Glade Weekly News

February 9 - 15, 2026

Glade Church, a United Church of Christ (UCC) congregation, is a progressive Christian community—welcoming, compassionate, and joyful—seeking to embrace all people wherever they find themselves in life. We strive to discern God's still-speaking voice through worship, study, fellowship, and service. We work for God's peace and social, economic, and ecological justice.

Pastor Kelly is available for meetings on Mondays. Contact them at bryantkj@gmail.com to schedule an appointment.

Join us for worship at 11:00 a.m. every Sunday Morning

Attend in-person at 1600 Glade Rd. Blacksburg, or on Zoom at
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88914981619?pwd=Q3E4Rk95d2llZGtONlVqSDcrMm1xdz09/#_success

Weekly Post-Service Fellowship

Please sign up to bring refreshments for our weekly post-service fellowship time. The signup sheet is posted outside the sanctuary or you can contact Trips Bryant at tebryant14@gmail.com to sign up.

Ann Saacke's Celebration of Life

We hope you can join us for a celebration of life for Ann Saacke, who was a model of love, joy, and radical hospitality. The celebration is Saturday, February 14th at 11 AM at Glade Church.
In lieu of flowers, gifts in Ann's memory are invited to be directed to the VA Tech YMCA, the Richard G. & Ann L. Saacke Undergraduate Scholarship at VA Tech, Good Samaritan Hospice, or a cause of your choosing.
A reception will follow at a separate location.

Laundry Love

Sunday February 15 from 2-4 PM and Thursday February 26 from 2-4 PM at North Main Laundromat.

Laundry Love has opportunities to volunteer. This is a great way to put "Words" into "Actions" of faith and love. We do this at the laundromat on North Main across from the Y-Thrift Shop. Click below to volunteer! Can't join us at the laundromat but still want to help? Donations of quarters, laundry detergent, fabric softener sheets and individually wrapped juice and snacks are always welcome!

VOLUNTEER FOR LAUNDRY LOVE

Volunteers are needed for Kids Church and Youth Group

There are leader slots available for youth, kids, and nursery. Youth Group and Kids Church are on alternating weeks during worship service. Here is the link to sign up to help serve our children:

Glade Kids Church 25-26

Did You Know?

The Central Atlantic Conference has a Children & Youth Leaders' Network, which is designed to bring children and youth leaders together from throughout the conference to share resources, brainstorm solutions to shared challenges, and extend support in our ministries. The meetings are held monthly on Zoom. For more information contact Rev. Craig Peterson at cpeterson@cacucc.org.

Food Pantry

Food Pantry donations collected at Glade are supplementing the Future Economy Collective Food Drive that's distributed to Laundry Love guests on the third Sunday of each month. Donations of non-perishable food, diapers, baby wipes, menstrual products, disinfectant wipes and toilet paper are appreciated.

POTLUCK Sunday February 22

Now that the snow and ice are gone, we are finally able to have our potluck after service on Sunday February 22. Bring your favorite dish to share and stay for some fellowship!

Radical Conversations [RadCon] Meets Saturdays at 11:00 AM

Radical Conversations meets from 11:00-12:15 each Saturday morning at the church. This is a time for open discussion of a wide range of topics. RadCon is open to any and every interested individual.

Coffee & Devotion Group Meets via Zoom on Wednesdays at 10:00 am

This virtual get-together meets at 10 a.m. on Zoom and lasts for about an hour for a time to meet people, share thoughts, hear a brief devotion, and join in prayer. This time of fellowship is open to everyone, it's a time to gather for conversation, devotion and prayer. Come meet some people you may not know. **Zoom link:**
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89240288592?pwd=KzhRWlJiQTkzWWRlYTNuRkdPaUNqUT09

Women's Book Group Meets Third Mondays at 7 PM

The Women's Book Group meets on the third Monday of each month at 7 PM in person and/or on Zoom for a discussion of the current book. The book for February is *Grace* by Dr. Suchitra Samanta, who will join the book club Zoom discussion on February 16th. Contact Katie Morris at katie.lucot@gmail.com for more information.

Do you have an item you'd like included in the weekly newsletter? Send info and pictures to Sandra Bryant at kstbryant@gmail.com

UCC Purpose, Vision, and Mission Statements

Purpose: To love God with all our heart, mind soul, and strength and our neighbor as ourselves. (From the Gospel of Matthew)

Vision: United in Christ's love, a just world for all.

Mission: United in Spirit and inspired by God's grace, we welcome all, love all, and seek justice for all.

John 17:21 is the scriptural foundation of the United Church of Christ