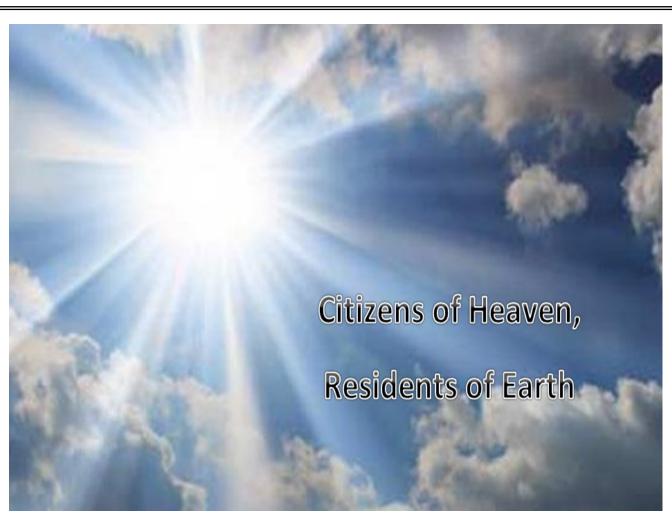


West Grove United Methodist Church

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



Day of Pentecost
May 15, 2016

11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Pentecost Sunday

OPEN

Prelude "America"

Memory Bells Choir Arranged by John Behnke

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

Becky Rinehimer

One: When the world divides us:

Many: Come Holy Spirit, make us one! One: When the world calls us orphaned: Many: Come Holy Spirit, make us family.

One: When the world leads us astray,

Many: Come Holy Spirit, call us home! Come and fill this place!

*Processional Hymn

"Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

UMH, No. 103

Opening Prayer (Unison)

Becky Rinehimer

Holy God, who comes to us in breath,
visits us from the throne of heaven,
and sets us aflame with amazement and joy,
you open our paths to new visions and guide our feet deeper into your wisdom.
Give us faith to trust your presence, through Jesus Christ,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever. Amen.

*Passing of the peace

Becky Rinehimer

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

Many: And also with you.

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Moment for All Ages

Joan Leaman

New Testament Lesson

Acts 2:1-21, 37-47

Becky Rinehimer

Response to the Lesson

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

Many: Thanks be to God! Amen.

Anthem Sermon "On The Day of Pentecost"

Chancel Choir

"Holy Spirit Inspires"

Pastor Monica

SERVE

*Hymn of Response

"Spirit Song"

UMH, No. 347

Reception of New Members

Joyce, Chip, Tim and Ted Flower
Steve Hill
Jamie Lindtner
Townsend and Rosemary MacCoun
Bob and Janet Phillips
Kristin and Mike Reisinger
Coby van Snik

Moment of Impact

Wednesday Night Fun

Pastor Monica

UMH, No. 95

Offering

"Morning Has Broken"

Memory Bells Choir Arranged by Linda R. Lamb

*Offertory Response

"Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow"
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

Holy God, we give you ourselves, captive and free, shaped by forces beyond our control, yet open to the power of your Holy Spirit. Through us and our gifts, may others know that when anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation. The old way ends and the new life begins for everyone. May these offerings begin new life! Amen.

Gathered Prayer

Pastor Shirley

The Lord's Prayer

Pastor Shirley

*Hymn of Sending Forth "The Spirit Sends Us Forth To Serve" TFWS, No. 2241

*Benediction

Pastor Monica

Chancel Choir

*Choral Benediction

"Shalom (Farewell Dear Friends Have Peace)"

Postlude

^{*} Please stand as you are able

New Testament Lesson: Acts 2:1-21, 37-47

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams.

Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy.

And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist.

The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.

Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, "Brothers, what should we do?" Peter said to them, "Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him." And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, "Save yourselves from this corrupt generation." So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added. They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers.

Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

God's Faithfulness ~ Your Stewardship Report May 8, 2016

General Offering: \$3,567.00
Building Maintenance Fund: \$285.00
Combined Worship Attendance: 142
Jenner's Pond Attendance: 34
Emergency Groceries YTD: 38 Bags
It is your tithes, offerings,
and gifts that impact
and change lives for Christ!

Moment of Impact

Last year, we began this new ministry to reach into our community for food, fellowship, and a brief word of God. On Wednesdays in June, July, and August, we offered hot dogs and drinks, inviting others to bring sides. Games were played, conversations were had, and fellowship was built. Join us again this year as we reach into our community.

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.

Welcome to our celebration of Pentecost, when the Holy Spirit breathed the church into being! May we continue to be moved by the Spirit to live as the body of Christ. 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.

Church Office: 610-869-9334—Our Website: www.westgroveumc.org

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

THE COMMUNITY CAFÉ, Our church's free meal ministry, Tuesday, May 17, 11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Please join us for the farewell luncheon for Community Café! It has been a wonderful journey and the many volunteers are looking forward to their next ministry adventure. Our luncheon for this day will be picnic fare! We look forward to seeing you there!

EMERGENCY FOOD PANTRY: There is a **new shopping list** on the shopping cart in the lobby. If you would like to help the Emergency Pantry, please pick up a copy of the list today!

AVON GROVE AREA SENIOR CELEBRATION - June 6th/7:00 @ The West Grove Garage.

Please join the area churches and youth groups as we celebrate the graduation and faith journeys of our seniors! The celebration is planned and led by our students and will be a wonderful opportunity for each of our church families to honor the work that God has done and will continue doing in the lives of each of our students graduating from High School this year. We'd love to have you there! Questions - please contact Jamie Lindtner (jamielindtner@Gmail.com)

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. Reservations for those wanting a meal following the show will be arranged at a later date.



Altar Flowers

The flowers gracing our altar space today are
In celebration of Kelly Hendrickson graduating from
WCU with a Masters in Elementary Education
With love from her Mom





FREEDOM IN CHRIST: PEACE IN LETTING GO

Are you familiar with feelings of: self-doubt, anxiety, insecurity betrayal, shame, guilt Anger, unforgiveness, hurt?

Do you feel burdened by past experiences?

Do you want to truly know and feel that you are a beloved child of God?

Learn the five keys to experience Freedom in Christ.

Come and learn to experience peace by letting go and moving forward with your life.

Friday evening May 20, 6:30 – 9:00 (Optional private prayer sessions with our prayer team will be held Saturday morning May 21, 9:00 – 12:00)

During our time together you will learn the five keys to experience Freedom in Christ and to experience peace by letting go and moving forward with your life. This special program will include moving testimonies of individuals who have come to experience the peace in letting go that only Christ can provide. To register call the church office 610~869~9334 (Donna Fackler) or email registration to: cmcginley@zoominternet.net Please contact Carol McGinley (spiritual director) at 610~453~4114 with your questions. This program is for adults only and child care is not provided.



"I was sick and you visited me . . . " (Matthew 25, 36)

Visitors bring joy to the homebound and those who are lonely or isolated. Did you know visiting has been a part of the Church's practices since our beginnings? Visiting is the works of mercy. Jesus speaks of them, "I was hungry, and you gave me to eat; I was thirsty, and you gave me to drink . . . I was sick, and you visited me . . ."

Visiting the homebound is not only 'a good deed;' it's a privilege that the Lord bestows on each and every one of us, if we choose to accept it. With this ministry, we are called to sacrifice a little bit of time, plus we become representatives of the larger Church.

I know it can be daunting to go into a stranger's home for the first time, but in general I have found that they are grateful for a chance to chat and have a visit. It brings us close together as children of God and as members of the Body of Christ.

This is a rewarding ministry, meeting others, getting to know the people and their families. Many times the visitor finds they were getting as much out of the visit as the other person. **If you are interested in visiting the homebound and the lonely,** please contact me, Pastor Shirley Daddario at <u>Shirleydad@verizon.net</u>. Or call 302-420-4032.

Your sister in Christ, Pastor Shirley

Meditations For Your Week

Sunday, May 15 ~ Saturday, May 21



- **Sunday:** "When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place" Acts 2:1. God appears among God's people. Where are you gathering with others for the purpose of expecting God to show up?
- **Monday:** "And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them." Acts 2:2-3. God often comes in sudden ways. Where has God shown up in your life?
- **Tuesday:** "All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability." Acts 2:4. God gifts each of us. What gifts has God given you to share?
- **Wednesday:** "In the last days it will be, God declares that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams." Acts 2:17. God is speaking through male and female, young and old. Listen, God is still speaking.
- **Thursday:** "Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved." *Acts 2:21.* Prayerfully spend time with God today.
- **Friday:** "Peter said to them, 'Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit." Acts 2:38. God is generous and gives all that we need.
- **Saturday:** "Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles." Acts 2:43. Apostles, those called by God can do incredible acts in God's name. Awe lives in our relationships with God.

THIS WEEK: May 15 through May 22, 2016

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

Sunday: PENTECOST SUNDAY

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 Choir

1:00 p.m.-6:30 p.m. Girl Scout Tea Party (Sanc.)

6:00 p.m.-7:30 p.m. Mission Possible Youth Group (#14) 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. Youth Group Meeting (#8 & 10)

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Monday: 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. CMO Preschool Classes (#3, 4, 5, 6)

9:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m. Knit Wits (#1)

6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. Daisy Troop #4383 (#14)

6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m. S.O.S. Ladies (#1)

Tuesday: 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. CMO Preschool Classes (#3, 4, 5, 6)

4:45 p.m.-6:00 p.m. Brownie Troop 447 (#8, 10)

6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m. Jr. Girl Scout Troop #41377 (#8, 10)

7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. Yoga-Sanc.

Wednesday: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. CMO Preschool Classes (#3, 4, 5, 6)

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

6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Girl Scout Leaders Meeting (#14)

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

Luther House Bible Study (Bldg. 1)

Girl Scout Leaders Meeting (#4, 10)

Thursday: 9:00 a.m.-**1:30 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, 9, 11, 12, 13)

8:00 p.m.–9:00 p.m. PraiseWorks Rehearsal

Friday: 10:15 a.m.-12:00 p.m. CMO Preschool Picnic (#3, 4, 5, 6)

6:30 p.m.-9:00 p.m. Unbound Prayer: Freedom in Christ

6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m. Brownie Troop 4070 (#8, 10)

Saturday: 10:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m. Daily Reflections Group (#8 & 10)

9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Unbound Prayer: Freedom in Christ

Sunday: FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST PENTECOST

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 **12:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m.** Youth Car Wash Fundraiser for Mission Trip

5:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m. Family Promise meeting (Sanc.)
6:00 p.m. Family Promise Week (May 22-29)

PRAYERS OF THE COMMUNITY

Would you like to add someone to the Prayer Chain? Weekdays, please contact Donna Fackler at the church office westgroveumc.org or 610-869-9334. After office hours and on weekends, 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 April: The Trustees Mission Prayer Focus in April: The Ronald McDonald House

Wavne Achuff Peter Ballard (Kr. Boyd) Cory Beattie (Shaub) Family of Jim Belay (K. Boyd) Alan Bratton Kylee Brown (Wiwel) Fřan Bryan Danny (J. Hughes' brother) Bill Davis (Mullen) John Paul Dean and Family (Delaney) Colin Delaney (McGinley) Tom Fagan Bill Fili, Jr. (Bratton) Marcus Forst (Howard) James Hampton (Hampton) Ida Houston (Kr. Boyd) Jimmy Hunt (Kr. Boyd) Muff Hurst Lvnn Jackson Bill Lillev Neva Luttman (Miller) Family of Chris Matthews (B. Smith)

Family of Joanie McGettigan

(Bratton)



Ellen McCahon (Hruz) Alan Michaels` (Michaels) Margee Michael's Main Lynn Morgan (McClain)
Tim Mullen

Ed O'Brien

Hazel Owens (Hampton)

Rick Renzulli

Ron Ritter (Chalmers)

Vinny Runicski Roann Schneider

Kyle Schoch (Bratton) Doug and Joan Smead (Wolff)

Lorrie Steele

Maureen Stickel (Fackler) Fernando & Jonathan Tena

Zach Trexler (Lytle) Ron and Marliss Wilson Megan Wittman (Lytle) Donald & Juanità Yerkes

(Saller)

Tom Fagan - USA (Whelan)



Allan Frost -South Carolina (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

This Sunday, May 15 Mike and Dawn Chalmers Ushers—8:30 Open and Open Greeters—8:30 Ushers—11:00 Open and Open Greeters—11:00 Laura Featherston and Open Acolyte 8:30/11 J. LeStourgeon/A. Guepet Nursery 8:30/9:45/11 C. Worship—8:30/11 Amy Castaldi / No CW **Sunday School Roamers** Maryanne Covington

Lay Reader—8:30 Liturgist—11:00

Moment All Ages Hospitality 8:30/11

Counters Sound Booth

Judy Gambill Becky Rinehimer Joan Leaman

MA Covington / S. Steele George Anderson and Donna Shaub

B. Ditzel/K. Schneider

Next Sunday, May 22

Catoia Family Lindtner Family Featherston Family Open and Open

Sydney Simonds/Joseph Yarbrough M. Rubincan/E. Mullen/K. Rinehimer H. McCummings/C. Bratton/A. Castaldi

No CW / Joan Leaman

Amy Castaldi Karen Hruz Becky Rinehimer Pastor Monica

Dawn Chalmers/Linda Peirson Dave Talley and Denise Beyers

B. Ditzel/K. Schneider

8:30 Contemporary Worship Service Pentecost Sunday

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*Opening Song

"Come, Now Is The Time to Worship"

PraiseWorks Band

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*Celebration Set

"Open Up The Heavens"
"God of Wonders"

PraiseWorks Band

*Passing of the Peace

GROW

Moment For All Ages

Joan Leaman

New Testament Lesson

Acts 2:1-21; 37-47

Judy Gambill

Children from Age 4 through Grade 4 are dismissed to meet in room #9 for Children's Worship. Parents, please pick up your children immediately following the worship service in room #9.

Sermon

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*Closing Song

"As We Pray"

PraiseWorks Band

*Benediction

Pastor Monica

*Postlude

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