

## THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

### ENTRANCE

GATHERING AND SILENT MEDITATION

PRELUDE

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Libby Watts

Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. Of his own will he brought us forth by the word of truth, that we should be a kind of first fruits of his creatures. (James 1:17-18)

**With gratitude and joy**

**let us offer our worship to the Lord!**

\*HYMN 347 (UMH)

*Spirit Song*

PRAYERS OF THE COMMUNITY

Ila Schepisi

LORD'S PRAYER

Ila Schepisi

### PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Libby Watts

SCRIPTURE READING

Ephesians 5:1-2

ANTHEM

*Gratitude*

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Ila Schepisi

SERMON

*Fragrant Offerings*

Ila Schepisi

A STATEMENT OF FAITH 884 (UMH)

Ila Schepisi

## SENDING FORTH

\*HYMN 2008 (TFWS) *Let All Things Now Living*

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

OFFERING (Touch Free at exit)

\*BENEDICTION

Congregation

**Bless to us, O God, the sky that is above us,**

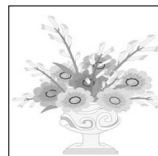
**The earth that is beneath us,**

**The friends who are around us,**

**Your image deep within us. Amen**

\*POSTLUDE

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



The flowers on the altar today are given to the glory of God in memory and in honor of family members, past and present, by Paul and Joan Lambert.

## SERVING TODAY

### USHERS

Betsy Hagan & Bill Williamson

### SOUND TECHNICIAN

Cory Schepisi

### LITURGIST

Libby Watts

### ALTAR GUILD

Libby Watts & Linda Clifford

### ACOLYTE

Natalie Schepisi

### COUNTERS

Tommy Fisher, Susan Lesko

& Betsy Hagan

## 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**

Dana Dehart, Amy Black, Chris Dunn, James and Phyllis Epperly, Doug Fitzpatrick, Mary Kate Kidd, Doug Linkous, Jinnie Pennington Lockridge, Dennis & Patty McAllister, Mike Porter, Renie Price, Junior & Bob Surber, Nancy Richardson, Mildred Wall, Laura (Fisher) and Beni Brem for labor and delivery of their second child., Paul and Joan Lambert's son for a safe surgery and recovery, Kaitlyn Lemmon Faircloth, Doug McCoy, those homebound & those in assisted living.

To contact the pastor directly, call (540) 589-9118 or email at groveumcpastor@gmail.com.

**OPPORTUNITIES TO GROW AND SERVE**

**PREACHING TODAY:** We welcome Deacon Ila Schepisi to the pulpit today. Ila is Virginia Tech's Adult Day Services activity director. Today, Pastor Jan is preaching the message at Radford University's Family Weekend Interdenominational service.

**BOOK CLUB:** Will Resume Sept. 20th at 6:30 pm via Zoom. Please read and be prepared to discuss Ch 3-5 of *Prey Tell*.

**FRAGRANT OFFERINGS:** Healing Oils of the Bible, Tuesday, September 21st at 7 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

**UNITED METHODIST WOMEN:** Meeting Thursday, September 23rd at 10:30 am in the Fellowship Hall.

**THE STUDY OF RUTH:** Four-week study begins Sept. 23rd at 6:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Facilitated by Rev. Dr. Jan.

**GARDENERS IN THE GROVE:** Join us Fridays at 9 am at Grove for a time of devotion and working on the lawn and gardens.

**RADFORD FOOD BANK:** The bank is taking donations for much needed shampoos and conditioners.

**CLEANING BUCKETS:** Thank you to everyone who has contributed to Grove UMC for UMCOR Cleaning Buckets. To date we have collected enough for 27+ buckets!

There are two ways to give:

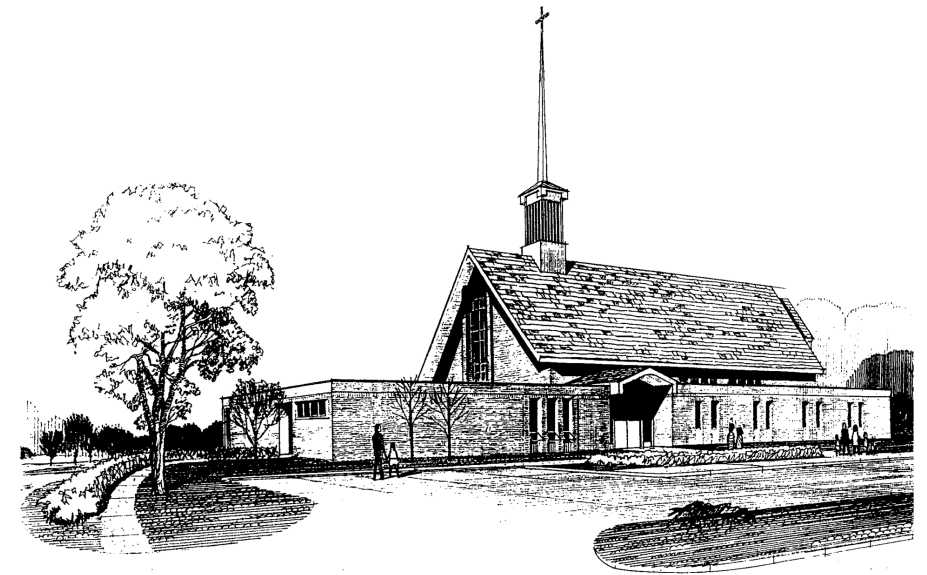
- 1) Make a financial contribution for cleaning buckets by making your check out to Grove UMC and mark for "cleaning bucket."
- 2) Give to UMCOR national relief by making your check out to Grove UMC and mark for "Advance #901670 "

Watch for more details on when we will gather to put the buckets together. What a joy it is to serve Christ by serving others!

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Seventeenth Sunday After Pentecost  
September 19, 2021



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

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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