THE ORDER OF WORSHIP **ENTRANCE**

GATHERING

PRELUDE

WELCOME

(From Psalm 67) *CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: O God, be gracious to us and bless us and make your

face to shine upon us,

People: that your way be known upon earth, your saving

power among all nations.

Leader: Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples

praise you!

People: Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you

judge the peoples with equity and guide the

nations upon earth.

Leader: Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples

praise you!

People: The earth has yielded its increase; God, our God

has blessed us

Leader: God has blessed us:

People: let all the ends of the earth fear God!

*HYMN #101 UMH "From All That Dwell Below the Skies"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION: Almighty and all-loving God, through your Son Jesus Christ you have reconciled the world to yourself. Help us now to be reconciled with one another, that again we might dwell in the warmth of your love. Inspire us with your Holy Spirit to put aside the cloak of pride and put on Christ, that we might forgive and be forgiven through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

(All offer prayers of confession in silence)

Assurance of Pardon: If we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. (I John 1:9)

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

PRAYERS OF CELEBRATION AND CONCERN

THE LORD'S PRAYER #895 UMH

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

ANTHEM "Surely the Presence of the Lord is in This Place"

Lanny Wolfe, Arr. Brown

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Genesis 45:1-15 Matthew 15:21-28

SERMON Joseph Borden

"Embracing Difficult Choices"

"Freely, Freely" *HYMN #389 UMH

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY #95 UMH

SENDING FORTH

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

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

YES or NO

YES or NO

Are they family, friend,

co-worker or neighbor?

Prayer Request

Please provide information below:

Person placing the request:

Prayer Requested for:

Their Need:

Name:

Phone:

^{*}Congregation please stand as you are able.

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Welcome to Grovel

Your

PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER

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Wayne and Nancy Pridgen

Carolee Bondurant Vivian Ellis Corene Simms **Tony Lambert** Jim Keffer Those homebound Sam Belcher Those in assisted living

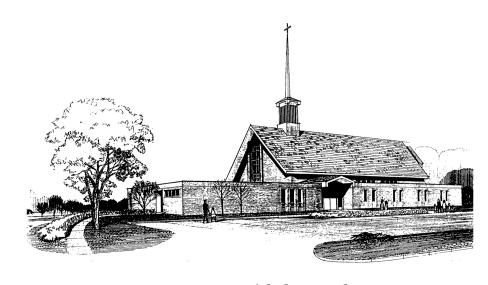
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> August 20, 2023 12th Sunday After Pentecost 10:00 am



Rev. Dr. Jan Nicholson Angle Minister

Cell 540-589-9118

Pat Brown Organist

Libby Watts Handbell Choir Director

Donna Alley Finance Assistant Rev. Dr. Joseph Borden Chancel Choir Director

Linda Fasnacht Administrative Assistant

Lynn Wright Custodian

Jim Harrison **Pianist**

Ila Schepisi Deacon in Residence

Food Bank

Donate to our Food Bank collection box in the Narthex.

Be a choir disciple.

You are invited to sing with the choir this summer. We meet Sunday mornings at 9:30 am in the choir room (end of the Administrative Hallway) to warm up our voices for worship.

Opportunities to connect at Grove

SUNDAYS

9:15 O'Donnell Adult Sunday School Class

THURSDAYS

Contemplative Prayer Meeting, 7:00 pm

WE ARE HIRING

Sunday morning Nursery Staff – must be 21 years of age. Background Check required.

Send resume and cover letter to:

Grove UMC Attn SPRC 1020 Tyler Ave. Radford VA 24141

Be a Disciple in the Nursery

Adults 21 and older may serve in the nursery. With enough Nursery disciples you may be serving once every 6-8 weeks. Background check and a short training session provided. For more information contact the church office.