

Today in the fellowship hall, join us as we begin our worship series *Living on a Prayer*. Prayer. Is it an action? Is it words? Is it a response? Who's it for? What do you need to pray? Prayer can begin with more questions than answers, but it always begins with God and with you. Let's explore and experience *Prayer: The What*. We welcome Lauren Adkins as she leads us in an educational ministry affirmation.

Luke 18:9-14; John 15:15; John 16:12-15 New Revised Standard Version (NRSV):

⁹He also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt: ¹⁰"Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. ¹¹The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, 'God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. ¹²I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.' ¹³But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven, but was beating his breast and saying, 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!' ¹⁴I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted." ~Luke 18:9-14

¹⁵"I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father." ~John 15:15

¹²"I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. ¹³When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. ¹⁴He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. ¹⁵All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you." ~John 16:12-15

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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: *I Will Call Upon the Lord* by Petra
You Are Holy by Michael Smith
Breathe by Michael Smith

OFFERING: *Open Heaven* by Hillsong; Joanna Devisser, solo ukulele
Happy Day by Tim Hughes

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.

Connection Group Discussion Questions

For the week of September 10, 2017

Luke 18:9-14

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

1. What is your attitude toward prayer?
2. What is the difference between talking to God and talking with God?
3. "Prayer is conversation with God" (Clement of Alexandria). Discuss.
4. While many people find prayer natural and enjoyable, they may have long stretches when it seems difficult, disappointing, or empty. Do you agree? Explain.
5. What prevents you from praying more than you do already?
6. What hinders you from praying authentically?
7. What do you think of this quote by William Temple, "When I pray, coincidences happen, and when I don't pray, they don't."?
8. Describe how our prayer life could easily make someone think that we view God as a "genie in a bottle" (someone who exists to grant our wishes). How do we balance our praying to help avoid this trap of only talking to God about what we want right now?
9. Suppose that one of your children or grandchildren comes up to you and asks why she needs to pray if God already knows everything anyway and if God already wants to give us what is best for us. How do you answer her?

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 9/3/2017

8:15	9:30	11:00	Cont.	Total	SS	COW
33	141	117	71	362	44	13

Sunday 9/10

Regular Worship Schedule
Testify Rehearsal (FH) 9:30-10:30 am
Groovin' at the Grove (Sanctuary, FH, and Front Parking Lot) 4:00-7:30 pm

Monday 9/11

Betty Fairbanks Circle (EB 201) 1:00-2:00 pm

Tuesday 9/12

CCC Managers Meeting (DOG House) 8:30 am-12:30 pm
Staff Meeting (Church Office) 10:00-11:30 am
Missions Committee Meeting (EB 201) 6:00-7:00 pm
Trustees Meeting (Library) 6:30-8:00 pm

Wednesday 9/13

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 201) 6:15-7:15 pm
Man to Men (EB 202) 6:15-7:15 pm
Disciple Fast Track II (EB 203) 6:15-7:15 pm
Connection Group (EB 206) 6:15-7:15 pm
Intercessory Prayer Study (Library) 6:15-7:15 pm
How Should a King Come Christmas Cantata Kick-Off (Sanctuary) 7:15-8:15 pm
Testify Rehearsal (FH) 7:15-8:15 pm
Meditation with Kate (Library) 7:30-8:15 pm
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary) 8:15-9:00 pm

Thursday 9/14

UMM Bible Study (DOG House) 6:45-7:45 am
Agriberry Pop Up Market (Front Parking Lot) 10:00 am-2:00 pm
UMM Dinner and Meeting (FH) 6:00-9:00 pm
Boy Scouts – Troop 735 (EB 202/203) 7:00-9:00 pm

Friday 9/15

Middle School Breakfast (Chick-fil-A) 7:20 am

Sunday 9/17

Regular Worship Schedule
Testify Rehearsal (FH) 9:30-10:30 am
Praise Kids (Sanctuary) 4:15-5:00 pm
G-3 (Chapel Bldg.) 5:00-6:00 pm
Rowdy MOMs Bible Study (Chapel Bldg. C-3) 5:00-6:00 pm
Youth Ministry Kick-Off (Front Parking Lot) 5:00-7:00 pm



Sunday, September 10, 2017

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

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
	<u>Children's Own Worship</u>	Chapel





Announcements for September 10, 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, please call the church office at 360-2600 or email dhockemeyer@shadygroveumc.net.

TODAY

“Living On a Prayer” Worship Series – What gets you up every morning? What keeps you going? Sometimes the things we're living on get us "half way there" . . . then, we're "living on a prayer." What is prayer? How do we pray? What happens when we pray? Let's delve into these questions and more as we experience and explore the mystery of living life with God in our worship series, "Living on a Prayer."

Front Parking Lot – Please note that the entire front parking lot will be utilized during Groovin' at the Grove this afternoon and all parking will be in the back lot, with Strikers lot for overflow.

Groovin' at the Grove – A Music Festival for the Whole Family! Join us today from 4:00-7:30 pm for an afternoon of music, food, service, and fun at SGUMC! There will be activities and games as well as musical performances from Randy Pennington, Gideon's Call, Testify RVA, RISE4, The Center for Creative Arts Peter Pan Jr. Campers, and Testify's Bluegrass Trio. Dinner will be provided and includes fried chicken, mac & cheese, green beans, rolls, and cake. The event is FREE and open to all in the community, but please bring a food pantry donation for The Sophie House (no glass containers, please). Learn more at www.shadygroveumc.net/groovin.

Come and join us today for the Children's Ministry Kick-Off from 4:00-5:00 pm in the sanctuary as part of our church-wide Groovin' at the Grove! During this time, packets for our SonShine Singers (ages 3-kindergarten) and Praise Kids (grades 1-5) may be picked up for the 2017-2018 year. The children's Christmas musical audition packets and sign-up sheets will also be available. Enjoy a bounce house, corn-hole, RVA rocks painting, tattoos, and face-painting.

Gideon's Call Premiere CD, Light Shine, will be presented today from 5:30-6:00 pm in the sanctuary as part of Groovin' at the Grove! Come and hear songs on the CD you already have (or you can purchase one for \$15 at the concert). Proceeds will benefit the music and arts ministry. Orders can also be taken by emailing Olga Komarov (office@shadygroveumc.net). Make checks payable to SGUMC, with "Music CD" in the memo line. Checks can be mailed, dropped by the church office, or put in the offering plate. Order forms can also be found at the welcome centers.

Impact a life. Lead children's Sunday school! Our kids need Sunday school teachers in several age groups. Each grade level has a team of 4 to 5 teachers who rotate Sundays, teaching either a couple Sundays a month or every other month. Easy to follow curriculum is provided and user friendly resources are available. Please contact Kate Bishop at kbishop@shadygroveumc.net.

Parents of rising third graders – Please submit your form for your child's Bible. Time is needed for personalization. Download the form from our website, www.shadygroveumc.net/children, and return to the church office **by Monday, September 11**. Third graders will be presented their Bibles on Sunday, September 24, during the 9:30 am worship service in the sanctuary.

Take a few moments now to register your children and youth for activities this fall, including Sunday school, G-3, COW, small groups, and large group! Visit tinyurl.com/sgumcchildrenregistration and tinyurl.com/sgumcyouthregistration.

Team up with Mr. Hospitality! Each Sunday morning there are families and individuals who choose to attend our church for the very first time. It is easy for those of us that know our way around to forget that multiple buildings, parking lots, and worship services can be overwhelming if you are new! Help us warmly welcome and assist our guests by becoming part of the Greeter Ministry. Contact Rick Dodge, thedodges4@comcast.net or call 512-3039, to learn more about how you can help make Shady Grove UMC the most welcoming place around!

Name tags – Anyone wishing to order a SGUMC name tag may sign up on the clipboards at each of the welcome centers. Cost is \$8.00 each. Payment may be in cash or a check made out to SGUMC with "name tags" in the memo section. Orders are usually filled within a few weeks. Questions? Contact Donna Noble at donnabile19@gmail.com.

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

This year's children's Christmas musical, An Out-of-the-Box Christmas, directed by Sylvia Cooper and Beanie Kelly, will have three presentations: Saturday, December 2, at 4:00 pm followed by a Santa Supper party; Sunday, December 3, at the 9:30 and 11:00 morning worship services in the church sanctuary. Auditions are one day only on Sunday, September 24, from 1:30 to 4:30 pm. Auditions are for children in kindergarten through grade 5. Please sign up at tinyurl.com/outofthebox2017. The sign-up will close Wednesday, September 20. **Audition packets will be available tonight** at Groovin' at the Grove **or from the church office beginning September 11**.

Betty Fairbanks Circle – Our Circle meeting will be **tomorrow, September 11**, at 1:00 pm in the education building room 201. If you never attended one of our meetings, we invite you to come and meet us. We are a community of supportive women, seeking to love God and encourage missions at our Church. Questions? Contact: nancyloew10@comcast.net or 716-0517.

The new season of Wednesday night programming will begin on September 13! Join us for dinner at the Shady Grove Bistro from 5:15 to 6:15 pm in the fellowship hall. We welcome Chef Missy Jaroneski back to Wednesday nights! The bistro menu is centered around the word, "Welcome". Menu for September 13 - grilled yogurt chicken, spinach pie, hummus platter, Israeli salad, rice. 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. Fall classes include a 7-week intercessory prayer study of the book *Pray for Me* by Kenneth Carter offered by Pastor Chris McLain; "Man to Men" for males age 14 and up offered by Chris Bergeron; and Disciple Fast Track II offered by Lauren Adkins, Director of Adult Discipleship. Favorite groups such as Rowdy MOMs and the Wednesday Connection Group will resume meeting as well and always welcome new members. Adult, youth, and children's classes and programming meet 6:15 to 7:15 pm followed by rehearsals for Sanctuary Choir and Testify at 7:15 pm.

Join us Wednesday, September 13, from 7:15-8:15 pm as we kick-off our Christmas musical drama, How Should a King Come. Youth and adults are encouraged to be a part of this short term choir opportunity. Accompanied by orchestra, the musical will include narration as well as nativity non-speaking drama: the Holy Family, wise men, and shepherds. If you would like to be a part of the drama, please contact Sylvia at scooper@shadygroveumc.net. *How Should a King Come* will be presented on Saturday, December 16, at 7:00 pm and Sunday morning, December 17, at 9:30 and 11:00 am worship services.

United Methodist Men Kick-Off Dinner and Meeting will be held on Thursday, September 14, doors open at 5:30 pm, dinner is at 6:00. Chef Mike Burger will get us motivated with a pot roast dinner that is out of this world GOOD! Menu includes mashed potatoes and gravy, cooked carrots, green beans, and carrot cake. RSVP to Ed Mekalian at edmekalian@mac.com.

COMING UP

Youth Ministry Kick-Off – Join us for our kick-off on **Sunday, September 17**, from 5:00-7:00 pm on the Shady Grove campus main parking lot for lots of fun, games, food, and more! We will have Extreme Air Jumper, Rock Wall, Water Tag, Gladiator Joust, and a chance to get some of your favorite adults wet at Beat the Bucket along with other games and end the fun with a water balloon fight and gift card raffle! Friends are always welcome. Questions? Contact Frank Basil at youth@shadygroveumc.net.

Rowdy MOMs Sunday Bible Study will resume meeting on September 17 from 5:00-6:00 pm. Join this faithful and supportive group in reading *Becoming a Woman of Excellence* by Cynthia Heald. Contact Sarah Hardymon at thetrap4@hotmail.com.

Golf Tournament – Registration is full for the 4th Annual Wayne Samford Memorial tournament on September 18. Our beneficiaries this year are Sportable and SGUMC missions. The committee is actively seeking donations, gift cards from local retailers, and sponsorships. Visit www.shadygroveumc.net/golf or contact Jeff Samford at 612-0582 or jeffs@BusinessPartnerRIC.com.

Friday Women's Bible Study begins September 22. Rev. Beanie Kelly leads this group of ladies in discipleship, fellowship, and support. The group will study Karen Kingsbury's *The Friends of Jesus*. Book is \$12 and available from the church office. Questions? Contact Debbie Hockemeyer at dhockemeyer@shadygroveumc.net.

Mission Opportunities for adults and youth age 16 and older with their parent. **Thursday, October 19 - Saturday, October 22**, United Methodist Volunteers in Mission Disaster Recovery effort in Virginia Beach. There is housing with bunk beds and a shower trailer at St. Luke's UMC in Virginia Beach. Arrive Thursday evening; work Friday and Saturday; leave after work on Saturday. Only fee is the cost of meals. **Monday, April 2 - Friday, April 6, 2018**, Appalachia Service Project in Brenton, West Virginia. Expected cost is \$410-\$425. Financial help available if needed. Contact Bob Payne at rbpayne60@comcast.net.

In addition to the names listed below, we pray for the written and unwritten prayers received through the Prayer Request Cards.

PRAYER CONCERNS

Rev. David Adkins, Cam Akers, Tori Anderson, Rick Bragga, Lucy Chenery, Annie Davenport (aunt of Crystal Foster), Kim Dodson (mother of Shana Miller), Pat Edwards, Lachlan Fender (nephew of Jeff and Sara Fender), Betty Finley, Cheryl Fitzgerald (sister of Donna Noble), Judie Foster (mother of Steven Foster), Ann Gooch (mother of Anita Schunk), Ray Gudum, Laura Harkonen-missionary in Congo, Tommy Harris, Ryan Hartsook (son-in-law of Ruth Powell), Peggy Hill, Bev Hires, Rev. W. Ernest Hogge, Terry Hoover (father of Haylee Douglas), Barbara Jennings (mother of Sarah Hardymon), Lisa Jones, Betsy Katko, Kelsey Lewia (daughter of Rick and Debbie Bragga), Jane Mackey (mother of Roger Mackey), Robert McNamara, Pam Melton (daughter of Sylvia Chartier), Diane Morrison, Ginger Perkin (daughter of Dave and Diane Bennett), Caiden and Triston Purkey (grandsons of Bob and Lisa Jones), Mike Purkey (son-in-law of Bob and Lisa Jones), Rick Robertson (brother of Martha Anne Martin), Betty Ross (grandmother of Crystal Foster), Amira Safwat, Rob Troisi, Sara Walker, Ann White (mother of Pat Edwards)

Homebound

Aleida Bultman-Brookdale, 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-Southeast Asia, Laura and Timo Harkonen-Democratic Republic of the Congo, Liz Jackson-Philippines, Quynh-Hoa Nguyen-Vietnam

