

**THE ORDER OF WORSHIP**

**ENTRANCE**

**Gathering and Silent Meditation**

**Prelude**

**Lighting the Altar Candles**

Natalie Schepisi

**\*Call to Worship**

If we live in the light, as God does,  
we share in life with each other.  
And the blood of his Son Jesus  
washes all our sins away (*1 John 1:7*)

**\*Opening Prayer**

**Loving God,  
make our will, your will in all things. Amen.**  
*(Charles Vaughan 1816-1897)*

**\*Hymn** UMH 368

*My Hope Is Built*

**Prayers**

**The Lord's Prayer** UMH 895

**PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE**

**Prayer for Illumination**

**Gospel Reading**

John 5:1-6

**Children's Message**

Jan C. Nicholson–Angle

**Sermon**

*Discerning God's Will through Community*

Jan C. Nicholson-Angle

**SENDING FORTH**

**\*Hymn** W&S 3105

*In Christ Alone*

**Opportunities to Serve**

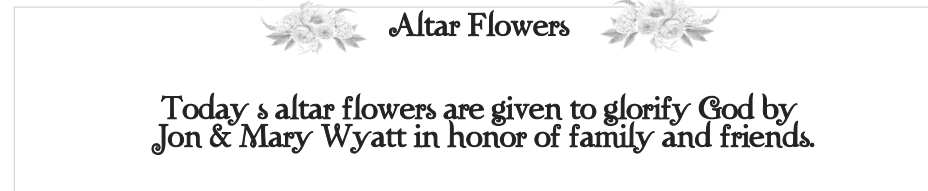
**Offering** (Touch-free at exit)

**\*Benediction**

**Postlude**

**Going Forth**

***\*Congregation, stand as you are able.***



**CALLED CHARGE CONFERENCE**

The Rev. Kim Goddard, New River District Superintendent, has called a Charge Conference for Grove UMC on Sunday, August 1 immediately following the 10 am worship service. The purpose of the meeting will be to approve 1) the annual compensation package for the Minister and 2) an increase in work hours and compensation for the Administrative Assistant. Members of the Administrative Board and the Ministries Board are the voting members of the Charge Conference. Please mark your calendar now and plan to be present for this brief but important meeting.

**Prayer Request**

*Please provide information below:*

*Person placing the request:*

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*Prayer Requested for:*

*Name:*

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*Their Need :*\_\_\_\_\_

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*Are they family, friend,  
co-worker or neighbor?*

*YES or NO*

*May we share your prayer  
request in our bulletins and  
newsletters?*

*YES or NO*

*Email:*\_\_\_\_\_

*Phone:*\_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER**

Amy Black, Chris Dunn, James and Phyllis Epperly, Doug Fitzpatrick, Mary Kate Kidd,  
Doug Linkous, Jimmie Pennington Lockridge, Dennis & Patty McAllister,  
Keegan Neldon, Billy Joe Nunn, Doug McCoy, Mike Porter,  
Renie Price, Junior & Bob Surber, Mildred Wall, Randy Wright,  
those homebound & those in assisted living.

**SERVING TODAY**

USHERS

John Russell & Frank Herzog

CHOIR

Jean Carson, Linda Clifford, Tommy Fisher,  
Susan Lesko & Libby Watts

LITURGIST

Barry Anderson

ACOLYTE

Natalie Schepisi

SOUND TECHNICIAN

Cory Schepisi

ALTAR GUILD

Bobby & Anna Frye

COUNTERS

Linda Clifford, Jean Carson & Betsy Hagan

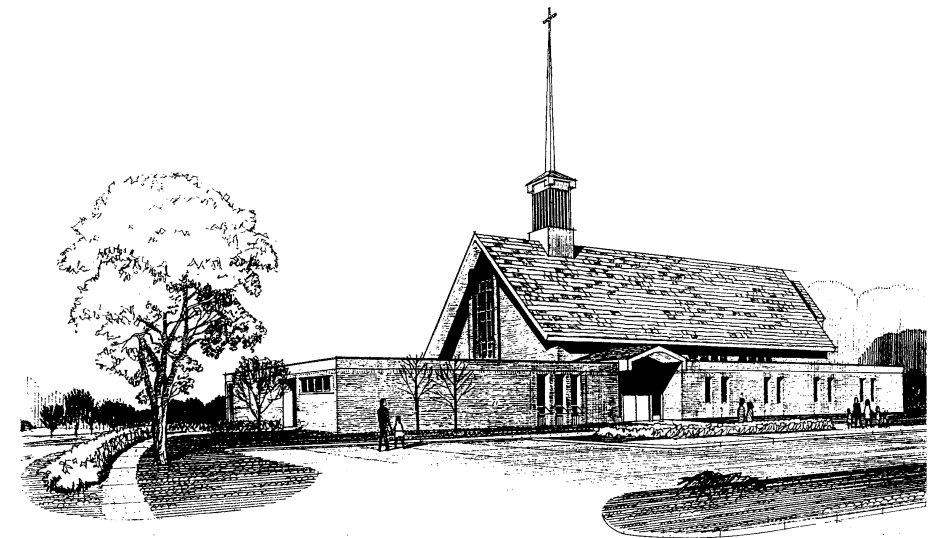
**NEW GUIDELINES AS WE CONTINUE POST COVID**

- Mask wearing is optional for those vaccinated. Maintain appropriate distance with your neighbor. Appropriate distance is defined as the distance with which you and your neighbor are comfortable.
- Additional seating is available in the Fellowship Hall for those who wish to increase their social distancing.
- You may join in responsive readings & prayers.
- You may join in singing congregational hymns if masked.
- Offering will continue to be at the exit doors following the service.

**Grove United Methodist Church**

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Ninth Sunday After Pentecost  
July 25, 2021



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

*Pat Brown*  
Organist

*Libby Watts*  
Handbell Choir Director

*Jim Harrison*  
Pianist

*Ila Schepisi*  
Deacon in Residence

*Dana E. Watson*  
Administrative Assistant

*Joanna Corvin*  
Comptroller

*Lynn Wright*  
Custodian

## OPPORTUNITIES TO GROW AND SERVE

**GROVE WEBSITE:** [groveumcradford.com](http://groveumcradford.com)

**BOOK CLUB:** Join us via Zoom Monday nights at 6:30 pm!

**THE LETTERS OF PETER:** Bible Study, Thursdays 6:00 - 7:30 pm in the fellowship hall. Facilitated by Rev. Dr. Jan.

**GARDENERS IN THE GROVE:** Join us Friday mornings at 9 am!

**WESLEY WORK DAY AUGUST 7th:** The churches in the New River Sub-District are invited to get a team together for a day of sprucing up the grounds at our RU Wesley Foundation on 1022 Downey Street. Bring your shovels, rakes, weed eaters, etc. Breakfast will be available starting at 8 am and lunch will be provided. Contact Lee Hicks 540-392-3103 or Rev. Dr. Jan at 540-589-9118.

**CAMP DICKINSON BENEFIT GOLF TOURNAMENT:** August 14th at Draper Valley Golf Club. We'll begin with lunch at 11:30 am & tee off at 1:00 pm. For additional information call 276-744-7241 or email [office@campdickenson.com](mailto:office@campdickenson.com).

**RADFORD FOOD BANK:** The Food Bank is in need of basic toiletries such as baby wipes and baby goods, toothbrushes, hair brushes, shampoos and conditioners. Please consider providing these as you are able.

**HOLSTON ANNUAL CONFERENCE AUGUST 28TH:** Attending from Grove the one day in person are: Terica Fisher, Libby Watts and Rev. Jan.

### **ANNUAL CONFERENCE GIVING OPPURTUNITIES:**

- The **Bishop Mary Virginia Taylor and Reverend Rusty Taylor Endowment for Pastoral Ministry** offering will benefit students at Candler School of Theology. Give at Grove by August 22nd and write Bishop Mary Taylor in the memo line. Alternatively, you can give online at [brtapp.com](http://brtapp.com) or via mail to : Holston Conference, c/o Kathy Ratchford, PO Box 850 Alcoa, TN 37701-0850
- **Change for Children** Offering. Churches give loose change to benefit children's ministries in Holston Conference and UM related ministries around the world. Place your loose change in an offering envelope and label it "Change for Children".
- **Conference Mission Offering** is designated for "Holston Helping Holston in East Knoxville, TN". Give at Grove by August 22nd and write "Conference Mission" in the memo line.

### **"In Christ Alone"**

Word & Music: Keith Getty & Stuart Townsend

In Christ alone my hope is found.  
He is my light, my strength, my song  
This cornerstone, this solid ground,  
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.  
What heights of love, what depths of peace  
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease!  
My comforter, my all in all,  
Here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone who took on flesh,  
Fullness of God in helpless babe.  
This gift of love and righteousness  
Scorned by the ones He came to save.  
Till on that cross as Jesus died  
The wrath of God was satisfied.  
For every sin on Him was laid.  
Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay,  
Light of the world by darkness slain.  
Then bursting forth in glorious day,  
Up from the grave He rose again!  
And as He stands in victory  
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me.  
For I am His and He is mine,  
Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death,  
This is the power of Christ in me.  
From life's first cry to final breath,  
Jesus commands my destiny.  
No power of hell, no scheme or plan  
Can ever pluck me from His hand.  
Till He returns or calls me home,  
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand.