



## **West Grove United Methodist Church**

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West Grove, PA 19390

A photograph of a bright sun in a blue sky with scattered white clouds. The sun is positioned on the left side, creating a strong lens flare effect that radiates across the sky. The clouds are soft and white, contrasting with the deep blue of the sky.

Citizens of Heaven,  
Residents of Earth

**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.**

### **GROW**

**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** "On The Day of Pentecost" Chancel Choir  
**Sermon** "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

**Offering** "Morning Has Broken" Memory Bells Choir  
Arranged by Linda R. Lamb

**\*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  
**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

**\*Choral Benediction** "Shalom (*Farewell Dear Friends Have Peace*)" Chancel Choir

**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.

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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.***

**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](mailto: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](mailto: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





## Healing & Freedom in Christ

### **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](mailto: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.



# Visitation

MINISTRY

*“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 [Shirleydad@verizon.net](mailto:Shirleydad@verizon.net). 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. ~~

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| <b>Sunday:</b>    |                              | <b>PENTECOST SUNDAY</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<br>Memory Bells Choir |
|                   | <b>1:00 p.m.-6:30 p.m.</b>   | <b>Girl Scout Tea Party (Sanc.)</b>                                  |
|                   | 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)                                        |
| <b>Monday:</b>    | 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)                                                   |
| <b>Tuesday:</b>   | 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.                                                           |
| <b>Wednesday:</b> | 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.       | CMO Preschool Classes (#3, 4, 5, 6)                                  |
|                   | 2:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m.          | Luther House Bible Study (Bldg. 1)                                   |
|                   | 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.        | Girl Scout Leaders Meeting (#14)                                     |
|                   | 7:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.          | Venture Crew Youth Meeting (#8, 10)                                  |
| <b>Thursday:</b>  | 9:00 a.m.- <b>1:30 p.m.</b>  | 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                                                |
| <b>Friday:</b>    | <b>10:15 a.m.-12:00 p.m.</b> | <b>CMO Preschool Picnic (#3, 4, 5, 6)</b>                            |
|                   | <b>6:30 p.m.-9:00 p.m.</b>   | <b>Unbound Prayer: Freedom in Christ</b>                             |
|                   | 6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.          | Brownie Troop 4070 (#8, 10)                                          |
| <b>Saturday:</b>  | 10:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m.        | Daily Reflections Group (#8 & 10)                                    |
|                   | <b>9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.</b>  | <b>Unbound Prayer: Freedom in Christ</b>                             |
| <b>Sunday:</b>    |                              | <b>FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST</b>                                  |
|                   |                              | <b>PENTECOST</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                           |
|                   | <b>12:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m.</b>  | <b>Youth Car Wash Fundraiser for Mission Trip</b>                    |
|                   | <b>5:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m.</b>   | <b>Family Promise meeting (Sanc.)</b>                                |
|                   | <b>6:00 p.m.</b>             | <b>Family Promise Week (May 22-29)</b>                               |

# 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 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**

Wayne Achuff  
 Peter Ballard (Kr. Boyd)  
 Cory Beattie (Shaub)  
 Family of Jim Belay (K. Boyd)  
 Alan Bratton  
 Kylee Brown (Wiwel)  
 Fran 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  
 Lynn Jackson  
 Bill Lilley  
 Neva Luttman (Miller)  
 Family of Chris Matthews (B. Smith)  
 Family of Joanie McGettigan (Bratton)



Ellen McCahon (Hruz)  
 Alan Michaels (Michaels)  
 Margee Michaels  
 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 Marliiss Wilson  
 Megan Wittman (Lytle)  
 Donald & Juanita 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

**Ushers—8:30**

**This Sunday, May 15**

Mike and Dawn Chalmers

**Greeters—8:30**

Open and Open

**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**

M. Rubincan/E. Mullen/K. Rinehimer

**C. Worship—8:30/11**

Amy Castaldi / No CW

**Sunday School Roamers**

Maryanne Covington

**Lay Reader—8:30**

Judy Gambill

**Liturgist—11:00**

Becky Rinehimer

**Moment All Ages**

Joan Leaman

**Hospitality 8:30/11**

MA Covington / S. Steele

**Counters**

George Anderson and Donna Shaub

**Sound Booth**

B. Ditzel/K. Schneider

**Next Sunday, May 22**

Catoia Family

Lindtner Family

Featherston Family

Open and Open

Sydney Simonds/Joseph Yarbrough

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

