

This Week at Shady Grove

Monday, July 13

Mon.-Fri. Kitty's Kids - G120, 106, 211, 213, 215, 217
All Day Appalachia Service Project
9:30 am Pickleball - Gym
9:30 am Kitty's Kids Music - Chapel
10:15 am FIT - G110
6:00 pm Stephen Ministry Meeting - G114
6:30 pm Open Gym Pickleball - Gym
8:00 pm Open Gym Basketball - Gym

Tuesday, July 14

All Day Appalachia Service Project
9:30 am Mommy, Me & The Bible - Gym, G104, 106
7:00 pm BSA Troop 542 - G211, 213, 215, 217
7:00 pm BSA Troop 544 - Gym, G110, 111, 113, 213, 217

Wednesday, July 15

All Day Appalachia Service Project
7:00 am Kitty's Kids Water Slides - Pavillion
9:30 am Pickleball - Gym
10:15 am FIT - G110
6:00 pm Watson Memorial Clinic - E103, 105, 106

Thursday, July 16

All Day Appalachia Service Project
9:30 am Youth Hanover ARC Volunteering - Hanover ARC
10:00 am Prayer Shawl Ministry - G114
6:30 pm Basketball Clinics Session 2 - Gym
7:00 pm Board of Trustees Meeting - E103

Friday, July 17

All Day Appalachia Service Project
9:30 am Pickleball - Gym
10:15 am FIT - G110

Saturday, July 18

All Day Appalachia Service Project

Sunday, July 19

8:00 am Nursery - G102
8:15 am Worship - Sanctuary
9:30 am Summer Sunday School - G110
9:30 am Mundie Bible Class - E202
9:45 am Adult Sunday School - G113, G114, E206
9:45 am Worship - Sanctuary and online
9:45 am Youth Sunday School - G213
11:15 am Faith Connections Sunday School - G111
11:15 am Worship - Sanctuary and Online

Our Appalachian Mission Team will be commissioned during the 8:15 a.m. worship service before departing for their mission trip. Please keep the team in your prayers as they share Christ's love through their work and witness, and pray for safe travels, meaningful relationships, and lives transformed by God's grace.



Coffee Time is in the Gym at 10:45 a.m.

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www.kittyskids.net

Welcome

Shady Grove is a place of outreach, service, growth, and love. Many generations call this church home. We hope you will, too.



Information for Parents

Children are a vital part of our worshipping community!
As needed, a nursery is provided at all worship services.
An usher can assist you.

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Website: shadygroveumc.org

July 12, 2026

9:45 a.m.

Welcome to Worship

Special Prelude: *Pastorale on Forest Glen*
by Sandra K. Tucker
Handbell Quintet

**The Lord's Prayer (It's Yours)*
**The Same Love*

Welcome and Announcements

Children's Connection
*The children are invited to come forward for a time
of discipleship*

Scripture: Exodus 3:1-15

Message: Get You a God That Can Do Both
Matt Franklin

Morning Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Offering: *Brethren, We Have Met to Worship*
arr. Kevin McChesney
Handbell Quintet

**Sing Wherever I Go*

Blessing

**You are invited to stand as you are able.*

The Shady Grove UMC vision:
Rooted in Christ, Growing in faith, Branching out in love.

Sermon Notes

Things to remember about today's message:
Scripture: Exodus 3:1-15

Greeters can help you.
*Just off the sanctuary lobby is an all-accessible restroom
with changing table.*

What's Happening- At a Glance

- **Appalachia Service Project- July 12-18**
- **Youth Volunteering Hanover ARC- July 16, 10 am-1 pm**
- **Youth Lake Retreat- July 21-23**
- **Senior trip to Yorktown- July 28**
- **Trivia Night - Aug. 5, 7:30 pm, Third Base Grill**
- **Flying Squirrels Game - Aug. 8, 7:00 pm**
- **Block Party- Aug. 29, 3:00 pm**
- **SGUMC Golf Tournament- Sept. 14**
- **Pumpkin Patch opens- Oct. 4**
- **Senior Adult Trip to Hershey, PA- Oct. 6-8**



Shady Grove is proud to partner with Mechanicsville Churches Emergency Functions (MCEF), a local ministry that provides food, clothing, financial assistance, and transportation to neighbors in need throughout our community. Visit www.4mcef.com to see the most up-to-date list of needed items. Thank you for helping us share Christ's love in practical ways with our neighbors!

Shady Grove Golf Tournament

Hunting Hawk Golf Club
Monday, Sept. 14th

Proceeds to support
Habitat for Humanity and
Mechanicsville ES

Scan the QR code to register
and get more info!
Contact Matt Franklin with questions at
matt@shadygroveumc.org



Find and like us on Facebook and Instagram!
It's a great way to connect with your Shady
Grove family and stay informed about all the
exciting things that are happening in and
around the church!



Stay Connected

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Visit us online at shadygroveumc.org

Ways to Give

Visit shadygroveumc.org/give/
Text keyword shadygrove to 73256
Set up automatic giving from your bank
Mail your checks to:
Shady Grove UMC, 8209 Shady Grove Rd., Mechanicsville, VA 23111

YOUR WEEKLY NEWS

Sunday, July 12, 2026



SHADY GROVE
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



Welcome First-Time Guests!

We're glad you have chosen to worship with us today, and we hope to see you again soon. Please gather this morning at 10:45 in the Gym for a time of fellowship, coffee, juice, and a sweet treat!

Upcoming Events

Mission Opportunity
Christmas in July Fundraiser

Each year we deliver 300 Christmas packages to area detention centers and we need your help to fill the bags! Choose a tag from the tree in the Welcome Center, purchase your items and return to the Missions Zone by July 31st.

THE PLAYGROUND IS OPEN EACH SUNDAY FROM 10:45 AM TO 12:15 PM. FAMILIES ARE INVITED TO STAY, ENJOY FELLOWSHIP AND LET THE CHILDREN PLAY!

YOUTH VOLUNTEERING @ HANOVER ARC

THURSDAY, JULY 16,
10 AM-1 PM



Youth Lake Retreat @Lake Anna July 21-23 | \$250



Senior Adults

Please join Shady Grove's Seniors for a day trip to the American Revolution Museum at Yorktown on Tuesday, July 28th. We will leave the church at 8 a.m. We'll tour the museum with an introductory film, a guided tour, and free time to explore other exhibits. We'll then have lunch at Rocco's Smokehouse Grill in Williamsburg before returning to the church around 4 p.m. The cost of this trip will be \$30 per person, which covers entrance to the museum and transportation. Lunch will be at your own expense. Please make reservations by contacting Jean Ann Bolling, jeanannbolling@gmail.com or 804-387-7083. Reservation deadline is July 21st. Payment for the trip may be given to Cindy Buchanan in the church office or placed in offering plates on Sundays clearly marked for Yorktown. Please make checks payable to Shady Grove UMC.

Missions

Your Caring Cooks have stocked the freezer with chicken alfredo bake! Please grab a frozen meal from the gym kitchen to share with someone in need. Check in with the church office if the kitchen is locked!

Creation Care

This month is Plastic Free July. Join us in choosing to refuse plastic in restaurants (straws) and stores (bags, etc.), and at home. Also, summer is here! If you have extra produce in your garden, bring it to coffee time on Sundays to share with others.

United Women in Faith

The United Women in Faith is announcing the 4th Annual Christmas Market to be held Saturday, Dec. 5 from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. We are beginning to accept vendors so if you are interested in participating, please contact Margaret Getz at obxmg707@gmail.com or 804-370-0649 and leave a message. If you have friends and family who are crafters, let them know of our event! More news will be coming soon!

Library News

Happy 250th Birthday to the USA from the Church Library! Check out the following books in the library in room E100:

Signing Their Lives Away: The Fame and Misfortune of the Men Who Signed the Declaration of Independence by Denise Kierman and Joseph D'Agnese. In 1776, 56 men risked their lives and fortunes to defy King George III by signing the Declaration of Independence. Here are short profiles of each individual who signed.

American Heroes: Profiles of the men and women who shaped early America by Edward S. Morgan and Thomas Jefferson by Joanna Johnston. Jefferson wrote his own epitaph in which he did not mention his time as President. Instead, he wanted to be remembered as crafting two major documents as well as the founding of the University of Virginia.

The library is manned on Sundays from 9 to 11:15 am. At other times, you are welcome to check out a book by signing the card in the back pocket and leaving it on the front table in the Adult Library.

Recreation Ministry

Join us for open gym pickleball Monday evenings in the gym at 6:30 pm and open gym basketball at 8:00 pm. Contact Matt Franklin for details at matt@shadygroveumc.org.

Youth

Confirmation class starts this fall for 8th graders and up, with a kickoff retreat Sept. 25-26. Students learn about Christian beliefs, history, and what it means to follow Christ. At the end, all are invited to make a commitment of faith through confirmation. We meet about twice a month Sundays from 9:45-12 including worship after the retreat. Email Mary Elder for the registration link or with questions at maryelder@shadygroveumc.org.

Summer 2026 Youth Calendar

July
16 Hanover ARC Volunteering
20-21 Leadership Retreat
21-23 Lake Retreat

August
8 Holiday Day
12 Rising 6th Grade Putt Putt
17 Burkwood Pool Party
29 Block Party

Click on this image to register on Realm!

More Church News



Come and join us for a fun night at the ballpark, and stick around for a spectacular fireworks show after the game!

Saturday, Aug. 8, 7 - 10 pm



STORY TIME WITH MS. BARBARA

TUESDAYS FROM 9:30 - 11:00 AM
IN ROOM G106
JUNE 16 - AUG. 11

COME FOR A STORY, A CRAFT,
AND PLAY TIME IN THE GYM!
EMAIL BARBARA SHIPLEY AT
SHIPLEY7106@COMCAST.NET



Youth Holiday Day

Come celebrate all the holidays in one day, ending with a Flying Squirrels Game!

Saturday, Aug. 8th,
noon to 10 pm



SGFamilies Pool Party!

Burkwood Swim & Racquet Club
Monday, Aug. 17th, 3:30-8:00 pm



Scan for registration and more info!

Trivia Night

August 5, 7:30 pm, Third Base Grill

Contact Mary Elder with questions:
maryelder@shadygroveumc.org

Let's Play!

For a limited time, we're offering the opportunity to order a Shady Grove t-shirt featuring one of our new logos. Scan the QR code to place your order before the ordering window closes in about one week! There are men's and women's styles available. Don't worry if you miss this round—there will be another opportunity to order Shady Grove merchandise in the near future!



Exodus 3:4-6- When the Lord saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, 'Moses, Moses!' And he said, 'Here I am.' Then he said, 'Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground.' He said further, 'I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob.' And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.

