

**Second Sunday in Lent  
THE ORDER OF WORSHIP  
ENTRANCE**

GATHERING

WELCOME

LIGHTING OF THE LENTEN CANDLE

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

\*CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 22:23-31

\*GLORIA PATRI 70 Glory Be to the Father

\*HYMN 101 UMH From All That Dwell Below the Skies

PRAYER OF CONFESSION  
(The pastor calls the congregation to prayer)

**Holy Friend, our God and Savior,  
we have talked much about faith  
yet have been slow to take its risks,  
we have lauded forgiveness  
yet have been miserly in giving it,  
we have praised truth  
yet have fudged our own integrity,  
we have extolled love  
yet have placed conditions on our loving,  
we have urged hope for others  
yet have ourselves lived like cynics,  
we have honored Christ's Cross  
yet have avoided our own.**

(The pastor continues the prayer)

*Written by Bruce Prewer, posted at <http://www.bruceprewer.com/DocB/BLENT2.htm>.*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

LORD'S PRAYER

**PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT READING Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16

GOSPEL READING Mark 8:31-38

ANTHEM My God is Able Nan and Dennis Allen  
arr. Allen

SERMON What does the Church Birth? Jan Nicholson Angle

TIME OF SILENT REFLECTION ON GOD'S WORD

OFFERTORY

OFFERING

\*DOXOLOGY 95 (UMH)

**SENDING FORTH**

\*HYMN 415 UMH Take Up Thy Cross

\*OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

\*BENEDICTION

\*POSTLUDE

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



The flowers on the altar today are given to  
the glory of God and in loving memory of  
Buddy & Hazel Williamson by their sons,  
Bill and Jim Williamson.

**Prayer Request**

*Please provide information below:*

*Person placing the request:*

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*PraySALer 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?*

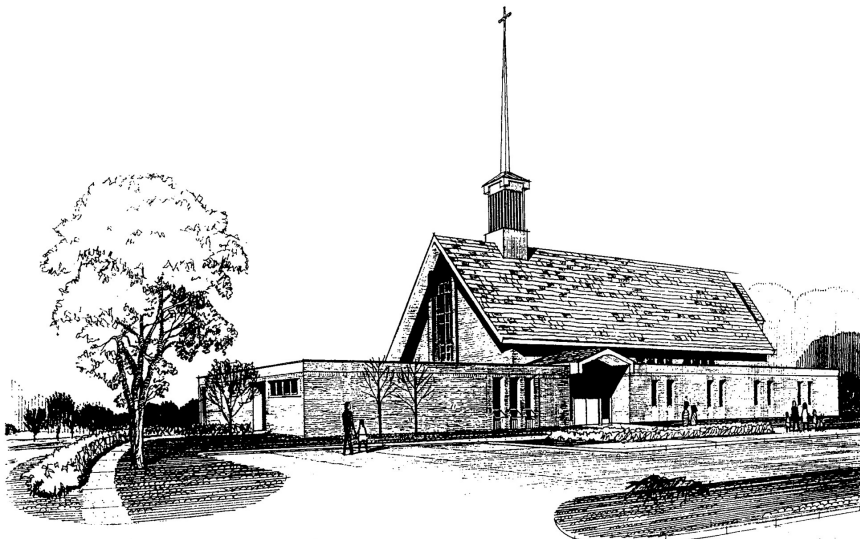
*YES or NO*

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

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

**Grove United Methodist Church**  
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February 25, 2024  
Second Sunday in Lent  
10:00 am  
Grove UMC Sesquicentennial  
Celebrating 150 years in Ministry



**Rev. Dr. Jan Nicholson Angle**  
**Minister**  
Cell 540-589-9118

<i>Rev. Ila Schepisi</i> <i>Deacon in Residence</i>	<i>Rev. Dr. Joseph Borden</i> <i>Chancel Choir Director</i>	<i>Libby Watts</i> <i>Handbell Choir Director</i>
<i>Donna Alley</i> <i>Finance Assistant</i>	<i>Lynn Wright</i> <i>Custodian</i>	<i>Linda Fasnacht</i> <i>Administrative Assistant</i>
<i>Dana Watson</i> <i>Videographer</i>		<i>Jim Harrison</i> <i>Pianist</i>



Last Sunday, 2/18/24, The flowers on the altar were given to the glory of God by Wayne & Angie Frye in precious memory of Cody Frye, who was placed in God's loving hands on February. 20, 2015. We apologize for omitting this statement on last Sunday's Bulletin.

**PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER**

Amy Black	Wayne and Nancy Pridgen
Renie Price	Tony Lambert
Corene Simms	Greg Stokley
Jim Keffer	Becky Ritter
Sam Belcher	Norman Lepchitz
Frankie Cook	The family of Aubrey Morris
Ashley Fasnacht	
Ali Schepisi	
Sonya Nicely	

To add someone or update  
please contact Linda Fasnacht

**SERVING TODAY**

Piano.....	Flo Bishop
Organ.....	Libby Watts
Ushers.....	Betsy Hagen/Bill Williamson
Acolyte.....	Natalie Schepisi
Liturgist.....	Beth McDaniel
Sound Technician.....	Cory Schepisi
Altar Guild.....	Susan Lesko/Donna Sepers
Sunday Counters.....	Susan Boggess/Jean Carson
Monday Counters.....	Linda Fasnacht/Bob Boggess
Nursery Staff.....	Chloe Mullins



**TO GROVE**  
**We Are Glad You Are Here!**

Today you will experience Christ-centered worship and fellowship. Want to know more about our ministries and opportunities? Your ushers, members and pastor are here to assist you. Welcome to Grove! Welcome home!



## This Week at Grove UMC

### TODAY 02/25/24

9:00 am Young Adult Sunday School  
9:00 am O'Donnell Sunday School  
9:30 am Nursery  
11:30 am 150th Anniversary Meeting  
4:30 pm Hand Bell Practice

### Monday 2/26/24

6:30 pm Grove Book Group, Zoom

### Wednesday 2/28/24

7:00 pm Choir Practice

### Thursday 2/29/24

7:00 pm Centering Prayer, O'Donnell Room

### NEXT Sunday 3/03/24

10:00 am Worship  
4:30 pm Hand Bell Practice  
Families First after Worship

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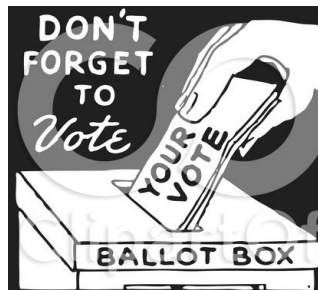
Learn more about how the Holston Conference of the UMC operates and what is happening in our churches?

### **“Linking Laity for Empowerment”**

February 27 or 29, 7:00-8:00pm via ZOOM  
This is a Hope Abounds Event

Type this address on Internet Home Page

[HTTPS://HOLSTON-REG.BRTAPP.COM/  
LINKINGLAITYFOREMPOWERMENT](https://holston-reg.brtapp.com/linkinglaityforempowerment)



*Tuesday March 5, 2024  
Virginia Primary*

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Grove UMC Fellowship Hall will be unavailable on March 4 & 5.

**Choir** Rehearsal in the Choir room every Wednesday at 7:00 pm. and Sunday at 9:30 am for practice.

**Handbells** practice Sundays from 4:30-6:00 pm in the Choir Room. Handbells play once a month for worship. Anyone interested is welcome to join.

**Grove Book Group** meets via Zoom each Monday at 6:30 pm. If you are interested in participating in the Book Group, contact Terica Fisher for details at 540-357-1016 or [tericafisher@msn.com](mailto:tericafisher@msn.com)  
We are starting a new book, **The Last Neanderthal**. This is a story of two women separated by time whose challenging and contradictory lives intersect. One is a woman from the last family of Neanderthals forty thousand years ago. The other is a modern day archaeologist who is excavating Neanderthal artifacts.

**Centering Prayer** convenes every Thursday at 7:00 pm in the Grove Parlor. At times, this is adjusted to late afternoon and around holidays we may skip a Thursday. For more information, contact Barry Anderson at 540-639-3953.

**Families First** meets the first Sunday of each month. This ministry is designed for children and youth of all ages and their families. Join Families First as they share a meal, fellowship, support and learning. Meet on the lower level education wing. Next meeting 3/3/24