

8:30 Contemporary Worship Service

OPEN

***Opening Song** "Sing, Sing, Sing" PraiseWorks Band

Welcome and Ministry Opportunities Pastor Monica

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***Celebration Set** "The River of God"
"Micah 6:8" PraiseWorks Band

***Passing of the Peace**

GROW

Moment For All Ages Eileen Bushnell

Old Testament Lesson Micah 6:6-8 Rain Catoia

***Gospel Lesson** Matthew 3:7-11 Rain Catoia

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Sermon "Baptism for Action" Pastor Monica

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Moment of Impact Human Relations Day Pastor Monica

Offering "They'll Know We Are Christians By Our Love" PraiseWorks Band

***Offertory Prayer (Unison)** Pastor Jim

Gathered Prayers Pastor Jim

The Lord's Prayer Pastor Jim

***Closing Song** "Let The River Flow" PraiseWorks Band

***Benediction** Pastor Monica

***Postlude**

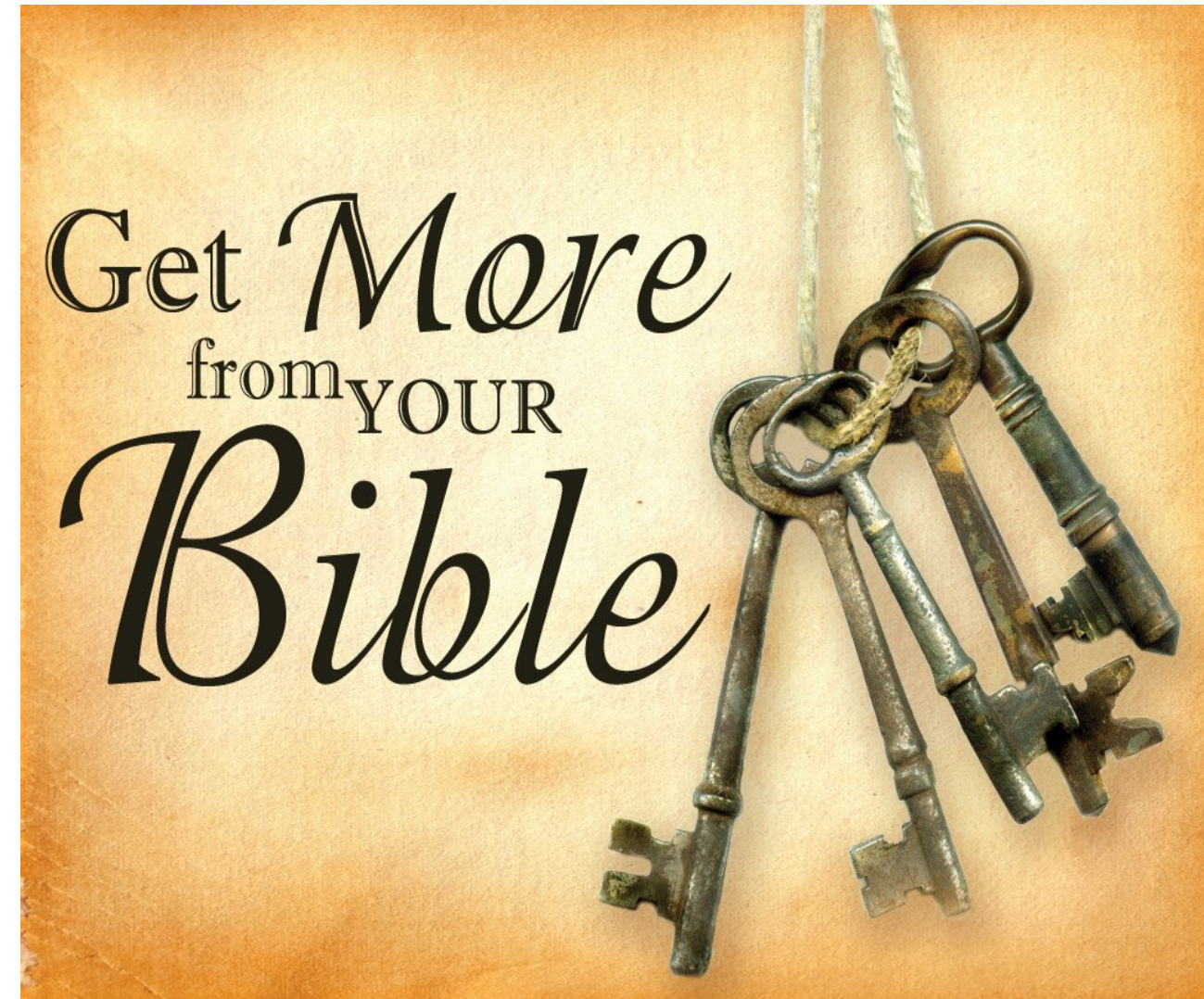
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West Grove United Methodist Church

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The Reverend Monica B. Guepet, Lead Pastor
300 North Guernsey Road
West Grove, PA 19390



January 15, 2017

11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship

OPEN

Prelude "Joyful, Joyful" Memory Bells Choir
Arranged by Valerie Stephenson

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***Call to Worship (Responsive)** Karen Boyd

One: Baptized to begin lives of faith,
Many: we would witness to all you do in our communities, in our midst, in our world.

One: Baptized to serve,
Many: we would speak up for the voiceless, we would bring justice to those who have none.

One: Baptized to speak,
Many: we would heal, and not hurt; we would bless, and not curse.

One: Baptized to do what is right,
Many: we would not play favorites, but treat each as your Beloved.

***Processional Hymn** "Onward Christian Soldiers" UMH No. 575, Vv. 1,3,4

***Opening Prayer (Unison)** Karen Boyd

**God of life and new life, you are splendid and strong!
Your voice thunders above the sound of loud waters.
You sit enthroned above the floods of life.
As Jesus heard you speak to him in his baptism,
may we also hear you calling us your beloved,
and then move in action to care for one other with justice.
We pray through Jesus Christ, your son, our brother. Amen.**

***Passing of the peace** Karen Boyd

One: The peace of Christ be with you.
Many: And also with you.

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Old Testament Lesson Micah 6:6-8 Karen Boyd

***Gospel Lesson** Matthew 3:7-11 Karen Boyd

PRAYERS OF THE COMMUNITY

Would you like to add someone to the Prayer Chain? Weekdays, please contact **Donna Fackler at the church office: office@westgroveumc.org or 610-869-9334.** After office hours and on week-ends, please contact **Sara Ann Ramberger at sar57ver@verizon.net or 610-869-3863.** All prayer requests will remain in the bulletin for **four Sundays.** If you would like to have the prayer concern extended, **please update your request with Donna.** Thank you.

Community Prayer Focus January: Family Promise
Mission Prayer Focus in January: Mpsa Clinic

Cory Beattie (Shaub)
Joe Bonano (Hughes)
Kylee Brown (Wiwel)
Fran Bryan
Bonnie Collins (Deckard)
Jean Conklin (Pastor Jim)
Gary Cornette (Rubincan)
Shanna Cramner (Carlin)
Dee Crawford
Colin Delaney (McGinley)
Linda Eroh (Ramberger)
Tom Fagan
Laura Featherston
Bill Fili, Jr. (Bratton)
Richard Heacock
Carol Herb (Shiplet)
Ruth Kuch
Family of Joe Lilliard (Paisley)
Rosemary MacCoun
Trisha McCahon (Hruz)
Dave McClain
Margee Michaels



Lynn Morgan (McClain)
Peggy Mowrer
Bill Mowery (Shiplet)
Tim Mullen
Lola Nadolny (Hruz)
Ed O'Brien
Warren Payton (Hruz)
Family of James Pollard (Yarbrough)
Family of Ron Ritter (Chalmers)
Roann Schneider
Lisa Schea & Family (Bowers)
Family of Karen Sloan
Ricky Spencer (K. Smith)
Lorrie Steele
Maureen Stickel (Fackler)
Fernando Tena and family
Raymond Thompson (Adams)
Danny Tiderman (Hughes)
Zach Trexler (Lytle)
Ron and Marliss Wilson
Pete Zinner (Mullen)



Tom Fagan - USA (Whelan)
Allan Frost - S. Carolina (Frost)
Brian Kubo - Maryland (Mullen)
LTC Eric Maxwell,
Chesapeake, VA
(The Rambergers)
Dave Springer - Fort Bragg, NC
Jimmy Strawhecker - Kuwait
(Lynne Strawhecker)
Ed Tolmie—Afghanistan
Chris Weizman - Jordan (Miller)

SERVANTS IN MINISTRY ON SUNDAY MORNING

	<u>This Sunday, January 15</u>	<u>Next Sunday, January 22</u>
Ushers—8:30	The Howard Family	The Delaney Family
Greeters—8:30	P. Heist and M. Rubican	The Simmonds Family
Ushers—11:00	Laura and Parker Featherston	Ralph Curtiss
Greeters—11:00	Joan Saller	OPEN
Acolyte 8:30/11	A. Guepet/P. Featherston	Cecelia Figueroa/Josh Robinson
Nursery 8:30/9:45/11	J. Lindtner/K. Smith/J. Leaman	H. McCummings/R. Catoia/A. Castaldi
C. Worship—8:30/11	Kristin Boyd/Amy Simonds	Amy Simonds/Joan Leaman
SS Roamers	Fran Miller	Joan Leaman
Lay Reader—8:30	Rain Catoia	Joan Leaman
Liturgist—11:00	Karen Boyd	Dave Talley
Moment All Ages	Eileen Bushnell	Jamie Lindtner
Hospitality 8:30/11	The Catoias/Scott Steele	The Chalmers / Linda Peirson
Counters	Margee Michaels & Scott Steele	George Anderson & Donna Shaub
Sound Booth	Various/K. Schneider	Various/K. Schneider

THIS WEEK: January 15 through January 22, 2017

~~ Hours for the Church Office: Monday-Friday, 7:30 a.m. - 4 p.m. ~~

Sunday:	SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY	
	Human Relations Day	
	8:30 a.m.	Contemporary Worship with the PraiseWorks Band
	9:45 a.m.	Faith Learning Academy: Sunday School for all ages
	11:00 a.m.	Traditional Worship with the Chancel Choir and Memory Bells
	12:00 p.m.	Family Promise hosting begins (#2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 10)
Monday:	Family Promise hosted at the church (#2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 10)	
	9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.	CMO Preschool Classes (#11, 13, 14, 15, 16)
	9:30 a.m.-10:30 a.m.	Knit Wits (#1)
	6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.	Memory Bells Rehearsal (Sanc)
	6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m.	SOS Ladies (#5)
	7:00 p.m.	SE Dist. Night of Dialogue (Church of the Open Door)
Tuesday:	Family Promise hosted at the church (#2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 10)	
	9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.	CMO Preschool Classes (#11, 13, 14, 15, 16)
	9:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m.	Bi-Monthly Staff Meeting (#1)
	4:45 p.m.-6:00 p.m.	Jr. Girl Scout Troop 447 (#8, 10)
	6:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.	Brownie Troop (#12)
	6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m.	Jr. Girl Scout Troop #41377 (#8, 10)
	6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.	Finance Meeting (#1)
	7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.	AG Wildcats (Sanc.)
	7:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m.	Yoga (Sanc.)
Wednesday:	Family Promise hosted at the church (#2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 10)	
	9:00 a.m. -12:00 p.m.	CMO Preschool Classes (#11, 13, 14, 15, 16)
	11:15 a.m.-11:30 a.m.	Chapel Time with CMO Preschool (Sanc.)
	2:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m.	Luther House Bible Study (Bldg. 1)
	7:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.	Venture Crew Youth Meeting (#8, 10)
Thursday:	Family Promise hosted at the church (#2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 10)	
	9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.	CMO Preschool Classes (#11, 13, 14, 15, 16)
	11:15 a.m.-11:30 a.m.	Chapel Time with CMO Preschool (Sanc.)
	5:45 p.m.-7:00 p.m.	Brownie Troop 4567 (#8, 10)
	6:45 p.m.-8:00 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal (#6)
	7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.	Boy Scout Troop #12 (#9, 11, 12, 13)
	8:00 p.m. -9:00 p.m.	PraiseWorks Rehearsal (Sanc.)
Friday:	Family Promise hosted at the church (#2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 10)	
	9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.	CMO Preschool Classes (#11, 13, 14, 15, 16)
	9:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.	UMW Faith Circle (#8, 10)
Saturday:	Family Promise hosted at the church (#2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 10)	
	10:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m.	Daily Reflections Group (8 & 10)
Sunday:	THIRD SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY	
	8:30 a.m.	Contemporary Worship with the PraiseWorks Band
	9:45 a.m.	Faith Learning Academy: Sunday School for all ages
	11:00 a.m.	Traditional Worship with the Chancel Choir
	7:00 a.m.	Family Promise hosting ends

***Response to the Lessons**

Karen Boyd

One: This is the word of God for the people of God.

Many: Thanks be to God! Amen.

Anthem

“Beloved, Let Us Love One Another”

Chancel Choir

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Sermon

“Baptism for Action”

Pastor Monica

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Hymn of Response

“We Would See Jesus”

UMH No. 256

Moment of Impact

Human Relations Day

Pastor Monica

Offering

"All Creatures of Our God and King"

Memory Bells Choir
Arranged by Michael Ryan

***Offertory Response**

“Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow”

UMH No. 95

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise him, all creatures here below;

Praise him above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. AMEN.

***Offertory Prayer (Unison)**

Pastor Shirley

Great, saving God, you have gathered us into one baptism, regardless of our backgrounds and conditions. Therefore we praise you with our tithes and offerings. May they join with others to become a mighty river, bringing your peace and healing to the world. Amen.

Gathered Prayers

Pastor Shirley

The Lord’s Prayer

Pastor Shirley

***Hymn of Sending Forth**

“The Summons”

TFWS No. 2130

***Benediction**

Pastor Monica

Choral Benediction

“A Song Of Parting”

Chancel Choir

***Postlude**

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Old Testament Lesson: Micah 6:6-8

“With what shall I come before the Lord,
and bow myself before God on high?
Shall I come before him with burnt offerings,
with calves a year old?
Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams,
with ten thousands of rivers of oil?
Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression,
the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?”
He has told you, O mortal, what is good;
and what does the LORD require of you
but to do justice, and to love kindness,
and to walk humbly with your God?

Gospel Lesson: Matthew 3:7-11

But when John saw many Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, “You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Bear fruit worthy of repentance. Do not presume to say to yourselves, ‘We have Abraham as our ancestor’; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. Even now the ax is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.
“I baptize you with water for repentance, but one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire.

God’s Faithfulness ~ Your Stewardship Report January 8, 2017

General Offering: \$4,991.50.00

Building Maintenance Fund: \$515.00

Combined Worship Attendance: 198

Emergency Groceries YTD: 0 Bags

***It is your tithes, offerings,
and gifts that impact
and change lives for Christ!***

Moment of Impact

Human Relations Sunday

Over the years, The United Methodist Church has come together to extend a helping hand to those in crisis so they can overcome formidable obstacles. When you give on Human Relations Day, you stand with the people of The United Methodist Church in our e-forts to continue the ministry of Jesus Christ helping all God’s children to realize their potential. Human Relations Day is a Special Sunday that calls all of our churches to strengthen United Methodist outreach to communities, encouraging social justice and work with at-risk youth.

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At West Grove UMC, we love God by opening our hearts to Jesus, growing our faith and serving our community and world in His name.

Welcome to this gathering of God’s people. If you have come as a guest, we hope that you’ll leave as a friend and pray you’ll be nourished in faith as you hear God’s message for you today. We encourage you to join us again. Please honor us by signing the Friendship pad. Our Welcome Center, located in the lobby, is a place where guests and new attendees can seek information about our church.

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**Please remember to mute your cell phone when you enter the sanctuary for worship.
Thank you.**

Our Assisted Listening system is available to all who could benefit from additional amplification or assistance. Please see our soundboard operators for questions or to use a unit.

DO YOU LIKE TO WELCOME GUESTS? CAN YOU HELP OTHERS FEEL COMFORTABLE? USHERS AND GREETERS ARE NEEDED FOR SUNDAY MORNINGS. For 8:30 worship, please contact Rain Catoia 302-420-8475 or raindowdy@aol.com. For 11:00 worship, please contact Joan Saller 610-662-9807 or ssaller@comcast.net

TENA FAMILY DONATIONS: The Tena Family has, and will continue to incur expenses related to Fernando’s kidney transplant. Maira and her husband, Balthazar, will lose considerable income over the next months. If you wish to make a donation to the Emergency Aid fund on behalf of the Tena Family, please note your intent in the memo section of your donation or on the envelope. Funds will assist the family to meet bills and other needs.

Southeast District Racial Dialogue: Becoming the Beloved Community, Monday, January 16, 2017 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. at Church of the Open Door, 210 S. Broad Street, Kennett Square, PA 19348. A time to come together for conversation. Devotion by District Superintendent Dawn Taylor-Storm. Refreshments provided.

A BEAD AND A PRAYER CLASS: Do you have trouble focusing when you pray? Does your mind wander ? Prayer beads helps one stay focused while praying, The Prayer Ministry Team invites you to **A Bead and A Prayer Class** starting **February 5 to February 26 at 9:45 in Room 2.** The first class will be making your prayer beads. (kits available \$15) The remaining classes is learning how to use your beads, and learn the history of prayer beads. Men and women are welcome. Please sign the Sign up sheet in the narthex so we know how many bead kits to order. If you have any questions please contact, Pastor Shirley, Susan Paisley, Pam Howard, Joan Saller, or Cindy Haley.

UMW FAITH CIRCLE will resume their schedule of meeting on the **1st and 3rd Friday mornings in the Youth Room.** Sewing skills are not necessary. If you are interested in our projects or want to confirm that we are meeting on a particular Friday, contact Chris Curtiss (610-345-0374) or Karen Boyd (443-553-4900).

FAMILY PROMISE: January 15-22. If you are interested in donating needed items, or your time, please contact Janice Bowers: janicesemail2@gmail.com or Joan Leaman: jmleaman@comcast.net. There are also sign up sheets posted in the lobby.