children's Message

Sligo Sanctuary Choir & Columbia Collegiate Choir

Anwar Ottley, director

Revival Choir

Lulu Mupfumbu, director

Sligo Band

Curtis Richardson, piano; Wiliam Brew, drums; Jon Mark, bass guitar

Barclay Brass

Patrick Alston, organ; Nathan Clark, trumpet; Kris Westrich, trumpet; Chandra Cervantes, horn; David J. Miller, trombone; Willie Clark, tuba

Gratefulness

-- George Herbert (1593- 1633)

Thou that hast given so much to me,
Give one thing more, a grateful heart.
See how thy beggar works on thee
By art.

He makes thy gifts occasion more,
And says, If he in this be crossed,
All thou hast given him heretofore
Is lost.

But thou didst reckon, when at first
Thy word our hearts and hands did crave,
What it would come to at the worst
To save.

Perpetual knockings at thy door,
Tears sulling thy transparent rooms,
Gift upon gift, much would have more,
And comes.

This not withstanding, thou wentst on,
And didst allow us all our noise:
Nay thou hast made a sigh and groan
Thy joys.

Not that thou hast not still above
Much better tunes, than groans can make;
But that these country-airs thy love
Did take.

Wherefore I cry, and cry again;
And in no quiet eanst thou be,
Till I a thankful heart obtain
Of thee:

Not thankful, when it pleaseth me;
As if thy blessings had spare days:
But such a heart, whose pulse may be
Thy praise.

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

Red Class: Back Right

Atrium:

Wanderers: Fellowship Hall A

At Jesus' Feet: Fellowship Hall B

*Online:

At Jesus' Feet

Believers and Doubters

Faith and Reason

In Step with Jesus (9:00 - 10:00 a.m.)

Wanderers

Women of the Word

Lower Level:

Beginners/Little Friends: 0-3 years old

Kindergarten: 4-5 years old

Youth XP Talks: High School

Glow Study: College and Young Professionals

Upper Level:

Primary I & II: Grades 1-4

Juniors: Grades 5-6

Earliteens: Grades 7-8

Faith and Reason

*For zoom links, please contact the church office.

reflection:

"Being happy is knowing how to be content with little."

- Epicurus

sabbath devotional:

"Better is a little that the righteous person has than the

abundance of many wicked."

- Psalm 37:16 (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: Ellen Sakai, Zenith Ram, Ruth Rhone

For Comfort & Healing: Anna Rud, Kathy Cherrix, Jane Speight

Friends and family are invited to attend a funeral service for Ellen Sakai on Friday, November 24, in the Sligo Church Atrium (7700 Carroll Avenue, Takoma Park, MD 20912).

• Viewing, 11:00 a.m.

• Service, 12:00 p.m.

• Repast, 1:30 - 2:30 p.m.

Ask a Doctor & Blood Pressure Screening will be held in the Atrium today, November 18, from 9:45 a.m. until 10:55 a.m.

Nominating Report (second reading):

Administrative Board: Darrell Milam

ACS needs volunteers to provide 850 families with Thanksgiving Gift Baskets! A majority of these baskets will go to neighbors in the following zip codes: 20903, 20910, 20912. Please meet at ACS (501 Sligo Avenue, Silver Spring, MD 20910) on Monday, November 20 from 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. or Tuesday, November 21 from 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. if you're able to help deliver these baskets.

Warm Clothes Drive: The Sligo Young Adults G.L.O.W. Outreach is hosting a warm clothes drive through the month of November. Items collected will be distributed at our next Homeless Ministry outreach event on December 2. Please consider donating new or "like new" hats, coats, gloves, and socks. There is a collection box in the Atrium.

Treasurer's Note: As you think of your year-end offerings, there are several ways by which you can contribute: online giving is available at <sligochurch.org> (click on "Give" and choose your allocation), the Sligo Giving Envelope can be placed in the offering plate during service, or placed in the Church Office "mail slot" during the week, or you can mail in your contributions, postmarked by December 31, 2023. Thank you for your continued and faithful commitment to the Local Church Budget, Love for the House, and Tithe.

Sanctuary flowers: If you would like to enhance the beauty of our worship by providing flowers, please contact Kathleen Driscoll at the church office, 301-270-6777, extension 239.