



Sligo VBS 2024 “Thunder Island”: Parents, children, neighbors, and friends get ready for an exciting VBS this year full of fun and wonder! We hope you can join us! Mark your calendars for June 23 - June 28 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. We invite you to volunteer and/or be a participant by registering on our website: <sligochurch.org>.

Young Adults’ Social: Invite a friend and join us for a game night tonight at 7:30 p.m. in the Youth Room.

Refugee Ministry: Join Homes Not Borders every third Sunday at 9:30 a.m. to set up homes for those displaced. Contact <youngadults@sligochurch.org> for more information.

miscellaneous

Adventist Community Services helps stabilize families and individuals in need. Currently ACS provides food, diapers, clothing, health and fitness, technology education, and workforce skills. For inquiries: 301-585-6556. Address: 501 Sligo Avenue, Silver Spring, MD. 20910.

E-weekend: Sligo’s electronic newsletter provides updates on church ministries, points of connection to life at Sligo, bulletin information, and social events. To subscribe, go to sligochurch.org, click on “EWeekend”, and click on “Join our Email List.”

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

Bulletin information deadline is Monday evening! E-mail information to sligooffice@sligochurch.org.

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

The Upper Room, Saturday

Prayer with Elders 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

GLOW Young Adult Bible Study, Saturday

Memorial Chapel, 5:30 p.m.

Prayer Gathering via Zoom

Wednesdays 7:00 p.m. / Sundays 11:00 a.m.

April 27, 2024, Saturday

New Beginning Seminar, Fellowship Hall, 1:00 p.m.

May 3-5, 2024, Saturday

WAU Commencement Weekend

May 23, 2024, Thursday

Takoma Academy Preparatory School Graduation

June 1, 2024, Saturday

Takoma Academy Baccalaureate Service

profile of giving - april 13, 2024

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	\$ 155,240
Last Week: April 13	\$ 5,658
Actual YTD	\$ 147,499

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.

Budget YTD	\$ 36,458
Last Week: April 13	\$ 1,016
Actual YTD	\$ 30,093

TITHE: 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 Week: April 13	\$ 25,357
Actual YTD	\$568,248
Last Year: April 15 YTD	\$ 712,787

*Today’s offering, designated by the Global SDA Church, is for the Sligo 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 us online at: sligochurch.org/connect2ministry
- Email us at: sligooffice@sligochurch.org
- 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 Pastor On Call: Option 5

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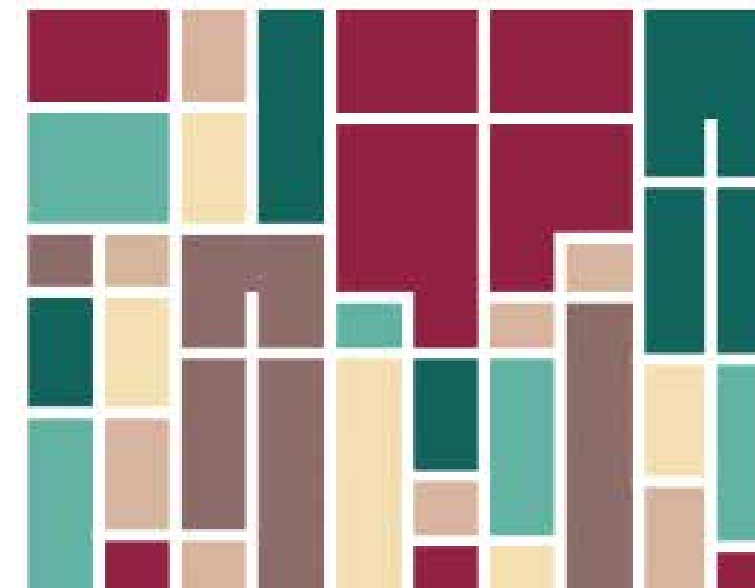
WAU Chaplaincy ministry@wau.edu

Adventist Community Services 301.585.6556

Domestic Violence Hotline: 240.777.4000

National Suicide Hotline: 988

THE CHURCH at worship



CHRIST FIRST

APRIL 20, 2024
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 God's name

Song of Gathering

There's Sunshine in My Soul Today / No. 470

Welcome & Church Life Hazel Marroquin

***Fellowship** Congregation

we honor and praise God

***Hymn of Praise** Congregation

Love Divine / No. 191

Prayer Myrna Bas

Anthem

Summit / Kevin Day

Children's Message Dana Audain

we reflect

Scripture Reading Vicki Rosette

Matthew 6:7-14 (NRSV)

"When you are praying, do not heap up empty phrases as the gentiles do, for they think that they will be heard because of their many words. Do not be like them, for your Father knows what you need before you ask him. "Pray, then, in this way: Our Father in heaven, may your name be revered as holy. May your kingdom come. May your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. And do not bring us to the time of trial, but rescue us from the evil one. For if you forgive others their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you, but if you do not forgive others, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses."

Music for Meditation

Larghetto from Overture Jubiloso / Frank Erickson

Sermon Alex Barrientos

Forgiveness Is a Practice

we go to serve

Invitation to Give Alex Barrientos

Offertory

Second Suite in F, Mov. 3 / Gustav Holst

***Hymn of Reflection** Congregation

Blest Be the Tie That Binds / No. 350

***Benediction** Alex Barrientos

Postlude

Be Thou My Vision / arr. Larry Clark

***Congregation is standing**

Leading out today

Washington Concert Winds of

Washington Adventist University

Samantha Clarke, director

Anwar Ottley, organ

Lorette Gray, chorister

THE CHURCH AT STUDY

connection central 9:00 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

Believers and Doubters: Discipleship Room

*Online:

At Jesus' Feet

Believers and Doubters

Faith and Reason

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

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 those deceased: Clara Meesarapu

For Comfort & Healing: Jacob Meesarapu, Edwina Flynn

Sanctuary Flowers: Today's Sanctuary Flowers have been gifted by the King Family in gratitude for the prayers and kindness of Sligo members and the Pastoral Staff during the loss of their mother, Elnora.

Washington Concert Winds of Washington Adventist University, under the direction of Dr. Samantha Clarke, will be hosting their Spring Concert in the Sligo Sanctuary today at 7:00 p.m. Come out for an evening of beautiful and inspiring music.

New Beginning (Sligo Prison's Ministry): On April 27, 2024 at 1:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall, New Beginning will provide a recruiting seminar for those who may be interested in the different areas of Sligo's prison ministries. For questions, please contact Pr. Hazel Marroquin: <hmarroquin@sligochurch.org>.

Deacons Meeting: On April 27, 2024 after church service in the Youth Room at 1:00 p.m.

Installation of Pr. Rick Johns: Join our Sligo Community as we welcome and greet our new Pastor for Community and Discipleship on Saturday, May 11, 2024. After service, we will have a welcome reception for Pr. Johns and his family. A table will be set up for them should you wish to leave a card, notes, or gifts to welcome them to Sligo. Let us make them feel special and keep their family in our prayers as they make their pastoral transition.