



**SHADY  
GROVE**  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

**June 23, 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, 6:00-7:45pm

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

- 6/28 Cornerstone Bowl-B-Q
- 7/3 Cornerstone Cheapskate's Cheapskate
- 7/7 No Cornerstone
- 7/8-12 VBS
- 7/19 Cornerstone Christmas in July
- 7/24-26 Sports Camp
- 7/25-8/3 Colombia Missions Trip
- 8/2 Cornerstone Udvar-Hazy and the Blue Angels
- 8/8-11 Cornerstone Retreat
- 8/16 Cornerstone Snapple Open
- 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 Families**

#### *Join Olympion, our Summer VBS Adventure*

Vacation Bible School is **Monday, July 8 - Friday, July 12**. Join the force as we look at the story of Joshua. Be sure to register as a volunteer or participant for VBS today! Forms are available at the VBS table in the lobby.



## **Shady Grove Adults**

### ***Summer Sunday School Class June - August 9:30am***

Please join us this summer as we study “A Hebrews 11 of Church History: Heroes of the Faith”, a contemplation of the lives of men and women who faced difficult circumstances in which their faith was sorely tested through hardship, persecution, and suffering. We will meet in the sanctuary Sundays at 9:30am. May this class inspire and encourage us to fix our eyes on Jesus and run the race with perseverance in courageous faith as we stand in many ways on the shoulders of these giants of the faith (Heb. 6:11-12; 12:1-2, 13:7)!

### ***Hospitality Basket for Afghan Refugee Family***

Today and next Sunday (**June 23, & 30th**) we are asking folks to consider contributing a gift card in showing hospitality to the Christian family that has suffered greatly before relocating to the US (Silver Spring, MD). We will be presenting the family with a welcome basket from our church on June 30th in the service as the family will be sharing during the testimony time. Ideas for gift cards include the grocery stores Giant Food and Trader Joes, restaurants like Panera and Chick-fil-A or perhaps gift cards from Target or Kohl’s – all close to where they live. We are not sure if they have a computer so we would not recommend online gift cards like Amazon. The gift basket will be located at the Welcome Center before and after church each Sunday.



## **Shady Grove College Students**

### ***Major in Fellowship this Summer!***

Join other students from Shady Grove this summer for activities and a Bible study led by Jeff Klenk. Keep your Tuesdays free at 7:00pm! Please contact the church office for more information and future events.



## **Shady Grove Women**

### ***Registry for a new Lokos Baby***

Elizabeth Lokos is due with baby number two **July 6!** We have the opportunity to be a blessing to the Kristopher Lokos family by gifting them some things from their registry. The Lokoses are registered at Amazon and Target under Elizabeth Lokos. There is a QR code with more info on the bulletin board in the lobby.



## **Shady Grove Missions**

### ***Missionary of the Month***

#### ***JG & Daryl Zoellner, MNA French Canada***

A decision was made for our local congregation to move to Salem Seventh Day Adventist Church in Montreal Centre starting July 7. We will keep the same hours and can put a signboard outside. Pray for God to use this new location to host people in this new neighborhood of our city. We presently have 60 people attending. This makes a longer commute for us personally but is nearer for others. We are in the Southwest part of Montreal. We continue to do urban missions and anticipate using our home for hospitality and training of new elders and deacons. Please pray for God to bring us people in whom the Holy Spirit is already moving. We must also be ready to defend the Scriptures in this age where modernism and postmodernism have been

replaced by *Metamodernism*. This is neither radio or television induced, but Internet induced thought processing. Our new leaders need to be firmly grounded. Daryl has been diagnosed with Ménière's disease, unless a benign ear tumor shows up on an MRI. She is being closely followed and asks for prayer to cope with dizziness and nausea. JG is awaiting news of a forehead skin biopsy and for his bi-annual prostate biopsy. He has a good uro- oncologist and now dermatologist. Pray for favorable results. JG is teaching an online Pastoral Ministry course to 22 students until July. They are a very good group, some in Quebec, Haïti and France. He is also encouraged by the energy of the younger adults in our church. Some new believers are learning and growing while God is using the fellowship and Scriptures to effectually call those whom he has elected to regeneration and conversion. Please pray that a new pastor may be found this summer. Our four sister churches in Quebec are in various stages of change as well. Relationships of affectionate love, building of trust, extending forgiveness and living in prayer fullness are so important in this post-COVID period. Our God never changes and his love endures forever. We live for his glory. Pray that he will receive the honor he is due.

### ***Matt & Ellen Zell, Equip International***

Matt and Ellen Zell have been missionaries with Equip international since 2009. Since moving back to the US in 2021 to help with Ellen's mom, they divide their time between ministry in Honduras and helping to teach mission classes at the Equip headquarters in Marion, NC. Please pray for them as they continue to care for Ellen's mother, Carolyn Barnett, who lives near them in Abingdon, Virginia. She turned 90 last month and has recently suffered some respiratory issues. Please pray for Carolyn to regain her strength. She is a strong believer. Honduras is predominantly Catholic although few people are serious about their faith. There are some evangelical churches in the mountain areas where the Zells work, but they are small. Please pray for their upcoming trip to Honduras at the end of the month. They will take a small team from their local church in VA. They will be holding a VBS for about 30 children in the community. They will also have a special women's meeting for the mothers of those children. Please pray the children would be excited to learn about who Jesus is and that their families would come to a saving knowledge. Matt and Ellen are so grateful for the many years of love and support they have received from Shady Grove Presbyterian.

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**WORSHIP HIS MAJESTY**

**For Reflection:**

And in the same way was not also Rahab the prostitute justified by works when she received the messengers and sent them out by another way? <sup>26</sup> For as the body apart from the spirit is dead, so also faith apart from works is dead. **James 2:25-26**

But Rahab the prostitute and her father's household and all who belonged to her, Joshua saved alive. And she has lived in Israel to this day, because she hid the messengers whom Joshua sent to spy out Jericho. **Joshua 6:25**

The book of the genealogy of Jesus Christ, the son of David, the son of Abraham. ... <sup>5</sup> and Salmon the father of Boaz by Rahab, and Boaz the father of Obed by Ruth, and Obed the father of Jesse, <sup>6</sup> and Jesse the father of David the king. ... <sup>17</sup> So all the generations from Abraham to David were fourteen generations, and from David to the deportation to Babylon fourteen generations, and from the deportation to Babylon to the Christ fourteen generations. **Matthew 1:1, 5-6,17**

**Prelude**

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Responsive Call to Worship – Hebrews 11:1-7**

**Leader:** Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. <sup>2</sup> For by it the people of old received their commendation.

**All:** By faith we understand that the universe was created by the word of God, so that what is seen was not made out of things that are visible.

**Leader:** By faith Abel offered to God a more acceptable sacrifice than Cain, through which he was commended as righteous, God commending him by accepting his gifts. And through his faith, though he died, he still speaks. <sup>5</sup> By faith

Enoch was taken up so that he should not see death, and he was not found, because God had taken him. Now before he was taken he was commended as having pleased God.

**All:** And without faith it is impossible to please him, for whoever would draw near to God must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who seek him.

**Leader:** By faith Noah, being warned by God concerning events as yet unseen, in reverent fear constructed an ark for the saving of his household. By this he condemned the world and became an heir of the righteousness that comes by faith.

### **How Firm a Foundation** – *Hymn #275*

How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord,  
Is laid for your faith in His excellent Word!  
What more can He say than to you He hath said,  
To you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

“Fear not, I am with you; O be not dismayed,  
For I am your God, and will still give you aid;  
I’ll strengthen you, help you, and cause you to stand,  
Upheld by My righteous, omnipotent hand.

“When through fiery trials your pathway shall lie,  
My grace, all sufficient, shall be your supply:  
The flame shall not hurt you; I only design  
Your dross to consume and your gold to refine.

“The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose  
I will not, I will not desert to its foes;  
That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,  
I’ll never, no, never, no, never forsake!”

## **Responsive Scripture Reading – Hebrews 11:8-19**

**Leader**: By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to a place that he was to receive as an inheritance. And he went out, not knowing where he was going. <sup>9</sup> By faith he went to live in the land of promise, as in a foreign land, living in tents with Isaac and Jacob, heirs with him of the same promise.

**All**: For he was looking forward to the city that has foundations, whose designer and builder is God.

**Leader**: By faith Sarah herself received power to conceive, even when she was past the age, since she considered him faithful who had promised. <sup>12</sup> Therefore from one man, and him as good as dead, were born descendants as many as the stars of heaven and as many as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore.

**All**: These all died in faith, not having received the things promised, but having seen them and greeted them from afar, and having acknowledged that they were strangers and exiles on the earth. <sup>14</sup> For people who speak thus make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. <sup>15</sup> If they had been thinking of that land from which they had gone out, they would have had opportunity to return. <sup>16</sup> But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God, for he has prepared for them a city.

**Leader**: By faith Abraham, when he was tested, offered up Isaac, and he who had received the promises was in the act of offering up his only son, <sup>18</sup> of whom it was said, “Through Isaac shall your offspring be named.” <sup>19</sup> He considered that God was able even to raise him from the dead, from which, figuratively speaking, he did receive him back.

## Love Divine

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

### Responsive Scripture Reading – Hebrews 10:20-30

**Leader:** By faith Isaac invoked future blessings on Jacob and Esau. <sup>21</sup> By faith Jacob, when dying, blessed each of the sons of Joseph, bowing in worship over the head of his staff. <sup>22</sup> By faith Joseph, at the end of his life, made mention of the exodus of the Israelites and gave directions concerning his bones. <sup>23</sup> By faith Moses, when he was born, was hidden for three months by his parents, because they saw that the child was beautiful, and they were not afraid of the king's edict.

**All:** By faith Moses, when he was grown up, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter, <sup>25</sup> choosing rather to be mistreated with the people of God than to enjoy the fleeting pleasures of sin. <sup>26</sup> He considered the reproach of Christ greater wealth than the treasures of Egypt, for he was looking to the reward.

**Leader:** By faith he left Egypt, not being afraid of the anger of the king, for he endured as seeing him who is invisible. <sup>28</sup> By faith he kept the Passover and sprinkled the blood, so that the Destroyer of the firstborn might not touch them.



**All:** By faith the people crossed the Red Sea as on dry land, but the Egyptians, when they attempted to do the same, were drowned. <sup>30</sup> By faith the walls of Jericho fell down after they had been encircled for seven days. <sup>31</sup> By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had given a friendly welcome to the spies.

## **By Faith**

By faith we see the hand of God,  
In the light of creation's grand design  
In the lives of those who prove His faithfulness,  
Who walk by faith and not by sight

By faith our fathers roamed the earth,  
With the power of His promise in their hearts  
Of a holy city built by God's own hand,  
A place where peace and justice reign

*Chorus:* We will stand as children of the promise  
We will fix our eyes on Him, our soul's reward  
'Til the race is finished and the work is done  
We'll walk by faith and not by sight

By faith the prophets saw a day,  
When the longed-for Messiah would appear  
With the power to break the chains of sin and death  
And rise triumphant from the grave

By faith the church was called to go,  
In the power of the Spirit to the lost  
To deliver captives and to preach good news,  
In every corner of the earth *Chorus*

By faith this mountain shall be moved,  
And the power of the gospel shall prevail  
For we know in Christ all things are possible,  
For all who call upon His name *Chorus*

*(Children third grade and younger are dismissed to children's church.)*

## SHARING AND CARING

**Pastoral Prayer**

**Elder Dave Hawes**

**Ministry in Music**

**“Awake My Soul”**

**by Sandra McCracken**

The image of God invisible

The firstborn of all life

Before and within,

He holds it all in

One name, one faith, one Christ

*Chorus:* No one is good enough

To save himself

Awake my soul tonight

To boast nothing else

I trust no other source or name

Nowhere else can I hide

This grace gives me fear,

and this grace draws me near

And all that it asks it provides *Chorus*

*Bridge:* No seam in this garment

All my rags to hide

No less than your love

For Jesus is mine

When I stand on the edges of Jordan

With the saints and the angels beside

When my body is healed

and the glory revealed

Then still I can boast only Christ *Chorus 2x*

## PROCLAMATION OF GOD’S WORD

**“The Harlot Who Became a Hero”**

*Heroines & the Hidden Hand of God*

**Pastor Charlie Baile**

**Scripture Reading – Joshua 2:1-24**

And Joshua the son of Nun sent two men secretly from Shittim as spies, saying, “Go, view the land, especially Jericho.” And they went and came into the house of a prostitute whose name was Rahab and lodged there. <sup>2</sup> And it was told to the king of Jericho, “Behold, men of Israel have come here tonight to search out the land.” <sup>3</sup> Then the king of Jericho sent to Rahab, saying, “Bring out the men who have come to you, who entered your house, for they have come to search out all the land.” <sup>4</sup> But the woman had taken the two men and hidden them. And she said, “True, the men came to me, but I did not know where they were from. <sup>5</sup> And when the gate was about to be closed at dark, the men went out. I do not know where the men went. Pursue them quickly, for you will overtake them.” <sup>6</sup> But she had brought them up to the roof and hid them with the stalks of flax that she had laid in order on

the roof. <sup>7</sup> So the men pursued after them on the way to the Jordan as far as the fords. And the gate was shut as soon as the pursuers had gone out. <sup>8</sup> Before the men lay down, she came up to them on the roof <sup>9</sup> and said to the men, “I know that the LORD has given you the land, and that the fear of you has fallen upon us, and that all the inhabitants of the land melt away before you. <sup>10</sup> For we have heard how the LORD dried up the water of the Red Sea before you when you came out of Egypt, and what you did to the two kings of the Amorites who were beyond the Jordan, to Sihon and Og, whom you devoted to destruction. <sup>11</sup> And as soon as we heard it, our hearts melted, and there was no spirit left in any man because of you, for the LORD your God, he is God in the heavens above and on the earth beneath. <sup>12</sup> Now then, please swear to me by the LORD that, as I have dealt kindly with you, you also will deal kindly with my father's house, and give me a sure sign <sup>13</sup> that you will save alive my father and mother, my brothers and sisters, and all who belong to them, and deliver our lives from death.” <sup>14</sup> And the men said to her, “Our life for yours even to death! If you do not tell this business of ours, then when the LORD gives us the land we will deal kindly and faithfully with you.” <sup>15</sup> Then she let them down by a rope through the window, for her house was built into the city wall, so that she lived in the wall. <sup>16</sup> And she said to them, “Go into the hills, or the pursuers will encounter you, and hide there three days until the pursuers have returned. Then afterward you may go your way.” <sup>17</sup> The men said to her, “We will be guiltless with respect to this oath of yours that you have made us swear. <sup>18</sup> Behold, when we come into the land, you shall tie this scarlet cord in the window through which you let us down, and you shall gather into your house your father and mother, your brothers, and all your father's household. <sup>19</sup> Then if anyone goes out of the doors of your house into the street, his blood shall be on his own head, and we shall be guiltless. But if a hand is laid on anyone who is with you in the house, his blood shall be on our head. <sup>20</sup> But if you tell this business of ours, then we shall be guiltless with respect to your oath that you have made us swear.” <sup>21</sup> And she said, “According to your words, so be it.” Then she sent them away, and they departed. And she tied the scarlet cord in the window. <sup>22</sup> They departed and went into the hills and remained there three days until the pursuers returned, and the pursuers searched all along the way and found nothing. <sup>23</sup> Then the two men returned. They came down from the hills and passed over and came to Joshua the son of Nun, and they told him all that had happened to them. <sup>24</sup> And they said to Joshua, “Truly the LORD has given all the land into our hands. And also, all the inhabitants of the land melt away because of us.”

# **Sermon Notes**

## Psalm 130

From depths of woe I raise to Thee the voice of lamentation;  
Lord, turn a gracious ear to me and hear my supplication;  
If Thou iniquities dost mark, our secret sins and misdeeds dark,  
O who shall stand before Thee? *(Repeat; ladies echo)*

To wash away the crimson stain, grace, grace alone availeth;  
Our works, alas! Are all in vain; In much the best life faileth;  
No man can glory in Thy sight, all must alike confess Thy might,  
And live alone by mercy. *(Repeat; ladies echo)*

Therefore my trust is in the Lord, and not in mine own merit;  
On him my soul shall rest, His Word upholds my fainting spirit:  
His promised mercy is my fort, my comfort and my sweet support;  
I wait for it with patience. *(Repeat; ladies echo)*

What though I wait the live-long night, and till the dawn appeareth,  
My heart still trusteth in His might; It doubteth not nor feareth;  
Do thus, O ye of Israel's seed, ye of the Spirit born indeed;  
And wait till God appeareth. *(Repeat; ladies echo)*

Though great our sins and sore our woes His grace much more aboundeth;  
His helping love no limit knows, our utmost need it soundeth.  
Our Shepherd good and true is He, Who will at last His Israel free  
From all their sin and sorrow. *(Repeat; ladies echo)*

## Benediction