



**SHADY
GROVE**
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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**“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!

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, 7:00-8:45pm

Dates to Remember

3/17 Young Adult Lunch - **TODAY!!**

3/24 Church-wide Prayer Meeting

3/29 Seder Dinner

3/30 Easter Egg Hunt

4/13 Spring Workday

4/13 Mom's Night Out

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

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



New Here?

Welcome to Shady Grove!

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



Shady Grove Adults

Upcoming Dates for Families

We know that there are many options for your family in the summers. Here are a few dates for the children and youth during the summer that we want to be sure you know about:

5/31 Cornerstone Banquet

6/14-15 Cornerstone Sprint

7/8-12 VBS

7/24-26 Sports Camp

8/ 8-11 Cornerstone Retreat

8/17 SG Kids Brunch & a Movie

9/8 Church Picnic

Easter Candy Needed!

Please consider taking a bag of empty Easter eggs and returning them filled next Sun, **March 24**. We will use these filled eggs for our Easter Egg hunt on Saturday, March 30, 2024, at the church.

Young Adult Lunch, TODAY!

After church today, the newlywed Bailes (Haddon and Eliese) are hosting the young adult lunch. Directions are available at the Welcome Center.

Easter Egg Hunt

On Saturday, **March 30**, please join us at 2pm, at the church, for our annual Easter egg hunt. We will enjoy fellowship together, the teens and young-at-heart adults will hide the eggs, the children will hunt for them, collect them **in bags that you bring**, and then we will eat **snacks, that you bring to share** while the children trade for all their favorite candies.

Spring Sunday School Classes

There are two classes offered for Spring Sunday School. A team of women will be teaching a class called "Finding our True Identity in Christ" using Tim Keller's book, *The Freedom of Self-Forgetfulness* and The Gospel Coalition's book, *Identity Theft: Reclaiming the Truth of Who We are in Christ*. Pastor Baile, Chris Kinsinger, and Gene Sohn are teaching Isaiah 40-55 in room 10-11. Please come and join us as we explore the beautiful promises and the greatness of God on display in these incredible chapters that often get overlooked.

Seder Dinner, Good Friday, March 29

Mark your calendars! Chosen People Ministries will lead us in an explanation of the Seder dinner and the symbolism of the elements that point to Christ. We will eat together at 5:30, Friday, **March 29**, with the presentation following. The church will be providing chicken and the sign up for sides and more is in the form. You may use the QR code to sign up for the Seder presentation or contact the church office. Bring guests to experience this evening!



Spring Church Work Day, April 13

Our Spring Church Work Day is coming up **Saturday, April 13**. 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, mulch, 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, or what you need to help you work! Lunch will also be provided. Thank you so much for your service while you get to know others as you work together, gain a great sense of accomplishment, and have the privilege of seeing our building and property sparkle! We look forward to seeing you there!

Giving Options

In addition to online giving (<https://shadygrovepca.org/give/>) or mailing in your checks, there is a Check Deposit Box located outside the church office, resembling a mail slot.



Shady Grove Women

Mom's Night Out

Jessica Engle is hosting the next Mom's Night on Saturday, **April 13**. Moms will meet at [Rise Pies, Clarksburg Outlets](#) at 6pm for dinner followed by a game night at the Engles' home.

Save the Date!

Plan to join us for *Rooted and Growing Together: A House Plant Swap*. Saturday, **April 20**, 10a-1pm at the Hawes home in Olney, the women will meet to learn about plants, exchange trimmings that can be grown indoors, enjoy yummy food and good company, and learn about all things plant! Start putting aside your extra plants to trade or bring stem cuttings, seedlings, or seeds to share.



Shady Grove Men

Romans Bible Study

Pastor Charlie Baile will be leading the men through the book of Romans on **Saturdays** from 9:00-10:30am in the hospitality room at the church. Although an RSVP is not required, contact Pastor Charlie if you'd like to be included. Coffee will be provided.



Shady Grove Missions

Missionaries of the Month

Sarah Lokos, Montgomery County Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA)

I cannot thank you enough for your continued support of me and Montgomery County FCA! It has certainly been a season of growth. I am thankful that we have added three new FCA Huddles at schools across the county this year. Our Rockville High School FCA just kicked off for the first time a couple weeks ago! I've been amazed and encouraged by our student leaders this year. They have a passion for sharing the Gospel on their school campuses and have a deep desire to grow in their own walks with the Lord. On March 22, I will be traveling to Malaysia with two local high school students and a volunteer. Please pray for safety over this trip. Pray for the Lord's provision for all the paperwork and funding to come through. Most importantly, please pray that we can be an encouragement to our FCA Malaysia staff and serve and love them well. Please pray for our summer ministries as we are in full planning mode for our internship and summer camps. Lastly, our FCA Impact Dinner is on March 18. Please pray that this event would be glorifying to God, we would communicate the vision and mission of FCA well, and raise the funds needed to support our growing ministry.

Shady Grove Pregnancy Center

The March Deacon's Offering is designated for the **Shady Grove Pregnancy Center**. The Shady Grove Pregnancy Center is a local non-profit that supports women navigating crisis pregnancies. Our support is offered at no cost to the women. We provide pregnancy testing, options counseling, sonograms, parenting classes, material assistance, and community referrals. This vital assistance is made feasible by the support of churches like Shady Grove Presbyterian, who value the sanctity of life and the dignity of each person. Your generosity fuels our mission.

Without organizations such as yours, we would not be able to do what we do. Prayer request: We request your prayers for those in crisis to discover our center and for us to equip them with the necessary resources.

Gaithersburg HELP Volunteer Needs

Gaithersburg HELP is in need of volunteers in two areas specifically. Work from home using your own phone and computer as a call center volunteer. Listen to voicemail messages from clients, call clients to confirm the services needed, and enter approved service appointments in an online computer system. Training includes blocking home phone numbers. Flexible hours are available. ***The ability to help Spanish-speaking clients is a critical need.*** Also, volunteer drivers are needed. Drive clients to and from medical or social service appointments from 8a-5p, Monday to Friday. Check the QR code to apply.



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WORSHIP HIS MAJESTY

For Reflection:

“And on that day,” declares the Lord GOD, “I will make the sun go down at noon and darken the earth in broad daylight. ¹⁰ I will turn your feasts into mourning and all your songs into lamentation; I will bring sackcloth on every waist and baldness on every head; I will make it like the mourning for an only son and the end of it like a bitter day.

Amos

8:9-10

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Responsive Call to Worship — Psalm 85

To the choirmaster. A Psalm of the Sons of Korah

Leader: Lord, you were favorable to your land; you restored the fortunes of Jacob. You forgave the iniquity of your people; you covered all their sin. *Selah* ³ You withdrew all your wrath; you turned from your hot anger.

All: Restore us again, O God of our salvation, and put away your indignation toward us! ⁵ Will you be angry with us forever? Will you prolong your anger to all generations? ⁶ Will you not revive us again, that your people may rejoice in you? Show us your steadfast love, O Lord, and grant us your salvation.

Leader: Let me hear what God the Lord will speak, for he will speak peace to his people, to his saints; but let them not turn back to folly. ⁹ Surely his salvation is near to those who fear him, that glory may dwell in our land.

All: Steadfast love and faithfulness meet; righteousness and peace kiss each other. Faithfulness springs up from the ground, and righteousness looks down from the sky.

Leader: Yes, the Lord will give what is good, and our land will yield its increase.
Righteousness will go before him and make his footsteps a way.

Salvation to the Lamb

Poor sinner come, cast off thy fear,
And raise thy drooping head
Come, sing with all poor sinners here,
Jesus, who once was dead

Salvation sing no word more meet
To join to Jesus' name
Let every thankful tongue repeat
"Salvation to the Lamb", "Salvation to the Lamb"

Saints from the garden to the cross
Your conquering Lord pursue
Who, dearly to redeem your loss
Groaned, bled, and died for you

Now reigns victorious over death
The glorious great I am
Let every soul repeat with faith
"Salvation to the Lamb." "Salvation to the Lamb"

When we incurred the wrath of God
Alas! What could be worse?
He came, and with His heart's own blood
Redeemed us from the curse

This Paschal Lamb, his blood can meet
And cleanse ye from each stain
Repeat, ye ransomed souls, repeat
"Salvation to the Lamb." "Salvation to the Lamb."

Responsive Scripture Reading – Hebrews 9:1-14

Leader: Now even the first covenant had regulations for worship and an earthly place of holiness. ² For a tent was prepared, the first section, in which were the lampstand and the table and the bread of the Presence. It is called the Holy Place. ³ Behind the second curtain was a second section called the Most Holy Place, ⁴ having the golden altar of incense and the ark of the covenant covered on all sides with gold, in which was a golden urn holding the manna, and Aaron's staff that budded, and the tablets of the covenant. ⁵ Above it were the cherubim of glory overshadowing the mercy seat. Of these things we cannot now speak in detail. ⁶ These preparations having thus been made, the priests go regularly into the first section, performing their ritual duties, ⁷ but into the second only the high priest goes, and he but once a year, and not without taking blood, which he offers for himself and for the unintentional sins of the people. ⁸ By this the Holy Spirit indicates that the way into the holy places is not yet opened as long as the first section is still standing ⁹ (which is symbolic for the present age). According to this arrangement, gifts and sacrifices are offered that cannot perfect the conscience of the worshiper, ¹⁰ but deal only with food and drink and various washings, regulations for the body imposed until the time of reformation.

All: But when Christ appeared as a high priest of the good things that have come, then through the greater and more perfect tent (not made with hands, that is, not of this creation) ¹² he entered once for all into the holy places, not by means of the blood of goats and calves but by means of his own blood, thus securing an eternal redemption. ¹³ For if the blood of goats and bulls, and the sprinkling of defiled persons with the ashes of a heifer, sanctify for the purification of the flesh, ¹⁴ how much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without blemish to God, purify our conscience from dead works to serve the living God.

The Solid Rock – Hymn #404

My hope is built on nothing less
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness;
I dare not trust the sweetest frame,
But wholly lean on Jesus' name.

Refrain:

*On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand
All other ground is sinking sand,
All other ground is sinking sand.*

When darkness veils His lovely face,
I rest on His unchanging grace;
In ev'ry high and stormy gale
My anchor holds within the veil. *Refrain*

His oath, His covenant, His blood
Support me in the whelming flood;
When all around my soul gives way,
He then is all my hope and stay. *Refrain*

When He shall come with trumpet sound,
O may I then in Him be found;
Dressed in His righteousness alone,
Faultless to stand before the throne. *Refrain*

(Children eight years and younger are dismissed to children's church.)

SHARING AND CARING

Pastoral Prayer

Elder Bruce Fraser

PROCLAMATION OF GOD'S WORD

“The Triumph of the Cross”

Pastor Charlie Baile

Scripture Reading – Mark 15:33-39

And when the sixth hour had come, there was darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour. ³⁴ 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?” ³⁵ And some of the bystanders hearing it said, “Behold, he is calling Elijah.” ³⁶ 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.” ³⁷ And Jesus uttered a loud cry and breathed his last. ³⁸ And the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. ³⁹ And when the centurion, who stood facing him, saw that in this way he breathed his last, he said, “Truly this man was the Son of God!”

Sermon Notes

Thank You Jesus for the Blood

I was a wretch; I remember who I was.
I was lost, I was blind, I was running out of time.
Sin separated, the breach was far too wide.
But from the far side of the chasm, You held me in your sight.

So You made a way across the great divide,
Left behind Heaven's throne to build it here inside.
There at the cross You paid the debt I owed,
Broke my chains, freed my soul—for the first time I had hope.

Chorus

*Thank you Jesus for the blood applied;
Thank you Jesus, it has washed me white.
Thank you Jesus You have saved my life,
Brought me from the darkness into glorious light.*

You took my place, laid inside my tomb of sin.
You were buried for three days but then You walked right out again.
And now death has no sting and life has no end.
For I have been transformed by the blood of the Lamb. *Chorus*

Bridge

There is nothing stronger than the wonder working power
Of the blood, the blood
That calls us sons and daughters we are ransomed by our Father
Through the blood, the blood *Chorus*

Celebration of Communion

Prayer of Great Thanksgiving

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 *Chorus*

Bridge

I'll never know how much it cost to see my sin upon that cross
I'll never know how much it cost to see my sin upon that cross *Chorus*

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

Benediction

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