

our life together



Underground Worship Service for Youth: Come join us on May 11 at 11:15 a.m. Our very own youth member, Julius Dormer, will be sharing the message with us.

Join Senior Pastor, Charles Tapp, for Prayer Gathering on Wednesday, April 24 from 7:00 - 8:00 p.m. in the Sligo Sanctuary. For the next several weeks, we will study Laszlo Gallusz's book: *The 7 Prayers of Jesus*. This week, we begin Chapter 7, "The Farewell Prayer." Bring a friend and experience the powerful blessing of deepening your prayer life.

Free insulated pizza bags. The Pathfinders are giving away brand new Rubbermaid commercial grade pizza bags. They are available with a rigid foam insert or soft side. They are great for bringing food to potluck dinners at church. Stop in the Atrium today and take one home. Quantities are limited.

Missing @ Sligo Church: We need your help. We want to make sure every member of our church family is known and cared for. If there is someone whose presence you've missed over a few weeks, please email their name and contact to missing@sligochurch.org. We will have someone from the church reach out to them.

All Northern Caribbean University alumni and friends are invited to the annual NCU DC Alumni Chapter Day, to celebrate NCU's 100th year on its current campus, May 18 @ 10:00 a.m., in Takoma Academy Chapel. Dr. Richard Rajarthinam is the featured speaker. Vespers will be held at 6:00 p.m. at Sligo SDA Church, followed by a social.

MISCELLANEOUS

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

Sunset: Sabbath celebration ends today at 7:49 p.m. and commences on Friday, April 26, at 7:55 p.m.

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calendar of events

April 20, Saturday

Young Adults GLOW Study, Memorial Chapel, 9:30 a.m.

April 21, Sunday

Resurrection Service, Sanctuary, 11:00 a.m.

April 22, Monday

Church Office will be closed
Regeneration Ministries is canceled

April 24, Wednesday

Prayer Gathering, Sanctuary, 7:00 p.m.
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room, 8:00 p.m.

worship schedule

Join us next week as our Senior Pastor, Charles A. Tapp, resumes his series, *God vs Money; The Battle for the Heart, Part IV*, with a message titled, "To Covet or Not to Covet." Music will be provided by TA Prep.

Sligo Church Service, Sanctuary, 8:45 & 11:00 a.m.

Speaker: Pr. Charles A. Tapp

Mizo Service, Office Chapel, 11:00 a.m.

profile of giving - April 13

CHURCH BUDGET: This offering pays for the outreach and nurture ministries of the church and the church school, along with necessary expenses such as utilities and maintenance of the church building.

Last Year:

Apr. 14	\$ 8,252	Apr. 13	\$ 10,342
Apr. 14 YTD	\$ 139,789	Apr. 13 YTD	\$ 141,898

This Year:

BUDGET FOR APRIL 13 YTD: \$ 153,116

CHURCH BUILDING IMPROVEMENT:

Apr. 13 YTD \$ 8,449

TITHE: All of these funds are sent to the Potomac Conference to help expand the Kingdom of God throughout our region and world.

Last Year:

Apr. 14	\$ 37,477	Apr. 13	\$ 41,341
Apr. 14 YTD	\$ 670,394	Apr. 13 YTD	\$ 636,223

This Year:

2019 GOAL \$2,700,000 Remaining Goal \$2,063,777

Today's designated offering goes to Local Church Budget. Loose offering goes to Church Budget.

welcome



Welcome to Sligo today. I'm sure that many, if not most, of us are quite familiar with the idiomatic expression, "a matter of life and death," which tends to carry with it the idea of a very pressing or urgent issue, situation, or circumstance that requires immediate attention. What is interesting is that this expression can be used either quite literally, as in 'he told the doctor to hurry as it was a matter of life and death,' or hyperbolically, as in 'don't worry about showing up on time—it's hardly a matter of life and death.' I would be willing to go out on a limb and say that when many of us use this expression, it probably isn't because we have found ourselves faced with a life and death situation, but rather it is to add some sense of urgency on the part of the one to whom we are speaking. But the question which begs to be asked, is how can the one on the receiving end truly know the difference? And, as we shall see in today's message, "A Matter of Life and Death", how then does one deal with the ramifications when they are mistaken?
- Charles A. Tapp

what we believe

We believe the Bible is the inspired word of God and our only rule of faith and practice. As Scripture teaches, 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 called, all are gifted, and all are valued. 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

- Take your next step at "Connection Central" in the Atrium
- Do life together: Join a Journey Group
- Fill out a pew menu card and place it in the offering plate
- Visit sligochurch.org/connect2ministry

who can help

PHONE: 301.270.6777 EMERGENCY: 301.980.1009
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National Suicide Hotline: 1.800.273.8255

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THE CHURCH at worship



CHRIST FIRST

APRIL 20, 2019
8:45 & 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

SANCTUARY – 8:45 A.M. AND 11:00 A.M.

Resurrection Sabbath

Prelude

Jesus Keep Me Near The Cross / arr. Patrick Alston

+Songs of Gathering

Mighty to Save / B. Fielding, R. Morgan

Amazing Love (You Are My King) / B. J. Foote

+Sligo Live

Pranitha Fielder

Guess Who's Coming to Dinner

Welcome & Church Life

Don McFarlane

we honor and praise him

*Hymn of Praise

Christ the Lord Is Risen Today / No. 166

✠ Prayer

Vishranti Sathe

Anthem

There is a Balm in Gilead / arr. Mark Hayes

+Hallelujah Chorus / L. van Beethoven

we reflect

Children's Message

Mary McFarlane

+Child Dedication

Charles A. Tapp

Karter Samuel Nelson

+Musical Selection

And Can It Be? / Dan Forrest

Responsive Scripture Reading

Joanna Kimura

John 11:38-42 (NKJV)

Leader: *Then Jesus, again groaning in Himself, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone lay against it.*

Congregation: *Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of him who was dead, said to Him, "Lord, by this time there is a stench, for he has been dead four days."*

Leader: *Jesus said to her, "Did I not say to you that if you would believe you would see the glory of God?"*

Congregation: *Then they took away the stone from the place where the dead man was lying. And Jesus lifted up His eyes and said, "Father, I thank You that You have heard Me.*

All: *And I know that You always hear Me, but because of the people who are standing by I said this, that they may believe that You sent Me."*

+Music for Meditation

Jesus Paid it All / arr. Ovid Young

Sermon

Charles A. Tapp

A Matter of Life and Death!

Invitation to Give

Charles A. Tapp

Offertory

Above All / L. LeBlanc & P. Baloché

+When I Survey the Wondrous Cross / arr. Gilbert M. Martin

we go to serve

*Hymn of Reflection

Jesus Is All the World to Me / No. 185

*Benediction

Charles A. Tapp

Postlude

Toccata / Theodore Dubois

*Congregation is standing

✠ Congregation is kneeling where possible

+11:00 service only

Barry Rowe, deacon on duty

Ivybelle Roye, deaconess on duty

Leading our music today are:

Patrick Alston, organist

Paul Byssainthe, Jr., chorister

Karla Rivera Curtis, vocalist

Jason Bacud, pianist for children's message

Sligo Singers, Band and Orchestra

Footnotes:

Joanna Kimura has been a member of Sligo Church for more than fifty years and has served in several ministries during that time. She is currently a member of the Sanctuary Choir and is also a part of one of our Journey Groups. Joanna has a special love for the elderly and infirm, as a result of which she started a ministry two years ago through which she volunteers between four and six hours each week in a nursing home. She is currently giving Bible studies to one resident.

Vishranti Sathe has served as a teacher and an assistant professor in India and in Trinidad. She recently completed a degree in Clinical Mental Health Counseling at Washington Adventist University and is currently doing her practice in that field. Vishranti has a passion for people and endeavors to be a living testimony for God. She considers herself blessed to be a member of the Sligo Community and enjoys reading, adventure and socializing.

THE CHURCH AT STUDY

Adult Sabbath School

SANCTUARY – 10:00 A.M.

Song Service

Theresa Garza

Theme Song

Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine! / No. 462

Welcome & Prayer

James Gulley

Lesson Study

Preparing for Change

Prayer

Norman Martin, pianist



sabbath devotional

The cross is both the symbol of our salvation and the pattern of our lives. Everything that happened to Christ in some way happens to us. When darkness envelops us and we are deaf to everything except the shriek of our own pain, it helps to know that the Father is tracing in us the image of his Son, that the signature of Jesus is being stamped on our souls. For Jesus, the darkness of night gave way to the light of morning.

- Brennan Manning

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 card from the hymnal rack.

Simple Truths for Life: Sligo's Radio Ministry, can be heard each Sabbath morning from 8:30 - 9:00 a.m. on WGTS 91.9 FM. Listen with friends, then invite them to come to church in person at 11:00 a.m. Download past episodes or subscribe to future episodes for free from Simple Truths for Life by Sligo Seventh-day Adventist Church from the iTunes Store. You can also go to simpletruthsforlife.org/podcast

Prayer Requests:

Families of these deceased: Joan Boyek, Karnel Charles, Nancy Moreno, Perinbam Joseph, Dement Persons Jr., Virginia Rao & Joseph Gyau

For healing and comfort: K. Jamesina Sadanala

Nominating Report (second reading):

Action in Montgomery Leader: Anton Dormer

Interim Head Deaconess: Carol Hooker

Deaconess: Camille Robbins

Principles of Biblical Interpretation: Welcome to the second half of our Study about how to interpret the Bible. During the next sessions, we'll learn how different kinds of language need varying rules for interpretation and how we can apply these rules for a better understanding of the poetry, songs, stories, prophecies and laws in God's Word. So bring your Bible and a friend to the Sligo Church Fellowship Hall, 7:00 - 8:00 p.m. starting Tuesday, April 30.

The Church Office will be closed on Monday, April 22. If you have an urgent matter that cannot wait until the office reopens, please call our emergency number 301-980-1009.

Youth Social: Join the Sligo youth on May 11 for a mini-golf social at Rocky Gorge 4 Seasons Golf Fairway (8445 Old Columbia Road, Laurel, MD 20723). We will depart from the Youth Room at 8:00 p.m. Price is \$15 per person. We hope to see you there!

MINDS & Mid-week Momentum: Are you a high school student or busy parent? Our weekly academic and mentorship program is specifically designed for the youth of Sligo Church. It happens every Wednesday from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. in the Sligo Youth Room.

Young Adult Hike: Grab your hiking shoes and water bottle for the young adult Great Falls hike on April 27. Departure will be at 3:00 p.m. from Sligo Church.