



11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship

Easter Sunday

Prelude “Crown Him With Many Crowns” Memory Bells Choir
Arranged by Don Michael Dicie

Choral Introit “Christ Is Alive” Chancel Choir
Arranged by Jake Schneider
Accompanied by Jake Schneider, Trombone and Debbie Schneider, Trumpet

Welcome and Ministry Opportunities Pastor Monica

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***Call to Worship** (Responsive) Peter Mullen

One: People of God, we are witnesses to these things:

Many: that Christ died, hanging on a cross; that God raised him from the dead on the third day; that he is coming again in glory to reign.

One: This is the good news we tell to all the world:

Many: Jesus Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

***Celebration Hymn** “Christ the Lord is Risen Today” vss. 1-4 Hymnal, No. 302
Accompanied by Memory Bells Choir

***Opening Prayer** (Unison) Peter Mullen

**Alleluia! We praise you, O God,
for the power of your saving love
revealed in the resurrection of our Lord.
As you have raised Jesus from the dead,
give to us the gift of everlasting life,
that we may worship you forever;
through Christ, our risen Savior. Amen.**

***Passing of the peace**

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

Many: And also with you.

LISTENING AND RECEIVING

Moment for All Ages Pastor Monica

***Gospel Lesson** *John 20:1-18* Peter Mullen

***Response to the Lessons**

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

Thanks be to God! Amen.

Anthem “Crown Him, The Risen King!” Chancel Choir

Sermon

“Yes! Prayers of Joy!”

Pastor Monica

RESPONDING

***Hymn of Response**

“Up From the Grave He Arose”

Red Hymnal No. 322

Accompanied by Memory Bells Choir

**Moment of Impact
Offering**

“The Old Rugged Cross”

GSR

Memory Bells Choir

Arranged by Cynthia Dobrinski

***Offertory Response**

“Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow”

Hymn 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)

God of majesty, we are astonished at your miraculous power! You raised Jesus Christ from the dead. You made him the first of a huge multitude to receive your ultimate gift, eternal life. Thank you for fulfilling and even exceeding your promises. Now Christ reigns with you and prays for us. Help us to joyfully tell others your good news of salvation. Receive our tithes, offerings, and gifts for the sake of our risen Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

***Invitation**

Sacrament of Holy Communion

Prayer After Receiving (Unison)

Eternal God of light and life, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world, broken and full of darkness, to share your light! In the name of Jesus the Risen Christ, we pray, Amen.

***Hymn**

“He Lives”

Red Hymnal No. 310

***Benediction**

***Choral Benediction**

“Reprise-Crown Him, The Risen King!”

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 Celebration of the birth of Erik Joseph Hendrickson
With love from his family



Gospel Lesson: *John 20:1-18*

The Resurrection of Jesus

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb.² So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, “They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.”³ Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb.⁴ The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first.⁵ He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in.⁶ Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there,⁷ and the cloth that had been on Jesus’ head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself.⁸ Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed;⁹ for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead.¹⁰ Then the disciples returned to their homes.

Jesus Appears to Mary Magdalene

¹¹ But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb;¹² and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet.¹³ They said to her, “Woman, why are you weeping?” She said to them, “They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him.”¹⁴ When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus.¹⁵ Jesus said to her, “Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?” Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, “Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away.”¹⁶ Jesus said to her, “Mary!” She turned and said to him in Hebrew, “Rabbouni!” (which means Teacher).¹⁷ Jesus said to her, “Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, ‘I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.’”¹⁸ Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, “I have seen the Lord”; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

God’s Faithfulness ~

Your Stewardship

Report March 20, 2016

General Offering: \$7,794.00

Building Maintenance Fund: \$635.11

Worship Attendance: 184

Emergency Groceries YTD: 25 Bags

Give/Serve/Restore: \$506.00

and 732.5 pounds of food

It is your tithes, offerings,

and gifts that impact

and change lives for Christ!

Moment of Impact

Give/Serve/Restore

With 14 other area churches, we have collaborated to do common good and impact our community by doing service projects, giving food and raising funds for Young Moms and Good Neighbors.

OPEN ~ GROW ~ SERVE

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.

Christ is risen! Hallelujah! A joyous welcome to all as we gather with Jesus' closest friends at his empty tomb. 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.***

**USHERS and GREETERS** Serve your church family by greeting them and all guests as a greeter. 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.

**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.**

**Annual Spring Rummage Sale: Save the Date!** Set-Up on Thursday, April 28, 9:00 a.m.; Sale, Friday, April 29: 9 a.m.-2 p.m.; Sale, Saturday, April 30: 9 a.m.-12 p.m. Household goods, adult and children's clothing, toys, and lots of other "treasures" will be for sale. On Saturday, all shoppers may fill a bag for \$2.00. **Start saving your treasures!** A sign-up sheet for various ways you can help will be posted in the lobby in the coming weeks.

**RAP will meet on April 8th at noon.** Please bring your lunch. Coffee, tea, lemonade, and desserts will be provided. **Ron Ritter, Master Gardener**, will be presenting the program. Our church family and our community friends are always invited to join us for fun, food, and fellowship.

**RAP AND FRIENDS** will be carpooling to the **Sight and Sound Theatre** to attend the world premiere of **SAMSON** on **Wednesday, October 26th**. Tickets are available on a first come, first served basis. Please make your reservations as soon as possible. All reservations must be paid in full before best available seats may be chosen. Group rate price: **\$51 for Adults** and **\$21 for Children (3-12)**. The show begins at **11 a.m.** The suggested time of arrival is 10:15 a.m. **Contact Sara Ann Ramberger** for reservations and questions at 610-869-3863 or [sar57ver@verizon.net](mailto:sar57ver@verizon.net). Reservations for those wanting a meal following the show will be arranged at a later date.

**Lincoln University Presents "THE MIKADO:" April 1 at 7:00; April 2 at 2:00 and 7:00**  
(Informative Show Talk 30 minutes prior to each performance) – Ware Center Theater \$7.00 –  
Call **Visual and Performing Arts Department** at **484-365-7555**

**THIS WEEK: March 27 through April 3, 2016**

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

**Sunday:**

**EASTER SUNDAY**

**7:00 A.M.**

**Easter Sunrise Service**

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 Bells**

**Monday:**

**Church Office is Closed for Easter Monday.**

6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m.

Jr. Girl Scout Troop #453 (#14)

6:30 p.m.- 8:00 p.m.

S.O.S. Ladies (#1)

6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Memory Bells Rehearsal (Sanc.)

**Tuesday:**

**11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.**

**Community Café Free Meal Ministry**

6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.

Brownie Troop 498 (#8, 10)

7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Missions Meeting (#1)

7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Yoga (#14)

**Wednesday:**

**8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.**

**Mushroom Workers CPR Classes (Sanc., Kit., Lobby)**

2:00 p.m.- 3:00 p.m.

Luther House Bible Study (Bldg. 1)

7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.

Boy Scout Committee Troop meeting (#1)

**Thursday:**

**8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.**

**Mushroom Workers CPR Classes (Sanc., Kit., Lobby)**

5:45 p.m.-6:45 p.m.

SCRIPS Meeting (Volunteer Office)

6:45 p.m.-8:00 p.m.

Choir Rehearsal (#6)

6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m.

SPRC Meeting (#1)

7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.

Boy Scout Troop #12 (#8, 10, 9, 11, 12, 13)

8:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

PraiseWorks Rehearsal

**Friday:**

**8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.**

**Mushroom Workers CPR Classes (Sanc., Kit., Lobby)**

**Saturday:**

8:00 a.m.-9:30 a.m.

Tech Team Meeting (#1)

10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Daily Reflections Group (#8 & 10)

**Sunday:**

**SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**COMMUNION SUNDAY ~ EMERGENCY FOOD PANTRY**

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

**1:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.**

**Eagle Scout Court of Honor (Sanc., Kit., Lobby)**

6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Youth Group Meeting (#8 & 10)

# PRAYERS OF THE COMMUNITY

**Would you like to add someone to the Prayer Chain? Donna Fackler is on vacation from March 15 through March 21.** 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 March: Christian Education Mission Prayer Focus in March: Good Neighbors

Wayne Achuff

Peter Ballard (Kr. Boyd)

Cory Beattie (Shaub)

Julie Bradley (Ramberger)

Fran Bryan

Danny (J. Hughes' brother)

Bill Davis (Mullen)

Paul Dean and Family (Delaney)

Barbara Delaney

Colin Delaney (McGinley)

Tom Fagan

Bill Fili, Jr. (Bratton)

Marcus Forst (Howard)

Aaron Hairston (Hruz)

Anne Horn (Czerpak)

Jimmy Hunt

Ken & Lois Levensgood (Miller)

Bill Lilley

Pam McClain



Joanie McGettigan

(Bratton)

Margee Michaels

Lynn Morgan (McClain)

Tim Mullen

Kathie Myhre (Miller)

Ed O'Brien

James Pollard (Yarbrough)

Rick Renzulli

Ron Ritter (Chalmers)

Roann Schneider

Doug and Joan Smead (Wolff)

Lorrie Steele

Angela Street (K. Smith)

Fernando & Jonathan Tena

Zach Trexler (Lytle)

Dot Weeks

Ron and Marliss Wilson

Megan Wittman (Lytle)

Tom Fagan - USA  
(Whelan)



Allan Frost -  
South Korea (Frost)

Brian Kubo - Maryland (Edel Mullen)

LTC Eric Maxwell, Chesapeake, VA  
(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)

Ed Tolmie—Afghanistan

Chris Weidman - Okinawa, Japan  
Fran Miller)

## SERVANTS IN MINISTRY ON SUNDAY MORNING

**Ushers—8:30**

**Greeters—8:30**

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**Acolyte 8:30/11**

**Nursery 8:30/9:45/11**

**C. Worship—8:30/11**

**Sunday School Roamers**

**Lay Reader—8:30**

**Liturgist—11:00**

**Moment All Ages**

**Hospitality 8:30/11**

**Counters**

**Sound Booth**

### **This Sunday, March 27**

Scott Steele and Open

Linda Shipton and Karen Underwood

Tom and Charlotte Adams

Tom and Cindy Hoover

Matt Simonds / Joseph Yarbrough

J. Lindtner/C. Bratton/J. Leaman

No CW today

Cindy Haley

Joan Leaman

Peter Mullen

Pastor Monica

Dawn Chalmers/Linda Peirson

Sara Ann and Vernon Ramberger

B. Ditzel/K. Schneider

### **Next Sunday, April 3**

Open and Open

Karen Hruz and Jeanette Stryjewski

Roger Bates and Kay Yates

Dick and Caryl Sturhke

Cecelia Figueroa/Nathan Robinson

H. McCummings/K. Smith/A. Castaldi

Open/Open

Amy Castaldi

Cindy Haley

Vernon Ramberger

Jamie Lindtner

Rain Catoia/Wanda Kreutzfeldt

Bill Jones and Tim Shaub

B. Ditzel/K. Schneider

# 8:30 Contemporary Worship Service

## Easter Sunday

**Opening Song** “Christ the Lord is Risen Today (He is Not Dead)” PraiseWorks Band

**Welcome and Ministry Opportunities with Opening Prayer** Pastor Monica

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**\*Celebration Set** “Alive” PraiseWorks Band  
“Jesus, Messiah”

**\*Passing of the Peace**

**Moment For All Ages** Pastor Monica

**\*Gospel Lesson** *John 20:1-18* Joan Leaman

**Sermon** “Yes! Prayers of Joy!” Pastor Monica

**Moment of Impact** **GSR**

**Offering** “Worthy is the Lamb” PraiseWorks Band

**Offertory Prayer** Pastor Shirley

**\*Invitation**

**Sacrament of Holy Communion** “Jesus, I Believe You” PraiseWorks Band

**Prayer After Receiving (Unison)**

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**\*Closing Song** “My Redeemer Lives” PraiseWorks Band

**\*Benediction**

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