

ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Worship Team ~ Elder:** Nancy Farrell **Worship Leader:** Ben Peterman  
**Diaconate:** Allie Griffin, Deborah Sadler, Laryssa Smith, Will Smith  
The **Elder on Call for September** is Amanda Matassa (804-247-4449).  
**Outreach Communion is available upon request.** Please contact the Elder of the Month or the church office. Elders are available for individual prayer time after the service.

**Children Worship & Wonder:** “Creation”; Genesis 1:1-5

**Regular Sunday schedule;** Fellowship Café at 8:45 a.m., Sunday School at 9:00 a.m., One Worship with nursery and Children Worship & Wonder at 10:00 a.m.

**The September Board Meeting** is next Sunday at 11:00 a.m.

**Meals on Wheels:** Drivers are needed for September 23, October 14 and 28. You may sign up on the sheet on the Disciples Women bulletin board in the hall past the nursery.

**Youth Sunday Outdoor Worship;** September 28. We will be sharing stories from Camp, the Mission Trip, and Vacation Bible School. The service will be in the Pavilion followed by a picnic. Fried Chicken and drinks will be provided. Families are asked to please bring their own side dishes/desserts to share.

The **2025 Flower Chart** is posted by the office. **The next available dates are September 28, October 9 and 30.** If you would like to place flowers in honor or in memory of someone, please fill out an order form and submit it to the office. Flowers are \$27.00 with checks made payable to Slash Christian Church.

**Choir practice** every Wednesday evening at 7:00 p.m. All are invited.

All are invited to join the **Fall Bible Study** beginning on Tuesday, September 16<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. We will be studying “In the Footsteps of the Savior” by Max Lucado. All the details are in tomorrow’s newsletter along with a link to purchase the book.

**Meet, Mingle & Create:** The Disciples Women invite the women of the church to their Annual Fall Brunch on September 20<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Brunch will be served at 10:15 a.m.

**ACES (Ashland Christian Emergency Services)** The list of needed items is in the Monday newsletter. You may drop off items at ACES on Monday and Wednesday from 8:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. or place them in the blue bin here in the hall by the kitchen.

**You may use Engage online giving by scanning this QR code.** Thank you for your generosity.



Opportunities for Service and Fellowship:

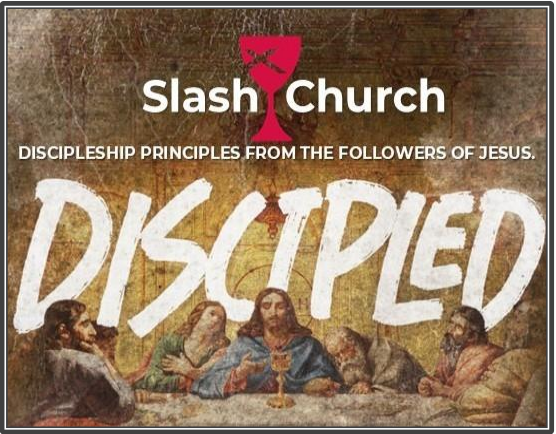
*Today: Fellowship Café - 8:45 a.m.  
Sunday School - 9:00 a.m.  
One Worship - 10:00 a.m.*  
*Monday: Fellowship & Prayer - 10:00 a.m.*  
*Tuesday: Bible Study - 10:00 a.m.*  
*Wednesday: Choir - 7:00 p.m.*  
*Saturday: Disciple Women Brunch/Meeting - 10:00 a.m.*  
*Sunday: Fellowship Café - 8:45 a.m.  
Sunday School - 9:00 a.m.  
One Worship - 10:00 a.m.  
Board Meeting - 11:00 a.m.  
Youth Group - 5:00 p.m.*

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Michael Peterman, Choir Director: music@slashcc.org  
Ann Bremner, Organist  
Kathleen Prettyman, Office Administrator  
Julie Matthews, Nursery Attendant  
Rev. Frances Stanley, Associate Minister  
Rev. Don Richardson, Minister Emeritus

~ Short History of Slash ~

*In 1729 the vestry of St. Paul’s Parish of Hanover County authorized the construction of the Slash Church building. A site of three acres, located on a nice hill with a number of trees and a supply of spring water, was selected and construction started. The plans called for a building 60 feet in length, 26 feet in breadth and 16 feet in height, in the body from the floor of the ally to the ceiling.” The Rev. Patrick Henry, uncle of the famous patriot, served as rector from 1737 until 1777. After the Revolutionary War and the break with the Church of England, it became the Protestant Episcopal Church. Among the historical worshippers at Slash were Dolley Madison, Patrick Henry and Henry Clay. In 1842 the Disciples of Christ became the owner of the Slash Church building. In May 1862, the sanctuary and grounds became headquarters and hospital for the Battle of Slash Church also known as the Battle of Hanover Courthouse. Built three years before the birth of George Washington, Slash is the oldest church building in Hanover County and the oldest wooden church building in Virginia.*



*Sunday Schedule*  
**8:45 a.m. Fellowship Café**  
**9:00 a.m. Sunday School**  
**10:00 a.m. ONE Worship**

Slash Christian Church  
(Disciples of Christ)  
Worship ~ 10:00 a.m.  
September 14, 2025

PRAISE AND PRAYER

\* Please stand as you are able.  
Bold type indicates congregational response.

\*Prelude                      *“Fairest Lord Jesus”*

Welcome and Announcements                      Ben Peterman

Hymns                      *“New Song (Number 40)”*  
                                 *“You Never Let Go”*

\*Call to Worship (inspired by Psalm 14)  
One:    We’re here seeking refuge in a world where goodness  
            and good news can feel far away.  
**Many: Gratefully, God is our hope and our refuge!**  
One:    We come searching for safety in a world filled with war,  
            famine, earthquakes and violence.  
**Many: Still, God is our hope and our refuge!**  
One:    We yearn for rest in a world bombarding us with  
            demands and difficulties.  
**Many: In this hour we seek God’s presence, leading us to  
            refuge and hope.**  
**All:    Let us worship the God who desires abundant life  
            for all!**

\*Opening Prayer

\*The Lord’s Prayer (Unison)  
**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.  
Thy Kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in  
heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us  
our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against  
us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from  
evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory,  
for ever. Amen.**

\*Prayer Response                      *“Glory Be to the Father”*                      CH # 36

Anthem                      *“Get on Board, Little Children”*                      Choir

Children’s Sermon                      Rev. Weeks  
Children Depart for Worship & Wonder

Joys and Concerns                      Rev. Weeks  
Prayer

PROCLAIMING GOD’S WORD

Scripture                      1 John 3:1-7                      Pew Bible pg. 1066

Leader: The word of God for the people of God  
People: Thanks be to God

Sermon                      “A New Life”                      Rev. Weeks

\*Invitation Hymn                      *“How Firm a Foundation”* v. 1, 2, 3, 5                      CH # 618  
(If you wish to make Jesus your Savior or transfer your  
membership, come forward at this time.)

Offering Invitation                      Rev. Weeks  
\*Presenting Our Gifts  
\*Offertory Prayer

CELEBRATING THE LORD’S SUPPER

Invitation                      Rev. Weeks  
Communion Hymn                      *“Only by Grace”*  
Prayers for the Bread and Cup  
(All are welcome. Please take bread and cup in unison.)

TAKING GOD’S LOVE INTO THE WORLD

\*Closing Hymn    *“Nothing Ever Could Separate Us”*

\*Benediction                      Rev. Weeks

Choral Benediction                      “Weave”                      CH # 495

\*Postlude

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LIFTING UP IN PRAYER

*The flowers today are given in honor of Kendall Dalton’s 21<sup>st</sup> birthday  
by Madelyn Logan*

Concerns  
~Victims of gun violence  
~All those in Ukraine, Gaza, and Israel  
~Prayers for those who suffered a loss  
~Prayers for those dealing with depression  
~Prayers for kids in unstable homes  
~Prayers for those affected by substance abuse  
~All military personnel, first responders, medical personnel, and their  
families

The People  
~Homebound: Margaret Gentry, Don & Helen Kersey

~Emily Stramel (friend of Becky Baugher)  
~Ginnie Caudell  
~Colin Thompson (friend of Carolyn Putnam)  
~Ted Jones  
~Ed Baugher  
~Rhonda Valls (cousin of Joey Oliva)  
~Dorothy Neill (friend of Alan Goodman)  
~Betsy Murdock (sister of Nancy Murdock)  
~Dianna Watson (daughter of Barbara Davis)  
~Walt (friend of the Dodds)  
~Dalton Pierce  
~Andy Anderson (friends of the Baughers)  
~Killian (nephew of Mark Highfield)  
~Eunice Tatman (friend of Jessica Colbert)  
~Barbara Stanley  
~Jen Cooper (sister of Becky Baugher)  
~Teresa Manahan  
~Clint Penley (son of Pat Penley)  
~Jessica Colbert  
~Gary Davis (relative of Claudia Wells and Julie Matthews)  
~Frank Burkett  
~Don Richardson  
~Charles Loving (son of Brooken and Sandra Loving)  
~Rosemarie Soehngen (grandmother of Kristijan Soehngen)  
~Linda Adkins  
~Linda Locatelli (family member of Judy Pierce)  
~Max and Tootie Blake (friends of Lois Haines)

*Love and sympathy are extended to the family of Bob Shelton. Bob  
was a long-time friend of Becky and Ed Baugher.*

*The Elders respectfully request that prayer concerns be updated  
every two weeks by calling the office (798-4520) or emailing  
admin@slashcc.org*