

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Worship Team ~ Elder: Claudia Wells **Worship Leader:** Trey Chouinard **Diaconate:** Debbie Bradley, Kedric Griffin, Laryssa Smith, Tristan Goodman

The **Elder on Call for January** is Sandra Loving (804-307-6864). **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: "Jesus Is Baptized"; Mark 1:9-11

The **Elder/Diaconate training** will follow worship today.

Youth Group will meet this evening from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.

Choir practice is Tuesday this week. Please note the change of day!

The January Board Meeting is next Sunday after worship.

Meals on Wheels: sign-up to deliver meals in **2026** on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month. The sheet is on the Disciples Women bulletin board.

Boxed sets of offering envelopes for those of you that use them are on the back table. If you pick up a box, please print your name on the list so that the office can give you credit for your giving.

The **2026 flower chart** is posted by the office door. Please fill out an order form and submit it to the office. Flowers are \$27.00 with checks made payable to Slash.

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.



Please update your **Covenant giving** on Engage to the **2026 Covenant Giving** button. If you changed your offering amount for 2026, please be sure to update it on Engage.

Opportunities for Service and Fellowship:

Today: Fellowship Café - 8:45 a.m.
Sunday School - 9:00 a.m.
One Worship - 10:00 a.m.
Elder/Deacon Training - 11:00 a.m.
Youth Group - 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.
Monday: Fellowship & Prayer - 10:00 a.m.
Tuesday: Men's breakfast at McDonald's - 8:00 a.m.
Choir - 7:00 p.m.
Saturday: Camp Directors Training in Conference Room - 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
Guests in Fellowship Hall - 10 a.m. to 3:00 p.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.



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Kathleen Prettyman, Office Administrator

Julie Matthews, Nursery Attendant

Rev. Frances Stanley, Associate Minister

Rev. Don Richardson, Minister Emeritus

Sunday Schedule

8:45 a.m. Fellowship Café

9:00 a.m. Sunday School

10:00 a.m. ONE Worship

~ 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.

**Slash Christian Church
(Disciples of Christ)
Worship ~ 10:00 a.m.
January 11, 2026**

PRAISE AND PRAYER

* Please stand as you are able.

Bold type indicates congregational response.

Prelude *"This Is My Father's World"*

Welcome and Announcements Trey Chouinard

*Hymns *"God of Wonders"*
 "Good Good Father"

*Call to Worship

One: Hear the good news! Anyone in Christ is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come. We are called to peace and to live as one body in Christ!

Many: Amen! Let us worship God in wonder and joy!

One: Today we celebrate Christ's special care, appointing some for ministry and equipping all for service. Let us praise God for building up Slash Church.

Many: To God be the glory for building up his church!

Come, let us worship God together!

*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

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

Joys and Concerns Rev. Weeks
Prayer

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

Scripture Ephesians 4:11-13 Pew Bible pg. 1019

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

Sermon "Better Leadership" Rev. Weeks

Service of Ordination ~Trey Chouinard, Elder

Congregational Affirmation

All: Reaffirming our faith that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, we gladly receive Trey Chouinard as Elder. We covenant to support him with our prayers, encouragement, and respect. We celebrate his ministries. Praise be to God.

Service of Installation ~ 2026 Leadership Community

Congregational Affirmation

All: We will.

*Invitation Hymn *"Here I Am, Lord"* CH # 452
(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 *"Because He Lives"* CH # 562

Prayers for the Bread and Cup
(All are welcome. Please take the bread and cup in unison.)

TAKING GOD'S LOVE INTO THE WORLD

*Closing *"All the Way My Savior Leads Me"* CH # 559

*Benediction Rev. Weeks

Choral Benediction *"Let the Whole Creation Cry"* v. 1 CH # 21

*Postlude

LIFTING UP IN PRAYER

The flowers today are given in memory of William Gordon Wells Jr. , by his wife, Claudia, his sons Nat and James, his stepdaughter, Brooke, and his five grandchildren. He has been dearly missed for the last ten years!

Concerns

~All those in Ukraine, Gaza, and Israel

~All military personnel

The People

~Homebound: Don & Helen Kersey, Frank Burkett, Teresa Manahan

~Bobby Monk (friend of Julie Matthews)

~Andy Anderson (friends of the Baughers)

~Jonathan and William Davis (requested by Julie Matthews)

~Gail Hellermann

~William Guyton (cousin of Claudia Wells and Julie Matthews)

~Keri Anne West (friend of the Matassas)

~Joey Menditto (neighbor of Ed and Becky Baugher)

~Jim Slater (brother-in-law of Ed Baugher)

~Shirley Hodges (friend of the Weeks)

~Reid Bare (friend of Amanda Matassa)

~Carolee Duncan (friend of Lois Haines)

~Terri Ellis (co-worker of Lois Haines)

~Jeannette Williams

~Bob Raiford (father of Michelle Weeks)

~Dorothy Neill (friend of Alan Goodman)

~Betsy Murdock (sister of Nancy Murdock)

~Eunice Tatman (friend of Jessica Colbert)

~Clint Penley (son of Pat Penley)

~Rosemarie Soehngen (grandmother of Kristijan Soehngen)

~Linda Adkins

~Linda Locatelli (family member of Judy Pierce)

~Max and Tootie Blake (friends of Lois Haines)

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