

Today in the fellowship hall, join us as we continue our worship series, *The Way*.  
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Matthew 7:24-29 New International Version (NIV)

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<sup>28</sup> When Jesus had finished saying these things, the crowds were amazed at his teaching, <sup>29</sup> because he taught as one who had authority, and not as their teachers of the law.

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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 Am* by Crowder  
*Let It Echo* by Jesus Culture  
*From This Valley* by The Civil Wars  
*You Are Good* by Jeremy Riddle

*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](mailto: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](http://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 2/25/2018**

8:15	9:30	11:00	Cont.	Total	SS	COW
34	194	129	75	432	144	22

**Sunday 3/4**

- 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
- Children's Council Meeting (Library) 3:30-4:45 pm
- 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
- Middle School Large Group (DOG House) 6:00-7:00 pm
- High School Large Group (DOG House) 7:30-8:30 pm

**Monday 3/5**

- Girl Scout Troop 5366 (EB 209) 6:15-8:00 pm

**Tuesday 3/6**

- Preschool Chapel (Sanctuary) 9:30-10:00 am
- Staff Meeting (Church Office) 10:00-11:30 am
- Avington Community Meeting (EB 203) 6:00-7:00 pm
- Ruritan Board Meeting (EB 201) 7:00-8:30 pm

**Wednesday 3/7**

- Alzheimer's Association Support Group (DOG House) 9:30-11:00 am
- Preschool Chapel (Sanctuary) 10:30-11:30 am
- Soul on Fire* Drama Practice (Sanctuary) 4:30-5:45 pm
- Bistro Dinner (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 & EB 106) 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
- 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
- Jesus Calms the Storm Drama Practice (Sanctuary) 6:30-7:15 pm
- Testify Rehearsal (Sanctuary) 7:15-8:15 pm
- Easter Celebration Choir (Chapel) 7:15-8:15 pm
- Meditation with Kate (Library) 7:30-8:15 pm
- Sanctuary Choir (Sanctuary) 8:15-9:00 pm

**Thursday 3/8**

- The Way* UMM Bible Study (DOG House) 6:45-7:45 am
- Girl Scout Troop 5704 (EB 203) 5:30-7:30 pm
- Richmond Christian Singles Bible Study (EB 206) 7:00-8:30 pm
- Boy Scouts – Troop 735 (FH) 7:00-9:00 pm

**Friday 3/9**

- 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 3/10**

- CARITAS (FH) All Day

**Sunday 3/11**

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- Testify Rehearsal (FH) 9:30-10:30 am
- The Way* Bible Study (Chapel Bldg., C-3) 9:30-10:30 am
- Girl Scout Troop 3007 (EB 201) 3:00-4:30 pm
- Agape Ringers (EB 204) 3:30-4:15 pm
- Praise Kids (Sanctuary) 4:15-5:00 pm
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Sunday, March 4, 2018

**THIS WEEK  
 AT SHADY GROVE**

**Shady Grove  
 United Methodist Church  
 Short Pump**  
 4825 Pouncey Tract Road  
 Glen Allen VA 23059  
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[www.shadygroveumc.net](http://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 March 4, 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](mailto:dhockemeyer@shadygroveumc.net).

### TODAY

**Note: Next Sunday, March 11, we will have combined worship at 11:00 am in the sanctuary**, while our CARITAS guests are in the fellowship hall.

**Scout Sunday** – On this day we celebrate Scouting at Shady Grove with participation at the 11:00 sanctuary service of Troop 735 which is chartered, along with Pack 735, by SGUMC. Several Cub Scout and Girl Scout groups also meet here.

**We continue our Lenten worship series, *The Way***. The message this Sunday is, *It's Here!* What will the kingdom of God be like? When is it coming? Do I have to wait for heaven to experience it? How can I be part of God's kingdom?

**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. 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. Pledges can be:

- Dropped in the offering plate
- Mailed to the church office
- Made on our website, [www.shadygroveumc.net/stewardship2018](http://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](http://www.shadygroveumc.net/youth-documents) to see many other cards you can purchase. Questions? Contact Frank Basil at [youth@shadygroveumc.net](mailto:youth@shadygroveumc.net).

**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.

**Retirement Announcements** – Elena Komarov, Financial Assistant, and Bob Phillips, Organist, have each announced their retirements, to take place in early April. Elena has been employed at Shady Grove for 18 years. Bob has been at Shady Grove for 5 years. If you would like to contribute to a love offering for these faithful servants, please write a check and write Retirement with name(s) in the memo and mail to the church office or put in the offering plate. Questions? Contact David Hollins, Chair of Staff Parish Relations Committee, at [dthollins1@verizon.net](mailto:dthollins1@verizon.net).

**Church Accompanist** – SGUMC is seeking a part-time (10-15 hours per week) Church Accompanist. This position serves under the Minister of Music and Arts and its primary function is to provide music for three Sunday morning worship services, accompany the sanctuary choir, the children and youth choirs, as well as play for special worship services during the year. To apply, please email your resume by Sunday, April 15, to [jobs@shadygroveumc.net](mailto:jobs@shadygroveumc.net). Learn more at [www.shadygroveumc.net/jobs](http://www.shadygroveumc.net/jobs).

### THIS WEEK

**Youth and Children's Spring Musical, *Soul on Fire*, drama practice will begin this Wednesday, March 7**, 4:30-5:45 pm in the sanctuary. Musical rehearsal will begin Wednesday, March 14, at 6:15 pm. For more information contact Jamie Bittner at [jamie.lynn.bittner@gmail.com](mailto:jamie.lynn.bittner@gmail.com). All youth and elementary school kids are encouraged to participate in the music rehearsals.

**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](http://www.shadygroveumc.net/shady-grove-bistro) or call 360-3907, ext. 46 by 2:00 pm Monday. Adults: \$7, Child: \$3, Family (parents & children): \$20. Menu for March 7 – *Princess and the Frog* – seafood gumbo, rice, garden salad, Red Lobster biscuits, bread pudding; kids' menu – fish sticks.

**Easter Sunday is April 1**. Come and join the EASTER CELEBRATION CHOIR! Rehearsals are Wednesdays in March **beginning March 7**, from 7:15-8:15 pm. March 7 we will rehearse in the chapel. Our next three remaining rehearsals will be held 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](mailto:scooper@shadygroveumc.net) so a packet of music can be made ready for you!

**EASTER Banner Processional Opportunity for Children and Youth Easter Sunday, April 1** – Come and join the processional! Carry an Easter banner during the opening and final hymns during one of the 3 sanctuary services on Easter morning. Banner carriers should be in grades 3-12. Participants should attend one rehearsal from 7:00-7:30 pm on Wednesday, March 21 or 28. Please contact Sylvia at [scooper@shadygroveumc.net](mailto:scooper@shadygroveumc.net) by **March 14** if you can participate.

**CARITAS is coming March 10-17!** There are many opportunities to help serve. Sign up at [www.shadygroveumc.net/caritas](http://www.shadygroveumc.net/caritas). Questions? Contact Melba Gibbs at [gibbsm12@gmail.com](mailto:gibbsm12@gmail.com) or Rick Dodge at [thedodges4@comcast.net](mailto:thedodges4@comcast.net).

**School Supply Collection** – SGUMC's Children's and Family Ministries is collecting NEW school supplies during the month of March for local children in need, to be distributed by Butterfly Babies Ministries. Please place donations in the collection boxes located in the education building and fellowship hall. Any new school supplies are appreciated, but the most needed items include: colored pencils, glue sticks, rulers, permanent markers, earbuds, scissors, dry erase markers, post-it notes, highlighters, index cards, loose leaf paper, 2 pocket folders, composition notebooks, hand sanitizer, pop up wipes, pencil boxes/pouches, 2" binders, water color sets, and clipboards. Please email Brandon Harmony with any questions, [tkd.harmony@gmail.com](mailto:tkd.harmony@gmail.com).

### COMING UP

**Betty Fairbanks Circle**: meets on the second Monday of every month at 1:00 pm in room 201 of the education building. Our next meeting will be March 12, 2018. Everyone in the Shady Grove community of faith is welcome to attend. Questions? Contact: [nancyloewe10@comcast.net](mailto:nancyloewe10@comcast.net) or 716-0517.

**Voices of Grace**, a women's vocal ensemble, will sing in worship Sunday, April 15. Rehearsals are March 14, 21, and April 11 from 6:15-7:15 pm in the sanctuary. High school girls in grades 9-12 and all interested women are encouraged to participate in this ministry opportunity. Contact Sylvia Cooper at [scooper@shadygroveumc.net](mailto:scooper@shadygroveumc.net) for more information.

**Bringing Life to Death: Writing Your Vigil – Tuesday, March 20, 6:30-8:30 pm** – Part 3 in our series. We've been writing all of these chapters in our own book of life. Why not write your final one? All are welcome to join us for our final workshop in the series, "Bringing Life to Death". We will talk about what's possible, give examples of what others have done, and allow you time to start writing your own. \$8 per person/\$15 per couple. RSVP to Shelby Kirillin at [shelbyk1021@gmail.com](mailto:shelbyk1021@gmail.com).

**Youth Explosion Choir will hold rehearsals beginning Sunday, March 25**, from 5:00-6:00 pm in the sanctuary. We will not rehearse Easter Sunday, April 1, but will resume rehearsals April 8 and 15. This choir is for youth in grades 6-12. We will be singing in worship April 22. Hope to see you! Contact Sylvia Cooper at [scooper@shadygroveumc.net](mailto:scooper@shadygroveumc.net) for more information.

**Knitting and Crochet Ministry meets Thursday, March 29**, at Elaine Ratliff's home, 5009 Belmont Park Road, Glen Allen. Even though stitching a shawl, a scarf, or a hat is a small thing to do, God uses each to offer warmth, comfort, and LOVE. We hope you'll come to our meetings or offer an item you stitched at home to our ministry. Contact Margaret Phillips with your questions at 527-7857 or [phillips.mwphillips@gmail.com](mailto:phillips.mwphillips@gmail.com).

**Vacation Bible School** will run June 18-22 from 9:00 am to 12:00 noon. *Rolling River Rampage* VBS registration begins **Saturday, March 31**, at the 10:00 am Easter Egg Hunt. Questions? Contact Beanie Kelly at [bkelly@shadygroveumc.net](mailto:bkelly@shadygroveumc.net).

**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](mailto:mark987@hushmail.com) or 382-6826.

**BIBLE BOOT CAMP RETURNS TO SHADY GROVE UMC SATURDAY, MAY 19**. Mark your calendars now, details coming soon.

**Summer Camp Play and Pray** offers three opportunities at Shady Grove. *Jungle Jam* for ages 3-preK June 4-8; *Pirate Party* for ages 3-rising 1st grade July 9-13; *Frosty Frolics* for ages 3-rising 1st grade July 30-August 3. Each session runs 9:00 am to 12:00 noon and costs \$145. Registration forms are available at [www.shadygroveumc.net/children](http://www.shadygroveumc.net/children) and at the church office. Questions? Contact Kate Bishop at [kbishop@shadygroveumc.net](mailto:kbishop@shadygroveumc.net).

**Children's Summer Mission** – Rising 3rd through rising 6th graders, mark your calendars now for our **Up and Out mission** in the Richmond area **August 6-7**. Contact Beanie Kelly about this overnight mission experience at [bkelly@shadygroveumc.net](mailto:bkelly@shadygroveumc.net).

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

