

SHARING GOD'S WORD THROUGH DRAMA



Presentation and Workshop given by
FRIENDS OF THE GROOM

Pastors, Lay Pastors, Sunday School Teachers, Youth Advisors, Choir Directors, Worship Committees, Christian Educators, and Church Members will find this a fun and inspiring experience.

Sponsored by:

Grove Presbyterian Church
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WEEKEND SCHEDULE

Friday, December 2, 2011

7:00pm

Friends of the Groom Community Performance *"The Case of the Missing Bodies"*

What would happen if Sam Spade, the detective from the Maltese Falcon, met Simon Peter from the New Testament?
Come see Friends of the Groom Theater Company as they perform Acts, chapter 12 in the style of a 1940's Humphrey Bogart detective movie.



"...[T]he refreshing combination of excellent acting, direction, and unusual material".

--Cincinnati Magazine

"...[J]ust the right combination of lightness and probing stimulation..."

--Calvin Reber, United Theological Seminary

Open to the Community - Free Will Donation
Refreshments and time to meet the actors following.

Saturday, December 3, 2011 8:45AM-2:15PM

Christian Drama Workshop

“Beyond Bathrobes”

A Workshop with Friends of the Groom Theater Company

Are you interested in moving forward in your faith? Do you want to learn ways of sharing your faith creatively? Don't miss this exciting day for all ages with a theater company that specializes in making the Christian message challenging and fun at the same time. Those who come will be invited to participate in a variety of drama and storytelling activities, including five ways to perform a story in church and using drama in worship and education. The workshop will also include techniques for bringing scripture alive in worship, along with practical information about where to find resources for Christian theatre and storytelling. So if you're a teacher, preacher, or performer looking for creative ways to communicate the gospel; or if you're just someone who likes to watch, laugh, and think—come and enjoy this delightful time with friends old and new.

8:45 AM Registration and Fellowship

9:00 AM Morning Devotions and Introductions

9:15 AM - 11:30 AM Workshop Session I

11:30 AM-12:30 PM Lunch and Networking (lunch provided)

12:30 PM - 2:00 PM Workshop Session II

2:00 PM - 2:15 PM Closing Devotions

2:15 PM - 3:15 PM Volunteers and Friends of the Groom
Prepare for Sunday Worship

**Suggested Donation for Attendance \$25 per person.
Grove Presbyterian Church Members attend for free.**

Sunday, December 4, 2011

We All Come Together to Worship!

8:30 AM Worship

9:30 AM Friends of the Groom work with the
Church School

11:00 AM Worship

12:00 PM Fellowship Hour



“... we have been placed in this most glorious theater to be a spectator of God’s good works”

“... the works of God open and manifest on this most beautiful theater ...”

“... heaven and earth are a theater in which we may behold the Creator’s glory...”

“... this magnificent theater of heaven and earth crammed with innumerable miracles....”

“... and the church is for {Angels} a theater in which they marvel at the varied and manifold wisdom of God....”

----- John Calvin

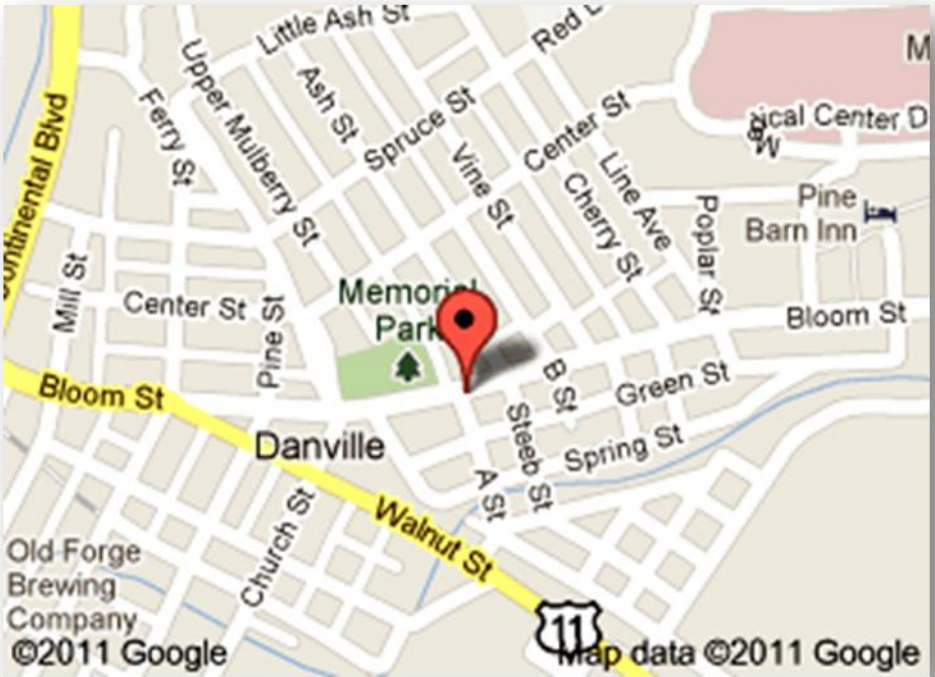
God is the actor and we marvel at the performance. We too are called to perform that God may marvel at us.

Directions to Grove:

From Route 80 East,

Take exit 224, and merge onto PA-54 E/Continental Blvd. Go approximately 3 miles, and turn left onto Route 11 / Walnut Street (Wendy's on the Left).

Keep left at the light by the Y in the road, and it turns into Bloom Street. 2 blocks, Stone Church on the right, directly across from the Memorial Park.



For more directions and maps, please go to
www.GrovePresbyterianChurch.org

Meet the Workshop Leaders

TOM LONG

Tom Long is the director, playwright, and chief storyteller for Friends of the Groom Christian Theater Company based in Cincinnati, Ohio. He has been a performer for Public Educational Television, and has served as a consultant in youth work and theater for the Episcopal Diocese of Southern Ohio, the Cincinnati Library, and a number of schools and social agencies throughout Ohio. Tom has an M.A. in Theatre from the University of Cincinnati. His religious plays and musicals have been published by Baker's Plays, Chorister's Guild, Hal Leonard Publishing, Hope Publishing, and the National Christian Education Council of Great Britain. His work has won the Christians in Theatre Arts sketch writing and one-act play writing competitions, two Telly Awards, and a Dove Award nomination.

JOCELYN SLUKA

Jocelyn Sluka is a full-time performer, workshop leader, and administrator with Friends of the Groom Theater Company based in Cincinnati, Ohio. In her thirty years as a professional actor and singer, she has worked with a variety of regional and educational theaters, and in touring productions for US troops stationed in Germany, as well as serving for 10 years as the Drama Director for First Christian Assembly Church. She also teaches acting classes for Curtains Up, a conservatory for young actors which she co-founded in 2005. As a member of AFTRA, she appears in national and regional commercials, industrial films, as well as doing voiceover work. Jocelyn has a B.A. in Theatre from the University of Kentucky.

SUSAN JUNG

Susan Jung is Director of Theatre at Cincinnati Hills Christian Academy and has performed with Friends of the Groom since 1999. She has taught musical theater, dance, and acting at the Cincinnati Conservatory of Music's preparatory department, has taught at over ten musical theater camps, and directed the Friends of the Groom Youth Team for two years. Susan has also performed professionally with Cincinnati Children's Theatre and The Showboat Majestic; and was choreographer for an award winning production of "Chicago" at Cincinnati Music Theatre. She has appeared in several regional and national commercials and print ads, and has done commercial voice-over work. Susan has a B.A. in Theatre from Northern Kentucky University.

Saturday Workshop Registration Form

Due by November 27, 2011

Grove Presbyterian Church, 330 Bloom Street, Danville, PA 17821

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Church Affiliation: _____

Position in church:

Pastor Lay Youth Other

Child Care Needed: Yes No

(Provided with Advance Notice)

Number of Children: _____

Age(s) of Children: _____

Any Medical Concerns, limitations or other unique situations we should be made aware of: _____

\$25/person. Please make checks payable to Grove Presbyterian Church. Memo Section: Workshop
(Grove Presbyterian Church Members – Free)



Friends of the Groom is a professional theater company dedicated to communicating the Christian message in an entertaining and challenging format. The inter-denominational group is located in Cincinnati, Ohio, and normally travels in teams of two or three. Since 1980, they have performed plays, led retreat weekends, and conducted workshops in thousands of locations from Anchorage to Athens.

Friends of the Groom rehearses at St. Thomas Episcopal Church in Terrace Park, Ohio.

Friends of the Groom

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