OUR VISION We will glorify God by being increasingly transformed into the likeness of Christ

The Sligo Book Club: Join us for our hybrid monthly book discussions on the second Wednesday of each month! This October, we will discuss "The Sin of Certainty" by Peter Enns. Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, October 14, at 7:00 p.m. For the meeting invitation and more details, please contact Kay Rosburg at <rosburgkay@ gmail.com>.

Pro Musica Album Release Concert. Join us for the release of Hymns, Psalms, and Spiritual Songs, Vol 2, featuring Pro Musica, Barclay Brass, a Chamber String Ensemble, CLAY, and other musical guests. Saturday, October 10, at 6:00 p.m. in the Sligo Sanctuary.

Communion will be celebrated on Saturday, October 17. Foot washing will be available from 10:40 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. in Fellowship Hall A. If you know anyone who needs communion brought to their home, please contact Pr. Pranitha Fielder at <pfielder@sligochurch. org>.

The Sligo Hiking Club invites you to join them for a Saturday afternoon hike on October 17 at 3:00 p.m. The hikes are 2-3 miles and take 60-90 minutes. All fitness levels can join. We will hike part of the Northwest Branch Trail, starting at the Brookside Nature Center, 1400 Glenallan Ave. Wheaton, MD. 20902. Invite a friend and join us!

Volunteers Needed: Join us October 17–18, 2026, at Takoma Academy & TA Prep for the Dental/Vision Clinic serving the Hyattsville, Langley Park, and Takoma Park communities. We need dentists, doctors, nurses, dental hygienists, and non-medical volunteers to help with the clinic. Please register at https://www.ramusa.org.

AIM Candidate Action invites you to join us on Sunday, October 18, at 2:45 p.m. at First Baptist Church of Guilford at 7504 Oakland Mills Road, Columbia, MD, to ask the state and local candidates to work with us in making Maryland an affordable, fair, sustainable, and safe place to live. Please register at <https://www.mdjustpoweralliance.org>/Oct.18-action>.

miscellaneous

Adventist Community Services of Greater Washington (ACSGW) is dedicated to supporting families facing financial hardships for any reason, including federal actions; we provide food assistance, diapers, and clothing. We are very low on clean, wearable clothing right now. Any assistance you can give us is greatly appreciated. For help, to donate, or to learn more, visit us at 501 Sligo Ave, Silver Spring, MD 20904 or call 301-585-6556.

Follow us now on Facebook and Instagram

calendar of events

Sligo Hiking Club
Third Saturdays, 3:00 p.m.

Prayer Gathering, Zoom link on the church website
Wednesdays / 7:00 p.m. / Sundays, 10:00 a.m.

Pickleball
Mondays / 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. / TA Prep Gymnasium

Glow Worship for College-aged students/Young Adults
Today, October 3 / 11:15 a.m. / Youth Room
Led by Pastor Carmona and the Young Adult Ministry Team

Pro Musica Album Release Concert
Saturday, October 10 / 6:00 p.m. / Sanctuary

WAU Music Festival Academy Concerts
Friday, October 16 / Vespers Concert / 7:00 p.m. / Sanctuary
Saturday, October 17 / Festival Concert / 3:00 p.m. / Sanctuary

Dental/Vision Clinic
Saturday, October 17 - Sunday, October 18, 2026 / 6:00 a.m.
Takoma Academy / TA Prep

Communion
Saturday, October 17 / 11:00 a.m. / Sanctuary
Foot Washing / 10:40 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. / Fellowship Hall A

Profile of Giving - September 26, 2026

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

Budget YTD	$456,880
Last Week: September 26	$ 5,446
Actual YTD	$438,334

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	$ 91,667
Last Week: September 26	$ 1,225
Actual YTD	$ 55,347

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 Week: September 26	$ 24,529
Actual YTD	$ 1,541,170
Last Year: September 27	$ 1,497,145

*Today's designated offering by the North American Division is for the Local Church Budget. The undesignated loose offering goes to Sligo Church Budget.

***FOCUSED GIVING:** Emergency Aid, Student Aid, and Building Maintenance.

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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.

connect with us

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National Suicide Hotline:	988

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THE CHURCH at worship

ALL ARE GIFTED. ALL ARE VALUED.

OCTOBER 3, 2026
11:00 A.M.

SLIGO
SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH

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** Congregation
Leaning on the Everlasting Arms / No. 469

Welcome & Fellowship Rick Johns

we honor and praise God

Hymn of Praise Congregation
Rejoice, the Lord Is King / No. 221

Prayer Sharon Ford
Prayer Response

Anthem
Come to Me / by C. Courtney

Children's Message Rick Johns

we reflect

Scripture Reading Joshua Dulcich
Isaiah 52:1-7 (NRSVUE)

Awake; awake; put on your strength, O Zion! Put on your beautiful garments, O Jerusalem, the holy city, for the uncircumcised and the unclean shall enter you no more. Shake yourself from the dust; rise up, O captive Jerusalem; loose the bonds from your neck, O captive daughter Zion! For thus says the Lord: You were sold for nothing, and you shall be redeemed without money. For thus says the Lord God: Long ago, my people went down into Egypt to reside there as aliens; the Assyrian, too, has oppressed them without cause. Now therefore what am I doing here, says the Lord, seeing that my people are taken away without cause? Their rulers howl, says the Lord, and continually, all day long, my name is despised. Therefore my people shall know my name; on that day they shall know that it is I who speak—it is I! How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of the messenger who announces peace, who brings good news, who announces salvation, who says to Zion, "Your God reigns."

Music for Meditation
Alleluia, Praise the Lord Who Reigns on High / by L. Larson

Sermon Alexander Barrientos
The Eternal Gospel

Invitation to Give Alexander Barrientos

we go to serve

***Hymn of Reflection** Congregation
Go, Preach My Gospel / No. 378

***Benediction** Alexander Barrientos

Postlude
Improvisation / R. Paul

****Congregation is standing***

Leading Worship Today
Rick Johns, worship leader
Russel Paul, organ, piano
Anwar Ottley, chorister

Sligo Sanctuary Choir
Anwar Ottley, director

Worship Notes

This week, Pastor Barrientos continues the Revelation series *Open Doors*, preaching from Revelation 12 and its connection to our scripture reading in Isaiah. He reminds us that God breaks the chains of captivity and that he did it through Jesus, the victorious Lamb. Because the victory is already won, we overcome by sharing the gospel story of what Christ has done. Those declarations are echoed in the congregational singing and selections from the Sligo Sanctuary Choir.

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 Main Level:
Women of the Word: Front Left
Silver Class: Front Center
Red Class: Back Right

Sanctuary Balcony Level:
Glow Study: College/Young Professionals, Left

Fellowship Hall A & B:
Beginners/Little Friends: 0-3 Years old, B
Wanderers: A

Lower Level:
Youth XP Talks: High School, Youth Room

Upper Level:
Kindergarten: 4-6 Years old, Junior Room
Primary I & II: Ages 7-9, Primary Room
Juniors: Grades 5-6, Bible Study Room
Earliteens: Grades 7-8, Earliteen Room

Church Office Conference Rooms:
At Jesus' Feet: Upper Floor (Conf. Rm #2)
Believers and Doubters: Main Floor (Conf. Rm #1)
Faith and Reason: Upper Floor (Conf. Rm #3)

***Online:**
At Jesus' Feet (10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.)
Believers and Doubters (10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.)
Faith and Reason (10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.)
In Step with Jesus (9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.)
Women of the Word (9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.)

*For Zoom links, please contact the church office.
Digital Sabbath School Quarterly: <https://sabbath.school>
Sligo Church Floor Map: <www.sligochurch.org/floormap>

OUR LIFE TOGETHER

Let us hear from you! To write the pastors a note, ask for prayer, request a visit, or for general inquiries, please use a note card from the pew rack in front of you or email <sligooffice@sligochurch.org>.

Prayers Requests
Deceased: Gay Mack
Bereaved: Mack Family
Comfort and Healing: Lawrence Taylor

Sanctuary Flowers: The Sanctuary flowers have been lovingly donated by the Osborne Family in honor of their mother, Cora Osborne.

The Memorial Service for Gary Ross, long-time member of Sligo Church, will be held on Friday, October 9 (6:00 p.m. EST) at LaSierra University's Matheson Chapel in Riverside, CA. The service will be streamed from the Matheson Chapel at <https://www.youtube.com/@LaSierraUniversityOfficial>.

Outreach with Sligo Young Adults: Join the Young Adults today, October 3, at 2:00 p.m. in the Youth Room. We will prepare meals and hygiene kits, then distribute them to those in need in the Washington, D.C., area.

Discipleship Classes: All Sligo members and friends are invited to join us for Discipleship 101, a 7-week foundational class on following Jesus and being part of the Sligo community. Classes meet Sabbath mornings at 10:00 a.m. in the sanctuary during Sabbath School, beginning today, October 3. For those who have completed D101 and D102, Discipleship 301 is a 7-week series meeting on Wednesday evenings at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom as part of our prayer gathering, beginning Wednesday, October 7. We hope to see you there!

Sligo Youth Basketball Season! Girls and boys ages 6–18 are invited to play on our church basketball teams from October through March in the Metropolitan Area Adventist Basketball Association (MAABA) league. Practices are held at the Takoma Park Preparatory School gym on Tuesdays from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Contact Amalsun Monickam at 301.802.9329 or Marla Sams at 202.664.3253 for questions. For more information, including pricing and registration, visit <www.sligochurch.org/basketball>.

WAU Service Day Blood Drive: The Bloodmobile will be accepting donations at the Student Activity Center on the WAU Campus on Wednesday, October 7, from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Please consider donating to this worthy cause.