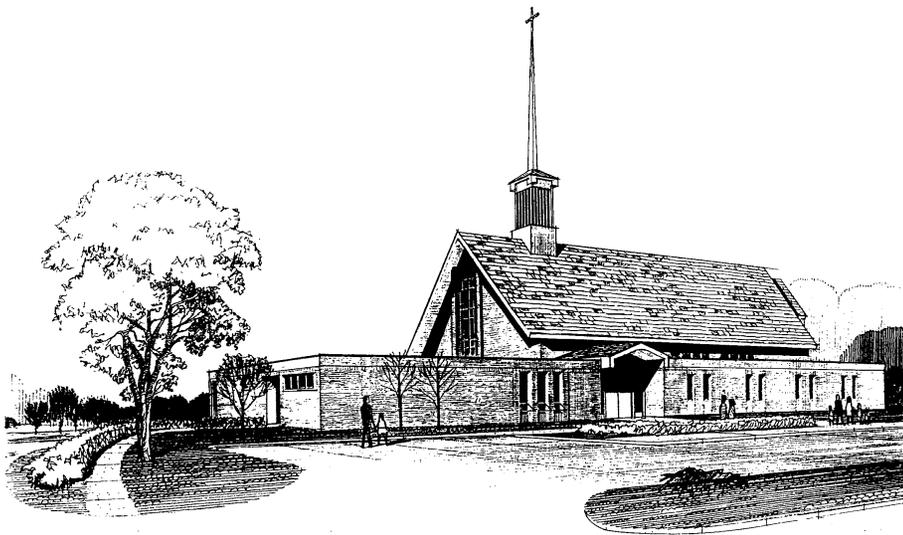


GROVE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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Rev. Dr. Jan Nicholson Angle
Minister

PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING: COVID numbers are expected to fluctuate over the next few months. In order to keep our worshipping community safe, if on any Saturday Radford City numbers per <https://www.vdh.virginia.gov/coronavirus/coronavirus/covid-19-in-virginia-locality/>

exceed 40 cases per 100,000 people we will NOT have indoor worship. We will be in contact with everyone who has pre-registered for the service as well as send an email correspondence to the church email list.

Pat Brown
Organist

Adam McAllister
Choir Director

Libby Watts
Handbell Choir Director

Jim Harrison
Pianist

Ila Schepisi
Youth Director

Anna Frye
Parish Visitor

Joanna Corvin
Finance

Lynn Wright
Custodian

Dana E. Watson
Administrative Assistant

November 22, 2020
10:00 am
The Order of Worship
Christ the King Sunday

***Please follow the directions of
your ushers and worship leaders.***

***Due to COVID-19 congregants are invited to
welcome one another with handwaves and other
non-verbal signs of celebration and worship.***

***Thank you for remaining in your seat
always wearing your mask
and listening to instead of singing the hymns***

GATHERING

PRELUDE AND TIME OF SILENT REFLECTION

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Come! Our God gathers us here
as a community of faith
where the hungry are served,
and the thirsty drink life's water.

Come! God reunites us here
as sisters and brothers
in a family called love

HYMN *Come, Ye Thankful People Come*

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE Luke 19:1-10

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SERMON Rev. Dr. Jan Nicholson Angle
"Who is Coming to Eat at Your Table?"

MUSIC REFLECTION *Gratitude*

BENEDICTION

OFFERING and POSTLUDE

***Congregation is to remain in your seats
and wait for ushers to dismiss by rows
Offering may be made at exit
in the touch free drop box***

The cornucopia on the altar today is given to the glory of God and in honor of the Altar Guild that serves Grove United Methodist Church.

USHERS

Wayne Pridgen David Winston
Delores Smith Adam McAllister

SOUND SYSTEM

Barry Anderson

COUNTERS

Jean Carson Susan Boggess

PRAYERS

Sarah Donnelly who will be having surgery on Monday; Janice Herzog, Martha Owells, Betty Jo Lester, Diane Pryor and Renie Price

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THANK YOU FOR YOUR ONGOING SUPPORT OF GROVE UMC: Tithes and offerings will be received in the touch free drop box in the narthex at the close of the service.

HOLSTON HOME OFFERING: Next Sunday we will receive a special offering for Holston Home for Children. It will make a significant difference for the children in our care at Holston Home. Be prepared to give generously. The children are counting on you.

UPPER ROOMS: November/December Upper Rooms publications are in. You can pick them up on the table in the narthex after our indoor service or call the church office.

ADVENT DEVOTION BOOKLETS: Advent begins November 29th. Society of St Andrew Advent Devotion books are on the table in the Narthex. Please pick up one for you and a friend or loved one.

COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING MEAL: There is still time to make a donation to offset the cost of Grove's annual Community Thanksgiving Dinner. This year, dinner will be curbside pick-up and we will only be serving individuals and families in the Radford and Fairlawn area. If you would like to make a donation, please mark your check "Thanksgiving Dinner Donation."

BOOK DRIVE: We are collecting books for our RCPS preschool so that each child can have a new book to take home over Christmas from Grove Church. We will need 45 easy reader paperback or hardback children's books. A collection box is in the Narthex until December 13th.

RADFORD FOOD BANK: November is Grove UMC's month to collect for Radford Food Bank. We have two weeks left to fill the box in the narthex. Please bring your canned/boxed goods to donate to this effort!

FINDING BETHLEHEM IN THE MIDST OF BEDLAM: Advent Study meets Wednesdays Dec. 2nd, 9th, and 16th. 5:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall or by Zoom. Facilitator is Rev. Dr. Nicholson Angle. Sign up by contacting the church office.

GROVE WEBSITE: Please check our website at groveumcradford.com for information and updates on what is happening in the Grove!

Come, Ye Thankful People Come

Words: Henry Alford, 1844

Music: George J. Elvey 1858

Come, ye thankful people come,
raise the song of harvest home;
all is safely gathered in,
ere the winter storms begin.
God our Maker doth provide,
for our wants to be supplied;
come to God's own temple come,
raise the song of harvest home.

All the world is God's own field,
fruit as praise to God we yield;
wheat and tares together sown
are to joy or sorrow grown;
first the blade and then the ear,
then the full corn shall appear;
Lord of harvest grant that we
wholesome grain and pure may be.

(Come, Ye Thankful People Come cont.)

For the Lord our God shall come,
and shall take the harvest home;
from the field shall in that day
all offenses purge away,
giving angels charge at last
in the fire the tares to cast;
but the fruitful ears to store
in the garner evermore.

Even so, Lord, quickly come,
bring the final harvest home;
gather thou thy people in,
free from sorrow, free from sin,
there, forever purified,
in thy presence to abide;
come, with all thine angels come,
raise the glorious harvest home.

Gratitude

By Nicole Nordeman

Arranged by Heather Sorenson

Send some rain, would You send some rain?
'Cause the earth is dry and needs to drink again
And the sun is high and we are sinking in the shade
Would You send a cloud, thunder long and loud?
Let the sky grow black and send some mercy down
Surely You can see that we are thirsty and afraid
But maybe not, not today
Maybe You'll provide in other ways
And if that's the case ...
We'll give thanks to You with gratitude
For lessons learned in how to thirst for You
How to bless the very sun that warms our face
If You never send us rain

Daily bread, give us daily bread
Bless our bodies, keep our children fed
Fill our cups, then fill them up again tonight
Wrap us up and warm us through
Tucked away beneath our sturdy roofs
Let us slumber safe from danger's view this time
Or maybe not, not today

(Gratitude cont.)

Maybe You'll provide in other ways
And if that's the case ...

We'll give thanks to You with gratitude
A lesson learned to hunger after You
That a starry sky offers a better view
If no roof is overhead
And if we never taste that bread

Oh, the differences that often are between
Everything we want and what we really need
So grant us peace, Jesus, grant us peace
Move our hearts to hear a single beat
Between alibis and enemies tonight
Or maybe not, not today
Peace might be another world away
And if that's the case ...

We'll give thanks to You with gratitude
For lessons learned in how to trust in You
That we are blessed beyond what we could ever dream
In abundance or in need

And if You never grant us peace ...
But, Jesus, would You please ...