



West Grove United Methodist Church

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West Grove, PA 19390



AND WHO KNOWS BUT THAT
YOU HAVE COME TO
YOUR ROYAL POSITION
for such a time as this?

ESTHER 4:14

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First Sunday After Pentecost
May 22, 2016

11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship

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OPEN

Prelude

Welcome and Ministry Opportunities

Pastor Monica

*Please fill out the Friendship Register on the clipboard located on a chair in your row.
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*Call to Worship

Becky Rinehimer

One: God seeks us where we are .

Many: A voice calls us in the twilight of sleep.

One: A call is seen in the outstretched hands of the poor.

Many: God is our guardian and friend who speaks to us.

*Processional Hymn

“I Love To Tell The Story”

UMH, No. 156

Opening Prayer (Unison)

Becky Rinehimer

**Lord, you call us with a holy calling
according to Your purpose and grace.**

**We have been appointed as Your messengers
in whom we have put our trust in You
to direct us, guide us, and protect us.**

You call us to this place, to such a time as this.

Set our hearts on fire,

our minds to new possibilities and our voices to praises.

**Bless us with insight as broad as the distant horizon
as we answer Your call.**

In Jesus’s name, 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

Pastor Monica

Old Testament Lesson

Psalm 104:33-34

Becky Rinehimer

Old Testament Lesson

Esther 4:12-17

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 "Lord, Here I Am" Chancel Choir

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Sermon "For Such A Time As This" Pastor Shirley

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***Hymn of Response** "Trust and Obey" UMH, No. 467

Moment of Impact *Peace With Justice Sunday* Pastor Monica

Offering

***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
Lord, may our gifts empower missionaries to spread the gospel of peace and encourage them to courageously stand for justice. Through our giving, may we be moved by Your love to pursue reconciliation and peace, honoring the dignity of every individual made in Your image. Amen

Gathered Prayer Pastor Monica

The Lord's Prayer Pastor Monica

***Hymn of Sending Forth** "Here I Am, Lord" UMH, No. 593

***Benediction** Pastor Shirley

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

Postlude

*** Please stand as you are able**

Old Testament Lesson: *Psalm 104:33-34*

I will sing to the Lord as long as I live;
I will sing praise to my God while I have being.
May my meditation be pleasing to him,
for I rejoice in the Lord.

Old Testament Lesson: *Esther 4:12-17 (NIV)*

When Esther's words were reported to Mordecai, he sent back this answer: "Do not think that because you are in the king's house you alone of all the Jews will escape. For if you remain silent at this time, relief and deliverance for the Jews will arise from another place, but you and your father's family will perish. And who knows but that you have come to your royal position for such a time as this?"

Then Esther sent this reply to Mordecai: "Go, gather together all the Jews who are in Susa, and fast for me. Do not eat or drink for three days, night or day. I and my attendants will fast as you do. When this is done, I will go to the king, even though it is against the law. And if I perish, I perish." So Mordecai went away and carried out all of Esther's instructions.

God's Faithfulness ~

Your Stewardship

Report May 15, 2016

General Offering: \$7,369.⁰⁰

Building Maintenance Fund: \$830.⁰⁰

Combined Worship Attendance: 205

Imagine No Malaria: 469.⁸⁹

Emergency Groceries YTD: 38 Bags

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

Moment of Impact

Peace With Justice

Peace with Justice Ministries encourage peace and empower justice here in our conference and around the world.

Every child deserves to live in a place of peace, help us encourage peace around the world.

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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 worshipping and praising God! 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.***

**YOUTH CAR WASH TODAY!!! 12-3 P.M. All proceeds will be used for the summer mission trip to Mount Hope, so be sure to stop by or stop back to have your car washed by our enthusiastic youth!**

**OUR CMO AND PRESCHOOL PROGRAM:** Are you looking for a preschool program for your child? Do you want your child to meet friends, learn, and play in a loving environment? Come check out the wonderful program we have right here at our church. We begin accepting children at the age of 18 months in our Children's Morning Out program and our preschool classes help children learn the skills they will need when they go off to Kindergarten. We do still have a few openings for next school year. Please email me, [tracy.mclaughlin@westgroveumc.org](mailto:tracy.mclaughlin@westgroveumc.org) or call the church for more information. I would love to give you a tour and tell you more about our program.

**WGUMC hosts Sunday, May 22 through Sunday, May 29** Our third set of families will be arriving Sunday, May 22. Our guest families arrive on Sunday evening and stay each of the evenings through May 29th. Please contact Janice Bowers at 610-444-8470 or [janicesemail2@gmail.com](mailto:janicesemail2@gmail.com) for more information.

**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.

**UNDERSTANDING THE AFRICAN AMERICAN EXPERIENCE AND WHITE PRIVILEGE** group will be meeting this **Sunday, May 22 at 6:30 in the home of Pat Heist:** 516 Hodgson Circle, West Grove (Ovations). We will evaluate where we have been and consider our focus for the future. Bring fruit, vegetables, or sweets. If you have any questions, please call Mel Leaman at 610-806-3805.

**THIS WEEK: May 15 through May 22, 2016**

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

**Sunday:**

**FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
PENTECOST**

|                             |                                                                     |
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| 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>6:30 p.m.</b>            | <b>Understanding African American Experience (Pat Heist's home)</b> |

**Family Promise Week (May 22-29)**

**Monday:**

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| 9:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m. | Knit Wits (#1)  |
| 6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m.  | SOS Ladies (#6) |

**Tuesday:**

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| 1:00 p.m.-2:30 p.m.   | Staff Meeting (#1) |
| 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. | Yoga-Sanc.         |

**Wednesday:**

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|-----------------------|------------------------------------|
| 2:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m.   | Luther House Bible Study (Bldg. 1) |
| 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. | Finance Meeting (#1)               |
| 7:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. | Ad Council (#1)                    |

**Thursday:**

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| 6:45 p.m.-8:00 p.m. | Choir Rehearsal (#6)  |
| 8:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. | PraiseWorks Rehearsal |

**Friday:**

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| 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. | Youth Family Dodgeball (Sanctuary) |
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**Saturday:**

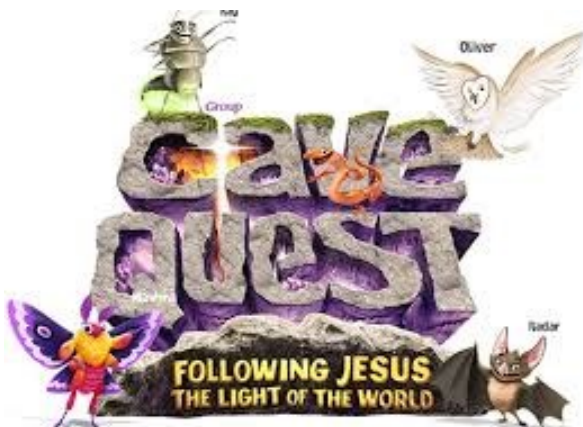
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**Sunday:**

**SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
BAPTISM SUNDAY ~ ERIK JOSEPH HENDRICKSON**

**Fifth Sunday Coin Collection**

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|------------|------------------------------------------------|
| 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     |



**SAVE THE DATE FOR VBS**

**JULY 18-22, 2016**

**Join us as we teach and serve our  
Children!**

**Volunteers are needed and welcomed!  
If you are interested in being  
involved in the VBS program in any  
capacity this year, please see Pastor  
Monica.**

# 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)  
 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)  
 Family of James W. Hampton (Hampton)  
 Ida Houston (Kr. Boyd)  
 Jimmy Hunt (Kr. Boyd)  
 Muff Hurst  
 Lynn Jackson  
 Bill Lilley  
 Neva Luttmann (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)  
 Connie Simcox  
 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

|                              | <u><b>This Sunday, May 22</b></u>    | <u><b>Next Sunday, May 29</b></u> |
|------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| <b>Ushers—8:30</b>           | Catoia Family                        | OPEN                              |
| <b>Greeters—8:30</b>         | Lindtner Family                      | OPEN                              |
| <b>Ushers—11:00</b>          | Featherston Family                   | OPEN                              |
| <b>Greeters—11:00</b>        | Open and Open                        | Simonds Family                    |
| <b>Acolyte 8:30/11</b>       | Sydney Simonds/Joseph Yarbrough      | Wesley Boyd / Parker Featherston  |
| <b>Nursery 8:30/9:45/11</b>  | H. McCummings/C. Bratton/A. Castaldi | J. Lindtner/K. Smith / Open       |
| <b>C. Worship—8:30/11</b>    | Pastor Monica / Joan Leaman          | Jessi Timm / No CW                |
| <b>Sunday School Roamers</b> | Amy Castaldi                         | Joan Leaman                       |
| <b>Lay Reader—8:30</b>       | Karen Hruz                           | Fred Sullivan                     |
| <b>Liturgist—11:00</b>       | Becky Rinehimer                      | Dave Talley                       |
| <b>Moment All Ages</b>       | Pastor Monica                        | Jamie Lindtner                    |
| <b>Hospitality 8:30/11</b>   | Dawn Chalmers/Linda Peirson          | Don Hurst / Steve May             |
| <b>Counters</b>              | Dave Talley and Denise Beyers        | Sara Ann & Vernon Ramberger       |
| <b>Sound Booth</b>           | B. Ditzel/K. Schneider               | B. Ditzel/K. Schneider            |

# 8:30 Contemporary Worship Service

## First Sunday after Pentecost

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**\*Opening Song** "I Will Follow" PraiseWorks Band

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**\*Celebration Set** "Sing for Joy"  
"How Great Is Our God" PraiseWorks Band

**\*Passing of the Peace**

### GROW

**Moment For All Ages** Pastor Monica

**Children's Morning Out Recognition**

*Natalie Eason and Maira Tena ~ Duck and Turtle teachers  
April Stoltzfus and Karen Reischke ~ Bee teachers  
Jennifer Smith and Stacy Smith ~ Leap Frog and Funky Frog teachers  
Elsje Kumpon and Mary Alice Miller ~ Butterfly teachers  
Tracy McLauhlin—Director*

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### SERVE

**Moment of Impact** *Peace With Justice Sunday* Pastor Shirley

**Offering** "For Such A Time As This" PraiseWorks Band

**Offertory Prayer (Unison)** Pastor Jim

**Gathered Prayer** Pastor Jim

**The Lord's Prayer**

**\*Closing Song** "I Will Follow" PraiseWorks Band

**\*Benediction** Pastor Shirley

**\*Postlude**