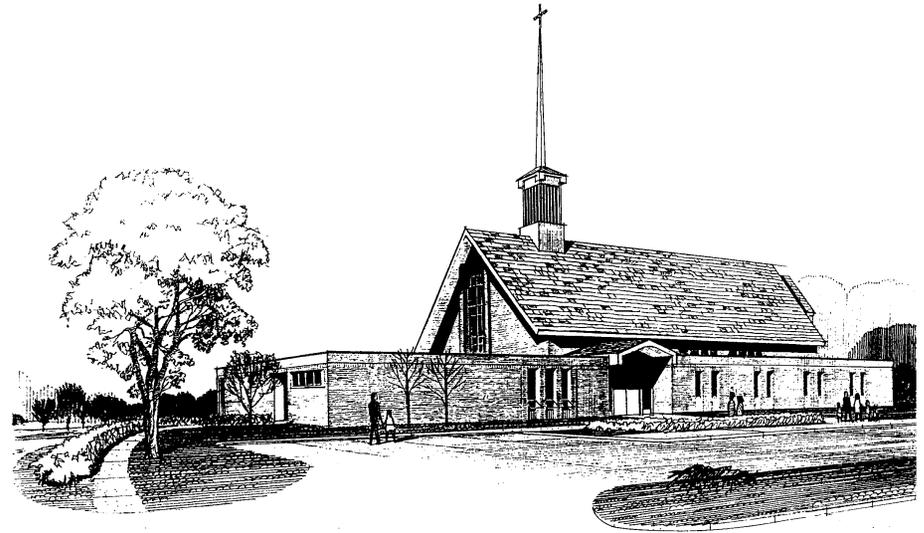


GROVE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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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.



Rev. Dr. Jan Nicholson Angle
Minister

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

January 31, 2021
The Order of Worship
Fourth Sunday After the Epiphany

***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 AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE AND TIME OF SILENT PREPARATION

WELCOME

Welcome in the name of the Father,
Who made us one family.
Welcome, in the name of our Savior,
Who shared our humanity.
Welcome in the power of the Spirit,
Who gathers us for worship
And sends us out for witness. Amen!

HYMN 111 *How Can We Name a Love*
(stanzas 1 and 3)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE
THE LORD'S PRAYER

SCRIPTURE READING
New Testament I Corinthians 1:8-1

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SERMON "There is No Freedom without Obligation"
Rev. Dr. Jan Nicholson Angle

HYMN 2177 (TFWS)
Wounded World that Cries for Healing
(during the singing of this hymn you are invited to
reflect on your commitment of prayers, presence,
gifts, service, and witness to Christ's church at Grove
UMC for 2021)

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH
A Statement of Faith of the United Church of Canada
We are not alone, we live in God's world.
We believe in God:
who has created and is creating,

who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh,
to reconcile and make new,
who works in us and others by the Spirit.
We trust in God.
We are called to be the church:
to celebrate God's presence,
to love and serve others,
to seek justice and resist evil,
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,
our judge and our hope.
In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us.
We are not alone.
Thanks be to God. Amen.

HYMN 384 *Love Divine All Loves Excelling*
(stanza 1)

BENEDICTION

OFFERING AND POSTLUDE

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

SOUND SYSTEM

Tommy Fisher Susan Lesko

USHERS

Betsy Hagen Bill Williamson
Adam McAllister Paul Lambert

COUNTERS

Bob Boggess Marceline Hunter

PRAYERS

Jinnie Pennington Lockridge had a kidney transplant on January 29, Amy Black (daughter of Wayne and Nancy Pridgen), Janice Herzog, Keegan, Brent Lesko, Patty McAllister, Junior Surver, Mike Porter, Mildred Wall, Graham Wickline, those who are homebound and those in assisted living.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

COMMITMENT SUNDAY: Today we are invited to prayerfully make an outward commitment of our prayers, presence, gifts and service to Grove UMC for 2021 by filling out a Commitment Cards and placing it in this weeks offering. You may also mail your cards to Grove UMC 1020 Tyler Ave Radford VA 24141 or email to groveumcfinance@gmail.com. If you need did not receive or have misplaced your card please contact the church office at 540-639-2807. May God bless your support of Christ's Church through Grove UMC.

DAILY BIBLE STUDY: Check out *The Bible in 30 Seconds or Less* on our Video Library at Amplify Media My.amplifymedia.com/groveumcradfordradfordVA/home If you have not set up your FREE Amplify account through Grove UMC, please contact the church office for assistance.

UPCOMING BIBLE STUDY: "A Disciple's Path" by James A. Harnish and Justin LaRosa. This is a six-week study that focuses on stewardship and spiritual gifts. Facilitated by Rev. Dr. Jan Nicholson Angle. This hybrid (in-person and Zoom) one hour study begins Wed. February 17th at 6pm. Books are already on order. Please call the church to reserve your books and registration.

FREE WEBINAR SERIES: Holston Conference is holding, "Conversations on Race – TN Valley Sessions," every Tuesday in February from 7pm to 8:30 pm via Zoom. All are welcome. To access, please register at [Conversations on Race - Tennessee Valley Sessions \(brtapp.com\)](http://Conversations on Race - Tennessee Valley Sessions (brtapp.com))

BOOK CLUB: Monday nights at 6:30pm. Join us via Zoom. Let us know you will be with us by contacting Adam McAllister at groveumchoir@gmail.com.

RADFORD FOOD BANK: Please remember families who are food impoverished by bringing an unopened canned or boxed good. There is a box in the Narthex for Food Bank Collections.

UPPER ROOMS: January/February Upper Rooms may be picked up in the narthex.

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

HOLSTON HOME: TODAY IS THE FIFTH SUNDAY! The mission of Holston United Methodist Home for Children is to provide hope and healing to children and families struggling with life's challenges. You can help give children and youth a better life, a good education, and a chance to develop into Christian men and women. Your interest determines their future.

How Can We Name a Love

Hymn 111

Words: Brian Wren, 1973

Music: Adapted by Franklin L. Sheppard, 1915

How can we name a Love that wakens hearts and mind,
Indwelling all we know or think or do or seek or find?
Within our daily world, in every human face,
Love's echoes sound and God is found, hid in common place.

When people share a task, and strength and skills unite
in projects old or new, to make or do with shared delight,
Our Friend and Partner's will is better understood,
That all should share, create, and care, and know that life is good.

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

Hym 384

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707-1788

Music: John Zundel, 1815-1882

Tune: BEECHER, Meter: 87.87 D

Love divine, all loves excelling, joy of heaven,
to earth come down;
fix in us 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 heart.

Wounded World that Cries for Healing

WORDS: Hope Publishing Co.

By: Shirley Erena Murray, 1996

Wounded world that cries for healing --
here we hold each other's pain,
wounded systems, bruised and bleeding
bear the load, the scars of strain;
dollars ration out compassion,
hard decisions rule the day,
Jesus of the healing Spirit,
free us to another way!

Through our nation's spent frustration,
through the corridors of stress
may there move a kindlier wisdom
all may feel, and all may bless;
tax and tithe are for a purpose
shared to shield the poor and weak:
past the symptoms of our sickness
let the voice of justice speak.

Honor those whose loving spirit
nurses hope, restores and heals,
towel and basin used in service
like the Christ who comes and kneels;
in the tending, in the mending
may we see the right and fair,
in our common quest for wholeness
heal each other by our care.