

# The Church at Study

The 10 o'clock hour provides opportunities throughout the complex to study God's word in small groups, to reflect on the meaning of faith, and to fellowship with one another.

**ADULTS**, Sanctuary. *Discipleship for Everyday Believers*: Small classes for Bible Study (lesson), discussion and life application.

Gather around the colored banners for study:

- BLUE** (front right) Evans/Christman Team
- RED** (front left) Brillhart/Candelaria Team
- BROWN** (back right) Wesley Team
- FUSCIA** (back left) Women's Ministries Team "Women & the Word"
- DARK GREEN** (center right back) Satelmajer Team "Wanderers"
- PURPLE** (center left back) Vedamuthu Team
- SILVER** (front center) Battle-Brooks / Johnson Team

**BELIEVERS AND DOUBTERS**, Balcony Level, Room 44.

The class is studying *Simply Christian: Why Christianity Makes Sense* by Anglican bishop and New Testament scholar N.T. Wright.

**BRANSON / ORTNER CLASS**, Fellowship Room A. Conversations on Scripture and current issues.

**LOGOS COLLEGIATE SABBATH SCHOOL**: Richards Hall chapel. An alternative Sabbath experience.

**MIZO BIBLE STUDY**, Church Office Building. Sabbath School lesson taught in Mizo.

**WORDS TO LIVE BY**, First Level Conference Room, Church Office Building. Sabbath School lesson study for one hour.

**DISCOVER BIBLE SCHOOL**, Disciple Room. Adventist beliefs for new members and people considering membership.

**THE WAY**, Fellowship Room B. Spiritual growth for 20-somethings.

## Children's & Youth Sabbath Schools

- Beginners** (ages 0-2) Level 1
- Little Friends** (ages 3-4) Level 1
- Kindergarten** (ages 4-5) Level 1
- Primary I** (1st and 2nd graders) Level 1
- Primary II** (3rd and 4th graders) Level 3
- Juniors** (5th and 6th graders) Level 3
- Earliteens** (7th and 8th graders) Level 1, Memorial Chapel
- Youth** (high school) Level 1, Youth Room

## Church Directory

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DECEMBER 9, 2006

8:45 & 11:15 A.M.

## Second Week of Advent

### Prelude

- Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence* / arr. Whitworth
- +It Came Upon a Midnight Clear* / Kerchner
- +Fantasia on the Dargason (Greensleeves)* / Holst
- +O Little Town of Bethlehem* / arr. Dawson

### Welcome & Church Life

Pastor Debbie Eisele  
+Pastor Terry Johnsson

### \*Call to Worship

Pastor Debbie Eisele  
+Pastor Terry Johnsson

Leader: We come to worship this morning the One who came as a baby, lived as both God and Man, and then gave his life as a ransom for many.

**All: This morning we rejoice because Immanuel has come.**

Leader: Therefore, the ransomed of the Lord will return. They will enter Zion with singing, and everlasting joy will crown their heads.

**All: This morning we rejoice because Immanuel will come again.**

*adapted from Matthew 20 and Isaiah 35*

### \*Hymn of Praise

*O Come, O Come, Immanuel* / No. 115

### \*Invocation

Pastor Debbie Eisele  
+Pastor Terry Johnsson

### Anthem

- Laudate Dominum* / Mozart
- +Fantasia on the 13th Century Carol* / Hosay

## Sligo Seventh-day Adventist Church

7700 Carroll Avenue Takoma Park MD 20912  
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# Sabbath Celebration

8:45 & 11:15 a.m.

✠ **Pastoral Prayer** Pastor Ron Halvorsen, Jr.

+ **Children's Story** Pastor Mark Sigue

**Invitation to Give** Joan Francis

## Offertory

*Noel in G / Daquin*  
+ *Jubilant Holiday (In Dulci Jubilo) / arr. O'Laughlin*

**Lighting of the Advent Candle** Ivybelle Roye & Family  
Matthew 1:18-25

## Music for Meditation

*Ave Maria / Abt*

**Sermon** Pastor Ron Halvorsen, Jr.  
*Dreams of Christmas*

\* **Hymn of Response**  
*The Lord Is Coming / No. 200*

\* **Benediction** Pastor Ron Halvorsen, Jr.

## \*Benediction Response

## + Postlude

*Westminster Carol / Hosay*

Allan Manuel & Doris Lewis, *deacon & deaconess on duty*

Kerri Lynn Slominski, *soprano*

+ Columbia Concert Winds Bruce Wilson, *director*

Lerie Dellosa, *organist*

+ 11:15 service only  
\* congregation is standing  
✠ congregation is kneeling

# Sabbath School

*Discipleship for Everyday Believers*  
10 a.m.

**Song Service** Zelma Edwards

**Theme Song**  
*Is This a Day of New Beginnings? / No. 342*

**Opening Prayer** Olive Hemmings

**Welcome** Olive Hemmings

**Musical Selection** Celesti Magpayo  
*Meditations Thais / Massnet*

**Reminders & Encouragement** Olive Hemmings

**Bible Study** Class Leaders  
*Beginnings and Belongings: The Price of Duplicity*

**Benediction** Class Leaders

Carolyn Evans, *pianist*

## Footnotes

**Joan Francis**, a member for two years, serves as one of our elders and as an adult Sabbath School teacher. Joan is also active in Women's Ministries and helps plan the First Monday events.

Today **Ivybelle Roye** and her family light the Advent Candle. Ivybelle has been a Sligo member for more than 30 years. She serves as an elder and a greeter and always has a warm smile and hug available. Her daughter, **Alberta Roye**, has been a member for 10 years. Alberta works at the Center of Disease Control in Washington, DC. Ivybelle's grandson, **Renard Jones**, is a freshman at the University of the District of Columbia where he is studying computer science. Ivybelle's sister, **Enid Eddings**, has been a member for 7 years. Enid is retired now and is planning to move to the sun and warmth of Orlando, Florida.

**Kerri Lynn Slominski** is a student at the Peabody Conservatory of Music where she is studying vocal performance. Kerri is in her second year.

The **Columbia Concert Winds** from Columbia Union College join us today. Under the direction of Bruce Wilson, the group plays outstanding music that is sure to keep your attention.



# Church & Community

## Children & Youth

**Earliteens have a new Sabbath School classroom** under the balcony. They meet there for the first time this week. Congratulate an Earliteen member for having their own full-time room.

**There are only 16 days left until Christmas.** Are you still looking for that special gift? Today is the last day to preorder gift baskets from the Pathfinders. Visit the display in the Atrium after the 11:15 worship service or visit [www.sligopathfinders.org](http://www.sligopathfinders.org).

**The next 3C meeting** will be December 15 in the Youth Room, 7 p.m.

**Youth Sabbath School** is a great way to stay tuned to God and is also a great a place to fellowship and grow with other youth. This month's topic is problem solving. Join in every Sabbath morning in the Youth Room, 10 a.m.

**Hour of Hope** is held every Wednesday night. This is a youth prayer meeting for the youth and by the youth. Memorial Chapel, 7 p.m. Come and invite all of your high school friends!

**The youth will go laser tagging** December 16. If you are a high-school-age youth, you don't want to miss it! Call the Youth Office, ext. 137, or sign up in the Youth Room.

**Thanks to all those who came to Open Forum** last night. The next meeting will be January 12, so mark your calendars! Open Forum is a time of candid and confidential discussion for our youth on issues relevant to their needs.

**Thank you to all the youth who came** on our outreach to the nursing home. It was a great and heartwarming time with the elderly.

**The next youth outreach is December 15.** The youth will go caroling in the community. If you want to spread the Christmas spirit, sign up at a youth event or call the Youth Office, ext. 137.

## Sligo Adventist School

**Thank you for coming to our Christmas concert** Thursday night. Your support means a lot to the students – your students.

## Columbia Union College

**CUC Students begin final exams this Monday.** Please pray that the students at CUC will have clear minds for their final exams this week and safe travel for the holidays.

## Adventist Community Services

**Have you seen our community services center's report?** Pick up a copy at any of the entrances to the church, and help support the center through the Campaign for Community. Donations can be made through the tithe envelope.



# Calendar

## December 9, Sabbath

Information & Membership, Fellowship Room B, 9 a.m.

## December 10, Sunday

55+ Club, Fellowship A, 10 a.m.

## December 11, Monday

Women's Ministries Book Club, Conference Room, 7 p.m.  
Regeneration, Disciple Room, 7:30 p.m.

## December 12, Tuesday

Men's Ministry, Disciple Room, 6 p.m.  
Prayer Gathering, *Warmth for the Winter*, Sanctuary, 7 p.m.

## December 13, Wednesday

*Wednesday Night Out*  
*Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary, 7 p.m.*  
*Hour of Hope (youth), Youth Room, 7 p.m.*  
*Sligo Church Bells, Sligo Adventist School, 7 - 8 p.m.*

## December 15, Friday

3C (youth), Youth Room, 7 p.m.  
Sounds of the Season Concert, Sanctuary, 7 p.m.

## December 16, Sabbath

Adult Sabbath School Leader Holiday Breakfast, Fellowship Room B, 8:30 a.m.  
Elders Breakfast, Memorial Chapel, 8:30 a.m.

# Looking Ahead

## December 22

**Christmas around the World Vespers Program**, Sanctuary, 7 p.m.

## December 31

**Angela Brown in a New Year's Eve Concert.** Early-bird tickets are \$35.

# Worship Schedule

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	<b>8:45 and 11:15 a.m.</b>
<b>December 16</b>	<i>Third Week of Advent</i> Pastor Ron Halvorsen, Jr. Budget Booster Sabbath
<b>December 23</b>	<i>Fourth Week of Advent</i> Pastor Ron Halvorsen, Jr. Lessons & Carols
<b>December 30</b>	Pastor Debbie Eisele <i>The Moveable Feast</i>

## New Community Fellowship

**Services held in the Sligo Church Sanctuary, 6 p.m.**  
**December 9** Pastor Terry Johnson  
**December 16** A Christmas Theatrical presented by Beatriz Taylor  
**December 23** Christmas Concert

<p><i>Sunset</i> <i>Tonight:</i> 4:46 <i>December 15:</i> 4:47</p>
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# Welcome to Sligo Church

**Welcome to Sligo Church.** We pray that today's worship will bring you closer to Jesus Christ, the center of our worship. The Advent season continues at Sligo with special worship services and special events.

## **Want to be more involved in Sligo's mission?**

Contact the Information & Membership Desk to learn how your gifts can bless Sligo.

**The family of Johnson Koilpillai** thanks the Sligo family for love and prayers for Sarojini Koilpillai. Sarojini passed away Sunday in Hosur, India. Sarojini was the mother of David Koilpillai, and the sister of Vimala Abraham and Enoch Thomas.

**Today's Flowers: The flowers in front of the pulpit** are given as an expression of gratitude to Kermit & Ronnalee Netteburg, our uncle and aunt, for their love and gracious hospitality which are always abundant. *Michael & Heidi Campbell.* **The flowers on the organ** are given in loving memory of Pastor Abel Joseph who passed away 15 years ago from his family.

**Prayer Support:** Jean Bas, Betty Mugerwa, Louise Whitmore, Walter Rhodius, and Jacqui Keels for renewed health, the Raj, Koilpillai, Brillhart, and Lopez families for comfort; requests brought to Tuesday evening's Prayer Gathering.

**Sligo Church is joining** with thousands of other communities of faith this weekend to pray for peace in Darfur. Please join us as we pray from the pulpit today, and continue to pray throughout the weekend.

## **Join in for the new Seasons of Prayer theme:**

*Warmth for the Winter.* The patchwork artistry of God in prayers for gathering, uniting, and comfort. Prayer Gathering meets Tuesdays at 7 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

## **PROFILE OF GIVING**

*Have the pictures of our church budget helped you understand the budget better?*

Our church budget makes mission and ministry possible at Sligo Church. Children's Ministry and Evangelism. Youth Ministry and Worship Services. Sligo School and Women's Ministry and Men's Ministry and Action in Montgomery. Did you know:

- Sabbath School quarterlies cost almost \$9 each!
- Children's Sabbath school magazines cost \$32/ yr.
- Heat and lights cost \$2,000 a week!
- Insurance for our building costs \$1,200 a week!

We're stretching for a \$640,000 goal this year. Here's how we're doing each week:

<b>Needed by December 31:</b>	\$640,000.00
<b>Received through October 31:</b>	\$452,806.71
<b>Received November 4:</b>	\$ 12,423.37
<b>Received November 11:</b>	\$ 8,501.61
<b>Received November 18:</b>	\$ 7,438.93
<b>Received November 25:</b>	\$10,861.66
<b>Received December 2:</b>	\$11,169.00
<b>Still Needed:</b>	\$136,798.72

# Church & Community

**"Budget Booster" Sabbath is next week.** We can have 100% participation from Sligo members. Have you talked over that "conversation gift" with the ones who matter? Even if your gift is small, bring a special gift to church next week.

**Takoma Academy students made the posters** in the Atrium as part of a class assignment to illustrate Darfur – both its problem and the need for the rest of the world to be involved in the solution.

**Your church directory awaits you in the Atrium,** but this is the last week. Free to new members and families who had pictures taken; \$5 donation requested from others. Plan to update your membership information when you pick up your directory.

**Come to the Pedestrian Safety Briefing** after the 11:15 worship service today. During this short, but important, briefing learn about what will take place at the pedestrian safety event on Wednesday. Join the group and distribute pedestrian safety literature about the importance of crossing the street safely and using crosswalks. High school students may be able to use this toward service hours.

**Sligo's Rodgers Organ shows off** the "Sounds of the Season" in a concert this Friday night at 7 p.m. The Brass Mosaic will join guest organists Micky Terry, Van Knauss, Evelyn Simpson Curenton, and Lerie Dellosa in a delightful Christmas concert.

**Does the holiday season make your blood pressure go up?** Members of the Health Action Team will be in the Atrium from 10-11:15 a.m. to measure your blood pressure.

## **Tired of celebrating New Year's Eve with Dick Clark!**

Join Sligo's New Year's Eve Gala. Early-bird tickets available until December 16 at \$35. Reserve them in the Atrium after church. You can also purchase tickets at the Church Office or the Potomac Adventist Book & Health Food Store. The gala features Angela M. Brown, a soloist with New York's Metropolitan Opera. A complete buffet dinner will be served featuring Greek and Italian vegetarian dishes. Do not miss this unforgettable evening.

**Women's Ministries Book Club** meets the second Monday of each month in the Conference Room on the first floor of the Church Office, 7 p.m.

**December 11:** *The Kite Runner* by Khaled Hosseini

**January 8:** *Unbearable Weight* by Susan Bordo

**To sponsor flowers** for future worship services contact Flor Balay at the church office, 301-270-6777 ext. 114 or florbalay@sligochurch.org.

**The Pew Bibles** are for your use during the worship services. Please visit the Adventist Book Center if you need a Bible for home use.

**Bulletin Information Deadline:** Monday evening. Email bulletin information to [theresa@sligochurch.org](mailto:theresa@sligochurch.org), or fax it to the church office.

