



**SHADY  
GROVE**  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

**March 12, 2023**

**“Magnifying Jesus Christ by ministering His gospel to  
ourselves, our community and around the world”**

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## ***Welcome to Shady Grove Presbyterian Church!***

**[www.shadygrovepca.org](http://www.shadygrovepca.org)**

### **Our Weekly Schedule**

Sunday Morning Worship at 10:45am, in person and broadcast live on YouTube

Sunday Evening Cornerstone Youth Group Tonight, 6:00-7:45pm

Late Morning Prayer (Tuesday and Friday, 11:00-11:30) on Zoom: -

Thursday evening Cornerstone Bible Study this week 7:00pm-8:45pm

### **Dates to Remember**

**3/24** Cornerstone Passion for the Truth

**3/25** Inquirers Seminar

**4/1** Spring Church Workday

**4/7** Good Friday Service

**4/8** Easter Egg Hunt!

**4/14** Cornerstone Sport-o-Rama

**4/15** Becca Lokos's Bridal Shower

**4/28-29** Women's Retreat

**4/29** National Rebuilding Day

**6/2** Cornerstone Banquet

**6/3** SG Kids Strawberry Picking at Butler's

**7/5-7** Sports Camp

**7/24-28** VBS!

See updates and details on our website (<https://shadygrovepca.org/>)

Facebook page ([ShadyGrovePCA](#)) & Instagram ([ShadyGrovePCA](#))

## **New Here? Welcome to Shady Grove!**



We are glad you're here! Please visit our welcome center in the lobby or scan the QR code to fill out a connect card.

**Announcements** can be found by scanning the QR code or picking up an announcement sheet at the entry of the sanctuary.

## Shady Grove Presbyterian Church Announcements, 3/12/23



### Shady Grove Adults

#### *Spring Sunday School Classes*

Please join us for one of our adult Sunday School classes offered from 9:30–10:30am. Paul Schomburg and Gene Sohn will be leading the *LivingProof Adventure*, a video-based training series for lifestyle evangelism. In this 13-week series, you will learn how to determine where those “in your traffic pattern” are on their spiritual journey and practical ways to help them take one step closer to receiving Jesus Christ in ways that are natural and unforced. Pastor Baile, Chris Kinsinger, and Kris Marcantonio will be leading a study in the sanctuary on the kings of Judah in the divided kingdom from 2 Chronicles 10-36. The class is entitled “**The Good, The Bad, and The Ugly**” as the different kings have particular vices and virtues that whisper and make us long for the greater king to come. Tammy Jones will be leading the women through a study of **Ezekiel**, visions and oracles of hope from a people in exile.



#### *Giving Options*

In addition to online giving (<https://shadygrovepca.org/give/>) or mailing in your checks (Shady Grove Presbyterian Church, 16911 Redland Rd. Derwood, MD 20855), there is now a **Check Deposit Box located outside the church office**. It resembles a mail slot. This deposit box has replaced the wooden check box. Thank you!

#### *Inquirers Seminar*

Have you been a regular attender at Shady Grove? Interested in becoming a member? The purpose of the seminar is for those inquiring about joining our church. On Saturday morning, **March 25th** from 9-noon, we will review some of the doctrinal distinctives of our church, answer questions, and explain why we think church membership is important. If you would like to register to participate, please contact Tammy Jones in the church office at [office@shadygrovepca.org](mailto:office@shadygrovepca.org).

#### *Spring Church Work Day*

Our Spring Church Work Day is coming up **Saturday, April 1** (no joke!) We will begin at 9:00am and work both inside and outside to spruce up our building and grounds. You may choose to work outside on landscaping, window washing, etc., or any of the various indoor jobs if you prefer. Cleaning products and other supplies will be provided but please feel free to also bring your own rakes, shovels, gardening tools, masks, gloves, goggles, knee pads, boots, rags, tarps, etc. Lunch will also be provided. Thank you so much for your service, and get ready to enjoy the opportunity to get to know others as you work together, gain a great sense of accomplishment, and have the privilege of seeing our building & property sparkle! We look forward to seeing everyone there!



### Shady Grove Families

#### *Bible Bee!*

Join the National Bible Bee on an 8-week adventure through the scriptures! Registration opens this week for the 2023 Summer Study. Children and teens ages 7-18 are eligible to register. The Bee runs from June 5 – August 10. For more information, see Steve or Kathy Sinni.



## **Shady Grove Men**

### ***National Rebuilding Day UPDATE***

As of March 2, we have 16 total volunteers committed to helping a needy family in Montgomery County with home repairs from 8am-5pm on Sat, April 29. Of that group, five of those volunteers are also able to come on the optional site-preparation day (8:00am-Noon, April 15). THANK YOU! Your timely sign-ups make it possible to do advance planning and thereby make the event more enjoyable. Finally, our NRD leader team for SGPCA has been identified: Ian Gates (House Captain), Richard Cook (Co-Captain), Michael Pfeiffer (Volunteer Coordinator), Ann Cook (House Ambassador), and Jeff Anderson (Safety Coordinator).



## **Shady Grove Women**

### ***Card Connections***

All ladies are invited to a card-making event in the narthex at SGPCA from **1pm–3pm** on **Thursday, March 16, 2023**. For details, see the sign-up sheet located under the television screen by the Welcome Center. The sign-up sheet will be available through Sunday morning, March 12.

### ***Mom's Night Out Event***

Young moms, here's your chance to relax, enjoy the company of other women, and be refreshed. On Friday, **March 17**, 7:00pm, Mom's Night will be hosted by Sarah Yeh. For more information, contact the church office or talk to Jackie Davidson or Hannah Hawes.

### ***Save the Date!***

Our very own Becca Lokos, youth assistant, biblical counselor, tech guru and good friend is getting married! We will celebrate her at a bridal shower 10:30am, **April 15**. More details to be shared soon, but meanwhile, save the date!

### ***Anchored 2023: Shady Grove Women's Retreat***

We will gather at Camp Wabanna in Edgewater, MD along the Chesapeake Bay on **April 28-29** for our women's retreat. Ellen Zell will be speaking and there will be a variety of activities and fellowship opportunities. Registration runs through March 31. Space is limited!



## **Shady Grove Missions**

### ***March Deacons' Fund***

The Diaconate is dedicating the Deacons' Fund offering during the entire month of March to Mission to the World's (MTW) Compassion Offering, a fund that allows MTW to respond quickly to urgent needs around the world. The Compassion Offering is currently being directed to assist those affected in Turkey and Syria by the earthquake that struck the region on February 6, which was the strongest earthquake to hit those countries in a century, and leaves tens of thousands dead and many more injured. The 7.8-magnitude quake in Turkey's Gaziantep province was followed by aftershocks as strong as 7.5 and 5.6 in magnitude, causing buildings

to collapse and debris to be scattered across the region. Thankfully, MTW contacts are safe, but Christian friends are suffering devastating loss, and one family has lost their home and a child. A winter storm in the region is making the disaster more difficult to deal with and hundreds of thousands of people are impacted. **MTW's Compassion fund** will help show God's love in tangible ways to those affected by the devastating earthquake. The donations will go towards providing food and water to those in need and support rebuilding efforts. Funds will also be used to send believers from surrounding cities to care for people's spiritual and emotional needs after this tragedy. Our generous contributions will help ensure that those affected are able to recover and rebuild their lives. For more information, please see <https://www.mtw.org/stories/details/trauma-upon-trauma-mtw-poised-to-help-earthquake-victims-in-turkey-and-syria>. Thank you!

### ***Afghan Family Needs***

The Afghan family we have been part of helping is in need of home furnishings. All basic donated furniture items are needed such as beds, dressers, coffee tables, couches, accent chairs, kitchen tables and chairs, etc. If you are interested in donating any furniture they might need please email our point of contact regarding material donations. If you are interested in helping the family in different ways, please also respond. We would like to be a blessing to these families in as many ways as possible, showing them the love of Christ.

### ***Support for Unwed Expectant Women***

Embrace Grace is a group of women who seek to support and encourage unwed mothers. These meetings will be Wednesdays, 7:00pm, at Gaithersburg Church of the Nazarene.

### ***Gaithersburg HELP, More than a Food Pantry***

Could you use free diapers and baby formula? Prescription funding? Free rides for seniors and disabled adults to medical and social service appointments? Then call Gaithersburg HELP at 301.216.2510.

### ***Missionaries of the Month: March 2023***

#### **Kristen Lalley, Walthamstow, East London**

Kristen has been faithfully serving with SERGE for several years. Over the holidays, Kristen became engaged to Thanos, who is originally from Greece but lived in London for five years. With much prayer, Kristen and Thanos will transition from SERGE to Communitas International as of April 30, 2023. Kristen's prayer requests are for a peaceful transition from SERGE to Communitas International, preparing for marriage with Thanos, her health/exercise.

#### **Michael & Pearl Oh (Global Executive Director/CEO of Lausanne Movement)**

Michael asks for prayer for preparations for Lausanne 4 gatherings, which include the various regional gatherings in 2023 and the Seoul 2024 Congress on World Evangelization. The Seoul 2024 congress will also mark the 50th anniversary of the Lausanne Movement. Please pray for confirmation of a strong candidate for Lausanne's Director of Development position, for upcoming global travel, for good stewardship and for wisdom. Pray for God to prepare hearts in the ways needed most. Most of all, please pray for a beautiful and refreshing daily walk with the Lord. For the family, Michael is thankful for all seven of his family were able to be home for Christmas, and for being able to experience the Urbana missions conference with two of his daughters. He asks for prayer for his daughter Elliot, who has been suffering from a mystery illness that is causing strange and discouraging skin peeling and facial redness (and fatigue and more) and has had to stop playing flute and struggles to even smile. None of the doctors or tests have been able to discover a cause but their best guess at this point is "cell activation syndrome". Please pray the Lord will comfort Elliot and the entire Oh family and that they can find expert medical advice to help diagnose this condition. Contact: [ohfamily@gmail.com](mailto:ohfamily@gmail.com)

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**WORSHIP HIS MAJESTY**

**Reflection Quote:**

“The things he says are very different from what any other teacher has said. Others say, ‘This is the truth about the universe. This is the way you ought to go,’ but He says, ‘I am the Truth, and the Way, and the Life.’ He says, ‘No man can reach absolute reality, except through Me. Try to retain your own life and you will be inevitably ruined. Give yourself away and you will be saved.; He says, ‘If you are ashamed of Me, if, when you hear this call, you turn the other way, I also will look the other way when I come again as God without disguise. If anything whatever is keeping you from God and from me, whatever it is, throw it away. If it is your eye, pull it out. If it is your hand, cut it off. If you put yourself first you will be last. Come to Me everyone who is carrying a heavy load, I will set that right. Your sins, all of them, are wiped out, I can do that.”

C.S. Lewis, *God in the Dock*, “What are we to make of Jesus Christ?”

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Introit – The Genevans Choir**

**Psalm 145, by Diane Whitacre**

## **Responsive Call to Worship – Mark 6:34-51**

**Leader:** When he went ashore he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion on them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd. And he began to teach them many things. <sup>35</sup> And when it grew late, his disciples came to him and said,

**All:** “This is a desolate place, and the hour is now late. <sup>36</sup> Send them away to go into the surrounding countryside and villages and buy themselves something to eat.”

**Leader:** But he answered them, “You give them something to eat.” And they said to him,

**All:** “Shall we go and buy two hundred denarii worth of bread and give it to them to eat?”

**Leader:** And he said to them, “How many loaves do you have? Go and see.” And when they had found out, they said,

**All:** “Five, and two fish.”

**Leader:** Then he commanded them all to sit down in groups on the green grass. <sup>40</sup> So they sat down in groups, by hundreds and by fifties. <sup>41</sup> And taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven and said a blessing and broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples to set before the people. And he divided the two fish among them all. <sup>42</sup> And they all ate and were satisfied. <sup>43</sup> And they took up twelve baskets full of broken pieces and of the fish. <sup>44</sup> And those who ate the loaves were five thousand men. <sup>45</sup> Immediately he made his disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side, to Bethsaida, while he dismissed the crowd. <sup>46</sup> And after he had taken leave of them, he went up on the mountain to pray. <sup>47</sup> And when evening came, the boat was out on the sea, and he was alone on the land. <sup>48</sup> And he saw that they were making headway painfully, for the wind was against them. And about the fourth watch of the night he came to them, walking on the sea. He meant to pass by them, <sup>49</sup> but when they saw him walking on the sea they thought it was a ghost, and cried out, <sup>50</sup> for they all saw him and were terrified. But immediately he spoke to them and said, “Take heart; it is I. Do not be afraid.”

**All:** And he got into the boat with them, and the wind ceased. And they were utterly astounded.



## **Psalm 107, Verses 23-31, Sung with The Genevans Choir**

To those who sailed the seas in ships And on great waters trade,  
The works and wonders of the Lord Are in the deep displayed.  
By His command the wind was stirred That with a tempest blows;  
It lifted waters of the sea, Great rolling waves arose.

The ships were lifted to the sky, Then down to depths they dropped.  
The sailors' courage disappeared, And they became distraught.  
They staggered just like drunken men, And could no answer see;  
The LORD, when they cried out to Him, From trouble set them free.

The storm He changed into a calm By His command and will,  
And so the waves which raged before Now quiet were and still.  
Then they were glad, because at rest And quiet was the sea.  
He led them to the haven thus Where they desired to be.

Let them give thanks unto the LORD For all His kindness show.  
And for His works so wonderful Which He to men makes known.  
Among the people where they meet Let them exalt His name;  
And where the elders are convened, Let them His praise proclaim.

### **Heidelberg catechism Q & A 1**

#### **Q. 1. What is your only comfort in life and death?**

A. That I am not my own, but belong—body and soul, in life and in death—to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood, and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil. He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven; in fact, all things must work together for my salvation. Because I belong to him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

#### **Abide with Me**

Abide with me; fast falls the eventide;  
The darkness deepens; Lord with me abide.  
When other helpers, fail and comforts flee,  
Help of the helpless, abide with me.

Thou on my head, in early youth didst smile;  
And, though rebellious, and perverse meanwhile,  
Thou hast not left me, though I oft left Thee,  
On to the close Lord, abide with me.

I need Thy presence, every passing hour.  
What but Thy grace, can foil the tempter's power?  
Who, like Thyself, my guide and stay can be?  
Through cloud and sunshine, abide with me.

I fear no foe, with Thee at hand to bless  
Ills have no weight, tears lose their bitterness  
Where is thy sting death? Where grave thy victory?  
I triumph still, abide with me.

Hold Thou Thy cross, before my closing eyes;  
Shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies.  
Heaven's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee;  
In life, in death, Lord, abide with me.

### **Responsive Scripture Reading – Mark 15:21-39**

**Leader:** And they compelled a passerby, Simon of Cyrene, who was coming in from the country, the father of Alexander and Rufus, to carry his cross. <sup>22</sup> And they brought him to the place called Golgotha (which means Place of a Skull). <sup>23</sup> And they offered him wine mixed with myrrh, but he did not take it. <sup>24</sup> And they crucified him and divided his garments among them, casting lots for them, to decide what each should take. <sup>25</sup> And it was the third hour when they crucified him. <sup>26</sup> And the inscription of the charge against him read, “The King of the Jews.” <sup>27</sup> And with him they crucified two robbers, one on his right and one on his left. <sup>29</sup> And those who passed by derided him, wagging their heads and saying, “Aha! You who would destroy the temple and rebuild it in three days, <sup>30</sup> save yourself, and come down from the cross!” <sup>31</sup> So also the chief priests with the scribes mocked him to one another, saying, “He saved others; he cannot save himself. <sup>32</sup> Let the Christ, the King of Israel, come down now from the cross that we may see and believe.” Those who were crucified with him also reviled him. <sup>33</sup> And when the sixth hour had come, there was darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour. <sup>34</sup> And at the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice, “Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?” which means, “My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?”<sup>35</sup> And some of the

bystanders hearing it said, “Behold, he is calling Elijah.”<sup>36</sup> And someone ran and filled a sponge with sour wine, put it on a reed and gave it to him to drink, saying, “Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to take him down.”<sup>37</sup> And Jesus uttered a loud cry and breathed his last.<sup>38</sup> And the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom.<sup>39</sup> And when the centurion, who stood facing him, saw that in this way he breathed his last, he said,

**All:** “Truly this man was the Son of God!”

## **Here I Am to Worship**

Light of the World, You stepped down into darkness  
Opened my eyes, let me see  
Beauty that made this heart adore You  
Hope of a life spent with You

*Chorus:*

*So here I am to worship, here I am to bow down  
Here I am to say that You're my God  
You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy  
Altogether wonderful to me*

King of all days, oh so highly exalted  
Glorious in heaven above  
Humbly You came to the Earth You created  
All for love's sake became poor

I'll never know how much it cost to see my sin upon that cross  
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*(Children through eight years old are dismissed to children's church.)*

## **SHARING AND CARING**

**Pastoral Prayer**

**Elder Mike Nola**

**Ministry in Music**

**The Genevans Choir**

**Psalms 103 by Michael Kearney**

## **PROCLAMATION OF GOD'S WORD**

**“It was the Best of Times; It was the Worst of Times”**

**Pastor Charlie Baile**

**Scripture Reading – Mark 8:22-33**

And they came to Bethsaida. And some people brought to him a blind man and begged him to touch him. <sup>23</sup> And he took the blind man by the hand and led him out of the village, and when he had spit on his eyes and laid his hands on him, he asked him, “Do you see anything?” <sup>24</sup> And he looked up and said, “I see people, but they look like trees, walking.” <sup>25</sup> Then Jesus laid his hands on his eyes again; and he opened his eyes, his sight was restored, and he saw everything clearly. <sup>26</sup> And he sent him to his home, saying, “Do not even enter the village.” <sup>27</sup> And Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi. And on the way he asked his disciples, “Who do people say that I am?” <sup>28</sup> And they told him, “John the Baptist; and others say, Elijah; and others, one of the prophets.” <sup>29</sup> And he asked them, “But who do you say that I am?” Peter answered him, “You are the Christ.” <sup>30</sup> And he strictly charged them to tell no one about him. <sup>31</sup> And he began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes and be killed, and after three days rise again. <sup>32</sup> And he said this plainly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. <sup>33</sup> But turning and seeing his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, “Get behind me, Satan! For you are not setting your mind on the things of God, but on the things of man.”

**Sermon Notes**

## **Yet Not I, But Through Christ In Me**

What gift of grace is Jesus my redeemer  
There is no more for heaven now to give  
He is my joy, my righteousness, and freedom  
My steadfast love, my deep and boundless peace

To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus  
For my life is wholly bound to His  
Oh how strange and divine, I can sing: all is mine!  
Yet not I, but through Christ in me

The night is dark but I am not forsaken  
For by my side, the Saviour He will stay  
I labour on in weakness and rejoicing  
For in my need, His power is displayed

To this I hold, my Shepherd will defend me  
Through the deepest valley He will lead  
Oh the night has been won, and I shall overcome!  
Yet not I, but through Christ in me

No fate I dread, I know I am forgiven  
The future sure, the price it has been paid  
For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon  
And He was raised to overthrow the grave

To this I hold, my sin has been defeated  
Jesus now and ever is my plea  
Oh the chains are released, I can sing: I am free!  
Yet not I, but through Christ in me

With every breath I long to follow Jesus  
For He has said that He will bring me home  
And day by day I know He will renew me  
Until I stand with joy before the throne

To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus  
All the glory evermore to Him

When the race is complete, still my lips shall repeat  
Yet not I, but through Christ in me!

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## **Benediction**