

Today in the fellowship hall, join us as we begin our worship series, *The Way*. The message this Sunday is, *The Water and the Wilderness*. Have you ever wondered why Jesus, who was sinless, asked to be baptized by John. It might surprise you. It surprised John. And from there he was led to the wilderness to fast for 40 days and battle temptation. Sounds like a human struggle, not a struggle for the Son of God. Yet Emmanuel, God with us, identifies with our struggles and stands where we stand. He walks where we walk. Does that give you comfort?

Mark 1:9-13; Matthew 4:1-11 Common English Bible (CEB)

⁹About that time, Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee, and John baptized him in the Jordan River. ¹⁰While he was coming up out of the water, Jesus saw heaven splitting open and the Spirit, like a dove, coming down on him. ¹¹And there was a voice from heaven: "You are my Son, whom I dearly love; in you I find happiness." ¹²At once the Spirit forced Jesus out into the wilderness. ¹³He was in the wilderness for forty days, tempted by Satan. He was among the wild animals, and the angels took care of him. ~Mark 1:9-13

¹Then the Spirit led Jesus up into the wilderness so that the devil might tempt him. ²After Jesus had fasted for forty days and forty nights, he was starving. ³The tempter came to him and said, "Since you are God's Son, command these stones to become bread." ⁴Jesus replied, "It's written, *People won't live only by bread, but by every word spoken by God.*" ⁵After that the devil brought him into the holy city and stood him at the highest point of the temple. He said to him, ⁶"Since you are God's Son, throw yourself down; for it is written, *I will command my angels concerning you, and they will take you up in their hands so that you won't hit your foot on a stone.*" ⁷Jesus replied, "Again it's written, *Don't test the Lord your God.*" ⁸Then the devil brought him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory. ⁹He said, "I'll give you all these if you bow down and worship me." ¹⁰Jesus responded, "Go away, Satan, because it's written, *You will worship the Lord your God and serve only him.*" ¹¹The devil left him, and angels came and took care of him. ~Matthew 4:1-11

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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
- Gratitude:** Offering and Prayer
- God's Word:** Scripture and Message
- Going:** Praise Song and Sending



Songs in Today's Service: *The Way* by Worship Central
I Will Follow by Chris Tomlin
Oceans by Hillsong
Flood by Jars of Clay

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.

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 2/11/2018

8:15	9:30	11:00	Cont.	Total	SS	COW
36	152	156	61	405	113	15

Sunday 2/18

- Regular Worship Schedule
- Testify Rehearsal (FH) 9:30-10:30 am
- The Way* Bible Study (Chapel Bldg., C-3) 9:30-10:30 am
- G-3 (Chapel Bldg.) 5:00-6:00 pm
- The Way* Women/Rowdy MOMs Bible Study (Chapel Bldg., C-3) 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 2/19

- CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED
- Preschool Snow Makeup Day (EB) 9:00 am-12:00 noon
- Finance Committee Meeting (Library) 6:30-8:00 pm

Tuesday 2/20

- Preschool Chapel (Sanctuary) 9:30-10:00 am
- Staff Meeting (Church Office) 10:00-11:30 am
- CCC Manager's Meeting (DOG House) 12:00-2:30 pm
- CARITAS Training (Sanctuary) 6:00-7:00 pm

Wednesday 2/21

- Preschool Chapel (Sanctuary) 10:30-11:30 am
- Youth Sponsored Spaghetti Dinner (FH) 5:00-7:00 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 (EB 106) 6:15-6:45 pm
- Sprouts – Threes to Fives (EB 106) 6:45-7:15 pm
- Rowdy MOMs (EB 207) 6:15-7:15 pm
- NEW! Disciple Fast Track (EB 201) 6:15-7:15 pm
- The Way* Bible Study (EB 203) 6:15-7:15 pm
- Disciple Fast Track II (EB 202) 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 2/22

- The Way* UMM Bible Study (DOG House) 6:45-7:45 am
- Girl Scout Troop 5704 (EB 203) 5:30-7:30 pm
- Bentley Community Annual Meeting (EB 201) 6:00-8:00 pm
- Richmond Christian Singles Bible Study (EB 206) 7:00-8:30 pm
- Boy Scouts – Troop 735 (FH) 7:00-9:00 pm
- Knitting and Crochet Ministry (Home of Elaine Ratliff) 7:00-9:00 pm

Friday 2/23

- High School Breakfast (Chick-fil-A) 7:45 am
- The Way* Women's Bible Study (Chapel Bldg., C-2) 9:45-11:00 am
- Girl Scout Troop 408 (EB 106) 2:40-4:00 pm

Saturday 2/24

- Yard Sale for Short Pump MS TSA Group for American Cancer Society (Front Parking Lot) 8:00 am-12:00 noon

Sunday 2/25

- Regular Worship Schedule
- Confirmation Class (DOG House) 9:00-10:30 am
- Testify Rehearsal (FH) 9:30-10:30 am
- The Way* Bible Study (Chapel Bldg., C-3) 9:30-10:30 am
- Agape Ringers (EB 204) 3:30-4:15 pm
- Praise Kids (Sanctuary) 4:15-5:00 pm
- G-3 (Chapel Bldg.) 5:00-6:00 pm
- The Way* Women/Rowdy MOMs Bible Study (Chapel Bldg., C-3) 5:00-6:00 pm
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Sunday, February 18, 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

- 8:15 am
 Traditional Worship Sanctuary
- 9:30 am
 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
- 11:00 am
 Informal Traditional Worship Sanctuary
 Contemporary Worship Fellowship Hall
 Nursery Faith Care (infants-age 2) *Education Building*
Children's Own Worship Chapel



Announcements for February 18, 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, please stop by the welcome center today, call the church office at 360-2600, or email Debbie Hockemeyer at dhockemeyer@shadygroveumc.net.

TODAY

We begin our Lenten worship series, *The Way*. The message this Sunday is, *The Water and the Wilderness*. Have you ever wondered why Jesus, who was sinless, asked to be baptized by John, and from there he was led to the wilderness to fast for 40 days and battle temptation? Sounds like a human struggle, not a struggle for the Son of God. Yet Emmanuel, God with us, walks where we walk. Does that give you comfort? Consider adding a weekly study or daily devotional to your Lenten journey. For meeting times or to order a book, visit www.shadygroveumc.net/theway. Contact Lauren Adkins at ladkins@shadygroveumc.net.

The Lenten offering will go to support the mission and outreach purposes of Vacation Bible School, Youth Ministry, and the Missions Committee. Please write "Lent" in the memo of your check.

Stewardship 2018: Renew, Recommit, Rejoice! The Stewardship committee would like to THANK YOU for your contributions of time, service, and finances to help our community of faith know and grow in Christ. Through your generosity, we are able to reach our community in meaningful and relevant ways as Jesus touches the world through us. We are grateful for the gifts God has planted in each of you and how we see you sharing those gifts through the ministries at Shady Grove. Thank you to all who made a commitment to our operating fund so far. If you have not turned in your pledge card for 2018, there is still time to do so. Our goal is to get 240 pledges for our operating fund. Our fiscal year for 2018 will run from April 1 to December 31, 2018. We will revert back to a calendar year campaign in 2019. Pledges can be:

- Dropped in the offering plate
- Mailed to the church office
- Made on our website, www.shadygroveumc.net/stewardship2018

Remember pledges can be fulfilled through our e-giving platform, <https://giving.ncsservices.org/g3/>.

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.

Confirmation begins February 25. Register NOW – Confirmation for 7th graders and above begins on Sunday, February 25, and will meet on Sunday mornings in the DOG House from 9:00 to 10:30 am. Weekend retreat will be March 23-25 and youth will be confirmed on Sunday, May 6, at the worship service they prefer to attend. We ask for a donation of \$75 to help cover some of the cost of confirmation expenses. Register by clicking the confirmation registration link at www.shadygroveumc.net/youth.

Interested in a church softball league? We have heard from Joe Truslow of Hunton Baptist Church about reviving the church co-ed softball league. In order to field a SGUMC team, we would need to find a willing leader. If you are that person, please share your interest with Gregg Butler in the church office, gbutler@shadygroveumc.net to learn more details. If you want to join with another church, please contact Joe directly at jtruslow1313@gmail.com or 804-418-8126.

The Caring Clothes Closet is seeking to fill two new volunteer positions: a Retail Manager to oversee the intake and set up of the closet; and, a Volunteer Recruitment Coordinator to oversee the recruitment of new CCC volunteers, including individuals and corporations. Interested in learning more? Contact Sara Fender at sefender@msn.com.

THIS WEEK

CARITAS is coming March 10-17! There are many opportunities to help serve. Sign up to help with CARITAS at www.shadygroveumc.net/caritas. All are encouraged to join us in the sanctuary from 6:00-7:00 pm on **Tuesday, February 20**, for training and information. Training will be repeated on February 28, located TBD. Questions? Contact Melba Gibbs at gibbsm12@gmail.com or Rick Dodge at thedodges4@comcast.net.

Spaghetti Dinner is Wednesday, February 21, from 5:00 to 7:00 pm – Come enjoy Chef Steve's famous spaghetti, salad, bread and don't forget the brownies. No cost or RSVP, donations accepted to support our Rise Against Hunger meal packaging. Invite friends, neighbors, and coworkers for a great meal and fellowship.

Knitting & Crochet Ministry will meet on Thursday, February 22, from 7:00 to 9:00 pm at Elaine Ratliff's home at 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! Margaret Phillips can be reached at phillips.mwphillips@gmail.com or 527-7857.

COMING UP

We welcome children in grades 1-5 to join the Agape Ringers. Rehearsals resume February 25. We meet in the education building, room 204, from 3:30-4:15 pm. This year we continue to ring once a month at both the 9:30 and 11:00 am services: 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 for more information at scooper@shadygroveumc.net.

Bringing Life to Death: Leaving your Legacy Tuesday, February 27, from 6:30 to 8:30 pm, Part 2 in our series presented by Shelby Kirillin and Nicky Hansen in the education building, room 201. How did you feel after reading *Tuesdays with Morrie* or perhaps after watching *The Notebook*? These are examples of people leaving their legacy. No matter your age, all are welcome to come to this workshop to learn how you can leave your legacy for those you love. We will start with a presentation on how we can support ourselves, and others, to have a "good" death, and then we will do journaling and lettering writing exercises. It's never too early to start having these hard talks AND BE PREPARED. We promise you'll be so glad you came! Journals will be provided. \$8 per person/\$15 per couple. RSVP to Shelby Kirillin at shelbyk1021@gmail.com.

Join the UMM for our monthly dinner and meeting on Thursday, March 1, in the fellowship hall. We are excited to welcome C.T. Woody, former Sheriff of the City of Richmond, as our guest speaker for the night. Doors will open at 6:00 pm with dinner being served at 6:30 pm. Chef Mike will be cooking round steaks, baked potatoes, green bean casserole, and apple cake for dinner. Childcare can be provided if needed. Please contact Dave Adkins at adkinsdx@yahoo.com to RSVP by February 27.

Cemetery Arrangement Clean Up – We will be cleaning up arrangements in the cemetery the first week of March. This means that we will be taking away any Christmas, seasonal or damaged arrangements. If you want to salvage any arrangements or containers from a family member's gravesite, please do that **prior to Monday, March 5**. If you have any questions, please contact Chuck Noble at 396-5557 or the church office at 360-2600. Thank you in advance for your help.

Easter Sunday is April 1. Do you love to sing and are looking for a short-term commitment this spring? Come and join the EASTER CELEBRATION CHOIR! Rehearsals are Wednesdays in March **beginning March 7**, from 7:15-8:15 pm in the sanctuary. Our final rehearsal, March 28 (Wednesday) is from 7:15-9:00 pm with our brass quartet. Childcare is available upon request. Contact Sylvia Cooper at scooper@shadygroveumc.net so a packet of music can be made ready for you!

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.

VIM Trip to the Holy Land planned for November – A Volunteers In Mission (VIM) trip to Israel and Palestine will be taking place November 5 - 17, 2018. This experience is sponsored by the Virginia Conference Board of Church and Society and will be led by certified VIM team leaders, the Rev. John Copenhaver and the Rev. Steve Jones. This trip will focus on learning and service with Palestinian Christians and will include visits to religious sites in Jerusalem, Nazareth, Bethlehem, and Hebron. An informational meeting about this trip will take place on Sunday, April 8, 2018 at 3:00 pm at the conference center in Glen Allen. Interested persons should contact either leader; an itinerary and inclusive cost are available. Possible scholarship funds for young adults. Contact John Copenhaver at jcopenha@su.edu or Steve Jones at stevejones@vaumc.org to learn more.

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

