

Order of Worship

Welcome and Check-In

Prelude Chorale and Variations (George Blake)

***Call to Worship** (Romans 12)

- One: Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good;
Many: Love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor.
- One: Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord.
Many: Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer.
- One: Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers.
Many: Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them.
- One: Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are.
Many: Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all.

***Opening Hymn** Where He Leads Me (#338)

***Opening Prayer**
God of friendship, community, and love, you have welcomed us into your family with your greater grace. Give us the faith and courage to rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep, and bear one another's burdens with the love of Christ. Fill us with the compassion and courage of Ruth, that we may support and serve one another. Open our hearts during this time of worship and form us into people who live and love like Jesus. Amen.

***Passing the Peace**

Children's Moment

Scripture Lesson Ruth 1:1-18 (NRSVUE)

- One: The Word of God for the people of God!
Many: Thanks be to God!

Anthem I Choose Love (Mark Miller)

Sermon Rev. David Vaughan
Greater Grace Worship Series
My People

Middle Hymn O Lord, Your Tenderness (#2143)

Pastoral Prayer with The Lord's Prayer

Offering Ourselves and Gifts to God
You may place your offering in the offering plates, go to shadygroveumc.net/give or text serve to 73256 for a secure link to give. Standard text message rates apply.

Musical Offering O How He Loves You and Me (Kurt Kaiser)

***Doxology** (Sung, Unison)
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

***Prayer of Dedication** (Unison)
Gracious God, all we have and all we are come as gifts of your grace. Receive these offerings, and use them to strengthen your people, care for those in need, and share your love with the world. Inspire us to live with kindness and generosity, reflecting the faithful, self-giving love of Christ our Lord. Amen.

***Invitation to Christian Discipleship**

***Closing Hymn** God of Grace and God of Glory (#577)

***Blessing**
***Please stand as able**

Flowers

The flowers are given to the glory of God and in honor of our Youth Missions Team.

Prayer Shawls and Port Pillows

Prayer Shawls are available for you to take for yourself or to give to someone who is suffering with despair, loss, or illness.

Port pillows are available for someone who might have a port (port-a-cath), colostomy bag, or other small medical appliance needing protection from a seat belt.

Announcements

Check out “What’s Happening” and sign up to receive the weekly eblast at <http://shadygroveumc.net/whats-happening>

Church Calendar

Check out the church calendar at <http://shadygroveumc.net/calendar>

Church Staff

David Vaughan, *Pastor* • Blaine Oliver-Thomas, *Pastor*

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Grace Han, *District Superintendent* • Sue Hauptert-Johnson, *Bishop*

July 26, 2026

9th Sunday after Pentecost

9:30 am Traditional Worship



We are glad to have you worship with us and hope everyone will click [HERE](#) to let us know you were in worship. You may also scan the QRCode or Mobile Check-In through Realm.



Hearing Assistance Devices Are Available

Please see an usher if a device is needed.

Devices are cleaned and sanitized after each use.

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