

Today in the fellowship hall join us as we continue our sermon series, *24 Hours That Changed the World*, based on the last day of Jesus' earthly life. Our sermon this morning is *Jesus, Barabbas, and Pilate*.

Mark Carter will offer a ministry moment.

Mark 15:1-15 from the Common English Bible (CEB):

At daybreak, the chief priests—with the elders, legal experts, and the whole Sanhedrin—formed a plan. They bound Jesus, led him away, and turned him over to Pilate. ² Pilate questioned him, “Are you the king of the Jews?” Jesus replied, “That’s what you say.” ³ The chief priests were accusing him of many things. ⁴ Pilate asked him again, “Aren’t you going to answer? What about all these accusations?” ⁵ But Jesus gave no more answers, so that Pilate marveled.

⁶ During the festival, Pilate released one prisoner to them, whomever they requested. ⁷ A man named Barabbas was locked up with the rebels who had committed murder during an uprising. ⁸ The crowd pushed forward and asked Pilate to release someone, as he regularly did. ⁹ Pilate answered them, “Do you want me to release to you the king of the Jews?” ¹⁰ He knew that the chief priests had handed him over because of jealousy. ¹¹ But the chief priests stirred up the crowd to have him release Barabbas to them instead. ¹² Pilate replied, “Then what do you want me to do with the one you call king of the Jews?” ¹³ They shouted back, “Crucify him!” ¹⁴ Pilate said to them, “Why? What wrong has he done?” They shouted even louder, “Crucify him!” ¹⁵ Pilate wanted to satisfy the crowd, so he released Barabbas to them. He had Jesus whipped, then handed him over to be crucified.

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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

The prayer shawl represents the sharing of God’s love and grace and is for you to take for yourself or give to someone who is suffering with despair, loss, or illness.



- Songs in Today’s Service:** *This Is Amazing Grace* by Phil Wickham
- I Am* by Crowder/Ed Cash
- Come Now is the Time to Worship* by Brian Doerksen
- How Great Thou Art* by Hine/Boberg
- OFFERING: *Hallelujah I’m Ready* by Ricky Skaggs

These and other praise songs can 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.



SERMON NOTES
Mark 15:1-15

- As Pontius Pilate holds a trial before the Sanhedrin, Jesus is _____ unwilling to defend himself.
- During the years between Jesus’ birth and the destruction of Jerusalem in A.D. 70 at least eight people and perhaps as many as thirteen called themselves _____ by some Jewish group.
- Jesus realized that victory over the Romans would not come by way of the _____.
- The crowd didn’t want Jesus who had no interest in inciting crowds to throw off the _____ of Roman oppression.
- Jesus’ approach would send him to a cross and yet in his final breath he uttered words of _____ to the crowd.

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.

ATTENDANCE for 3/12/2017

8:15	9:30	11:00	Cont.	Total	SS	COW
46	189	142	116	493	152	23

Sunday 3/26

- Confirmation Retreat
- Regular Worship Schedule
- Confirmation Class (DOG House) 9:00-10:30 am
- 24 Hours Short Term Bible Study (Chapel Bldg., C-3) 9:30-10:30 am
- Testify Rehearsal (FH) 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
- WOMEN’S 24 Hours Short Term Bible Study (Chapel Bldg., C-3) 5:00-6:00 pm
- Middle School Large Group (DOG House) 6:00-7:00 pm
- Beth Moore Women’s Bible Study (EB 203) 6:30-8:00 pm
- High School Large Group (DOG House) 7:30-8:30 pm

Monday 3/27

- Girl Scout Troop 5355 (EB 106) 4:00-5:30 pm
- Boy Scout Troop 715 Court of Honor (FH) 5:00-9:00 pm
- Music and Arts Meeting (Library) 7:30-8:30 pm

Tuesday 3/28

- 24 Hours Short Term Bible Study (Church Office) 6:45-7:45 am
- CCC Meeting (DOG House) 8:30 am-12:30 pm
- Staff Meeting (Church Office) 10:00-11:30 am
- Richmond Babywearers Meeting (EB 111/112) 4:30-6:00 pm
- Ruritans Meeting (FH) 6:00-8:00 pm

Wednesday 3/29

- Unselfie Drama Rehearsal (Sanctuary) 4:30-5:45 pm
- 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 (EB 106) 6:15-6:45 pm
- Sprouts – Threes to Fives (EB 106) 6:45-7:15 pm
- Unselfie Music/Choreography Rehearsal (Sanctuary) 6:15-7:15 pm
- Middle School Small Group (DOG House) 6:15-7:15 pm
- Rowdy MOMs (EB 201) 6:15-7:15 pm
- 24 Hours Short Term Bible Study (EB 206) 6:15-7:15 pm
- Disciple Fast Track (EB 203) 6:15-7:15 pm
- Handbells (Sanctuary) 6:15-7:15 pm
- Testify Rehearsal (FH) 7:15-8:15 pm
- Easter Celebration Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary) 7:15-8:15 pm
- Meditation with Kate (Library) 7:30-8:15 pm
- Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary) 8:15-9:00 pm

Thursday 3/30

- MEN’S 24 Hours Short Term Bible Study (DOG House) 6:45-7:45 am
- Disciple IV (EB 207) 6:15-7:30 pm
- Boy Scouts - Troop 735 (FH) 7:00-9:00 pm
- Knitting & Crochet Ministry (Home of Elaine Ratliff) 7:00-9:00 pm

Friday 3/31

- 5th Friday Middle and High School Breakfast (Chick-fil-A) 7:20 am
- Women’s Bible Study (Chapel Bldg.) 9:45-11:00 am

Saturday 4/1

- Clean Up Day (Church Campus) 8:00 am-1:00 pm
- The Center’s Portrait Painting Workshop (Chapel Hall) 10:00 am-12:00 noon

Sunday 4/2

- Regular Worship Schedule
- Confirmation Class (DOG House) 9:00-10:30 am
- 24 Hours Short Term Bible Study (Chapel Bldg., C-3) 9:30-10:30 am
- Testify Rehearsal (FH) 9:30-10:30 am
- Agape Ringers (EB 204) 3:30-4:15 pm
- Children’s Council (EB 205) 3:30-4:45 pm
- Girl Scout Troop 5107 (EB 202/203) 4:00-5:45 pm
- Praise Kids (Sanctuary) 4:15-5:00 pm
- G-3 (Chapel Bldg.) 5:00-6:00 pm
- WOMEN’S 24 Hours Short Term Bible Study (Chapel Bldg., C-3) 5:00-6:00 pm
- Girl Scout Troop 3007 (EB 209) 5:00-6:30 pm
- Middle School Large Group (DOG House) 6:00-7:00 pm
- Beth Moore Women’s Bible Study (EB 203) 6:30-8:00 pm
- High School Large Group (DOG House) 7:30-8:30 pm



Sunday, March 26, 2017

**THIS WEEK
AT SHADY GROVE**

**Shady Grove
United Methodist Church
Short Pump**

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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



Announcements for March 26, 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, May 7, at 12:00 noon. To RSVP for lunch, please call the church office at 360-2600 or email plugin@shadygroveumc.net.

TODAY

Announcement of New Pastor – On Sunday, March 19, in all worship services, members of SGUMC's Staff Parish Committee announced the projected pastor appointment for Shady Grove. We fully expect Rev. Chris McLain will be appointed as our new senior pastor. She comes to us from Blacksburg United Methodist Church where she currently serves as an associate pastor. The appointment will be given final approval at Annual Conference, the meeting of the Virginia Conference June 16-18. Rev. McLain's first day at Shady Grove will be Sunday, July 2. Learn more at www.shadygroveumc.net/nextchapter.

Adult Church Wide Bible Study for Lent – In Sunday worship we continue our Lenten sermon series based upon Adam Hamilton's book, *24 Hours That Changed the World*. Instead of "giving-up" something for Lent this year, we are challenging you to pick-up a **SHORT TERM Bible Study!** We are providing FIVE meeting times: twice on Sunday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday. Can't make any of those times? Traveling? Get the book and read along! Contact Lauren Adkins, ladkins@shadygroveumc.net with questions. For more information, go to www.shadygroveumc.net/24hours.

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

Thank you to all those who made their Stewardship commitments to support the 2017 fiscal year (April 1, 2017 - March 31, 2018) operating fund. As of March 22, we have had 195 pledges turned in. Our goal is to reach 250 pledges. We are still 55 pledges behind our target. We need YOUR HELP! If you have not turned in a pledge, please do so as soon as possible. Please bring or mail your commitment card to the church office or drop in the offering plate on Sunday. We also offer the option of creating an online pledge, available through the webpage, www.shadygroveumc.net/changinglives2017.

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.

The Contemporary Praise Team band of musicians and vocalists are now called TestifyRVA aka "Testify". We are holding auditions for volunteer vocalists and musicians. Interested parties may contact the Director of Contemporary Worship, Brian Mahne, at bmahne@shadygroveumc.net. An album of covers and originals in dedication to Art Washburn and family is in the works. Check us out on facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/TestifyRVA>.

Kate Gharib filmed and edited a great new video to welcome visitors to our church. Visit the home page of our website, www.shadygroveumc.net, to play the video. Kate is a church member and sophomore at Glen Allen HS. Thank you, Kate!

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, send an email to sgumcdinner@gmail.com, or call 360-3907, ext. 46 by noon Tuesdays. Adults: \$7, Child: \$3, Family (parents & children): \$20. Menu for March 29 - baked rosemary chicken, scalloped potatoes with ham, green bean casserole, carrot cake. Kids menu - macaroni & cheese, hotdogs, apples, Oreos.

Knitting and Crochet Ministry meets Thursday, March 30, at 7:00 pm, at the home of Elaine Ratliff, 5009 Belmont Park Road, Glen Allen. Bring your willingness to knit and crochet or learn with us in a relaxed environment. We will have the equipment available you will need. We stitch to share God's love. Have questions? Contact Margaret Phillips at 527-7857 or philips.mwphillips@gmail.com.

SGUMC SPRING CLEANUP DAY – Please mark your calendars for a spring yard cleanup and mulch day on **Saturday, April 1**, from 8:00 am to noon. All willing and able to lend a helping hand are welcome! Please bring your gloves, shovels, rakes, wheelbarrows, and clippers if you have them or just come as you are and we'll lend you some tools. Help us get our beautiful (and large) campus ready for Easter! Sign-Up Genius: <http://tinyurl.com/SGUMCcleanupday>. Questions? Contact Christine Mehfoud, 937-4916 or cmehfoud@hotmail.com.

Easter Banner Processional Opportunity for Children and Youth – Come and join the procession! Carry an Easter banner during the opening hymn processional as well as during the final Easter hymn during one of the 3 sanctuary services on Easter morning. Banner carriers should be in grades 3-12. Participants should attend one rehearsal either Wednesday, April 5 or 12, from 7:00 to 7:30 pm. A choir member will be there to give you directions. If you can participate, contact Sylvia Cooper at scooper@shadygroveumc.net by **Sunday, April 2**.

Geranium Sale – United Methodist Urban Ministries of Richmond is selling geraniums at \$4.50 each (4 ½" pot) in red, salmon, coral, hot pink, and white. (We will take orders for specific colors but cannot guarantee.) To order, contact Sandi Shriner at 405-3351 or sds210s@verizon.net. **Last day to order is Monday, April 3.** Geraniums will arrive Friday, April 7. Folks rave about these geraniums – "Absolutely beautiful", "Best geraniums EVER".

Shady Grove Youth are selling Easter lilies. Lilies may be purchased in honor or memory of loved ones for \$20 or you may get a listing only in the bulletin insert for \$10. You may pick up your lily on Easter Sunday, April 16. All proceeds will support youth missions. Forms available at www.shadygroveumc.net/youth-documents. Deadline for orders is Sunday, April 9. Contact: Frank Basil, youth@shadygroveumc.net.

Sign up now for Spring Break Art Classes for children at The Center for Creative Arts, Monday - Friday, April 10-14, for ages 5-7 from 9:00 am - noon, and ages 8+ from 1:00 - 4:00 pm. Call 360-CNTR or email center4creativearts@comcast.net to register. See the details on this and adult spring workshops at www.center4creativearts.org.

Camp Play and Pray – Children's Ministry will be offering the following summer Camp Play and Pray opportunities: June 5-9 *Old McDonald's Farm* ages three - Pre-K; July 10-14 *Knights, Princesses, and Dragons—Oh, My!* ages three - rising first grade; July 31- August 4 *On the Dock* ages three - rising first grade. Cost is \$130 per week. For more information or to download a registration form, go to www.shadygroveumc.net/children. Questions? Contact Kate Bishop, kbishop@shadygroveumc.net.

COMING UP

Vacation Bible School – Mark your calendars now for the week of June 19-23, 2017 for VBS for children age 3-fifth grade. VBS meets from 9:00 am to 12:00 noon. At Hero Central, kids will discover their strength in God and realize that they are God's heroes! Many adult and youth volunteer opportunities will be available to help make VBS a success. Registration forms will be available for the first time at the Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 15.

Adult Mission Opportunity – 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 rbpayne60@comcast.net or 305-8763.

Connection Group Discussion Questions

For the week of March 26, 2017

Mark 15:1-15

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

1. Why was Jesus a threat to the Sanhedrin, the ruling body of the Jewish people?
2. Why was Jesus a threat to the Roman government?
3. Basically Jesus was silent to the charges of blasphemy claiming to be king of the Jews. Discuss why you think he was silent.
4. During the years between Jesus' birth and the destruction of Jerusalem in A.D. 70, there were as many as thirteen possible people claiming to be the messiah by some Jewish group. Jesus' claim was different from the others. What was unique about his message?
5. Why did the crowd pick Barabbas, a prisoner who deserved to be in jail, over Jesus? Would you have picked Barabbas? Why or why not?
6. What was it about Jesus' message that eventually brought down the Roman government?
7. Might makes right was a popular philosophy in how to govern in Jesus' time. It still is a popular philosophy. Discuss how this philosophy works.
8. Jesus' message challenges might makes right philosophy. How do we interpret his message in our modern culture? Is Jesus calling us to be a pacifist or something different? Discuss.
9. Martin Luther King in his sermon, *Strength to Love*, said, "We will win victory by demonstrating love rather than hate toward you." How did King's followers live out his message?
10. What challenges do Christians face today in trying to live out the servant leadership that Jesus taught?

PRAYER CONCERNS

Tori Anderson, Caralie Brown (mother of Beanie Kelly), Kim Dodson (mother of Shana Miller), Hugh Elwood, Lachlan Fender (nephew of Jeff and Sara Fender), Betty Finley, Cheryl Fitzgerald (sister of Donna Noble), Jim Fitzgerald, Ann Gooch (mother of Anita Schrunk), Karen Gothard, Ray Gudum, Ann Gussett (mother of Laura Ann Kump), Laura Harkonen-missionary in Congo, Tommy Harris, Ryan Hartsook (son-in-law of 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, Jane Mackey (mother of Roger Mackey), Phoebe Mackey (mother of Elizabeth Compton), Charlotte Manning (granddaughter of Barry Green), Pam Melton (daughter of Sylvia Chartier), Diane Morrison, Romine Overbey (mother of Susan Hollins), Ginger Perkin (daughter of Dave and Diane Bennett), Caiden Purkey (grandson of Bob and Lisa Jones), Mike Purkey (son-in-law of Bob and Lisa Jones), Amira Safwat, Jim Schmidt, Lois Ann Sessoms (mother of Rachel Smith), Marie Thurman, Sara Walker

Homebound

Aleida Bultman, Beverly Robertson (mother of Martha Anne Martin), 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

