

**our life together**



**Adventist Community Services of Greater Washington (ACSGW)** needs volunteers for a pop-up food pantry at a Longbranch festival from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. on September 24 and 26. Can you help out? Call Ed Baber or Ken Flemmer for details at 301.585.6556

**Save the Date:** Annual Sligo AIM Walk-a-thon, September 28, 2019. Help raise funds for after-school care and “leave a learning legacy.”

**Sligo Prayer Gathering:** Join us in the Sanctuary every Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. as we learn how to abide in Jesus Christ and live by the power of His Holy Spirit.

**Pastors’ Bible Class:** Every Sabbath morning, commencing at 10:00 a.m., a Bible Class is led by a pastor in the church office building for those preparing for baptism or those who just want to know more about what Seventh-day Adventists believe. If you are interested in being a part of this class, please complete a pew information card and drop it in the offering plate or speak to one of our pastors.

**Sligo by the Sea,** Saturdays, running until September 21. Plan to join us for spiritual refreshing and fellowship, led by a variety of speakers in a relaxed atmosphere. Sabbath School begins at 10:00 a.m. and worship at 11:00 a.m. in St. Peter’s Lutheran Church, 10301 Coastal Highway in Ocean City, MD.

**Save the date for “Friends and Family Day,” Sabbath, October 12!** Make an extra special effort to invite your neighbors, friends, family, coworkers, your doctor, lawyer, teacher and anyone else you can think of to worship with us at Sligo Church.

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

**Sunset:** Sabbath celebration ends today at 7:18 p.m. and commences on Friday, September 20, at 7:08 p.m.

**Sligo Live:** If you have a story, a subject or an individual that you would like to see featured on Sligo Live, please contact Pastor McFarlane at <dmcfarlane@sligochurch.org> or 301.270.6777, ext. 116

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**calendar of events**

**September 14, Saturday**  
Young Adults GLOW Study, Memorial Chapel, 9:30 a.m.

**September 15, Sunday**  
Security Workshop, Fellowship Hall A, 3:00-4:30 p.m.

**September 16, Monday**  
Regeneration Ministries, Office Conference Room, 7:30 p.m.

**September 17, Tuesday**  
Plant-based Cooking Series, Atrium, 7:00 p.m.

**September 18, Wednesday**  
Prayer Gathering, Sanctuary, 7:00 p.m.  
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room, 8:00 p.m.

**worship schedule**

Join us next week here at Sligo Church as Pr. Ray Tetz, Director of Communication and Community Engagement for the Pacific Union, shares a message that relates to church identity, unity and authority. Music will be provided by the Sligo Singers.

**Sligo Church Service,** Sanctuary, 8:45 & 11:00 a.m.  
Speaker: Pr. Ray Tetz

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

**Kerala Church,** WAU Richards Hall, 10:00 a.m.

**profile of giving - September 7**

**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.

<u>Last Year:</u>	<u>This Year:</u>
Sept. 8 \$ 12,025	Sept. 7 \$ 9,106
Sept. 8 YTD \$ 342,679	Sept. 7 YTD \$347,940

**BUDGET FOR SEPTEMBER 7 YTD:** \$364,173

**CHURCH BUILDING IMPROVEMENT:**  
Sept. 7 YTD \$ 23,812

**BOONSBORO CAPITAL FUND:**  
Aug. - Sept. 7 \$ 4,154

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

<u>Last Year:</u>	<u>This Year:</u>
Sept. 8 \$ 51,616	Sept. 7 \$ 62,557
Sept. 8 YTD \$1,661,650	Sept. 7 YTD \$1,637,397

2019 GOAL \$2,700,000 Remaining Goal \$1,062,603

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

*worship.nurture.outreach*

**welcome**



Welcome to Sligo today. If you’re like me, then it is hard for you to believe that summer is almost over and that we are experiencing the sights and sounds of being back into the swing of school. But if I’m going to be honest, I have to admit that I have missed the vibe that is on our campus when our students are here. There is something about being on a university campus that provides for an atmosphere of excitement and creativity and when our students are gone, they are missed. One of the events on our campus that brings with it a great deal of excitement is WISE, our week in spiritual emphasis. WISE, which began this Monday and continued throughout the week each day at 11:15, has served as a clarion call to our campus that we serve a God who desires more than anything that his followers experience an “Exceptional” life in him in every way. As we have come to the conclusion of this special week, we welcome our speaker for the week, Christopher Cheatham, pastor for Discipleship and Young Adults at Takoma Park Seventh-day Adventist Church, as he shares the message titled, “Exceptional Vine.”  
- 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](http://sligochurch.org/connect2ministry)

**who can help**

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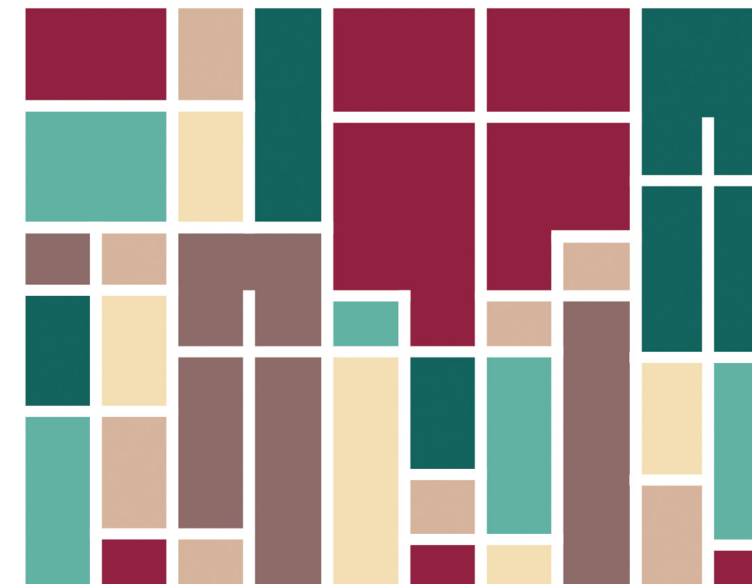
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THE CHURCH  
**at worship**



**CHRIST FIRST**

**SEPTEMBER 14, 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.

*W.A.U. Weeks in Spiritual Emphasis*

#### Prelude

Prelude in A Minor / Johannes Brahms

#### +Song of Gathering

Alleluia Sing to Jesus / No. 167

#### +Sligo Live

Keough Lectureship

Richard Castillo

#### Welcome & Church Life

Pranitha Fielder

#### +Celebration of Ministry

W.A.U. Student & Teacher Dedication

Charles A. Tapp

### we honor and praise him

#### \*Hymn of Praise

To God be the Glory / No. 341

#### ✠ Prayer

David Aparicio

#### Anthem

I'll Lean on You, Lord / Nathan & Nichelle Anderson

+In the Beauty of Your Holiness / Cindy Berry

### we reflect

#### Responsive Scripture Reading

John 14:5-7 (ESV)

+John 15:1-5 (ESV)

Erin Greenlaw

#### Introduction of Speaker

Pranitha Fielder

+Mark Sigue

#### +Music for Meditation

Search Me, O God / arr. Joey Pirano

#### Sermon

Christopher Cheatham

Exceptional Way

+Exceptional Vine

#### Invitation to Give

Pranitha Fielder

#### Offertory

People Need the Lord / arr. P. McHugh & G. Nelson

+Alleluia, Praise the Lord Who Reigns on High / arr.

Lloyd Larson

### we go to serve

#### \*Hymn of Reflection

Jesus Saves / No. 340

#### \*Benediction

Loraine Serrano

#### Postlude

Fugue in A Minor / Johannes Brahms

\*Congregation is standing

✠ Congregation is kneeling where possible

+11:00 service only

Barry Rowe, deacon on duty

Carla Conway, deaconess on duty

#### Leading our music today are:

Paul Byssainthe, Jr., organist

Charlene Milam, chorister

Aleksandra Velgosha, vocalist & pianist

#### Columbia Collegiate Chorale

Anwar Ottley, director

Ariana Parks, piano

#### Footnotes:

**David Aparicio** hails from El Salvador. He is a Freshman at WAU, majoring in business.

**Christopher Cheatham** was born in Richmond, Virginia. He holds a Bachelors of Science in Chemistry and previously worked as a Quality Assurance Laboratory Technician. He was awarded a Master of Divinity degree by the SDA Theological Seminary in 2016. Now serving as the Pastor for Discipleship at Takoma Park SDA, Christopher firmly believes that ministry is not only done through words, but also by action. He endeavors to live, teach, preach, and disciple in a way that shares the love of God with everyone that he comes in contact with. He and his wife, Amberdawn, enjoy being used as vessels of God.

**Erin Greenlaw** is a Sophomore at WAU, with a Pre Physical Therapy major. She comes from California and is the Catcher of WAU's softball team.

**Loraine Serrano** is a Freshman in the music department, who came to WAU in response to God's leading.

**Bethany Sheridan** is a junior Social Work student at WAU. She comes from Morganton, North Carolina.

## THE CHURCH AT STUDY

### Adult Sabbath School

SANCTUARY – 10:00 A.M.

Song Service

Heather Griffin

Theme Song

O Master, Let Me Walk With Thee / No. 574

Welcome & Prayer

Ken Flemmer

Special Music

Vernon Rogers

Lesson Study

Living the Advent Hope

Prayer

Ken Flemmer

Zelma Edwards, pianist



### sabbath devotional

“Our ultimate destination is to be with God through Jesus, this can be accomplished.”

“You can count it all joy in the midst of trials because as long as you abide in Christ, there is victory in the vine.”

- Christopher Cheatham

## 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](http://simpletruthsforlife.org/podcast)

#### Prayer Requests:

**Families of these deceased:** Jeffrey Almeida, Charles Tete

**For Healing:** Lashaun Loney, Chandel Brown, Casilda Couto

**Sabbath Seminar** - Join the Sligo family today, in Fellowship Hall A, following the 11:00 a.m. service. Robert Geiger, principal of the New Hampshire Estates Elementary School, will discuss how we can come alongside the parents and their students to better confront the unique challenges in our community.

**The Pathfinder Club: The final day for registration** will be tomorrow, September 15. Registration will be held in the Atrium today. For more information, contact Darrell Milam at [sligochurch.org](mailto:sligochurch.org)

**Personal Data Security Seminar.** Join us tomorrow, September 15 from 3:00 - 4:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall A. Presented by Ernest Staats, a renowned security expert who will present practical steps to protect your data and answer your questions. He will also explain how institutions use your personal data. Sponsored by Heartlifters.

**Plant-Based Cooking Series** continues Tuesday, September 17, at 7:00 p.m. in the Atrium. Check Sligo's Facebook page for information and free registration, or register with Beth Wear, 301.434.1963

**Next week here at Sligo** the Religion department of Washington Adventist University and Sligo Church combine to present the annual Keogh Lectures. Special Guests are Jiri Moskala, Dean of the SDA Theological Seminary, Andrews University, and Ray Tetz, Director of Communication and Community Engagement for the Pacific Union. Presentations will be made during the worship services, Sabbath School and in a special seminar following the 11:00 a.m. service on the subject of church identity, unity and authority.

**Save the date!** Join us Sunday, September 22, at 3:00 p.m., in Fellowship Hall A, for OpportuniTEA, an elegant afternoon tea and silent auction to benefit Scholarshiping Our Sisters. SOS, a GCWM project, helps Adventist women around the globe attend college. Tickets (\$15) are available at [www.sostea.eventbrite.com](http://www.sostea.eventbrite.com)