

Today in the fellowship hall join us on this Epiphany Sunday, as we examine the visit to the Christ Child by the magi. Today's sermon is "Now What?"

Matthew 2:1-12 from the Common English Bible (CEB):

After Jesus was born in Bethlehem in the territory of Judea during the rule of King Herod, magi came from the east to Jerusalem. ² They asked, "Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We've seen his star in the east, and we've come to honor him."

³ When King Herod heard this, he was troubled, and everyone in Jerusalem was troubled with him. ⁴ He gathered all the chief priests and the legal experts and asked them where the Christ was to be born. ⁵ They said, "In Bethlehem of Judea, for this is what the prophet wrote:

⁶ You, Bethlehem, land of Judah, by no means are you least among the rulers of Judah, because from you will come one who governs, who will shepherd my people Israel."

⁷ Then Herod secretly called for the magi and found out from them the time when the star had first appeared. ⁸ He sent them to Bethlehem, saying, "Go and search carefully for the child. When you've found him, report to me so that I too may go and honor him." ⁹ When they heard the king, they went; and look, the star they had seen in the east went ahead of them until it stood over the place where the child was. ¹⁰ When they saw the star, they were filled with joy.

¹¹ They entered the house and saw the child with Mary his mother. Falling to their knees, they honored him. Then they opened their treasure chests and presented him with gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. ¹² Because they were warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they went back to their own country by another route.

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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 Sermon
- Going:** Praise Song and Sending



- Songs in Today's Service:**
- Made New* by Meeker, Brewster, and Wedgeworth
 - He Reigns* by Pete Furler and Steve Taylor
 - Breathe* by Marie Bennett
 - Salvation is Here* by Joel Houston

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

Sunday 1/1

Regular Worship Schedule
HeBrews is CLOSED
Praise Team Rehearsal (FH) 9:30-10:30 am

Monday 1/2

Girl Scout Troop 5355 (EB 106) 4:00-5:30 pm
Girl Scout Troop 5366 (EB 201) 4:00-5:30 pm

Tuesday 1/3

Staff Meeting (Church Office) 10:00-11:30 am
Short Pump Ruritan Board Meeting (EB 203) 7:00-8:30 pm

Wednesday 1/4

SGUMC Preschool Open House (EB) 9:30 am
Disciple I (EB 205) 6:00-8:00 pm
Disciple III (EB 207) 6:15-7:30 pm
Disciple Fast Track (EB 203) 6:15-7:15 pm
Connection Group (EB 206) 6:15-7:15 pm
Praise Team Rehearsal (FH) 7:15-8:15 pm
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary) 7:15-8:45 pm

Thursday 1/5

UMM Bible Study (DOG House) 6:45-7:45 am
UMM Dinner and Meeting (FH) 6:00-9:00 pm
Boy Scouts - Troop 735 (EB 202/203) 7:00-9:00 pm

Friday 1/6

Middle School Breakfast (Chick-fil-A) 7:20 am
Relay Foods (Front Parking Lot) 3:00-6:30 pm
Parris-Martin Wedding Rehearsal (Sanctuary) 4:30-5:30 pm

Saturday 1/7

Parris-Martin Wedding (Sanctuary) 2:00-3:00 pm

Sunday 1/8

Regular Worship Schedule
HeBrews is CLOSED
Praise Team Rehearsal (FH) 9:30-10:30 am
District Conference & Leadership Training Event (Reveille UMC) 1:30-5:00 pm
Girl Scout Troop 5107 (EB TBD) 4:00-5:45 pm
Praise Kids (Sanctuary) 4:15-5:00 pm
Girl Scout Troop 3007 (EB TBD) 5:00-6:30 pm
G-3 (FH) 5:00-6:00 pm
Youth Family Bingo (FH) 6:30-8:00 pm



Sunday, January 1, 2017

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
- 9:00-11:00 am
HeBrews Coffee Fellowship Hall
- 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

**Last Sunday's Stewardship Report on 12/25/2016
(39 weeks)**

2016 Fiscal Year is April 1, 2016 – March 31, 2017

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?

ATTENDANCE							Christmas Eve	Christmas
3:00	5:00	7:00	Cont.	9:00	11:00	Total	11:00	
372	428	274	139	270	105	1588	96	

OPERATING FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Amount received to date in 2016 Fiscal Year	\$ 698,485
Expenses to date for 2016 Fiscal Year	\$ 736,852
Pledge amount for 2016-17 Fiscal Year Operating Fund	\$ 807,587
Pledge cards received	237

BUILDING FUND – (Mortgage Payments)

Amount received to date in 2016 Fiscal Year	\$ 63,382
Principal & Interest paid in 2016 Fiscal Year	\$ 108,312
Pledge amount for 2016-17 Fiscal Year Building Fund	\$ 87,405
Pledge cards received	104

The Building Fund is used to serve our \$ 829,540 debt obligation from 2002-2004 construction of the sanctuary, fellowship hall, and education building, as well as the 2007 acquisition of the adjacent properties on Shady Grove Road. This loan is currently being paid down at a 20-year amortization rate.

GROUNDING IN FAITH, GROWING TO SERVE CAMPAIGN

Amount received to date	\$ 389,489
Pledge amount for 3 years Capital Campaign	\$1,579,545
Pledge cards received	131

Advent Offering \$ 1,684



SERMON NOTES

Matthew 2:1-12

- Herod inherited his throne from his father who had been appointed by the Romans to keep a _____ on these contentious people called Jews.
- All Herod knew was the _____ of force.
- Jesus not only talked about the characteristics of servant leadership, he _____ it as well.
- Servant leadership is _____ focused.



Announcements for January 1, 2017

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 22, at 12:00 noon. To RSVP for lunch, please call the church office at 360-2600 or email pluqin@shadygroveumc.net.

TODAY

The 2017 Altar flower calendar sign up is up and active. Please sign up for dates that are special to you; in honor, remembrance, or in celebration. Questions? Contact Dana Kelley at musicadmin@shadygroveumc.net or 360-2600.

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.

HeBrews is closed today and on Sunday, January 8.

THIS WEEK

Preschool Open House – You are invited to an open house at Shady Grove UMC Preschool, our half day Christian preschool for children age 1 through Pre-K, on **Wednesday, January 4**, at 9:30 am. Contact Leigh Pierce, Director, at 360-3533 or lpierce@shadygroveumc.net. Learn more at www.shadygroveumcpreschool.org.

Please join the United Methodist Men for our January meeting this Thursday, January 5. Chef Mike will be serving round steaks, baked potato, coleslaw, applesauce, and cake for dessert. Doug Pick from Feedmore will be our guest speaker to share about the great work this organization is doing to feed our community. Fellowship starts at 6:00 pm, childcare is provided and the cost is \$10 but free for first timers. Contact Travis Goad (htravis.goad@gmail.com) to RSVP or with questions.

The Center for Creative Arts offers a broad array of classes for children and teens including Teen Studio Art, elementary and preschool art, preschool ballet, group Chess classes, and private music instruction for all ages. Professional musicians teach guitar, cello, clarinet, drums, flute, French horn, piano, saxophone, trombone, tuba, viola, violin, and voice lessons. Learn about our instructors at www.center4creativearts.org or email center4creativearts@comcast.net to register.

COMING UP

The Betty Fairbanks Circle invites all women of the church to their program on **Monday, January 9**, at 1:00 pm in the education building, room 201. Dottie Chilton, representative from the SGUMC Missions Committee, will give updates on our church-wide missions. Contact is Nancy Lowe, nancylowe10@comcast.net or 716-0517.

The Bistro and Wednesday night programs kickoff January 11. Remember, if you had a standing reservation for the bistro, you'll need to make a new reservation. Please check shadygroveumc.net/wednesday-nights for menu and program updates.

Adult Mission Opportunities – Save the date for a one day work project on Trenika's home in Waverly, VA on **Saturday, January 14**. Adults are invited to be part of the mission opportunity **May 14-19** — Appalachia Service Project in Guyan Valley, WV, \$425. Questions or for more information contact Bob Payne at rpayne60@comcast.net or 305-8763.

Gideon's Call, a men's vocal ensemble, will be singing in worship Sunday, February 5. Rehearsals are Wednesdays from 6:30 to 7:15 pm January 18 and 25, and are held in the education building, room 204. The final rehearsal is February 1 from 6:30 to 7:15 pm and will be held in the sanctuary. Boys in grades 8-12 and interested men are encouraged to join us and participate in this ministry opportunity. Contact Sylvia Cooper at scooper@shadygroveumc.net for more information.

Agape Ringers resume rehearsals January 29.

We will meet in the education building, room 204, on Sundays from 3:30 to 4:15 pm. This ensemble is being offered to children in grades 1-5. This year we will ring once a month at both the 9:30 and 11:00 am services: February 19, March 19, and April 30. This ensemble is in addition to the Praise Kids (grades 1-5) and meets right before Praise Kids (Sundays from 4:15 to 5:00 pm). The ministry includes singing, playing rhythm instruments and hand chimes. The Agape Ringers is directed by Sylvia Cooper and assisted by the music and arts team children's music representative, Karen Kugel. Contact Sylvia at scooper@shadygroveumc.net.

Massanutten Tubing Trip – The Children's Council is planning a family tubing trip to Massanutten Resort on **Saturday, February 11**. Cost is \$26 per person. We will carpool and leave the church parking lot at 9:00 am. Questions? Contact Beanie Kelly at bkelly@shadygroveumc.net.

Confirmation 2017 – Confirmation classes will begin on February 26 and run through April 30 when our youth (7th grade and older) will be given the opportunity to affirm their faith in God and become full members of Shady Grove UMC. The Confirmation service will be on Saturday, May 6, at 4:00 pm and all confirmands will be recognized on Sunday, May 7. There will be a confirmation retreat on March 24-26. Families are asked to contribute \$75 towards the cost of confirmation supplies and expenses. Questions? Contact Frank Basil at youth@shadygroveumc.net.

Connection Group Discussion Questions

For the week of January 1, 2017

Matthew 2:1-12

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

1. Servant leadership is often talked about in business circles. Describe what this type of leadership style looks like as a business model.
2. Jesus describes a servant lifestyle as a model for Christians. Discuss the characteristics of servant leadership as Jesus described. Compare the business model to the Christian lifestyle.
3. Why was King Herod so interested in knowing where Jesus was to be born?
4. Discuss the leadership style of Herod.
5. Compare Herod's leadership style to a similar model a business person might follow today. Is it effective? Why or why not?
6. Is Herod's leadership style different to the military leadership we see in our culture? How is it similar? How is it different?
7. When people were crucified on a cross in Jesus' day, they were elevated just off the ground so bystanders could see vividly the brutal death taking place. Discuss how this model of execution exemplified Herod's style of leadership?
8. Slavery was a norm in the culture in Jesus' day. Compare and contrast servant leadership to the concept of slavery.
9. Discuss how you think a servant leadership style could assist the church and individual Christians today in fulfilling what God is calling us to do. What obstacles hinder us from living out this lifestyle today?

PRAYER CONCERNS

Tori Anderson, Vic Anderson (father of Vicky Oliver), Jim Bonnell, Amy Carroll (sister of Sara Fender), Gil Chilton, Bonnie Dellinger (mother of Jill Early), Kim Dodson (mother of Shana Miller), Pat Edwards, Hugh Elwood, Betty Finley, Cheryl Fitzgerald (sister of Donna Noble), Jim Fitzgerald, Ann Gooch (mother of Anita Schrank), Kathy Graeber, Ann Gussett (mother of Laura Ann Kump), Laura Harkonen-missionary in Congo, Tommy Harris, Ryan Hartsook (son-in-law of Mike and Ruth Powell), Don Herrick (father of Anne Hurst and Sarah Metzgar), Peggy Hill, Terry Hoover (father of Haylee Douglas), Preston Hudak, Betsy Katko, Susie Kottcamp, Ernie and Jane Mackey (parents of Roger Mackey), Wallace Martin, Willis McCauley, Pam Melton (daughter of Sylvia Chartier), Diane Morrison, Mary Muse (sister of Mae Ruth Roberts), Samantha Muse (niece of Mae Ruth Roberts), Caiden Purkey (grandson of Bob and Lisa Jones), Cindy Russo, Amira Safwat, Jim Schmidt, Lois Ann Sessoms (mother of Rachel Smith), Margaret Shaw, Bobbie Stein, Steve Stokes, Sara Walker

Homebound

Aleida Bultman, Mike Powell-Our Lady of Hope, Beverly Robertson (mother of Martha Anne Martin)-Our Lady of Hope, Shirley Ronquest-Crump Manor, Linda Stone-Our Lady of Hope

Global Missionaries

Heather and James-location undisclosed, Nico Chantel-Europe, Fishers 4 Him-Dominican Republic, Eva and Lindsay Gilliam-US, Laura and Timo Harkonen-Democratic Republic of the Congo, Liz Jackson-Philippines, Quynh-Hoa Nguyen-Vietnam

We extend our Christian love and sympathy to Polly Rowan and family upon the death of her sister, Barbara McCausland.

We extend our Christian love and sympathy to Ruth Green and family upon the death of her brother, Claude S. Fitz.

We extend our Christian love and sympathy to Jim Smith and family upon the death of his wife, Carol Smith.

We extend our Christian love and sympathy to Ruth Henley and family upon the death of her brother, Joseph Isabell Jr., and upon the death of her cousin, Betty Wickham.

