

Today in the fellowship hall, join us as we continue our worship series, *Outside My Own Little World*. The message this Sunday is, “keep the main thing the main thing!” We all question at times, “Who am I? What am I here on this earth to do?” With our busy lifestyle, we can get distracted and pulled in many directions. This week we affirm our own individual purpose in the light of who God calls us to be. What is our personal vision statement? Who are we as a church? We affirm our identity as disciples of the One who embodied the Greater Purpose.

Romans 12:1-8 The Message (MSG)

¹⁻² So here’s what I want you to do, God helping you: Take your everyday, ordinary life—your sleeping, eating, going-to-work, and walking-around life—and place it before God as an offering. Embracing what God does for you is the best thing you can do for him. Don’t become so well-adjusted to your culture that you fit into it without even thinking. Instead, fix your attention on God. You’ll be changed from the inside out. Readily recognize what he wants from you, and quickly respond to it. Unlike the culture around you, always dragging you down to its level of immaturity, God brings the best out of you, develops well-formed maturity in you.

³ I’m speaking to you out of deep gratitude for all that God has given me, and especially as I have responsibilities in relation to you. Living then, as every one of you does, in pure grace, it’s important that you not misinterpret yourselves as people who are bringing this goodness to God. No, God brings it all to you. The only accurate way to understand ourselves is by what God is and by what he does for us, not by what we are and what we do for him.

⁴⁻⁶ In this way we are like the various parts of a human body. Each part gets its meaning from the body as a whole, not the other way around. The body we’re talking about is Christ’s body of chosen people. Each of us finds our meaning and function as a part of his body. But as a chopped-off finger or cut-off toe we wouldn’t amount to much, would we? So since we find ourselves fashioned into all these excellently formed and marvelously functioning parts in Christ’s body, let’s just go ahead and be what we were made to be, without enviously or pridefully comparing ourselves with each other, or trying to be something we aren’t.

⁶⁻⁸ If you preach, just preach God’s Message, nothing else; if you help, just help, don’t take over; if you teach, stick to your teaching; if you give encouraging guidance, be careful that you don’t get bossy; if you’re put in charge, don’t manipulate; if you’re called to give aid to people in distress, keep your eyes open and be quick to respond; if you work with the disadvantaged, don’t let yourself get irritated with them or depressed by them. Keep a smile on your face.

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You will find the words and responses on the screens during the Contemporary worship service. The general order we follow each Sunday is:

- Gathering:** Praise Songs and Greeting
- God’s Word:** Scripture and Message
- Gratitude:** Offering and Prayer
- Going:** Praise Song and Sending



Songs in Today’s Service: *Our God* by Chris Tomlin; *Forevermore* by Jesus Culture; *Our God Reigns* by Jesus Culture; *Sing Sing Sing* by Chris Tomlin; *God Side of Life* by Delayne Chowen

These and other praise songs may be found on PER 90.5 FM. Listening will improve your week.

We are building our contemporary worship team. If you would like to sing, play, or be part of our audio/visual team, please contact Brian Mahne at bmahne@shadygroveumc.net.

Building Committee Update

On Monday, January 8, Church Council and the Building Committee met to continue the discussion of the proposed scope and cost of our building expansion.

During that discussion, the group intentionally reviewed:

- the history of the master plan for the Shady Grove campus,
- the steps that led us to the current design,
- the need for balance between worship, education, and fellowship, and
- how our building structures may facilitate or discourage participation in the balance of worship, education, and fellowship.

The consensus of the assembled group was to press forward with the building expansion. However, before making a final recommendation to the church, the Building Committee has been asked to meet with our architect and general contractor to:

- explore several value engineering opportunities, and
- review the design to ensure that we build what is necessary to enable the discipleship building process, pursue a culture of connection of relationships and balanced discipleship, and grow a greater sense of excellence.

The Building Committee is working diligently to complete this interim work and report to Council at their January 23 meeting.



Sunday 1/14

- Regular Worship Schedule
- Testify Rehearsal (FH) 9:30-10:30 am
- Girl Scout Troop 3007 (EB 201) 3:00-4:30 pm
- Praise Kids (Sanctuary) 4:15-5:00 pm
- G-3 (Chapel Bldg.) 5:00-6:00 pm
- Middle School Large Group (DOG House) 6:00-7:00 pm
- High School Large Group (DOG House) 7:30-8:30 pm

Monday 1/15

- Children’s and Family Ministry Tubing Trip (Massanutten) 9:00 am
- Girl Scout Troop 5366 (EB 209) 6:15-8:00 pm
- Finance Committee Meeting (Library) 6:30-8:00 pm

Tuesday 1/16

- Staff Meeting (Church Office) 10:00-11:30 am
- Preschool Board Meeting (Library) 7:00-9:00 pm

Wednesday 1/17

- Bistro (FH) 5:15-6:15 pm
- Faith Care Infant/Toddler Nursery (EB 111) 6:15-7:15 pm
- Little Hands – Twos (EB 105) 6:15-7:15 pm
- Bible Zone grades 1-5 (EB 209) 6:15-7:15 pm
- SonShine Singers (Sanctuary) 6:15-6:45 pm
- Sprouts – Threes to Fives (EB 106) 6:45-7:15 pm
- Youth Small Group (DOG House) 6:15-7:15 pm
- Rowdy MOMs (EB 207) 6:15-7:15 pm
- Connection Group (EB 206) 6:15-7:15 pm
- NEW! Disciple Fast Track (EB 201) 6:15-7:15 pm
- Disciple Fast Track II (EB 203) 6:30-7:30 pm
- Testify Rehearsal (FH) 7:15-8:15 pm
- Sanctuary Choir (Sanctuary) 7:15-8:45 pm
- Meditation with Kate (Library) 7:30-8:15 pm

Thursday 1/18

- UMM Bible Study (DOG House) 6:45-7:45 am
- SGUMC Book Club (Library) 6:00-7:30 pm
- Boy Scouts – Troop 735 (FH) 7:00-9:00 pm

Friday 1/19

- Middle School Breakfast (Chick-fil-A) 7:20 am
- Women’s Bible Study (Chapel Bldg., C-2) 9:45-11:00 am

Saturday 1/20

- Dinners for Eight (Home of the Thompsons) 6:00-8:00 pm

Sunday 1/21

- Regular Worship Schedule
- Testify Rehearsal (FH) 9:30-10:30 am
- Lunch with the Pastors (FH) 12:15-1:30 pm
- Praise Kids (Sanctuary) 4:15-5:00 pm
- G-3 (Chapel Bldg.) 5:00-6:00 pm
- Middle School Large Group (DOG House) 6:00-7:00 pm
- High School Large Group (DOG House) 7:30-8:30 pm

Will you be loyal to Shady Grove United Methodist Church and uphold your church by your prayers, your presence, your gifts, your service, and your witness?

The church finances are updated monthly on the website, www.shadygroveumc.net/finance, and include finance committee perspectives. We encourage you to review routinely to glean insights on both the operating budget and debt management. Hard copies are available upon request.

ATTENDANCE for 1/7/2018

8:15	9:30	11:00	Cont.	Total	SS	COW
22	141	104	100	367	100	22



Sunday, January 14, 2018

THIS WEEK AT SHADY GROVE

Shady Grove United Methodist Church Short Pump
 4825 Pouncey Tract Road
 Glen Allen VA 23059
 (804)360-2600
www.shadygroveumc.net

Regular Sunday Schedule

<u>8:15 am</u>	
Traditional Worship	Sanctuary
<u>9:30 am</u>	
Informal Traditional Worship	Sanctuary
Nursery Faith Care (infants-age 2)	Education Building
3 Years-5th Grade Sunday School	Education Building
Youth Sunday School	Chapel Building
Adult Sunday School	Chapel Building
<u>11:00 am</u>	
Informal Traditional Worship	Sanctuary
Contemporary Worship	Fellowship Hall
Nursery Faith Care (infants-age 2)	Education Building
Children’s Own Worship	Chapel



Announcements for January 14, 2018

We are glad you are here. It is our hope that you will find our worship meaningful and life-giving. If you are searching for a church home or are interested in learning more about Shady Grove UMC, we invite you to attend our next "Lunch with the Pastors" on Sunday, January 21, from 12:15 to 1:30 pm. To RSVP for lunch, please stop by the welcome center today, call the church office at 360-2600, or email Debbie Hockemeyer at dhockemeyer@shadygroveumc.net.

TODAY

We continue our worship series, *Outside My Own Little World*. Some days it feels overwhelming to care for our own. On top of that, it can feel overwhelming to care for our neighbors and share God's love in the world. It's easy to lose our sense of purpose. Matthew West's song *My Own Little World* encourages us to move from our "own little world" to be the hands and feet of Christ. How do we find our purpose personally and as a church? The message this Sunday is, "keep the main thing!" We all question at times, "Who am I? What am I here on this earth to do?" With our busy lifestyle, we can get distracted and pulled in many directions. This week we affirm our own individual purpose in the light of who God calls us to be. What is our personal vision statement? Who are we as a church? We affirm our identity as disciples of the One who embodied the Greater Purpose.

Gift Cards to Benefit Youth Ministry – Be sure to check out the gift card table on Sunday mornings in the sanctuary foyer or download an order form from www.shadygroveumc.net/youth-documents to see many other cards you can purchase. Questions? Contact Frank Basil at youth@shadygroveumc.net.

THIS WEEK

Join us Wednesday nights at Shady Grove Bistro – Dinner is served 5:15 to 6:15 pm in the fellowship hall. RSVP on our website, www.shadygroveumc.net/shady-grove-bistro or call 360-3907, ext. 46 by noon Tuesdays. Adults: \$7, Child: \$3, Family (parents & children): \$20. Menu for January 17 – not available at time of print.

NEW! Wednesday Night Disciple Fast Track started January 10, 2018 from 6:15-7:15 pm in education building room 201. This NEW meeting time of the long-term study maintains the integrity and principles of the original Disciple Bible Study, but it is modified to better meet the needs of a hectic world. By reading 15-20 minutes every day, you can study the Bible from Genesis to Revelation in 24 weeks! FREE STUDY MANUALS PROVIDED!!! Contact: Cassandra Isley, ctis5@verizon.net. It is not too late to jump in. Email Cassandra your interest and she can send you a digital copy of Chapter 1.

Join SGUMC's Book Club in THE CHURCH LIBRARY on the second floor of the education building this **Thursday, January 18** from 6:00 to 7:30 pm. There is still time to read the funny and engaging *7: An Experimental Mutiny Against Excess* by Jen Hatmaker. The next book for Thursday, February 15, is *Woman of God* by James Patterson and Maxine Paetro. Email Dana Kelley with questions, musicadmin@shadygroveumc.net.

Friday Women's Bible Study – All women are invited to join the Friday Women's Bible study as we begin a new book in January. Pastor Beanie will lead a study of *Set Apart: Holy Habits of Prophets and Kings* by Jessica LaGrone. This study on 1 and 2 Kings "examines six holy habits of Old Testament prophets and kings who were set apart by their close walk with God . . . being consecrated (devoted) to God; listening to God; mentoring; practicing humility; worshiping God; and, discovering God's word." The group meets at 9:45-11:00 am in Chapel Hall. Questions? Contact Debbie Hockemeyer at dhockemeyer@shadygroveumc.net or 360-2600, ext. 43.

COMING UP

Gideon's Call – This men's vocal ensemble will be singing in worship Sunday, February 4. The **next rehearsal is Wednesday, January 24** from 6:15-7:15 pm in the education building, room 204. The final rehearsal is January 31 from 6:15-7:15 pm and will be held in the sanctuary. Boys in grades 9-12 and interested men are encouraged to join us and participate in this ministry opportunity. We will be singing the song *By Our Love* by Mary McDonald. Contact Sylvia Cooper at scooper@shadygroveumc.net for more information.

Happy New Year! This month, Knitting and Crochet Ministry meets Thursday, January 25, at 7:00 pm, at Elaine Ratliff's home, 5009 Belmont Park Road, Glen Allen. We stitch shawls, scarves, and hats to share God's love. Your willingness to knit or crochet is all you need to join us. We will have the equipment available for you to learn! For those at home, let Margaret know if you want to add a stitched item to our ministry! Reach Margaret Phillips at phillips.mwphillips@gmail.com or 527-7857.

Please Give Blood! Shady Grove UMC Blood Drive is rescheduled for Sunday, January 28, from 8:00 am to 12:15 pm, stop by the Bloodmobile. Contact: Kelly Wood at 439-3432. Sign up online at <https://vador.org>. Appointments preferred. Walk-ins welcome.

Agape Ringers – We welcome children in grades 1-5 to join the Agape Ringers. Rehearsals **begin January 28** and continue each Sunday afternoon. We meet in the education building, room 204, from 3:30-4:15 pm. This year we will ring once a month at both the 9:30 and 11:00 am services: February 18, March 18, and April 29. This ensemble is in addition to the Praise Kids (grades 1-5) and meets right before Praise Kids (Sundays from 4:15-5:00 pm). The ministry includes singing, playing Orff instruments and hand chimes. Contact Sylvia Cooper at scooper@shadygroveumc.net.

COMPASS: FINDING DIRECTION AT SHADY GROVE *What do Christians believe about God? Who are Methodists? Are they different from other Christians? When will I learn to open the Bible with confidence? How do I help others the way Jesus did? Could I make time for God everyday? What are my gifts and talents for serving others? Where do I fit in at Shady Grove?* We've all asked ourselves some version of these questions at moments of our lives. We would like to invite you to discover some of the answers with a NEW small group experience. Whether you are new to the church and looking to get connected or a familiar face looking to take your commitment to the next level (or somewhere in-between!), this group is for you. A guide will lead you through this adventure, searching for answers from within yourself with the help of United Methodist resources. Sundays, 9:30-10:30 am, February 4-March 25, education building room 201. Please contact Lauren Adkins if you are interested in learning more about this journey, ladkins@shadygroveumc.net.

2018 Lenten Sermon Series, Church-wide Study and Devotional: This Lent we will retrace the life and ministry of Jesus Christ with a 6-week church-wide study of Adam Hamilton's *The Way*. There will again be an offering of multiple meeting times throughout the week to discuss the weekly readings from the study book, *The Way* (\$5), and watch the engaging videos of Hamilton in the Holy Land, walking in the steps of Christ. *The Way: 40 Days of Reflection* (\$5) is a daily devotional Hamilton wrote to further enhance your Lenten experience. Meeting times include:

- MEN'S Thursday Morning, 6:45-7:45 am, DOG House, starting February 15, 2018
- WOMEN'S Friday Morning, 9:45-11:00 am, C-2 Chapel Building, starting February 16, 2018
- Sunday Mornings, 9:30-10:30 am, C-3 Chapel Building, starting February 18, 2018
- WOMEN'S Sunday Evening, 5:00-6:00 pm, C-3 Chapel Building, starting February 18, 2018
- Wednesday Evening, 6:15-7:15 pm, room 203 education building, February 21, 2018

If you are interested in joining/leading a group through this study or purchasing books, please contact Lauren Adkins at ladkins@shadygroveumc.net. **Why give something up for Lent? Why not try something new?**

Sign up now to serve with the Appalachia Service Project in Brenton, WV, Monday, April 2 - Friday, April 6, 2018. Expected cost is \$410-425. Financial aid is available. Youth age 16 and older with a parent and all adults are invited to serve. Contact for the trip is Mark Tuttle, mark987@hushmail.com or 382-6826.

Connection Group Discussion Questions

For the week of January 14, 2018

Romans 12:1-8

These questions are to be used as a spring board for discussion. Answers may or may not be found in the sermons.

1. What does it mean to be a holy and living sacrifice?
2. If your life is a sacrifice to God, how would it be different from the world's values?
3. Some parts of life may seem mundane. How is it possible to dedicate them to God?
4. How do you recognize, explore, and claim your gifts from God?
5. If someone has different gifts than you do, how do you work together so that it is beneficial for all?
6. What does it mean to be the body of Christ at Shady Grove UMC?
7. If you were to create a statement of your life's purpose in light of your gifts and God's call on your life, what elements would be key? Try writing your purpose.

We pray for the written and unwritten prayers received through the Prayer Request Cards.

