

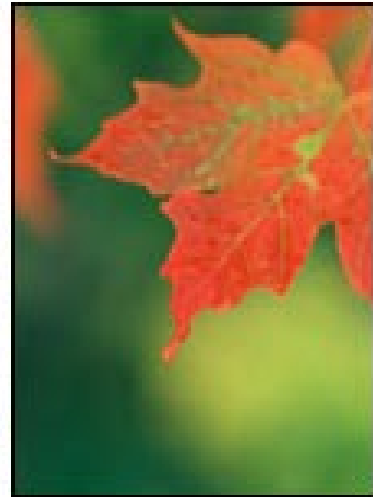
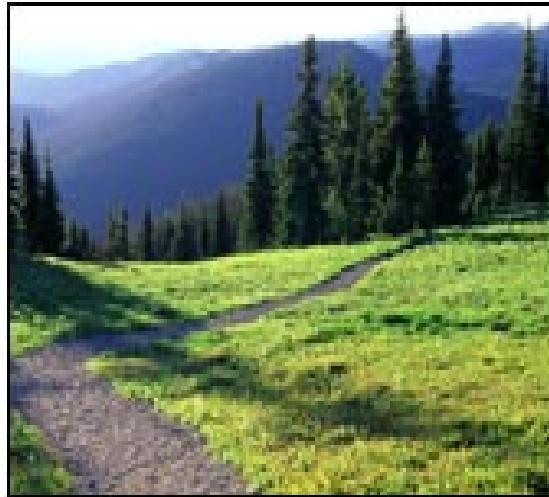


**West Grove United Methodist Church**

OPEN • GROW • SERVE

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

# GOD'S CREATION



**Nineteenth Sunday After Pentecost**  
*October 4, 2015*

# 11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship

## OPEN

### Prelude

### 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

Tom Hoover

Leader: We praise the God of all nations and peoples,

**People: Whose mercy extends to the ends of the earth.**

Leader: Who are my brothers and sisters?

**People: All who walk in the way of Christ.**

Leader: Who is my family?

**People: All who dwell in God's house.**

Leader: We are many members,

**People: But one body.**

### \*Processional Hymn "All Creatures of Our God and King"

Hymnal No. 62

### \*Opening Prayer (Unison)

Tom Hoover

**God, as we gather in this sacred community of faith, we remember that our congregation is but one of the many parts of your eternal and universal church. Though we come from different backgrounds, we are all part of the body of Christ. Make us ever mindful and understanding of the suffering of our members, jubilant in their joys and knowledgeable of their condition. We pray for our continued ministry with our brothers and sisters around the world. May we see ourselves one day as you see us. In Christ's name, we pray. Amen.**

### \*Passing of the peace

Tom Hoover

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

**Many: And also with you.**

## GROW

### Moments for All Ages

Julie Hughes

### Old Testament Lesson

*Hebrews 2: 1-12*

Tom Hoover

### \*Gospel Lesson

*Mark 10:13-16*

Tom Hoover

### \*Response to the Lesson

Tom Hoover

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

**Many: Thanks be to God! Amen.**

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**

“God’s World”

Pastor Monica

**SERVE**

**\*Hymn of Response**

“The Church’s One Foundation”

Hymnal No. 545

**Moment of Impact**

*Family Promise*

Janice Bowers

**Offering**

**\*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)**

Pastor Jim

**Almighty God, we present these gifts to benefit our brothers and sisters around the world. From many vocations, we all engage in your global mission. Use our gifts to serve your church and to reach out to our neighbors everywhere. In the name of Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.**

**Anthem**

“Together at the Table of the Lord”

Chancel Choir

**\*Invitation**

**\*Prayer of Confession (Unison)**

**God of deep, abounding, astounding, boundary-breaking love, forgive our closed doors; forgive our closed eyes and ears; forgive our insulated living, forgive our safe and comfortable tables.**

**\*Words of Assurance**

**Sacrament of Holy Communion**

**Prayer After Receiving (Unison)**

Pastor Jim

**Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that in the strength of your Spirit we may give ourselves for others, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

**\*Hymn of Sending Forth**

“I Come With Joy”

Hymnal No. 617

**\*Benediction**

Pastor Monica

**\*Choral Benediction**

“Go in the Grace of the Lord”

Chancel Choir

**\*Postlude**

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

## **Old Testament Lesson:** *Hebrews 2: 1-12*

### **Warning to Pay Attention**

Therefore we must pay greater attention to what we have heard, so that we do not drift away from it. For if the message declared through angels was valid, and every transgression or disobedience received a just penalty, how can we escape if we neglect so great a salvation? It was declared at first through the Lord, and it was attested to us by those who heard him, while God added his testimony by signs and wonders and various miracles, and by gifts of the Holy Spirit, distributed according to his will.

### **Exaltation through Abasement**

Now God did not subject the coming world, about which we are speaking, to angels. 6 But someone has testified somewhere, “What are human beings that you are mindful of them, or mortals, that you care for them? You have made them for a little while lower than the angels; you have crowned them with glory and honor, subjecting all things under their feet.”

Now in subjecting all things to them, God left nothing outside their control. As it is, we do not yet see everything in subjection to them, but we do see Jesus, who for a little while was made lower than the angels, now crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone.

It was fitting that God, for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through sufferings. For the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one Father. For this reason Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters, saying,

“I will proclaim your name to my brothers and sisters, in the midst of the congregation I will praise you.”

## **Gospel Lesson:** *Mark 10:13-16*

### **Jesus Blesses Little Children**

People were bringing little children to him in order that he might touch them; and the disciples spoke sternly to them. But when Jesus saw this, he was indignant and said to them, “Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it.” And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them.

## 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.*

The prophet Joel (2:23, NIV) says: "Be glad, people of Zion, rejoice in the LORD your God, for God has given you the autumn rains because God is faithful." Welcome, this autumn day, as we rejoice together in God's goodness! 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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***Please remember to mute your cell phone when you enter the sanctuary for worship.***

**Electronic Giving:** There are many folks who give electronically at West Grove UMC. A "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 offered in the literature rack by the front doors, or see our Church Administrator, Donna Fackler.

**Perkins Night to benefit our Boy Scouts Troop #12:** Come out and support our Scouts at the Perkins on Route 41 in Avondale on **Monday, October 5, 5-9 p.m.** Let them know you are there to support our troop and 10% of the proceeds will go the scouts.

**World Cruise Highlights:** Jim and Betty Mundell invite you to join them on Wednesday, **October 7 at 7:00 p.m.** as they share highlights from their recent World Cruise! The pictures are fascinating and accompanied by interesting stories from Jim and Betty.

**JULIET: Saturday, October 10,** we will meet for our monthly Juliet breakfast at the Sunrise Café in Kennett Square at 9am. Parking in the lot is free on Saturday, so come for fun, fellowship and good food. Questions? Contact Chris Curtiss.

**RAP: Retired Active Persons** will meet at the church on **Friday, October 11, 12 p.m.-3 p.m.** We have a wonderful time in fellowship! Bring your brown bag lunch and a friend. Beverages and desserts are provided.

**The Philadelphia Project for all youth!** Join in for a weekend of serving, worshipping, laughing and growing in our faith as we head to Philly to participate in home repair projects. Cost: \$75 for the weekend (includes accommodations, food and work site supplies) Depart: Friday at 5:30. Return: Sunday at 1:30. Who? All 7th – 12th graders. Sign up: See Jamie Lindtner for a registration form and return it to her with \$75 by Oct 11.

**UMW Are Collecting New Clothes:** There is a local organization in West Grove, the Community New Garment Association. In October they come together with donations of articles which are distributed to several local agencies. Two recipients of these donations are the Avon Grove School Nurses and Maternity Departments of Jennersville Regional and Chester County Hospitals. We would like to support these two agencies and invite you, our congregation, to help by donating an item from the list below. These items will be collected through October 11. We thank you for your help.

AVON GROVE SCHOOL NURSES – New items such as sweat pants and tops, socks and underwear for children from Kindergarten age through High School.

JENNERSVILLE REGIONAL AND CHESTER COUNTY HOSPITALS – New Items of receiving blankets, crib sheets and blankets, diapers, one piece sleepers, undershirts (onesies) or any layette item. Please remember that all articles must be new.

**THIS WEEK: October 4 through October 11, 2015**

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

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|-------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Sunday:</b>    | <b>NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST<br/>WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY</b> |                                                       |
|                   | 8:30 a.m.                                                           | Contemporary Worship with the PraiseWorks Band        |
|                   | 9:45 a.m.                                                           | Christian Education for All Ages                      |
|                   | <b>9:45 a.m.-10:45 a.m.</b>                                         | <b>New Members Class (Pastor's Office)</b>            |
|                   | 11:00 a.m.                                                          | Traditional Worship with the Chancel Choir            |
| <b>Monday:</b>    | 6:00 p.m.-7:30 p.m.                                                 | Youth Group (#8, 10)                                  |
|                   | 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.                                                | CMO Preschool (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 (#11)                               |
|                   | 6:30 p.m.- 8:00 p.m.                                                | S.O.S. Ladies (#8, 10)                                |
|                   | 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.                                               | Memory Bells Rehearsal (Sanc.)                        |
|                   | <b>7:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m.</b>                                          | <b>"Majesty of God" Bible Study (#14)</b>             |
| <b>Tuesday:</b>   | 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.                                                | CMO Preschool (3, 4, 5, 6)                            |
|                   | 11:30 a.m.-11:45 a.m.                                               | CMO Chapel Time (Sanc.)                               |
|                   | 4:45 p.m.-6:00 p.m.                                                 | Daisy Troop #447 (#8, 10)                             |
|                   | 6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m.                                                 | Jr. Girl Scout Troop #41377 (#8, 10)                  |
| <b>Wednesday:</b> | 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.                                                | CMO Preschool (3, 4, 5, 6)                            |
|                   | 11:15 a.m.+11:30 a.m.                                               | CMO Chapel Time (Sanc. & Classroom)                   |
|                   | 12:15 p.m.-1:15 p.m.                                                | CMO Soccer Shots (church grounds)                     |
|                   | 2:00 p.m.- 3:00 p.m.                                                | Luther House Bible Study (Bldg. 1)                    |
|                   | <b>7:00 p.m.- 8:00 p.m.</b>                                         | <b>World Cruise Highlights (Sanc.)</b>                |
|                   | 7:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.                                                 | Venture Crew Youth Meeting (#8, 10)                   |
| <b>Thursday:</b>  | <b>Bishop's Day on the SE District</b>                              |                                                       |
|                   | 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.                                                | CMO Preschool (3, 4, 5, 6)                            |
|                   | 6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m.                                                 | Jr. Girl Scout Troop 04317 (#14)                      |
|                   | 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 (3, 4, 5, 6)                            |
|                   | 9:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.                                              | UMW Faith Circle (#1)                                 |
|                   | 10:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m.                                               | Psalms Bible Study (Jenner's Pond)                    |
|                   | <b>12:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m.</b>                                         | <b>RAP (Retired Active People) Sanc., Kitchen</b>     |
|                   | 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.                                               | Youth Dodgeball (Sanctuary)                           |
| <b>Saturday:</b>  | <b>9:00 a.m.-11:00 p.m.</b>                                         | <b>Adopt-A-Highway clean up day</b>                   |
|                   | <b>9:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.</b>                                       | <b>JULIET Breakfast- Sunrise Café, Kennett Square</b> |
|                   | 10:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m.                                               | Daily Reflections (#8, 10)                            |
| <b>Sunday:</b>    | <b>TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST<br/>STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY I</b>    |                                                       |
|                   | 8:30 a.m.                                                           | Contemporary Worship with the PraiseWorks Band        |
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**DO YOU HAVE FAITH? FAITH cards (like BINGO) are available for our children and youth during the service.** Mark off your spaces by coloring them in. When you get "FAITH", shout out faith (and make a witness!). At the end of the service, please come see Pastor Monica for a surprise!

# 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 in October: Trunk or Treat at WGUMC**  
**Mission Prayer Focus in October: The Garage Youth Center, West Grove**

Kory Arnold  
 Family of Rev. Ted Bach  
 Louise Ballard (Boyd)  
 Amijo Bearley (Hampton)  
 Cory Beattie (Shaub)  
 Family of Dorothy Brennan (Mullen)  
 Fran Bryan  
 Hazel Cornett (Rubincan)  
 Family of Officer Davis (EPAC)  
 Family of Ruby DeBoard  
 Colin Delaney (McGinley)  
 Tom Fagan  
 Bill Fili, Jr. (Bratton)  
 Marcus Forst (Howard)  
 Hailey and Family (Simonds)  
 Kim Henry (Hampton)  
 Lonna Hudson (Hurst)  
 Bill Jones  
 Dot & Roger Kaiser (Mundell)  
 Roger Kaiser (Mundell)  
 Richard Kreuzfeldt  
 Bill Lilley  
 Wayne Martz  
 Pam McClain  
 Margee Michaels



Cindy Mohn (B. Smith)  
 Lynn Morgan (McClain)  
 Bill Mowery (Shiplet)  
 Tim Mullen  
 Rev. John Neider (EPAC)  
 Ed O'Brien  
 Uncle Paul (Lindtner)  
 James Pollard (Yarbrough)  
 Tammy Ramberger  
 Ron Ritter (Chalmers)  
 Dot Russell  
 Roann Schneider  
 Doug and Joan Smead (Wolff)  
 Lorrie & Scott Steele  
 Reinhard Streibel (Mullen)  
 Fernando & Jonathan Tena  
 Zach Trexler (Lytle)  
 Eveline Walker (Schrader)  
 Dot Weeks  
 Jeff Whelan  
 Megan Wittman (Lytle)



Tom Fagan - USA (Whelan)  
 Allan Frost - South Korea (Frost)  
 Nate Howard—Quantico  
 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)  
 Chris Weidman - Nellis Air Force Base, Las Vegas, NV (Fran Miller)

## SERVANTS IN MINISTRY ON SUNDAY MORNING

**Ushers—8:30**

**Ushers—11**

**Greeters—8:30**

**Greeters—11**

**Acolyte 8:30/11**

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

**C. Worship—8:30/11**

**Lay Reader—8:30**

**Liturgist—11:00**

**Moment All Ages**

**Hospitality 8:30/11**

**Counters**

### **This Sunday, October 4**

Fred and Jeannie Sullivan  
 George Anderson & Bill Jones  
 Bill and Kristin Lilley  
 Kay Yates  
 Michelle LeSturgeon/Nathan Robinson  
 M. Rubincan/E. Mullen/J. Williamson  
 Amy Castaldi / Joan Leaman  
 Fred Sullivan  
 Tom Hoover  
 Julie Hughes  
 Rain Catoia / The Kreuzfeldts  
 Bill Jones and Tim Shaub

### **Next Sunday, October 11**

Fred and Jeannie Sullivan  
 TBA  
 Joan Saller  
 Wesley Boyd / Ava Kirwin  
 J. Lindtner/C. Brtton/A. Castaldi  
 Jessi Timm / OPEN  
 Karen Hruz  
 Margee Michaels  
 Eileen Bushnell  
 Steve May / The Stuhrkes  
 George Anderson & Donna Shaub

# 8:30 Contemporary Worship Service

## Open

**\*Opening Song** "Awaken the Dawn" PraiseWorks Band

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

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**\*Celebration Set** "With One Voice"  
"We All Bow Down" PraiseWorks Band

**\*Passing of the Peace**

## Grow

**Moment For All Ages** Julie Hughes

**Old Testament Lesson** *Hebrews 2: 1-12* Fred Sullivan

**\*Gospel Lesson** *Mark 10:13-16* Fred Sullivan

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**Sermon** "God's World" Pastor Monica

## Serve

**Moment of Impact** *Family Promise* Janice Bowers

**Offering** "Shout to the Lord" PraiseWorks Band

**\*Offertory Prayer (Unison)** Pastor Jim

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**\*Closing Song** "Sing, Sing, Sing" PraiseWorks Band

**\*Benediction** Pastor Monica

**\*Postlude**