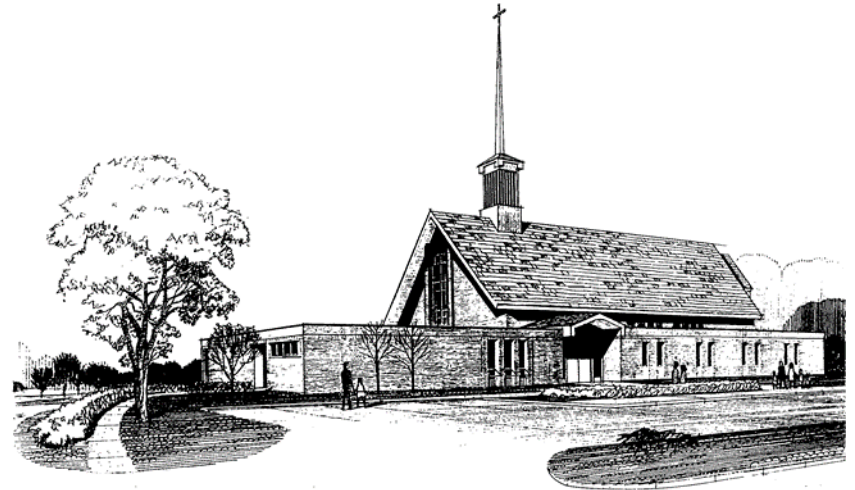




**GROVE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
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**Come Worship With Us**

**Sunday, May 16, 2021**

**10:00 am**

**Rev. Dr. Fowler-Marchant**

**Will be bringing the message**

**“In the Meantime”**

**Acts 1:1-11**

Rev. Dr. Fowler- Marchant, an ordained elder in the North Carolina Conference of The United Methodist Church, is a sought after speaker and author of Mothers in Israel: Methodist Beginnings Through The Eyes of Women. She has served both in the UMC and Presbyterian churches. Currently she serves n England with the British Methodist Church.

**May 9, 2021**

**Sixth Sunday of Easter**

**10:00 am**

**Rev. Dr. Jan Nicholson Angle**  
**Minister**

*Pat Brown*  
*Organist*

*Adam McAllister*  
*Choir Director*

*Libby Watts*  
*Handbell Choir Director*

*Jim Harrison*  
*Pianist*

*Ila Schepisi*  
*Deacon in Residence*

*Dana E. Watson*  
*Administrative Assistant*

*Joanna Corvin*  
*Comptroller*

*Lynn Wright*  
*Custodian*

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

*Please welcome one another with handwaves and other  
non-verbal signs of celebration and worship.*

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**THE ORDER OF WORSHIP**

**ENTRANCE**

GATHERING AND SILENT MEDITATION

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

God is with us!  
Praise be to God!

OPENING PRAYER

**God of our Dreamtimes, we bring you our dreams.**

You dreamed a new dream in your Eden garden,  
Lived through a shattered dream  
in your Gethsemane garden,  
experienced a fulfilled dream in your Burial garden.  
Through the dreams of your people  
You have covenanted, warned, prepared, promised.

**Plant your strong Spirit of trust and hope in our  
dream gardens we pray. Amen.**

(Commission for Mission, Uniting Church in Australia; as printed in *Dare to Dream* by Geoffrey Duncan)

OPENING HYMN 347                      *Spirit Song*

CELEBRATION OF MOTHERS

PRAYERS

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.  
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done  
On earth as it is in heaven.



# End of School Children's Celebration

**June 6, 2021**

**Immediately Following 10 am Service**

Please consider sponsoring a child or two for this occasion. Sponsoring includes providing a card, goodie, or small gift under \$5 to celebrate their great accomplishments in a challenging academic year. Each child will have a table where these items will be collected.

The event will begin with a drive by celebration. If you feel comfortable, you can stay for the pizza party. This will take place in the upper parking lot. There will be no seating available. Please RSVP so we will know how much food and drink to provide.

Our children include:

Dean Glaviana (10 months)	Libby Carchia (10)
Georgiana Glaviana (4)	Lucy Schepisi (10)
Natalie Schepisi (7)	Jackson Belcher (12)
Murphy Carchia (8)	Ali Schepisi (14)
Amber Belcher (9)	Ella Cox (14)
Sydney Schepisi (17)	

## MORE OPPORTUNITIES TO GROW AND SERVE

**DONATE TO PRE-K KIDS:** The school year is about over and it has been wonderful to hear the sound of so many children in our church. We would like to thank those who have helped with teacher treats, classroom treats, books, cards, notes, and prayers. The preschoolers have felt our love and are very appreciative. For the final weeks of school, we would like to collect some spring “fun items” for the classroom to share. If you would like to buy some bubbles, sidewalk chalk or even freezer pops, we will collect these items at the church until May 12th. If you have any questions or suggestions, please contact Dana DeHart or Jean Carson.

**RADFORD FOOD BANK:** We are collecting food items for the Radford Food Bank. Bring dry or canned goods and place them in the baskets in the lobby.

**WELCOMING OUR CHILDREN TO WORSHIP:** Our nursery is closed but coloring activities and materials are available in the Narthex and children are always welcome in our worship service.

**WORK AT CAMP:** Build your skills. Camp Dickenson is looking for camp counselors and other staff, ages 16 and up this summer. For more information, visit [www.campdickenson.com/workatcamp](http://www.campdickenson.com/workatcamp), call (276)744-7241 or email [office@campdickenson.com](mailto:office@campdickenson.com).

**HOLSTON HOME FIFTH SUNDAY OFFERING:** Brandon’s mother battled her entire life with chronic mental issues. When Brandon was 10 months old, she dropped him off at the local DCS office. His maternal family stepped in to raise him, but his behavior declined as he got older. Brandon was eventually placed at Holston Home where the staff refused to give up on him. He learned to manage his anger and was able to return home at the end of the school year. Holston Home continues to watch his progress. Please give generously to Holston United Methodist Home for Children on May 30th so that young people like Brandon will continue to experience God’s grace, love, and hope for the future.

Give us this day our daily bread  
And forgive us our trespasses  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power  
and the glory forever. Amen.

## PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

NEW TESTAMENT READING

John 15:9-17  
Acts 10:44-48

THE CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

Adam McAllister

SERMON

“*Mama’s Favorite*”

Jan C. Nicholson-Angle

HYMN 3154 *Draw the Circle Wide*

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

OFFERING (Touch Free at exit)

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

GOING FORTH

*Thank you for remaining in your seat,  
always wearing your mask,  
and listening to instead of singing the hymns.  
Ushers will dismiss you by rows  
at the conclusion of the service.*

**PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER**

Betty Jo Lester, Mary Kate Kidd, Doug McCoy,  
Jinnie Pennington Lockridge, Amy Black, Keegan,  
Dennis & Patty McAllister, Junior & Bob Surber,  
Mike Porter, Mildred Wall, Becky Ritter, Renie Price,  
the family of Annette Walker, the family of Tim  
Dayton, those homebound, those in assisted living.

**SERVING TODAY**

USHERS

Betsy Hagan      Bill Williamson  
Adam McAllister

ACOLYTE

Natalie Schepisi

SOUND SYSTEM

Cory Schepisi

ALTAR GUILD

Libby Watts & Ovella Wade

COUNTERS

Delores Smith      Susan Boggess  
Bob Boggess

The flowers on the altar today are given to the Glory of God by Diane Christian in deep appreciation to those who have tirelessly prepared for the weekly service and especially to Jan who has been the heart of the church during this time.

**OPPORTUNITIES TO GROW AND SERVE**

**Spiritual development groups are now forming.**  
For more information or to sign up, call the church office at 540-639-2807.

**GARDENERS IN THE GROVE:** Meets every Friday at 9 am for a devotion followed by working in the gardens at Grove.

**JAMES:** Wednesdays 6:00-7:30 pm. Join us this week as we dive into Chapter 3. *Oh be careful little tongue what you say AND how you say it!* Facilitated by Rev. Dr. Jan.

**CHRIST WALK CRUSHED:** First meeting tonight, May 9th. Sundays 6:30 pm. Sometimes the best way to deal with stressful situations is to move your feet! This 40 day journey allows participants to experience God through a biblically inspired journey of physical activity and spiritual reflection. Led by Adam McAllister.

**MOTHERS in ISRAEL: Methodist Beginnings Through the Eyes of Women book study:** Book study discussion groups to be offered both virtually and in-person. Join us as we explore our early Methodist mothers of the faith who dared to lean into the Spirit's leading. Facilitated by Dr. Jan.

**AUTHOR TO PRESENT AT GROVE:** Rev. Dr. Fowler-Marchant, author of *Mothers in Israel: Methodist Beginnings Through the Eyes of Women*, will present on her research and work Saturday, May 15, 10:00-11:30 am in the Fellowship Hall. Please let us know you will be in attendance Saturday by calling the church office 639-2807.

**GROVE WEBSITE:** Check out [groveumcradford.com](http://groveumcradford.com) for information and updates on what is happening at Grove UMC!

## Spirit Song

Words & Music: John Wimber, 1979

O let the Son of God enfold you  
with his Spirit and his love.

Let him fill your heart  
and satisfy your soul.

O let him have the things that hold you,  
and his Spirit like a dove,  
will descend upon your life  
and make you whole.

Jesus, O Jesus,  
Come and fill your lambs.

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O come and sing this song with gladness  
as your hearts are filled with joy.

Lift your hands in sweet surrender  
to his name.

O give him all your tears  
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Music: Mark A. Miller, 1994

Draw the circle, draw the circle wide.

Draw the circle, draw the circle wide.

No one stands alone, we'll stand side by side.

Draw the circle, draw the circle wide.

Draw the circle wide, draw it wider still.

Let this be our song:

No one stands alone.

Standing side by side,

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