

## 8:30 Contemporary Worship Service

### OPEN

**\*Opening Song** "I Will Rise Up" PraiseWorks Band

**Welcome and Ministry Opportunities** Pastor Monica

*Please fill out the Friendship Register on the clipboard located on a chair in your row.  
First-time visitor or member, let us know you were here!*

**\*Celebration Set** "Overwhelmed"  
"Arms of Love" PraiseWorks Band

**\*Passing of the Peace**

### GROW

**Moment For All Ages** Joan Leaman

**Old Testament Lesson** Malachi 3:1-4, 10 Julie Hughes

**\*Gospel Lesson** Matthew 7:16-20 Julie Hughes

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**Sermon** "Fruitful Growth" Pastor Monica

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#### Acts of Consecration

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**Offering our Gratitude** "I Give You Me" PraiseWorks Band

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**Gathered Prayer** Pastor Shirley

**The Lord's Prayer** Pastor Shirley

**\*Closing Song** "All To You" PraiseWorks Band

**\*Benediction** Pastor Shirley

**\*Postlude**  
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God as generous givers. We hope you will join us for brunch hosted in the Church Lobby  
following each service. As we give thanks to God for all that God has given*

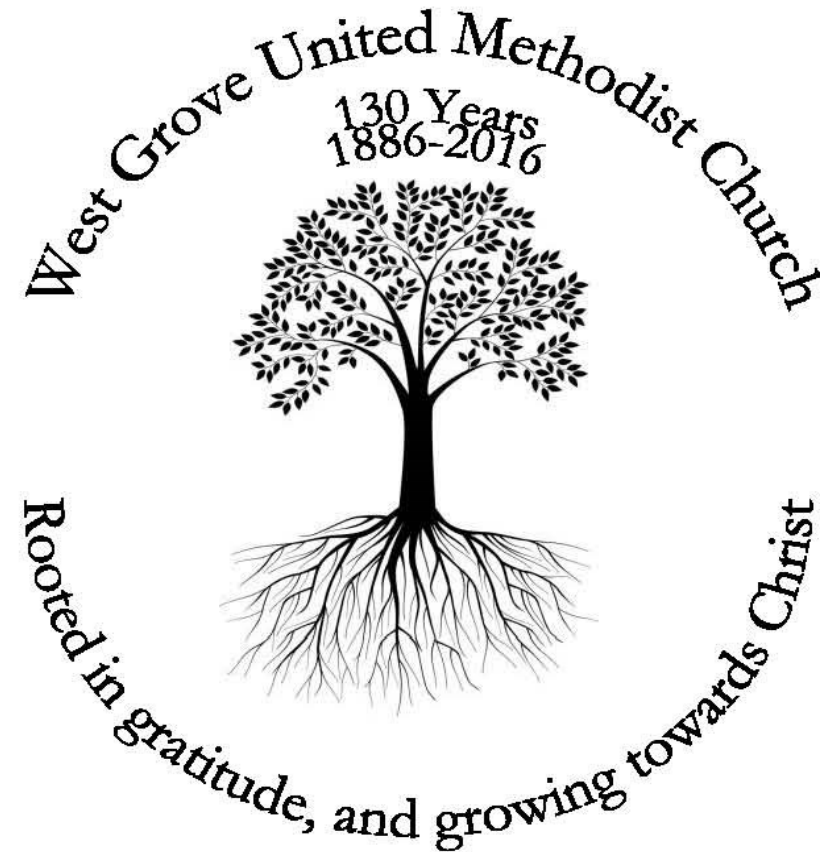
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## West Grove United Methodist Church

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



**Consecration Sunday**  
**Stewardship V Sunday**  
**November 13, 2016**

# 11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship

## OPEN

### Prelude

### Welcome and Ministry Opportunities

Pastor Monica

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### \*Call to Worship (Responsive)

Becky Rinehimer

One: Thanks be to God for creation of our world and peoples.

**Many: Thanks be to God, our Creator!**

One: Thanks be to God for redeeming the world from certain destruction, again and again.

**Many: Thanks be to Christ, our Redeemer!**

One: Thanks be to God for sustaining us through joy and challenge, praise and petitions.

**Many: Thanks be to the Holy Spirit, our Sustainer.**

### \*Processional Hymn

“Praise God For This Holy Ground”

PowerPoint

### \*Opening Prayer (Unison)

(Adapted from Benedict of Nursia, 6th Century) Becky Rinehimer

**O gracious and Holy God, give us diligence to seek you,  
wisdom to perceive you, and patience to wait for you.**

**Grant us, O God, a mind to meditate on you, ears to listen for your Word,  
a heart to love you, and a life to proclaim you,  
through the power of the Holy Spirit, we pray, 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

### Old Testament Lesson

*Malachi 3:1-4, 10*

Becky Rinehimer

### \*Gospel Lesson

*Matthew 7:16-20*

Becky Rinehimer

### \*Response to the Lessons

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

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

### Anthem

“Take My Life, and Let It Be Consecrated”

Chancel Choir

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## Meditations For Your Week

Sunday, November 13 ~ Saturday, November 19



**Sunday:** “You will know them by their fruits. Are grapes gathered from thorns, or figs from thistles?” *Matthew 7:16.* God uses the imagery of trees and gardening to help us understand our relationship with God. How is God being shown in your life? Write a note of gratitude to someone who has shown you God in their fruitful life.

**Monday:** “In the same way, every good tree bears good fruit, but the bad tree bears bad fruit.” *Matthew 7: 17.* There are seasons when trees are leafy, but do not bear fruit. This does not change a good tree to a bad tree. Write a note of gratitude to someone who is enduring a leafy season.

**Tuesday:** “A good tree cannot bear bad fruit, nor can a bad tree bear good fruit.” *Matthew 7:18.* A tree is cared for by the gardener, given water and fertilizer, pruning and care. Where in this season is God caring for you? Write a note of gratitude to someone who needs to remember that the Gardener God is still at work.

**Wednesday:** “Every tree that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. Thus you will know them by their fruits.” *Matthew 7: 19-20.* Our fruits are our activities, our attitudes, our hearts, and our hands. Write a note of gratitude to someone who witnesses to God’s movement in their life with their attitude.

**Thursday:** “See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight—indeed, he is coming, says the Lord of hosts.” *Malachi 3: 1.* Through the prophet Malachi, God speaks hope of messengers who prepare the way of the Lord. Write a note of gratitude to someone whose acts of mercy show you the way of the Lord.


**Friday:** “God will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and God will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the Lord in righteousness. Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the Lord as in the days of old and as in former years.” *Malachi 3: 3-4.* Refinement is part of the process of uncovering the fullness of the gold and the silver. We are also refined. Write a note of gratitude to someone who is going through the refinement process.

**Saturday:** “Bring the full tithe into the storehouse, so that there may be food in my house, and thus put me to the test, says the Lord of hosts; see if I will not open the windows of heaven for you and pour down for you an overflowing blessing.” *Malachi 3: 10.* The faithfulness of God connects the spiritual with the physical. Let us bring our faithful tithes into the storehouse of the church, so that the leaders of the church can discern God’s will and way for those tithes. Write a note of gratitude to a church leader who works on the team who discerns the use of our tithes and offerings.

# 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 week-ends, 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 November: Church Finances**  
**Mission Prayer Focus in November: Sunday Breakfast Mission**

Wayne Achuff		Dave McClain
Cory Beattie (Shaub)		Margee Michaels
Joe Bonano (Hughes)		Lynn Morgan (McClain)
Alan Bratton		Bill Mowery (Shiplot)
Kylee Brown (Wiwel)		Tim Mullen
Fran Bryan		Lola Nadolny (Hruz)
Bonnie Collins (Deckard)		Ed O'Brien
Jean Conklin (Pastor Jim)		Warren Payton (Hruz)
Gary Cornette (Rubincan)		James Pollard (Yarbrough)
Family of Hazel Cornette (Rubincan)		Ron Ritter (Chalmers)
Shanna Cramner (Carlin)		Garrett Rogers (Lindtner)
Dee Crawford		Roann Schneider
Bill Davis (Mullen)		Ricky Spencer (K. Smith)
Colin Delaney (McGinley)		Lorrie Steele
Tom Fagan		Maureen Stickel (Fackler)
Bill Fili, Jr. (Bratton)		Jeannie Sullivan
Richard Heacock		Fernando & Jonathan Tena
Jimmy Hunt (Kr. Boyd)		Raymond Thompson (Adams)
Sue Hutton		Danny Tiderman (Hughes)
Lynn Jackson		Zach Trexler (Lytle)
Family of Max Levy (Gula)		Family of Lee Wilson (Stuhrke)
Rosemary MacCoun		Ron and Marliss Wilson
		Pete Zinner (Mullen)

	Tom Fagan - USA (Whelan)
	Allan Frost - S. Carolina (Frost)
	Brian Kubo - Maryland (Mullen)
	LTC Eric Maxwell, Chesapeake, VA (The Rambergers)
	Dave Springer - Fort Bragg, NC
	Jimmy Strawhecker - Kuwait (Lynne Strawhecker)
	Tyler Thompson—Kandahar, Afghanistan (Margee Michaels)
	Ed Tolmie—Afghanistan
	Chris Weizman - Jordan (Miller)

## SERVANTS IN MINISTRY ON SUNDAY MORNING

	<u><b>This Sunday, November 13</b></u>	<u><b>Next Sunday, November 20</b></u>
<b>Ushers—8:30</b>	The Catoia Family	David and Barbara Delaney
<b>Greeters—8:30</b>	Mike and Cindy Haley	Pat Heist and Margaret Rubincan
<b>Ushers—11:00</b>	Dick and Caryl Stuhrke	The Featherston Family
<b>Greeters—11:00</b>	Joan Saller	<b>OPEN</b>
<b>Acolyte 8:30/11</b>	Anna Castaldi / Madeline Jones	Anna Castaldi / Parker Featherston
<b>Nursery 8:30/9:45/11</b>	M. Rubincan/K. Smith/J. Leaman	J. Lindtner/R. Catoia/A. Castaldi
<b>C. Worship—8:30/11</b>	Jessi Timm/ <b>OPEN</b>	Kristin Boyd / <b>Open</b>
<b>SS Roamers</b>	Fran Miller	Maryanne Covington
<b>Lay Reader—8:30</b>	Julie Hughes	Fred Sullivan
<b>Liturgist—11:00</b>	Becky Rinehimer	Susan Paisley
<b>Moment All Ages</b>	Joan Leaman	Julie Hughes
<b>Hospitality 8:30/11</b>	Steve May/ Dick & Caryl Stuhrke	The Covingtons / Scott Steele
<b>Counters</b>	Dave Talley and Denise Byers	Sara Ann & Vernon Ramberger
<b>Sound Booth</b>	Various/K. Schneider	Various/K. Schneider

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**Offering our Gratitude** "Be Thou My Vision" UMH, No. 451  
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**Consecrating our Gratitude and Receiving our Offerings** Pastor Monica

One: Creator of all, the earth is yours, the world and all who live in it.  
**All: You have entrusted us with gifts— time, talent, energy, money—and asked us to use them to build your kingdom. We give you thanks for each of those gifts.**  
 One: We bring these gifts you have given, with gratitude, we respond to call. We root ourselves in gratitude and seek to grow in Christ.  
**All: We offer ourselves, our lives, our hopes and fears, our dollars and our hours. We commit ourselves to work for your world, to love and serve wherever you call.**  
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**All: May our hearts, minds, and souls continue to grow in Christ through this step of faith, path of discipleship, reflection of gratitude and growth. Bless these commitments and gifts that they may multiply in faith, hope, and love. Amen.**

**Gathered Prayer** Pastor Shirley

**The Lord's Prayer** Pastor Shirley

**\*Hymn of Sending Forth** "Lord Dismiss Us, With Your Blessing" UMH No. 671

**\*Benediction** Pastor Monica

**Choral Benediction** "Go Now In Peace" Chancel Choir

**\*Postlude**  
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	<h3>Altar Flowers</h3> <p>The flowers gracing our altar space today are in Celebration of Sophie, Rachel and Dallas McClain's birthday!                  With love from Mom and Dad</p>	
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For God is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap; God will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the LORD in righteousness. Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the LORD as in the days of old and as in former years.

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**THIS WEEK: November 13 through November 20, 2016**

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

**Sunday:**

**TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
CONSECRATION SUNDAY**

8:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship with the PraiseWorks Band  
9:45 a.m. Faith Learning Academy: Sunday School for all ages  
11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship with the Chancel Choir  
11:00 a.m. Jenner's Pond Worship Service (Allison Theater)  
Afternoon Ronald McDonald House Meal in Wilmington, DE

**Monday:**

6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m. Vital Conversations on Racism (#3)  
8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Kitchen Cleaning for Inspection  
9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. CMO Preschool Classes (#11, 13, 14, 15, 16)  
9:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Knit Wits (#1)  
6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. Girl Scout Troop 4042 (#8 & 10)  
6:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. Daisy Troop #461 (#16)  
6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m. Jr. Girl Scout Troop #453 (#12)  
6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m. SOS Ladies (#5)

**Tuesday:**

6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. Memory Bells Rehearsal (Sanc.)  
9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. CMO Preschool Classes (#11, 13, 14, 15, 16)  
4:45 p.m.-6:00 p.m. Jr. Girl Scout Troop 447 (#8, 10)  
6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. Missions Meeting (#1)  
6:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. Brownie Troop TBA (#12)  
6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m. Jr. Girl Scout Troop #41377 (#8, 10)  
6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. Finance Meeting (#1)  
7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Yoga (Sanc.)  
7:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Ad Council (#1)

**Wednesday:**

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. CMO Preschool (#9, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16)  
11:15 a.m.-11:45 a.m. CMO Chapel Time (Sanc.)  
2:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m. Luther House Bible Study (Bldg. 1)  
6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m. Visitation Ministry Bible Study (#3)  
7:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m. Venture Crew Committee Meeting (#8, 10)

**Thursday:**

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. CMO Preschool (#9, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16)  
11:15 a.m.-11:45 a.m. CMO Chapel Time (Sanc.)  
5:00 p.m.-6:30 p.m. All Staff Meeting (#1)  
5:45 p.m.-7:00 p.m. Brownie 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 (#9, 11, 12, 13)  
8:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. PraiseWorks Rehearsal

**Friday:**

**Donna Fackler is on vacation. Office is open.**  
9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. CMO Preschool Classes (#11, 13, 14, 15, 16)  
6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m. GS Jr. Troop 4070 (#8, 10)

**Saturday:**

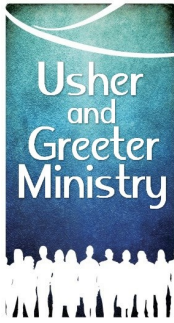
10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Daily Reflections Group (8 & 10)

**Sunday:**

**TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
THANKSGIVING SUNDAY**

8:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship with the PraiseWorks Band  
9:45 a.m. Faith Learning Academy: Sunday School for all ages  
11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship with the Chancel Choir  
**6:00 p.m. Community Thanksgiving Service at Christ Church in the Grove, 1986 Newark Road, Lincoln University, PA 19352**

\* Pastor Shirley is on vacation Saturday, November 19 through Saturday, November 26



**DO YOU LIKE TO WELCOME GUESTS? CAN YOU HELP OTHERS FEEL COMFORTABLE? USHERS AND GREETERS ARE NEEDED FOR SUNDAY MORNINGS.**

For 8:30 worship, please contact Rain Catoia 302-420-8475 or [raindowdy@aol.com](mailto:raindowdy@aol.com).  
For 11:00 worship, please contact Joan Saller 610-662-9807 or [ssaller@comcast.net](mailto:ssaller@comcast.net)



**SUKKOT BOOTH:** As we have done in previous years, our church will collect nonperishable food items and turkey coupons (from local grocery stores) at the Sukkot booth in the lobby beginning Sunday, November 6 through Sunday, November 20. This year's Fall Harvest Food Collection will benefit and help replenish the short food supply for our Emergency Food Pantry (Over 110 bags given so far this year), as well as The Bridge at the Avon Grove Church of the Nazarene. **The Bridge has doubled the number of local families that it is serving this fall.** Your donations are essential to serve those in our community. In addition, Thanksgiving Baskets will be given to a few local families in need. Be sure to stop by the booth with your

donations. Thank you for serving God through the faces in our community.

**COAT & BLANKET DRIVE:** November 6 through November 20. Winter is coming and everyone needs to bundle up nice and warm. Yes, that means **EVERYONE**. However, throughout our community we have



many individuals that lack the basic winter defense of a nice, warm winter coat. Once again, **West Grove United Methodist Church is asking for the donation of gently used or new blankets and winter coats.** Donations may be dropped off at the church from November 6 through November 20. We are accepting all sizes from children, through teens and adults. These items will be given to The Bridge at the Church of the Nazarene in West Grove and to the Penn London Elementary School for distribution. Please join us and help keep **EVERYONE** warm this winter!

**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 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.

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.**



Our Assisted Listening system is available to all who could benefit from additional amplification or assistance. Please see our soundboard operators for questions or to use a unit.

*On Wednesday, November 16, Pastor Monica and Pastor Shirley will be attending a district sponsored event, "Social Entrepreneurship & Economic Development" with Dr. Jeffery Robinson.*

**ADVENT DEVOTIONALS ARE AVAILABLE:** Our devotional this year is "Hark the Glad Sound". Please be sure to pick up your copy on the Welcome Center in the church lobby.

**ANGEL BLESSINGS:** New Faith Learning Academy course starting on November 13<sup>th</sup>. Join us in Room 3 for discussion from the book, Angel Blessings: Recognizing Angels in our Lives. See Julie Hughes for more information.

**THE RAP GROUP** has been invited by the West Grove Seniors to go on their bus trip on **Wednesday, December 14<sup>th</sup>**, to the American Music Theatre's Christmas show "**Winter Wonderland**" followed with lunch at the **Bird-in-Hand Restaurant**. The bus will load at WGUMC at 9 a.m. The cost for the bus, the show, and the lunch is **\$70**. Seating is limited--please sign up asap. Phone Janet Gregg at 610-255-4477 or Sara Ann Ramberger at 610-869-3863.

**RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE OF DELAWARE:** The Missions Team is preparing and hosting a dinner at the Ronald McDonald House of Delaware for the families that stay there on **TODAY, November 13, 2:30-6:00 p.m.** Please contact Janice Bowers at 610-444-8470 or email her at [janicesemail2@gmail.com](mailto:janicesemail2@gmail.com) if you are interested in helping with the meal.

**SAMARITAN'S PURSE SHOEBOXES:** Grab your own shoebox or the Operation Christmas Child box from the lobby and fill it up with items for a boy or a girl. Follow this link for some ideas: <https://www.samaritanspurse.org/operation-christmas-child/what-goes-in-my-shoebox-suggestions/> There are also flyers available that will give you ideas and instructions on how to fill your shoebox. Bring them back to the church by November 18<sup>th</sup> at the latest.

**CHRISTMAS MUSIC CELEBRATION, Sunday, December 4, 6:30 p.m.:** Christmas brings out the best music in all of us! We welcome the Advent Season with music by the Chancel Choir, Memory Bells Handbell Choir, PraiseWorks Band, special musical numbers and, of course, a carol sing-along. If you play an instrument or would like to participate in this musical celebration, please contact Betsy Smith, Choir and PraiseBand Director, to let her know of your interest by Sunday, November 6. She can be reached by phone at 610-869-3941 or email her at [musicmomva@aol.com](mailto:musicmomva@aol.com)



## West Grove UMC Church Directory Update

Please check your family's information and update addresses, cell phone numbers, emails, birthdates, etc.

There are many children (and adults) in our church family who do not have their birthdays listed, and we would love to be able to wish them happy birthday!

Our new directory is used by all of our congregation, so please make sure to check your information. The binder with our current directory information is at the Welcome Center in Lobby. Please make your corrections directly in the book or you may email the office at office.westgroveumc.org Thank you.

## Be a Good Steward

Various committees are writing the church budget for the coming year. They're placing their trust in God and believing in our members and friends to support the church's ministry. Let us all show our faithfulness with good stewardship through our time, talents and treasures.

### God's Faithfulness ~ Your Stewardship Report November 6, 2016

General Offering: \$7,363.<sup>50</sup>  
Building Maintenance Fund: \$385.<sup>00</sup>  
Combined Worship Attendance: 183  
Emergency Groceries YTD: 110 Bags

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

## Moment of History

As we consecrate our commitments to God for the upcoming year, let us remember that we have become the roots upon which others can grow in Christ. Let us stretch our roots, so others can grow!



## Community Thanksgiving Worship at Christ Church in the Grove

on  
Sunday, November 20th at 6:00 p.m.

Join the churches of West Grove, Avondale, Jennersville, and the surrounding areas, as we gather to give thanks to God! Please bring a non-perishable food item for us to share with the local food pantries. Join us for great music, time of fellowship and testimony, and an inspiring message for our community brought by Pastor Dan Bergstrom.

Our own PraiseWorks band will offer music!

**Christ Church in the Grove**  
1986 Newark Rd  
Lincoln University, PA 19352