

Today in the fellowship hall join us as we continue our sermon series, the "I Am" sayings of Jesus.

John 14:1-11 from the New Living Translation (NLT):

"Don't let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God, and trust also in me. ² There is more than enough room in my Father's home. If this were not so, would I have told you that I am going to prepare a place for you? ³ When everything is ready, I will come and get you, so that you will always be with me where I am. ⁴ And you know the way to where I am going." ⁵ "No, we don't know, Lord," Thomas said. "We have no idea where you are going, so how can we know the way?" ⁶ Jesus told him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one can come to the Father except through me. ⁷ If you had really known me, you would know who my Father is. From now on, you do know him and have seen him!" ⁸ Philip said, "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." ⁹ Jesus replied, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and yet you still don't know who I am? Anyone who has seen me has seen the Father! So why are you asking me to show him to you? ¹⁰ Don't you believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words I speak are not my own, but my Father who lives in me does his work through me. ¹¹ Just believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me. Or at least believe because of the work you have seen me do."

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The words and songs we use for Contemporary Worship are on the screens in the fellowship hall, but the general order we follow each Sunday is:

- Gathering:** Praise Songs and Greeting
- Gratitude:** Offering and Prayer
- God's Word:** Scripture and Sermon
- Going:** Praise Song and Sending



Songs in Today's Service:

- Our God* by Chris Tomlin
- I Am* by Mark Schultz
- Transfiguration* by Hillsong Worship
- Must Jesus Bear This Cross Alone* by George N. Allen
- Amen* by Matt Maher

These and other praise songs can be found on PER 90.5 FM. Listening will improve your week.

Sunday 8/7

Summer Worship Schedule
Praise Team (FH) 10:00-10:30 am

Monday 8/8

The Little Mermaid Jr Musical Theater Camp (Sanctuary & FH) 9:30 am-3:30 pm

Tuesday 8/9

The Little Mermaid Jr Musical Theater Camp (Sanctuary & FH) 9:30 am-3:30 pm
Staff Meeting (Church Office) 10:00-11:30 am
Missions Committee (EB 201) 7:00-8:00 pm
Trustees Meeting (EB 202) 7:00-8:30 pm

Wednesday 8/10

The Little Mermaid Jr Musical Theater Camp (Sanctuary & FH) 9:30 am-3:30 pm
Girls' Day (EB 209) 11:00 am-9:00 pm
Disciple III (EB 207) 6:15-7:30 pm
Youth Summer Fun - Flying Squirrels 7:00-10:00 pm
Praise Team Rehearsal (FH) 7:15-8:15 pm

Thursday 8/11

UMM Bible Study (DOG House) 6:45-7:45 am
The Little Mermaid Jr Musical Theater Camp (Sanctuary & FH) 9:30 am-3:30 pm
SGUMC Book Club (Church Office) 6:00-7:00 pm
Richmond Christian Singles Bible Study (EB 206) 7:00-8:30 pm
Boy Scouts – Troop 735 (FH) 7:00-9:00 pm

Friday 8/12

The Little Mermaid Jr Musical Theater Camp (Sanctuary & FH) 9:30 am-3:30 pm
Relay Foods (Front Parking Lot) 3:00-6:30 pm
The Little Mermaid Jr Presentation (Sanctuary) 7:00-8:00 pm
The Little Mermaid Jr Reception (FH) 8:00-9:00 pm

Saturday 8/13

The Center for Creative Arts Musical Theater Camp Stage Breakdown (Sanctuary) 9:00-11:00 am

Sunday 8/14

Summer Worship Schedule
Blood Drive (Parking Lot) 8:00 am-12:15 pm
Praise Team (FH) 10:00-10:30 am
Seniors Lunch (Tanglewood Ordinary) 2:00 pm



Sunday, August 7, 2016

THIS WEEK AT SHADY GROVE

**Shady Grove
United Methodist Church
Short Pump**

4825 Pouncey Tract Road
Glen Allen, VA 23059
804.360-2600
www.shadygroveumc.net

Sunday Summer Schedule

- 8:15 am
Traditional Worship Sanctuary
- 9:00-11:00 am
HeBrews Coffee Fellowship Hall
- 9:30 am
Informal Traditional Worship Sanctuary
Nursery Faith Care (infants-age 2) *Education Building*
Ages 3-Rising 4th Grade Sunday School *Education Building*
- 11:00 am
Informal Traditional Worship Sanctuary
Contemporary Worship Fellowship Hall
Nursery Faith Care (infants-age 2) *Education Building*
Children's Own Worship Chapel

**Last Sunday's Stewardship Report on 7/31/2016
(18 weeks)**

2016 Fiscal Year is April 1, 2016 – March 31, 2017

Will you be loyal to Shady Grove United Methodist Church and uphold your church by your prayers, your presence, your gifts, your service, and your witness?

ATTENDANCE

8:15	9:30	11:00	Cont.	Total	SS	COW
45	153	165	54	417	36	14

Financial information is not updated this week due to staff vacation.

OPERATING FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Amount received to date in 2016 Fiscal Year	\$ 290,000
Expenses to date for 2016 Fiscal Year	\$ 314,507
Pledge amount for 2016-17 Fiscal Year Operating Fund	\$ 803,247
Pledge cards received	235

BUILDING FUND – (Mortgage Payments)

Amount received to date in 2016 Fiscal Year	\$ 40,679
Principal & Interest paid in 2016 Fiscal Year	\$ 56,472
Pledge amount for 2016-17 Fiscal Year Building Fund	\$ 87,405
Pledge cards received	104

The Building Fund is used to serve our \$ 867,452 debt obligation from 2002-2004 construction of the sanctuary, fellowship hall, and education building, as well as the 2007 acquisition of the adjacent properties on Shady Grove Road. This loan is currently being paid down at a 20-year amortization rate.

GROUNDING IN FAITH, GROWING TO SERVE CAMPAIGN

Amount received to date	\$ 85,118
Pledge amount for 3 years Capital Campaign	\$1,576,645
Pledge cards received	130



SERMON NOTES

John 14:1-11

- The 14th chapter of John puts the writer's theology into _____.
- You have Jesus' disciples _____ to understand God and his connection with Jesus.
- He wants his listeners to know that God is, that he is involved in the world and invites and encourages them to ask _____ so they can know this God better.
- He is a God that goes before us, behind us, and _____ us, always in an attempt to give and point us to life.

Would you like to receive the weekly eblast, monthly newsletter, and other news from the church office by email? Please send an email to Gregg Butler at gbutler@shadygroveumc.net to be added to the list.



Announcements for August 7, 2016

We are glad you are here. It is our hope that you will find our worship meaningful and life-giving. If you are searching for a church home or are interested in learning more about Shady Grove UMC, we invite you to attend our next "Lunch with the Pastors" on Sunday, October 23, at 12:00 noon. To RSVP for lunch, please call the church office at 360-2600 or email pluqin@shadygroveumc.net.

TODAY

The Sanctuary Choir's anthem today, *May the Lord Be Your Shepherd*, was composed by James Miller, who visited our church and joined the choir for 5 weeks while he was in Glen Allen on a business trip. James is from Texas and offered as a symbol of gratitude this anthem that he composed. God is full of surprises! We are grateful for the opportunity to meet James Miller, if even for a brief while.

SOW What? – Summer of Worship is our summer Sunday school for children ages 3-rising 4th grade. Children who have been in the 3's and 4's Sunday school classes this spring will go directly to the education building, room 109. Rising 1st graders should go directly to their kindergarten spring class room, 106. Rising 2nd graders thru rising 4th graders will go to room 209. Children in rising grades 5-6 are encouraged to worship in the sanctuary. Rising 4th graders and above are encouraged to sign up to acolyte or usher and greet at the 9:30 or 11:00 am sanctuary services at <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0f44adaa22a57-sowwhat>.

Opportunities for Sunday School teachers still available. No experience necessary. As Jane and Michael Banks requested: "If you want this choice position, rosy cheeks, no warts. Play games, all sorts. You must be kind; you must be witty. . .very sweet and fairly pretty. Give treats, sing songs, bring sweets!" Seriously, you don't have to be Mary Poppins to make a difference for the children of Shady Grove. Please contact Kate Bishop at 426-4521 or kbishop@shadygroveumc.net for more information about exciting Sunday School openings.

Calling ALL Rising 6th Graders – Rising 6th graders are invited to participate in many of our summer Youth Ministry activities. Email Frank Basil at youth@shadygroveumc.net to be included in our weekly "Youth Update" email distribution to keep up to date on all our events and activities. Friends are always welcome.

Gift Cards to Benefit Youth Ministry – Be sure to check out the gift card table on Sunday mornings in the sanctuary foyer or download an order form from <http://shadygroveumc.net/youth-documents> to see many other cards you can purchase. Questions? Contact Frank Basil at youth@shadygroveumc.net.

THIS WEEK

The Sophie House is getting ready to open the food pantry at our new location and we need your help to help single women and their families in the community! We are looking for non-perishable food such as canned vegetables and fruit, boxed dinner mixes, soup, rice, cereal, protein or granola bars, pudding cups, small boxes of raisins, macaroni & cheese, jelly, peanut butter, pasta sauce, canned tuna or chicken, pasta, and paper bags. We also are accepting diapers, wipes, full size shampoo/conditioner, soap, toothpaste, paper towels, and toilet tissue. You can drop off on our front porch at 4771 Shady Grove Road 23059. Call to make an appointment if you would like to see the new location! 658-5214 or email rebecca@thesophiehouse.org. We are also collecting all size and styles of shoes for our summer fundraiser. Every bag of 25 pairs of shoes gets us closer to our goal of 300 bags for the project! Please make sure the shoes are still in usable condition.

Seniors Lunch at Tanglewood Ordinary Sunday, August 14, at 2:00 pm. \$26 per person includes beverage, family-style meal, dessert, tax, and gratuity. Meet at church at 1:15 pm to carpool. The restaurant is about 30 minutes away, 2210 River Road West, Maidens, VA 23102. Please RSVP to Betsy Katko **by Monday, August 8**, at bjkatko@comcast.net or 360-5057.

The Sanctuary Choir at Shady Grove welcomes high school youth and adults to come and sing in the choir. We meet on alternating Wednesday evenings in the sanctuary from 7:15-8:45 pm during the summer. Remaining rehearsals are August 17, and 31. We sing in worship the Sundays following the Wednesday rehearsal. Music packets are distributed in advance, and anthems are introduced a month in advance to help members become familiar with them. Contact Sylvia Cooper at scooper@shadygroveumc.net for more information.

Girls' Day Wednesday, August 10, 11:00 am to 9:00 pm – Girls' Day is for rising 2nd through rising 6th. Meet in room 209 of the education building. Register by using the Google form at <http://tinyurl.com/zjukxvd>.

Reading any good books this summer? We are at Shady Grove! Join us **Thursday, August 11**, from 6:00 to 7:00 pm as our SGUMC Book Club will be discussing *Have a Little Faith* by Mitch Albom, author of *Tuesdays with Morrie* and *The Five People You Meet in Heaven*. We will meet in the kitchen of the church office for a potluck dinner. RSVP to Lauren Adkins for planning purposes, ladkins@shadygroveumc.net.

Families and friends are invited to a free performance of Disney's The Little Mermaid Jr. on Friday, August 12, at 7:00 pm in the sanctuary. Presented by musical theater camp students and directed by Sylvia Cooper, this is The Center for Creative Arts' eighth annual production. Come on out for a great, family-friendly night!

COMING UP

Please Give Blood! Shady Grove UMC Summer Blood Drive is **next Sunday, August 14**, from 8:00 am to 12:15 pm, stop by the Bloodmobile. Contact: Kelly Wood at 439-3432. Sign up online at <https://vador.org>. Appointments preferred.

Walk-ins welcome. All participating donors receive a Virginia is for Donors t-shirt and decal!

G-3 Mission Trip, "Up and Out" Tuesday, August 16 - Wednesday, August 17 – This mission event is overnight with service projects throughout the Richmond area. Up and Out is designed for rising 3rd through rising 6th. Interested in being a part of this fun event? Register by using the Google form at <http://tinyurl.com/zjukxvd>.

The Wayne Samford Memorial Golf Tournament Committee invites you to join us to help with the solicitation of raffle items for the tournament on September 26. Need gift certificates for dinners, coffee, movie tickets... anything that would be a \$20.00 value or more. Register now for the 3rd annual Wayne Samford Memorial Golf Tournament, benefitting Camp Easter Seals UCP for children age 6-12. Held **Monday, September 26, 2016** at The Federal Club. Visit www.shadygroveumc.net/golf for registration forms. Questions? Contact melba.gibbs@eastersealsucp.com.

Connection Group Discussion Questions

For the week of August 7, 2016

John 14:1-11

These questions are to be used as a spring board for discussion.

Answers may or may not be found in the sermons.

1. If you were trying to prove the existence of God, what would be some of the issues that would make it difficult to prove?
2. What are some of the issues that make it easier to believe in God?
3. Can you prove the existence of God? Why or why not?
4. Share personal stories that have made it possible for you to believe in God.
5. In our text, Thomas and Phillip express some doubts about their journey with Jesus and believing in God. Discuss why you think it was difficult or challenging to trust Jesus' message after being with Jesus up to this point.
6. Do you think asking questions and having doubts about your faith indicates a lack of spiritual growth? Why or why not?
7. If possible, share stories in your life that have caused you to have questions or doubts about God. Were you able to get past those issues? If so, how?
8. Jesus says, "I am the way, the truth, and the life." Discuss what you think this means in relationship to salvation. Do only Christians have an opportunity to experience eternal life?
9. Jesus says, "My peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you." How is the peace Jesus talks about different from the way the world defines peace?
10. Theologian Marcus Borg says, "The Christian life is not about believing or doing what we need to believe or do so that we can be saved. Rather, it's about seeing what is already true, that God loves us already, and then beginning to live in this relationship." What do you think he means?

PRAYER CONCERNS

Tori Anderson, Vic Anderson (father of Vicky Oliver), Jan Burger, Bonnie Dellinger (mother of Jill Early), Rose Farmer, Betty Finley, Ann Gooch (mother of Anita Schrunck), Barry Green, Ann Gussett (mother of Laura Ann Kump), Laura Harkonen-missionary in Congo, Tommy Harris, Don Herrick (father of Anne Hurst and Sarah Metzgar), Peggy Hill, Rev. Ernest Hogge, Terry Hoover (father of Haylee Douglas), Betsy Katko, Rev. Beanie Kelly, Pam Melton (daughter of Sylvia Chartier), Diane Morrison, Mary Oefelein (mother of Philip Oefelein), Caiden Purkey (grandson of Bob and Lisa Jones), Shirley Ronquest, Jim Schmidt, Melvin Shannon (grandfather of son-in-law of David and Diane Bennett), Lois Ann Sessoms (mother of Rachel Smith), Steve Stokes, Sara Walker

Homebound

Aleida Bultman, Mike Powell, Beverly Robertson (mother of Martha Anne Martin), Linda Stone-Our Lady of Hope

Global Missionaries

Lindsay and Eva Gilliam-US, Liz Jackson-Philippines, Fishers 4 Him-Dominican Republic, Heather and James-location undisclosed, Timo and Laura Harkonen-Democratic Republic of the Congo, Quynh-Hoa Nguyen-Vietnam

