



**SHADY  
GROVE**  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

**April 14, 2024**

**“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. 6:00-7:45p

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

4/14 Caregivers Fellowship

4/20 Rooted and Growing Plant Swap

4/25 Women's Prayer Meeting

4/28 Church-wide prayer meeting

5/11 SG Children Strawberry Picking Day

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

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**

### *Spring Sunday School Classes March-May, 9:30am*

A team of women are 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 join us as we explore the beautiful promises and greatness of God on display in these incredible chapters that often get overlooked.

### Caregiver Fellowship – TODAY after church

Are you a caregiver? Full time, part time, or sometimes? Is your loved one nearby or faraway? It doesn't matter. Come join us for fellowship, support, sharing and prayer. Our caregiver support group meets once a month at the home of Richard and Ann Cook to share our journey and find refreshment and comfort in the challenges and blessings of care giving. We meet on the second Sunday of the month, usually after church for a meal, fellowship and prayer. Our next meeting is April 14. If you have questions or would like to join us, please email Ann or Richard Cook



### **Shady Grove Women**

#### ***Let's Get Planting!***

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. For more information, fill out this [form](#) or use the QR code on the flyer in the bulletin.*



### **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**

#### ***Mission Team to Colombia, South America***

A group is planning to go to Colombia from July 25 - August 4, 2024. The main purposes of the trip will be to support Pastor Edison at Calvary Church, design a curriculum that will be shared with the youth at Calvary Church and a Christian bilingual school, collaborate with other ministries to provide aquaponic systems for the Chimila tribe and share gospel games, teaching, and fellowship; clean hands workshop with the Chimila tribe and Foundation Kids. Please contact Sandra Lamy with additional questions.



#### ***Missionaries of the Month***

#### ***Tomoko Sacks, The Light Project***

We are very grateful for Shady Grove Presbyterian Church's prayers and support of the Light Project. Thanks to you, in 2023 we were able to expand our teaching activities beyond our regular online classes, teaching in person at the Christ Bible Seminary in Nagoya, and at a Tokyo training program for church interns. The students all mentioned that our courses gave them a deeper understanding of secular work environments, and helped them develop practical skills enabling them to talk more deeply about the big issues confronting working people, Christians and non-Christians alike. Currently we are surveying our course alumni to better

understand the strengths and weaknesses of our Faith & Work integration courses, and will use the results to help us develop new programs. Although we have trained over 260 Christians from more than 140 churches all over Japan during the past six years, many Christians are still unaware of how to live out their faith at their workplaces. Training and encouraging them is essential to evangelism in this work-obsessed country. Please pray with us that we can reach and teach more Christians, to transform Japan's workplaces and through them, the entire nation. [www.lightproject.jp/en/](http://www.lightproject.jp/en/)

### ***Gaithersburg HELP***

We thank the Shady Grove congregation for its prayers and support. There was a great response to our Super Bowl food drive in February. However, this past year was tough. We provided food to 6,200 households (1,400 more than 2022). Those groceries fed 28,000 people (6,700 more than 2022). We provided formula for 1,200 infants (499 more than 2022) and diapers for 3,052 infants (970 more than 2022). In addition, we provided rides for 880 seniors to medical appointments (210 more than 2022). HELP ended the year with a \$41,000 deficit. There were adequate funds in our savings account to cover the deficit, but we cannot keep spending our savings like this. HELP made significant changes in its 2024 budget to reduce its expenses. We ended our diaper program to reduce expenses by \$25,000. We confirmed that other organizations providing diapers could take our referrals before we ended the program. Baby food and formula will still be available in the pantry. We also cut support for rent and utility assistance, reducing expenses by another \$24,000. In addition to cuts, we are working to contact more businesses and other organizations to request donations. These actions appear to be helping. Our cash flow showed a surplus for the first two months of this year. Please pray that our finances will remain stable, and that God will raise up new volunteers to fill our open positions. Most of our clients are Spanish speaking so bilingual volunteers are critical to serving our neighbors. If you or someone you know would be willing to volunteer a few hours each month, please complete a volunteer application [here](#). If you have any questions about Gaithersburg HELP, please contact Kevin Ramsey at 240-426-2076 or by email at [Kevin.Ramsey@gaitersburghelp.org](mailto:Kevin.Ramsey@gaitersburghelp.org). *Please note: The Micah Cart is now located by the church office next to the Check Deposit Slot.*



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**WORSHIP HIS MAJESTY**

**For Reflection:**

**God Moves in a Mysterious Way (Hymn v.1-3)**

1 God moves in a mysterious way His wonders to perform; He plants His footsteps in the sea, and rides upon the storm.

2 Deep in unfathomable mines of never failing skill He treasures up His bright designs, and works His sov'reign will.

3 Ye fearful saints, fresh courage take; the clouds ye so much dread are big with mercy, and shall break in blessings on your head.

**William Cowper (1774)**

**Prelude**

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Responsive Call to Worship – Psalm 46**

**Leader:** God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. <sup>2</sup> Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way, though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea, <sup>3</sup> though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble at its swelling. *Selah* <sup>4</sup> There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High. God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved; God will help her when morning dawns. <sup>6</sup> The nations rage, the kingdoms totter; he utters his voice, the earth melts.

**All:** The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress. *Selah*

**Leader:** Come, behold the works of the LORD, how he has brought desolations on the earth. <sup>9</sup> He makes wars cease to the end of the earth; he breaks the bow and shatters the spear; he burns the chariots with fire. <sup>10</sup> “Be still, and know that I am God. I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth!”

**All:** The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress. *Selah*

## Unison Confession of Sin

Our Heavenly Father, we confess that you are our refuge and strength and an ever present help in trouble. We believe that you are all powerful and sovereign and that you are with us. Yet, Lord Jesus, we confess our unbelief that too often you are not functionally our fortress and as a result we are full of fears and our souls do not find rest. Forgive us, Lord Jesus, for looking to other gods to comfort and save us. We often look first to our money, our resources, our vacations, our hobbies, our health, our exercise, our gifts, our talents, our friends, and our families to find rest for our souls from the chaos of this world and in our own hearts. Furthermore, we confess that our lack of trust in you leads to an unhealthy craving for control of circumstances and situations which only leads to more worry. We thank you, Lord Jesus, that you died on a cross for the forgiveness of our sins, including these. We ask, Holy Spirit, that you would be trusted and exalted in our hearts and lives, despite the difficulties and afflictions we face in this life. Amen.

## Assurance of Pardon – Isaiah 44:22

I have blotted out your transgressions like a cloud and your sins like mist; return to me, for I have redeemed you.

## Be Still My Soul

Be still my soul, the Lord is on thy side  
Bear patiently the cross of grief or pain  
Leave to thy God to order and provide  
In every change, He faithful will remain

*Echo 1:*

**MEN:** Be still, my soul (X3)

*Echo 2:*

**WOMEN:** Thy best, thy heavenly Friend,  
Through thorny ways leads to a joyful end (X3)

Be still my soul, thy God doth undertake  
To guide the future, as He has the past

Thy hope, thy confidence, let nothing shake  
All now mysterious shall be bright at last

*Echo 1:*

**MEN:** Be still, my soul (X3)

*Echo 2:*

**WOMEN:** The waves and winds still know  
His voice Who ruled them while He dwelt be-low (X3)

Be still my soul, when dearest friends depart  
And all is darkened in the vale of tears  
Then shalt thou better know His love, His heart  
Who comes to soothe thy sorrow and thy fears

*Echo 1:*

**MEN:** Be still, my soul (X3)

*Echo 2:*

**WOMEN:** Thy Jesus can repay from His own fullness all He takes away (X3)

Be still my soul the hour is hastening on  
When we shall be for-ever with the Lord  
When disappointment, grief, and fear are gone  
Sorrow for-got, love's purest joys re-stored

*Echo 1:*

**MEN:** Be still, my soul (X3)

*Echo 2:*

**WOMEN:** When change and tears are past,  
All safe and blessed we shall meet at last

Be still my soul, be-gin the song of praise  
On earth, believing, to thy Lord on high  
Acknowledge Him, in all thy works and ways  
So shall He view thee, with a well-pleased eye

*Echo 1:*

**MEN:** Be still, my soul (X3)

*Echo 2:*

**WOMEN:** The Son of life divine  
Through passing clouds shall but more brightly shine (X3)

## Responsive Reading – Heidelberg Catechism Q&A 1

**Leader:** What is your only comfort in life and in death?

**All:** 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.

### I Am Not My Own

The one who made the heavens made my heart and soul  
Before I drew a breath I was loved and known  
I am His creation the Maker's masterpiece  
And all that He designs will be done in me

My body is a temple of the Living God  
I'll worship in this house that His blood has bought  
As I bear His image O may I not profane  
The holiness I hold in this earthly frame

*Chorus:* I belong to the Lord O I am not my own  
I belong to the Lord I am not my own  
I will honor Him for this I know  
I belong to the Lord I am not my own

And if He has redeemed me I am not my own  
The measure of my worth is His love alone  
He declares my standing and He declares my state  
So I will know myself by the name He gave (*to Chorus*)  
I am not my own and now my heart is free  
O Maker come and make what You will of me  
There is nothing broken that You cannot repair  
So Lord I leave my life in Your loving care (*to Chorus*)

*Tag:* I will honor Him for this I know  
I belong to the Lord I am not my own



## Scripture Reading – Deuteronomy 10:12-22

And now, Israel, what does the LORD your God require of you, but to fear the LORD your God, to walk in all his ways, to love him, to serve the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul, <sup>13</sup> and to keep the commandments and statutes of the LORD, which I am commanding you today for your good? <sup>14</sup> Behold, to the LORD your God belong heaven and the heaven of heavens, the earth with all that is in it. <sup>15</sup> Yet the LORD set his heart in love on your fathers and chose their offspring after them, you above all peoples, as you are this day. <sup>16</sup> Circumcise therefore the foreskin of your heart, and be no longer stubborn. <sup>17</sup> For the LORD your God is God of gods and Lord of lords, the great, the mighty, and the awesome God, who is not partial and takes no bribe. <sup>18</sup> He executes justice for the fatherless and the widow, and loves the sojourner, giving him food and clothing. <sup>19</sup> Love the sojourner, therefore, for you were sojourners in the land of Egypt. <sup>20</sup> You shall fear the LORD your God. You shall serve him and hold fast to him, and by his name you shall swear. <sup>21</sup> He is your praise. He is your God, who has done for you these great and terrifying things that your eyes have seen. <sup>22</sup> Your fathers went down to Egypt seventy persons, and now the LORD your God has made you as numerous as the stars of heaven.

### Ancient of Days

Though the nations rage, kingdoms rise and fall  
There is still one King, reigning over all  
So I will not fear for this truth remains:  
That my God is the Ancient of Days

None above Him, none before Him  
All of time in His hands  
For His throne it shall remain and ever stand  
All the power, all the glory  
I will trust in His name  
For my God is the Ancient of Days

Though the dread of night, overwhelms my soul  
He is here with me I am not alone  
O His love is sure and He knows my name  
For my God is the Ancient of Days

None above Him, none before Him  
All of time in His hands  
For His throne it shall remain and ever stand  
All the power, all the glory  
I will trust in His name  
For my God is the Ancient of Days

Though I may not see, what the future brings  
I will watch and wait for the Saviour King  
Then my joy complete standing face to face  
In the presence of the Ancient of Days

None above Him, none before Him  
All of time in His hands  
For His throne it shall remain and ever stand  
All the power, all the glory  
I will trust in His name  
For my God is the Ancient of Days

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### **SHARING AND CARING**

**New Members Reception  
Mills**

**Leonard & Cathy**

**Thabang & Mathapelo Molise  
Andrew & Petra Spencer**

**Baptism  
Doxology**

**Cathy Mills**

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

**Pastoral Prayer  
Nola**

**Elder Mike**

## **Ministry in Music**

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

#### **“Back in Black” – Heroines and the Hidden Hand of God**

**Pastor Charlie Baile**

#### **Scripture Reading – Ruth 1**

In the days when the judges ruled there was a famine in the land, and a man of Bethlehem in Judah went to sojourn in the country of Moab, he and his wife and his two sons. <sup>2</sup> The name of the man was Elimelech and the name of his wife Naomi, and the names of his two sons were Mahlon and Chilion. They were Ephrathites from Bethlehem in Judah. They went into the country of Moab and remained there. <sup>3</sup> But Elimelech, the husband of Naomi, died, and she was left with her two sons. <sup>4</sup> These took Moabite wives; the name of the one was Orpah and the name of the other Ruth. They lived there about ten years, <sup>5</sup> and both Mahlon and Chilion died, so that the woman was left without her two sons and her husband. <sup>6</sup> Then she arose with her daughters-in-law to return from the country of Moab, for she had heard in the fields of Moab that the LORD had visited his people and given them food. <sup>7</sup> So she set out from the place where she was with her two daughters-in-law, and they went on the way to return to the land of Judah. <sup>8</sup> But Naomi said to her two daughters-in-law, “Go, return each of you to her mother's house. May the LORD deal kindly with you, as you have dealt with the dead and with me. <sup>9</sup> The LORD grant that you may find rest, each of you in the house of her husband!” Then she kissed them, and they lifted up their voices and wept. <sup>10</sup> And they said to her, “No, we will return with you to your people.” <sup>11</sup> But Naomi said, “Turn back, my daughters; why will you go with me? Have I yet sons in my womb that they may become your husbands? <sup>12</sup> Turn back, my daughters; go your way, for I am too old to have a husband. If I should say I have hope, even if I should have a husband this night and should bear sons, <sup>13</sup> would you therefore wait till they were grown? Would you therefore refrain from marrying? No, my daughters, for it is exceedingly bitter to me for your sake that the hand of the LORD has gone out against me.” <sup>14</sup> Then they lifted up their voices and wept again. And Orpah kissed her mother-in-law, but Ruth clung to her. <sup>15</sup> And she said, “See, your sister-in-law has gone back to her people and to her gods; return after your sister-in-law.” <sup>16</sup> But Ruth said, “Do not urge me to leave you or to return from following you. For where you go I will go, and where you lodge I will lodge. Your people shall be my people, and your God my God. <sup>17</sup> Where you die I will die, and there will I be buried. May the LORD do so to me and more also if anything but death parts me from

you.”<sup>18</sup> And when Naomi saw that she was determined to go with her, she said no more.<sup>19</sup> So the two of them went on until they came to Bethlehem. And when they came to Bethlehem, the whole town was stirred because of them. And the women said, “Is this Naomi?”<sup>20</sup> She said to them, “Do not call me Naomi; call me Mara, for the Almighty has dealt very bitterly with me.<sup>21</sup> I went away full, and the LORD has brought me back empty. Why call me Naomi, when the LORD has testified against me and the Almighty has brought calamity upon me?”<sup>22</sup> So Naomi returned, and Ruth the Moabite her daughter-in-law with her, who returned from the country of Moab. And they came to Bethlehem at the beginning of barley harvest.

### **Sermon Notes**

## **Love Divine, All Loves Excelling**

Love divine, all loves excelling, joy of heaven, to earth come down  
Fill us with thy humble dwelling, all Thy faithful mercies crown  
Jesus, Thou art all compassion, pure, unbounded love Thou art  
Visit us with thy salvation, enter every trembling, every trembling heart

Breathe, oh, breathe Thy loving Spirit, into every troubled breast  
Let us all in Thee inherit, let us find Thy promised rest  
Take away the love of sinning, Alpha and Omega be  
End of faith, as its beginning, set our hearts at liberty, at liberty

Come, Almighty, to deliver, let us all Thy life receive  
Suddenly return, and never, nevermore Thy temples leave  
Thee we would be always blessing, serve Thee as Thy hosts above  
Pray and praise Thee without ceasing, glory in Thy perfect, in Thy perfect love

Finish, then, Thy new creation, pure and spotless let us be  
Let us see Thy great salvation, perfectly restored in Thee  
Changed from glory into glory, til in heaven we take our place  
Til we cast our crowns before Thee, lost in wonder, love, in wonder, love and praise

## **Benediction**