

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Worship Team ~ Elder:** Claudia Wells **Worship Leader:** Amanda Matassa **Diaconate:** Sherri Beth Smith, Will Smith, Maggie Chouinard, Keith Dalton

**The Elder on Call for May** is Joey Oliva (804-916-0355).

**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 Appears to His Disciples"; John 21:1-13

**Summer schedule: June 7- August 23;** There will be no Café and no regular Sunday School classes. All are invited to attend the Fellowship Class at 9:00 a.m. One Worship with nursery and Children Worship & Wonder will be at 10:00 a.m.

May is **Church World Service Blanket Month.** Please make your check payable to the Disciple Women and place it in the offering plate.

There will be **Acolyte Training** during Sunday School on May 24<sup>th</sup>. The **Mission Trip** meeting will be on May 24<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 a.m.

The **Clay Springs Ruritan Club** would like to offer a scholarship to a graduating high school senior. If you would like to apply, please submit a brief letter of including the following: Your name, school you will be attending, your major or interest and why you benefit from this scholarship. Please email the church office, [admin@slashcc.org](mailto:admin@slashcc.org), no later than May 15<sup>th</sup>. Letters will be forwarded to the Club.

The **May Board Meeting** is Sunday the 17<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 a.m. **Youth Group** will meet on Sunday the 17<sup>th</sup> from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.

The **Pentecost Special Offering** will be received on May 17 and 24.

**Celebrate our Graduates** on Sunday, May 17<sup>th</sup>. We will honor two high school graduates, two college graduates and one Master's degree graduate during worship. If you would like your loved one to be recognized please contact us at the church office.

**Tuesday Spring Bible Study** continues through May 19. See details in Monday's newsletter to order the book.

**The 2026 flower chart** is posted by the office door. If you would like to put flowers in church in memory or in honor of a loved one, please fill out an order form and submit it to the office. Flowers are \$27.00 with checks made payable to Slash. **The next available dates are May 24 and 31.**

**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.**



## **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:** Men's Breakfast at McDonald's - 8:00 a.m.  
Bible Study in Conference Room - 10:00 a.m.

**Wednesday:** Choir - 7:00 p.m.

**Saturday:** Weeding - 9:00 to 11:00 a.m.  
Disciple Women - 10:00 a.m.

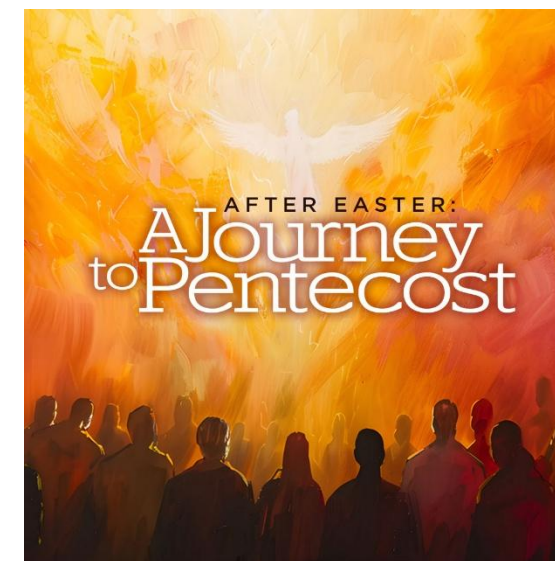
**Sunday:** Fellowship Café - 8:45 a.m.  
Sunday School - 9:00 a.m.  
One Worship - 10:00 a.m.  
Board Meeting - 11:00 a.m.  
Youth Group - 5:00 p.m.

**Slash Christian Church**  
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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.  
May 10, 2026

**PRAISE AND PRAYER**

\* Please stand as you are able.

**Bold** type indicates congregational response.

Prelude "Praise Him! Praise Him!"

Welcome and Announcements Amanda Matassa

\*Hymns "Holy Is the Lord God Almighty"  
"Holy Forever"

\*Call to Worship (inspired by Acts 1)  
One: The Risen Lord has ascended to the right hand of the Father.  
**Many: We do not stand gazing at the clouds but look toward the work ahead.**  
One: We are not left alone, for the promise of the Spirit is our strength.  
**Many: We are common people, called to do uncommon things in God's name.**  
One: From our doorsteps in this community to the very ends of the earth,  
**Many: We come to be equipped as witnesses of His love and grace.**

\*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 "How Great Thou Art / How Great Is Our God" Choir

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

Joys and Concerns Rev. Weeks  
Mother's Day Recognition  
Prayer

**PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD**

Scripture Acts 1:1-11 Pew Bible pg. 947  
Leader: The word of God for the people of God  
People: Thanks be to God

Sermon "The Ascension: A Call to Witness" Rev. Weeks

\*Invitation Hymn "Spirit Song"  
(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 "We Come as Guests Invited" CH # 386  
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 "Let the Whole Creation Cry" CH # 21

\*Benediction Rev. Weeks

Choral Benediction  
"Come and Find the Quiet Center" v. 1 CH # 575

\*Postlude

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**LIFTING UP IN PRAYER**

*The flowers today are given to the glory of God and in loving memory and with great appreciation for our wonderful mothers, Doris West and Carolyn Nash*

Concerns  
~All those in Middle East, Ukraine, Gaza, and Israel  
~All military personnel

The People  
~Homebound: Don & Helen Kersey, Frank Burkett, Jeannette Williams, Jim Slater, Barbara Stanley

~Catherine Young  
~Don Moore  
~Teresa Manahan  
~Gail Hellermann  
~Mandy Garrison (granddaughter of Linda Slater)  
~Brooken Loving (respiratory infection)  
~Shepherd Raso (friend of Carolyn Putnam)  
~Ed Swim (father of Morgan Abbate)  
~Ike and Donna Roister (friends of Lois Haines)  
~Jimmy Payne (father-in-law of Carol Payne)  
~Helen Robertson (mother of Torrie Goodman)  
~Russell Stephens (brother-in-law of Torrie Goodman)  
~Deepak (friend of Michael Peterman)  
~Kristy Weber and parents (niece of Julie and Michael Peterman)  
~Johnnie Cunningham (friend of Torrie Goodman)  
~Brittany Armentrout (friend of Laryssa Smith)  
~Joey Menditto (neighbor of Ed and Becky Baugher)  
~Carolee Duncan (friend of Lois Haines)  
~Bob Raiford (father of Michelle Weeks)  
~Dorothy Neill (friend of Alan Goodman)  
~Rosemarie Soehngen (grandmother of Kristijan Soehngen)  
~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*