



**SHADY  
GROVE**  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

**April 28, 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:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/91918910607?pwd=ck03TS9JK1ZET2EwODQ5ckQvVUVwZz09>

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

## Dates to Remember

- 4/28** Young Adults Lunch  
Caregivers Lunch  
Church-wide prayer meeting
- 5/11** SG Families Strawberry Picking
- 5/31** Cornerstone Banquet
- 6/14-15** Cornerstone Sprint
- 7/8-12** VBS
- 7/24-26** Sports Camp
- 8/8-11** High School Retreat
- 8/17** SG Kids Brunch & a Movie
- 9/8** Church Picnic
- 10/14-1/13/25** Bruce Wiley's Sabbatical!
- 11/8-10** Men's Retreat

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**

### *Caregiver Fellowship, April 28*

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 **TODAY, April 28**. If you have questions or would like to join us, please email Ann or Richard Cook.

### ***Young Adults Lunch, April 28***

The young adults will meet once again for lunch at the home of Dave and Jenny Hawes after the worship service **TODAY, April 28**. Young adults, make plans to attend!

### ***Prayer Meeting, This Evening!***

The monthly prayer meeting is tonight at the home of Charlie and Kim Baile. The meeting will run from 6:15-7:45pm.

### ***Montgomery County National Day of Prayer on May 2, 2024***



Join other Christians for the National Day of Prayer on Thursday, **May 2, 2024**, to pray for God to provide His unity and peace in America, Maryland, and Montgomery County. As Christ's ambassadors in Montgomery County, we pray for the power of God's Spirit to bring renewal and flourishing of Christ's Kingdom into our homes, workplaces, and communities. Together we'll pray for the work of the Holy Spirit in the people, systems and institutions that give shape to our communities. This event will be held at the Inter-Denominational Church of God (19201 Woodfield Rd, Gaithersburg). Doors open at 6:45am for breakfast. Program will start at 6:55am and conclude at 8:15am. Please register at <https://2024-MOCO-NDP.eventbrite.com>

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

A team of women is 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 are overlooked.



### **Shady Grove Families**

#### ***SG Kids Doing Something "Berry" Special***

Plan to join the families of Shady Grove on Saturday, **May 11**, from 10a-1p at Butler's Orchard to pick strawberries. Cost is \$8/person. Register [here](#) or talk to David Lee on Sunday and get your shortcake recipe [here](#)!



### **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 Women**

#### ***Women's Bible Study***

There is a new women's bible study that will meet on Wednesday evenings from 7-9pm in the hospitality room at church. This is an extension of the Thursday study that recently finished. The study will be going through Exodus 1-18. For more information, please contact Janet Kotowski or the church office.

***Book Shower for Elise (Baile) and Heath's Expected Baby***

For the last two Sundays in April, a book drop has been placed outside the church office for Heath and Elise (Baile) McGill in lieu of a baby shower. Their baby is due in early May and we would love to equip them with great books from our church family. In Baile fashion, this yet-to-arrive baby will be greeted with a full library! 😊



**Shady Grove Missions**

***Opportunity to Help Local Refugee Family***

We will hear a testimony today about an Afghan refugee family who now live locally and need our help. Please pray about how you may be able to help this family.

***Deacons Fund: May 2024***

The deacons will designate all giving during May to the food distribution ministry of Porttowns church. Porttowns started out as a PCA church plant in Bladensburg, MD with a relatively small congregation, but a big vision to serve needs in the surrounding community. There are former and current Shady Grove members that serve and volunteer for this ministry, providing physical and spiritual nourishment to those whom it serves. More than 60% of residents of Bladensburg report not having enough food to meet basic needs. Porttowns partners with the Capital Area Foodbank. Every \$1 we spend enables us to buy more than \$7 worth of groceries from the foodbank. Since March 2023 we have distributed almost 50,000 pounds of food, 70 families a month, on average. All money given to the Deacons Fund in May will go to support this ministry.

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

### ***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 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.*



### ***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/)

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## WORSHIP HIS MAJESTY

### **For Reflection:**

See to it that there is no one who takes you captive through philosophy and **empty** deception in accordance with human tradition, in accordance with the elementary principles of the world, rather than in accordance with Christ.<sup>9</sup> For in Him all the fullness of Deity dwells in bodily form,<sup>10</sup> and in Him you have been **made complete**, and He is the head over every ruler and authority;

Colossians 2:8-10 NASB

### **Prelude**

### **Welcome and Announcements**

### **Children's Choir**

## **Responsive Call to Worship – Psalm 19**

**Leader**: The heavens declare the glory of God, and the sky above proclaims his handiwork.<sup>2</sup> Day to day pours out speech, and night to night reveals knowledge.

**All**: There is no speech, nor are there words, whose voice is not heard.

**Leader**: Their voice goes out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world. In them he has set a tent for the sun,<sup>5</sup> which comes out like a bridegroom leaving his chamber, and, like a strong man, runs its course with joy.<sup>6</sup> Its rising is from the end of the heavens, and its circuit to the end of them, and there is nothing hidden from its heat.

**Men**: The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul; the testimony of the Lord is sure, making wise the simple;

**Women**: the precepts of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart; the commandment of the Lord is pure, enlightening the eyes;

**Men**: the fear of the Lord is clean, enduring forever; the rules of the Lord are true, and righteous altogether.

**Women**: More to be desired are they than gold, even much fine gold; sweeter also than honey and drippings of the honeycomb.

**Leader:** Moreover, by them is your servant warned; in keeping them there is great reward.

**Men:** Who can discern his errors? Declare me innocent from hidden faults.

**Women:** Keep back your servant also from presumptuous sins; let them not have dominion over me! Then I shall be blameless, and innocent of great transgression.

**All:** Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O Lord, my rock and my redeemer.

## **All Creatures of Our God and King**

All creatures of our God and King  
Lift up your voice and with us sing,  
O praise Him! Alleluia!  
Thou, burning sun with golden beam  
Thou, silver moon with softer gleam  
O praise Him! O praise Him! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Let all things their Creator bless  
And worship Him in humbleness  
O praise Him! Alleluia!  
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son  
And praise the Spirit, Three-in-One  
O praise Him! O praise Him! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

All the redeemed washed by His blood  
Come and rejoice in His great love  
O praise Him! Alleluia!  
Christ has defeated every sin  
Cast all your burdens now on Him  
O praise Him! O praise Him! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

He shall return in pow'r to reign  
Heaven and earth will join to say  
O praise Him! Alleluia!  
Then who shall fall on bended knee?  
All creatures of our God and King  
O praise Him! O praise Him! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

## Responsive Scripture Reading – I Peter 1:13-22 (NIV)

**Leader:** Therefore, with minds that are alert and fully sober, set your hope on the grace to be brought to you when Jesus Christ is revealed at his coming.

**All:** As obedient children, do not conform to the evil desires you had when you lived in ignorance.

**Leader:** But just as he who called you is holy, so be holy in all you do;<sup>16</sup> for it is written: “Be holy, because I am holy.”<sup>17</sup> Since you call on a Father who judges each person’s work impartially, live out your time as foreigners here in reverent fear.

**All:** For you know that it was not with perishable things such as silver or gold that you were redeemed from the empty way of life handed down to you from your ancestors,<sup>19</sup> but with the precious blood of Christ, a lamb without blemish or defect.

**Leader:** He was chosen before the creation of the world, but was revealed in these last times for your sake.<sup>21</sup> Through him you believe in God, who raised him from the dead and glorified him, and so your faith and hope are in God.

**All:** Now that you have purified yourselves by obeying the truth so that you have sincere love for each other, love one another deeply, from the heart.

### Your Great Name

Lost are saved; find their way; at the sound of your great name  
All condemned; feel no shame, at the sound of your great name  
Every fear; has no place; at the sound of your great name  
The enemy; he has to leave; at the sound of your great name

*Chorus: Jesus, Worthy is the Lamb that was slain for us, Son of God and Man  
You are high and lifted up; and all the world will praise your great name*

All the weak; find their strength; at the sound of your great name  
Hungry souls; receive grace; at the sound of your great name  
The fatherless; they find their rest; at the sound of your great name  
The sick are healed; the dead are raised; at the sound of your great name *Chorus*

*Bridge: Redeemer, My Healer, Lord Almighty  
My Savior, Defender, You are My King  
Redeemer, My Healer, Lord Almighty  
My Savior, Defender, You are My King Chorus*



## The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end. And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets; and we believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church; we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and we look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## King of Kings

In the darkness we were waiting Without hope without light  
Till from Heaven You came running—There was mercy in Your eyes

To fulfil the law and prophets, To a virgin came the Word  
From a throne of endless glory To a cradle in the dirt

*Chorus: Praise the Father, praise the Son, Praise the Spirit three in one  
God of Glory, Majesty, Praise forever to the King of Kings*

To reveal the kingdom coming. And to reconcile the lost  
To redeem the whole creation; You did not despise the cross

For even in Your suffering You saw to the other side  
Knowing this was our salvation, Jesus, for our sake You died *Chorus*

And the morning that You rose All of heaven held its breath  
Till that stone was moved for good, For the Lamb had conquered death

And the dead rose from their tombs And the angels stood in awe  
For the souls of all who'd come To the Father are restored

And the Church of Christ was born; Then the Spirit lit the flame  
Now this Gospel truth of old Shall not kneel shall not faint

By His blood and in His Name In His freedom I am free  
For the love of Jesus Christ Who has resurrected me *Chorus*

*Tag: Praise forever to the King of Kings*

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

## **SHARING AND CARING**

**Testimony          Steve & Kathi Amar, Afghan Resettlement Program**

**Pastoral Prayer    Elder Scott Melson**

**Ministry in Music**

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

**“Goin’ to the Chapel [*Threshing floor*]”**

***Heroines & the Hidden Hand of God***

**Pastor Charlie Baile**

### **Scripture Reading – Ruth 3**

Then Naomi her mother-in-law said to her, “My daughter, should I not seek rest for you, that it may be well with you? <sup>2</sup> Is not Boaz our relative, with whose young women you were? See, he is winnowing barley tonight at the threshing floor. <sup>3</sup> Wash therefore and anoint yourself, and put on your cloak and go down to the threshing floor, but do not make yourself known to the man until he has finished eating and drinking. <sup>4</sup> But when he lies down, observe the place where he lies. Then go and uncover his feet and lie down, and he will tell you what to do.” <sup>5</sup> And she replied, “All that you say I will do.” <sup>6</sup> So she went down to the threshing floor and did just as her mother-in-law had commanded her. <sup>7</sup> And when Boaz had eaten and drunk, and his heart was merry, he went to lie down at the end of the heap of grain. Then she came softly and uncovered his feet and lay down. <sup>8</sup> At midnight the man was startled and turned over, and behold, a woman lay at his feet! <sup>9</sup> He said, “Who are you?” And she answered, “I am Ruth, your servant. Spread your wings over your servant, for you are a redeemer.” <sup>10</sup> And he said, “May you be blessed by the LORD, my daughter. You have made this last kindness greater than the first in that you have not gone after young men, whether poor or rich. <sup>11</sup> And now, my daughter, do not fear. I will do for you all that you ask, for all my fellow townsmen know that you are a worthy woman. <sup>12</sup> And now it is true that I am a redeemer. Yet there is a redeemer nearer than I. <sup>13</sup> Remain tonight, and in the morning, if he will redeem you, good; let him do it. But if he is not willing to redeem you, then, as the LORD lives, I will redeem you.

Lie down until the morning.”<sup>14</sup> So she lay at his feet until the morning, but arose before one could recognize another. And he said, “Let it not be known that the woman came to the threshing floor.”<sup>15</sup> And he said, “Bring the garment you are wearing and hold it out.” So she held it, and he measured out six measures of barley and put it on her. Then she went into the city.<sup>16</sup> And when she came to her mother-in-law, she said, “How did you fare, my daughter?” Then she told her all that the man had done for her,<sup>17</sup> saying, “These six measures of barley he gave to me, for he said to me, ‘You must not go back empty-handed to your mother-in-law.’”<sup>18</sup> She replied, “Wait, my daughter, until you learn how the matter turns out, for the man will not rest but will settle the matter today.”

### **Sermon Notes**

## **Jesus, Everlasting King**

*Chorus: Jesus, everlasting King  
Accept the tribute which we bring  
Accept the well-deserved renown  
And wear our praises as Your crown.*

O send Your Spirit to impart  
Rest and repentance to our hearts,  
Like the dear hour when from above  
We first received Your pledge of love. *Chorus*

The gladness of redemption's day,  
Our hearts would wish it long to stay,  
Nor let our faith forsake its hold,  
Nor comforts sink, or love grow cold. *Chorus*

May every time of worship see  
Your grace revealed more rich and free,  
Till we are raised to sing Your name  
At the great supper of the Lamb. *Chorus*

O that the months would roll away  
And bring the coronation day;  
The King of Grace shall fill the throne  
With all His Father's glories on.

*Jesus, everlasting King  
Accept the tribute which we bring  
Accept the well-deserved renown  
And wear our praises as Your crown.*

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**Benediction**