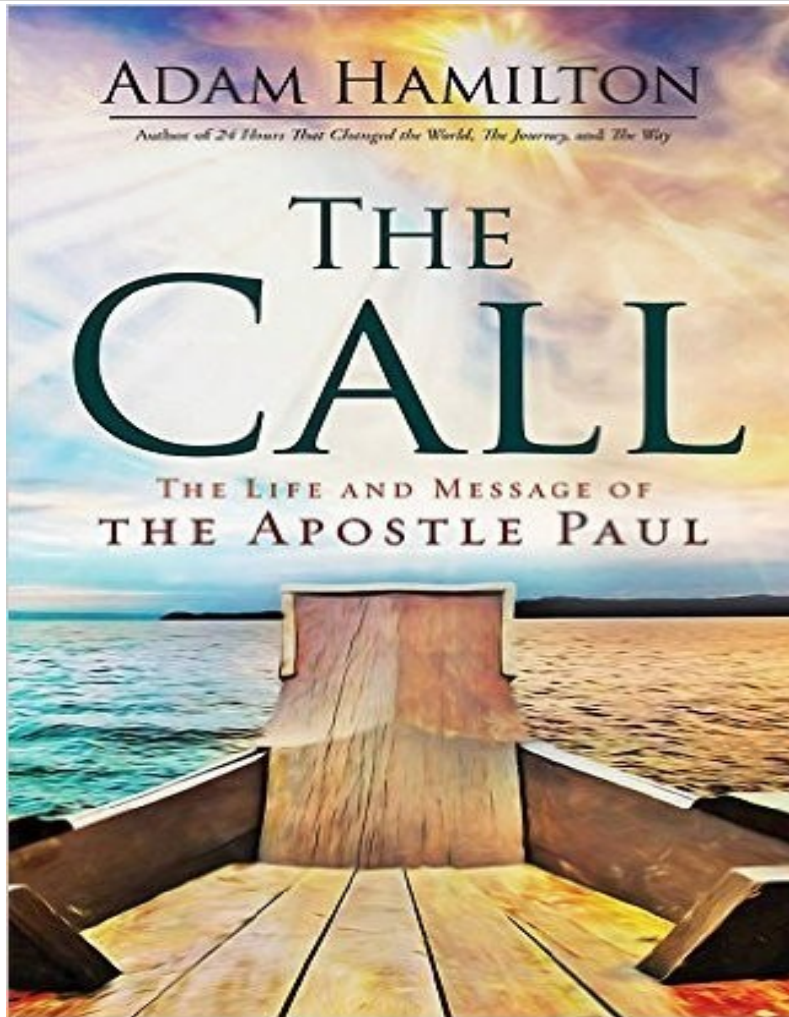




West Grove United Methodist Church

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



Second Sunday After The Epiphany
January 17, 2016

11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship

Second Sunday After The Epiphany

OPEN

Prelude "Go Tell It On The Mountain" Memory Bells Choir
Arranged by D. M. Dicie

Welcome and Ministry Opportunities Pastor Monica

*Please fill out the Friendship Register on the clipboard located on a chair in your row.
First-time guest or member, let us know you were here!*

***Call to Worship** Susan Paisley

One: When we are lonely, feeling forsaken, there is One who knows how we feel;

Many: our God who gathers us up, pulling us close to the heart of love.

One: When we sit at the table of despair, when we nibble at life's stale crusts,
there is One who throws a party for us;

Many: our God who loves to celebrate, who fills our lives with goodness.

One: When we are mired in the muck of life, when every day seems the same as
yesterday, there is One who comes to us;

Many: our God who changes our names, our God who transforms our lives.

***Processional Hymn** "Take My Life and Let It Be" UMH, No. 399

***Opening Prayer** (Unison) Susan Paisley

**God of ordinary time and every day,
your Son was baptized and suffered as we have.
Guide us through our own seasons of suffering
that we might not avoid them,
but open ourselves to redemption and blessing,
through the cleansing depths of repentance
and heaven-rending words of the Spirit, Amen.**

***Passing of the peace** Susan Paisley

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

Many: And also with you.

GROW

Moment for All Ages Julie Hughes

New Testament Lesson *Romans 5:3-10* Susan Paisley

***Gospel Lesson** *Mark 15:33-39* Susan Paisley

***Response to the Lesson** Susan Paisley

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

Many: Thanks be to God! Amen.

Anthem

“Waitin’ for the Mornin’”

Chancel Choir

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Sermon

“Called To Suffer”

Pastor Monica

SERVE***Hymn of Response**

“Lift Every Voice and Sing”

UMH, No. 519

Moment of Impact*Human Relations Sunday*

Pastor Monica

Offering

“The Church’s One Foundation”

Memory Bells Choir
Arranged by Dan Edwards***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 Monica

O Lord our God, how precious is each person you created in your image! We could never give an accounting of the true worth of a human being. You alone know how highly you value every person, for the price of redeeming the world cost the life of your Son. Help us to be people who restore relationships. Use us and our offerings to fulfill the mission of your church. We pray in the name of Christ our king. Amen.

Gathered Prayer**The Lord’s Prayer*****Hymn of Sending Forth**

“Amazing Grace”

UMH No. 378

***Benediction**

Pastor Monica

***Choral Benediction**

“Benediction Blessing”

Chancel Choir

***Postlude**

* = *Please stand as you are able* **Bold Print = Say in unison**

*Altar Flowers*

The flowers gracing our altar space today are
In Memory of our daughter Stephanie
With love from Joan and Rich Saller and Family



New Testament Lesson: *Romans 5:3-10*

And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us. For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us. Much more surely then, now that we have been justified by his blood, will we be saved through him from the wrath of God. For if while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son, much more surely, having been reconciled, will we be saved by his life.

Gospel Lesson: *Mark 15:33-39*

When it was noon, darkness came over the whole land[a] until three in the afternoon. At three o'clock Jesus cried out with a loud voice, "Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?" which means, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" When some of the bystanders heard it, they said, "Listen, he is calling for Elijah." And someone ran, filled a sponge with sour wine, put it on a stick, and gave it to him to drink, saying, "Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to take him down." Then Jesus gave a loud cry and breathed his last. And the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. Now when the centurion, who stood facing him, saw that in this way he breathed his last, he said, "Truly this man was God's Son!"

God's Faithfulness ~ Your Stewardship

Report for January 10, 2016

General Offering: \$4,953.00

Building Maintenance Fund: \$785.00

Worship Attendance: 170

Emergency Groceries Bags

Distributed YTD: 2

No More Malaria: \$314.85.00

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

Moment of Impact

Human Relations Day

Human Relations Day is one of six church-wide Special Sundays with offerings of The United Methodist Church. Human Relations Day calls United Methodists to recognize the right of all God's children in realizing their potential as human beings in relationship with one another. The special offering benefits neighborhood ministries through Community Developers, community advocacy through United Methodist Voluntary Services and work with at-risk teens through the Youth Offender Rehabilitation Program.

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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.

St. Paul spoke of Christians as being “members of the household of God” (Ephesians 2:19, NRSV). Realizing that we are related in Christ, let us join together in sincere fellowship with one another. Welcome to all who are present! 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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Church Office: 610-869-9334—Our Website: [www.westgroveumc.org](http://www.westgroveumc.org)

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

***Commitment cards are available in the Lobby.***

***Please offer your commitments of giving through the offering time.***

**Please pick up your Offering Envelopes for 2016.** They can be found on the table in the lobby. If you are an electronic giver or do not use envelopes, you may pick up the card which has your name and giving number on it. Please direct your requests for envelopes or giving number to Sara Ann Ramberger, Financial Secretary, at 610-869-3863 or [sar57ver@verizon.net](mailto:sar57ver@verizon.net).

**DO YOU HAVE FAITH? FAITH cards (like BINGO) are available during the service.** Mark off your spaces by coloring them in. When you get “FAITH”, shout it out (making a witness!). At the end of the service, see Pastor Monica for a surprise!

**ELECTRONIC GIVING:** There are many who give electronically at West Grove UMC. An “Electronic Giving Card” is available to those who desire to have a symbolic gift for the offering plate. **If you would like to learn more about giving electronically, please take a brochure in the lobby, or see our Church Administrator, Donna Fackler.**

**USHERS and GREETERS** Serve your church family by greeting them and all guests as a greeters. Serve your church family in worship as an usher. It is a week to week commitment. Call the office to sign up or **please use the sign up sheet in the lobby.** Thank you.

**COMMUNITY CAFÉ, Tuesday, January 26, 11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.** This New Year’s Celebration meal will be Roast Pork and Saurkraut and other side dishes. The meal ministry is offered to meet the needs of our church neighbors, friends and members who are in need of and desire a time of fellowship and food and provide a time to have conversations with others and to feel God’s love all around you! Walk-ins are welcome. **YOUR HELP IS NEEDED!** Sign-up sheets for **volunteering and donations** are posted in the lobby. Please see Cindy Haley or Linda Shiplet if you have any questions.

**CMO OPEN HOUSE:** Did you know the CMO and Preschool program are already planning for next school year? Come check out our program at our Open House on **Thursday, January 28th from 6:00-7:00.** Explore the classrooms, meet the teachers, and see how our church is providing a wonderful learning experience for the children in our community.



**Valentine’s Day is Coming!** This is our Ninth year of donating boxed valentines to the children of Penn London Elementary who do not have Valentines to give to their classmates. Please consider buying a box of valentines and dropping it off in the collection box provided in the church lobby. **The deadline for cards is Monday, Feb. 8.** Thank you.

**THIS WEEK: January 17 through January 24, 2016**

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

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| <b>Sunday:</b>             | <b>SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY</b>                          |
| 8:30 a.m.                  | Contemporary Worship with the PraiseWorks Band                   |
| 9:45 a.m.                  | Christian Education for All Ages                                 |
| 11:00 a.m.                 | Traditional Worship with the Chancel Choir and Memory Bell Choir |
| 6:00 p.m.-7:30 p.m.        | Mission Possible Youth Group (#8, 10)                            |
| 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.      | Youth Group Meeting (#8 & 10)                                    |
| <b>Monday:</b>             | <b>Office Closed in Observance of Martin Luther King, Jr.</b>    |
| 6:00 p.m.- 7:00 p.m.       | Daisy Troop #4383 (#14)                                          |
| 6:30 p.m.- 8:00 p.m.       | S.O.S. Ladies (#8, 10)                                           |
| 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.      | Memory Bells Quartet Rehearsal (Sanc.)                           |
| <b>Tuesday:</b>            |                                                                  |
| 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.     | CMO Preschool Classes (#3, 4, 5, 6)                              |
| 11:30 a.m.-11:45 a.m.      | Chapel Time with CMO Preschool (Sanc.)                           |
| 4:45 p.m.-6:00 p.m.        | Brownie Troop #447 (#8, 10)                                      |
| 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.      | Yoga (#Sanc.)                                                    |
| 6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m.        | Jr. Girl Scout Troop #41377 (#8, 10)                             |
| 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.      | Yoga Class (Sanc.)                                               |
| <b>7:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m.</b> | <b>Financial Peace University (#14)</b>                          |
| <b>Wednesday:</b>          |                                                                  |
| 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.     | CMO Preschool Classes (#3, 4, 5, 6)                              |
| 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)                              |
| 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.      | Finance Meeting (#1)                                             |
| 7:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.      | Ad Council (#1)                                                  |
| <b>Thursday:</b>           |                                                                  |
| 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.      | CMO Preschool Classes (#3, 4, 5, 6)                              |
| 6:00 p.m.- 7:00 p.m.       | Daisy 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 (#8, 10)                                     |
| 8:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.      | PraiseWorks Rehearsal                                            |
| <b>Friday:</b>             |                                                                  |
| 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.     | CMO Preschool Classes (#3, 4, 5, 6)                              |
| 9:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.     | UMW Faith Circle (#1)                                            |
| <b>Saturday:</b>           |                                                                  |
| 10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.    | Daily Reflections Group (#8 & 10)                                |
| 9:00 a.m.-10:30 a.m.       | Community VBS Meeting (Sanc.)                                    |
| <b>Sunday:</b>             | <b>THIRD SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY</b>                           |
| 8:30 a.m.                  | Contemporary Worship with the PraiseWorks Band                   |
| 9:45 a.m.                  | Christian Education for All Ages                                 |
| 10:45 a.m.                 | Children's Choir Rehearsal (#5)                                  |
| 11:00 a.m.                 | Traditional Worship with the Chancel Choir                       |

# 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 in January: Community Cafe**  
**Mission Prayer Focus in January: The Bridge**

Kory Arnold  
 Cory Beattie (Shaub)  
 Diana Borowshi (Fackler)  
 Fran Bryan  
 Family of Helen Chreiman (Hoover)  
 Jeanette Christman (Deckard)  
 Colin Delaney (McGinley)  
 Bradley Dunn  
 Erv Fackler (Fackler)  
 Tom Fagan  
 Bill Fili, Jr. (Bratton)  
 Marcus Forst (Howard)  
 Family of Lee Hunt (Curtiss)  
 Family of Marie Kent (Bratton)  
 Family of Richard Kreutzfeldt  
 Family of Amy Langel (B. Smith)  
 Bill Lilley  
 Richard Lukesh (Mullen)  
 Pam McClain  
 Colton McCummings  
 Family of Lillian McMahan  
 Margee Michaels



Lynn Morgan (McClain)  
 Tim Mullen  
 Kylie Myer (Hughes)  
 Kathie Myhre (Miller)  
 Ed O'Brien  
 Family of Mabel Owsley (Bratton)  
 James Pollard (Yarbrough)  
 Tammy Ramberger  
 Grace Reisinger  
 Ron Ritter (Chalmers)  
 Dot Russell  
 Roann Schneider  
 Doug and Joan Smead (Wolff)  
 Lorrie Steele  
 Glenn Stern (Heist)  
 Reinhard Streibel (Mullen)  
 Family of Doris Stuhrke  
 Fernando & Jonathan Tena  
 Zach Trexler (Lytle)  
 Dot Weeks  
 Megan Wittman (Lytle)  
 Diana Wygent (Fackler)  
 Donald Yerkes (Saller)



Tom Fagan - USA (Whelan)  
 Allan Frost - South Korea (Frost)  
 Brian Kubo - Maryland (Edel Mullen)  
 LTC Eric Maxwell, Colorado Springs, CO (The Rambergers)  
 Tom Peirson & Troop - Afghanistan (Simonds)  
 Dave Springer - Fort Bragg, NC  
 Jimmy Strawhecker - Glen Burnie, MD (Lynne Strawhecker)  
 Tyler Thompson—Kandahar, Afghanistan (Margee Michaels)  
 Chris Weidman - Nellis Air Force Base, Las Vegas, NV (Fran Miller)

## SERVANTS IN MINISTRY ON SUNDAY MORNING

|                             | <u><b>This Sunday, January 17</b></u> | <u><b>Next Sunday, January 24</b></u> |
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| <b>Ushers—8:30</b>          | Open                                  | Open                                  |
| <b>Greeters—8:30</b>        | The Lindtner Family                   | Open                                  |
| <b>Ushers—11:00</b>         | George Anderson & Donna Shaub         | Jeff and Carol Whelan                 |
| <b>Greeters—11:00</b>       | Open                                  | Open                                  |
| <b>Acolyte 8:30/11</b>      | Jonathan LeSturgeon/Alisabeth Guepet  | Sydney Simonds / Joseph Yarbrough     |
| <b>Nursery 8:30/9:45/11</b> | C. Bruno/R. Catoia/A. Castaldi        | M. Rubincan/E. Mullen/J. Leaman       |
| <b>C. Worship—8:30/11</b>   | Open/Open                             | Jessi Timm / Open                     |
| <b>Lay Reader—8:30</b>      | Carolyn Barrett                       | Jordan Howard                         |
| <b>Liturgist—11:00</b>      | Susan Paisley                         | Wanda Kreutzfeldt                     |
| <b>Moment All Ages</b>      | Julie Hughes                          | Pastor Monica                         |
| <b>Hospitality 8:30/11</b>  | The Covingtons/Scott Steele           | Dawn Chalmers / Linda Peirson         |
| <b>Counters</b>             | Margee Michaels and Scott Steele      | Bill Jones and Tim Shaub              |
| <b>Sound Booth</b>          | B. Ditzel/K. Schneider                | B. Ditzel/K. Schneider                |

# 8:30 Contemporary Worship Service

## Second Sunday After The Epiphany

### Open

|                                           |                         |                  |
|-------------------------------------------|-------------------------|------------------|
| <b>*Opening Song</b>                      | “I Need You Every Hour” | PraiseWorks Band |
| <b>Welcome and Ministry Opportunities</b> |                         | Pastor Monica    |

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| <b>*Celebration Set</b> | “Blessed Be Your Name”<br>“Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)” | PraiseWorks Band |
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### \*Passing of the Peace

### Grow

|                             |                      |                 |
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| <b>Moment For All Ages</b>  |                      | Julie Hughes    |
| <b>New Testament Lesson</b> | <i>Romans 5:3-10</i> | Carolyn Barrett |
| <b>*Gospel Lesson</b>       | <i>Mark 15:33-39</i> | Carolyn Barrett |

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| <b>Sermon</b> | “Called to Suffer” | Pastor Monica |
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### Serve

|                                  |                            |                  |
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| <b>Moment of Impact</b>          | <i>Human Relations Day</i> | Pastor Monica    |
| <b>Offering</b>                  | “Carry Me”                 | PraiseWorks Band |
| <b>Offertory Prayer (Unison)</b> |                            | Pastor Monica    |
| <b>Gathered Prayer</b>           |                            | Pastor Monica    |
| <b>The Lord’s Prayer</b>         |                            | Pastor Monica    |
| <b>*Closing Song</b>             | “The Lord Is My Light”     | PraiseWorks Band |
| <b>*Benediction</b>              |                            | Pastor Monica    |
| <b>*Postlude</b>                 |                            |                  |

**\* Please stand as you are able**