## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Worship Team ~ Elder: Carolyn Putnam Worship Leader: Joey Oliva Diaconate: Trey Chouinard, Avery Pierce

The **Elder on Call for March** is Reggie Martin (804-746-2446). **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:** "The Way to Jerusalem: Jesus the King"; John 12:12-13

The **March Board Meeting** is today at 4:00 p.m.

The 2024 College Scholarship application with instructions will be available on a link in Monday's newsletter and on our website. Applications are due by noon on April 8, 2024. Contact Kristen Wilton, chairperson, or the office with any questions.

The **Easter Special Offering** will be received on March 24 and 31. Your generosity is appreciated.

Please welcome Julie Matthews, our new nursery caregiver.



Help update the **Middle School classroom** by using this QR code or the link in the Monday newsletter. Thanks for your support.

Join us tonight at 5:00 p.m. for the **Brown Bag Lent Bible Study** on the Gospel of Luke. Bring your dinner, Bible and the book by Adam Hamilton on Luke if you have purchased one.

**Join us in celebrating Cynthia Bremner** today after worship in the Fellowship Hall. Please shower Cynthia and Matthew with your best wishes.

**Pastor's class** meets on Wednesdays from 4:15 to 5:15 p.m. through **March 27**. Contact Rev. Michael for more information.

Volunteer Opportunity details are in your Monday newsletter! SEVATruckRVA kitchen volunteers 18 years and older. Meals on Wheels sign-up to deliver meals in 2024 on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays of each month. April driver needed.

**2024 Flower Chart** is posted by the office. Please fill out an order form and submit it to the office. Flowers are \$27.00 with checks made payable to Slash Christian Church. The next available dates are May 5, 19 and 26.

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.

Guests in Fellowship Hall - 11:00 a.m.

Board Meeting - 4:00 p.m. Bible Study - 5:00 p.m.

Monday: Fellowship & Prayer - 10:00 a.m.

Wednesday: Pastor's Class - 4:15 p.m.

Sunday:

Choir - 7:00 p.m.

Fellowship Café - 8:45 a.m.

Sunday School - 9:00 a.m. One Worship - 10:00 a.m. Youth Group - 5:00 p.m. Bible Study - 5:00 p.m.

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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 Worship ~ 10:00 a.m. March 17, 2024

# **PRAISE AND PRAYER**

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

Prelude "He Leadeth Me"

Welcome and Announcements Joey Oliva

Hymns "You Are Holy (Prince of Peace)"

"Good to Me"

\*Call to Worship (inspired by Ezekiel 37, John 11)

One: Coming together for worship,

Many: God bids us to celebrate a day full of new

possibilities.

One: Coming with our breath taken away by grief,

Many: the Holy Spirit breathes new life into us, renewing

our connection with God and each other.

One: Coming to worship seeking a hope that will endure,

Many: Christ raises us up, speaking in word and sacrament, and building community for holy

service.

\*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

Children's Sermon

"Glory Be to the Father"

CH # 36

Choir

Anthem "Invitation to the Cross"

Rev. Weeks

Children depart for Worship & Wonder

Joys and Concerns

Rev. Weeks

# PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

Scripture

John 11:1-45

Pew Bible pg. 934

Leader: The word of God for the people of God

People: Thanks be to God

Sermon "Our Greatest Hope"

Rev. Weeks

Rev. Weeks

\*Invitation Hymn "Rise Up"

(If you wish to make Jesus your Savior or transfer your membership, come forward at this time.)

Offering Invitation

\*Presenting Our Gifts

\*Offertory Prayer

# **CELEBRATING THE LORD'S SUPPER**

Invitation
Communion Hymn

"Eat This Bread"

<u>CH</u> # 414

Rev. Weeks

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

"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" vs. 1, 3, 4, 5 CH # 25

\*Benediction

Rev. Weeks

\*Choral Benediction "The Blood Will Never Lose Its Power"

\*Postlude

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# **LIFTING UP IN PRAYER**

The flowers today are given in gratitude to the amazing Glory, Power, Forgiveness, and Mercy of God on this 10-year anniversary of my "Profession of Faith" by Don Moore.

#### 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 those who are sick and suffering the effects of Covid-19
- ~All military personnel, first responders, medical personnel, and their families

#### The People

- ~Assisted Living: Doris Talley
- ~Homebound: Margaret Gentry, Don & Helen Kersey, Frank Burkett
- ~Delilah Kliner (friend of Julie Moore)
- ~Laurie Davis (cousin of Claudia Wells and Julie Matthews)
- ~Dean Cheatham (friend of Kerby Dalton)
- ~Jackie Smith (sister of Don Kersey)
- ~Allyson Griffith (stepsister of Rebecca Highfield)
- ~Christopher Reimann (friend of Keith Dalton)
- ~Scott Woody (friend of Chad Pierce)
- ~Max Blake and Brian Parker (friends of Lois Haines)
- ~Michael Estes (friend of Carol Payne)
- ~Al Gregory (Frances Stanley's brother's father-in-law)
- ~Ralph Stanley
- ~Killian (nephew of Mark Highfield)
- ~Jen Cooper (sister of Becky Baugher)
- ~Sherry Rhinehart (friend of Claudia Wells)
- ~Stephen Harlow (friend of Barbara Davis)
- ~Sue Goodman Franz
- ~Wally and Gina Thurston (friends of Jessica Colbert)
- ~Tallulah Heatley (friend of Michelle Weeks)
- ~Unspoken prayer concerns

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

<sup>\*</sup>Opening Prayer