

**8:30 Contemporary Worship Service
Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost**

Open

***Opening Song** "Hallelujah (Your Love is Amazing)" 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** "I Am Free" PraiseWorks Band

***Prayer of Confession** (Unison) "You Are God Alone" Mark Simonds

(Time of Silence)

***Words of Assurance** Pastor Monica

***Passing of the Peace**

Grow

Moment For All Ages Joan Leaman

Old Testament Lesson *Psalm 6* Mark Simonds

***Gospel Lesson** *Mark 13:1-8* Mark Simonds

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 "Follow What Leader?" Pastor Monica

Serve

Moment of Impact *Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes*

Offering "If You Say Go" PraiseWorks Band

Offertory Prayer (Unison) Pastor Jim

Gathered Prayers of the People Pastor Jim

The Lord's Prayer Pastor Jim

***Closing Song** "Everyday" PraiseWorks Band

***Benediction** Pastor Monica

***Postlude**

*** Please stand as you are able**



West Grove United Methodist Church

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Barry Woods Ministry

Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost
November 15, 2015

**11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship
Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost**

OPEN

Prelude "Hymn of Thanksgiving" Memory Bells Choir
Arranged by Ellen Jane Lorenz

Welcome and Ministry Opportunities Pastor Monica

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***Call to Worship** Bill Jones

One: God loves us and freed us from sin;
Many: God has made us part of God's kingdom! Hallelujah!
One: God called us to serve and worship;
Many: To God be the glory forever and ever, Amen!
One: We are part of the reign of God!
Many: We are the body of Christ! Hallelujah! Amen!

***Processional Hymn** "Lead On, O King Eternal" UMH, No. 580

***Prayer of Confession** (Unison) Bill Jones
Almighty God, you alone are the King of all creation. Yet, we confess that we act as though we are the ones who rule the world. Forgive us, Lord. Help us to recognize your reign, that we may be faithful followers in your kingdom. Forgive us when we put others in Your throne, when we imagine politicians and big personalities can rule better than you, O God. Help us to turn our hearts back to following you.

(Time of Silence)

***Words of Assurance** Pastor Monica

***Passing of the peace** Bill Jones
One: The peace of Christ be with you.
Many: And also with you.

GROW

Moment for All Ages Joan Leaman

Old Testament Lesson Psalm 6 Bill Jones

***Gospel Lesson** Mark 13:1-8 Bill Jones

***Response to the Lesson** Bill Jones

One: This is the word of God for the people of God.
Many: Thanks be to God! Amen.

P R A Y E R S O F T H E C O M M U N I T Y

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 in November: The Staff of WGUMC
Mission Prayer Focus in November: Sunday Breakfast Mission**

Kory Arnold		Lynn Morgan (McClain)
Aunt Naomi and Cousin Cheryl (Haley)		Bill Mowery (Shiplet)
Cory Beattie (Shaub)		Tim Mullen
Fran Bryan		Kylie Myer (Hughes)
Jeanette Christman (Deckard)		Ed O'Brien
Bill Cooney (O'Brien)		Family of Hailey Parker (Simonds)
Colin Delaney (McGinley)		James Pollard (Yarbrough)
Bradley Dunn		Tammy Ramberger
Tom Fagan		Vernon Ramberger
Bill Fili, Jr. (Bratton)		Ron Ritter (Chalmers)
Marcus Forst (Howard)		Dot Russell
Dave Hake & Family (May)		Roann Schneider
Lonna Hudson (Hurst)		Doug and Joan Smead (Wolff)
Lee Hunt (Curtiss)		Lorrie Steele
Mike James		Reinhard Streibel (Mullen)
Bill Jones		Fernando & Jonathan Tena
Family of Richard Kreutzfeldt		Zach Trexler (Lytle)
Bill Lilley		Dot Weeks
Pam McClain		Jeff Whelan
Margee Michaels		Megan Wittman (Lytle)



Tom Fagan - USA (Whelan)
Allan Frost - South Korea (Frost)
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	<u>This Sunday, November 15</u>	<u>Next Sunday, November 22</u>
Ushers—11	Fred & Jeannie Sullivan	TBA
Greeters—8:30	Edel Mullen & Joan Saller	Fred and Jeannie Sullivan
Greeters—11	Karen Underwood	The Simonds Family
Acolyte 8:30/11	Larry and Kay Yates	TBA
Nursery 8:30/9:45/11	M. LesSturgeon / Sydney Curtis	Wesley Boyd / Alisabeth Guepet
C. Worship—8:30/11	H. McCummings/K. Smith/OPEN	C. Bruno/R. Catoia/J. Leaman
Lay Reader—8:30	Amy Castaldi / OPEN	Jessi Timm / OPEN
Liturgist—11:00	Mark Simonds	Luke Chalmers
Moment All Ages	Bill Jones	Susan Paisley
Hospitality 8:30/11	Joan Leaman	Eileen Bushnell
Counters	Covingtons / Scott Steele	The Chalmers / Linda Peirson
Sound Booth	The Rambergers	Margee Michaels and Scott Steele
	Joe Dea/B. Ditzel/K. Schneider	Joe Dea/B. Ditzel/K. Schneider

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

Sunday:	TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER 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 and Memory Bells
2:00 p.m.- 3:00 p.m.	Visitation for the Richard Kruezfelt family (Sanc.)
3:00 p.m.	Memorial Service for Richard Kruezfelt with luncheon following
6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.	Youth Group Meeting (#8 & 10)
6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.	Mission Possible Meeting (#14)
6:30 p.m.	African American Experience (LU Chapel)
Monday:	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 (#14)
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.)
Tuesday:	CMO Preschool (3, 4, 5, 6)
9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.	CMO Preschool Pictures (8, 10))
9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.	Chapel Time with CMO Preschool (#3)
11:30 a.m.-11:45 a.m.	Brownie Troop 447 (#8, 10)
4:45 p.m.-6:00 p.m.	Jr. Girl Scout Troop #41377 (#8, 10)
6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m.	Finance Meeting (#1)
6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.	Yoga-Sanc.
7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.	Ad Council (#1)
7:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.	CMO Preschool
Wednesday:	Chapel Time with CMO Preschool (Sanc.)
9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.	CMO Soccer Shots (church grounds)
11:15 a.m.-11:45: a.m.	Luther House Bible Study (Bldg. 1)
12:15 p.m.-1:15 p.m.	Family Promise Training (Sanc.)
2:00 p.m.- 3:00 p.m.	Venture Crew Youth Meeting (#8, 10)
6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.	CMO Preschool (3, 4, 5, 6) (Classroom 5 until 1:30 p.m.)
Thursday:	Daisy Troop #4567 (#8, 10)
7:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal (#6)
9:00 a.m.-1:30 p.m.	Boy Scout Troop #12 (#8, 10)
6:00 p.m.- 7:00 p.m.	PraiseWorks Rehearsal
6:45 p.m.-8:00 p.m.	CMO Preschool (3, 4, 5, 6, 8&10)
7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.	Brownie Troop 4070 (#8, 10)
8:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.	Boy Scout Chartering (#1)
Friday:	Girl Scout "Brick for Kids" (Sanc.)
9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.	Daily Reflections (#8, 10)
6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.	TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
Saturday:	Contemporary Worship with the PraiseWorks Band
8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.	Christian Education for All Ages
8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.	Traditional Worship with the Chancel Choir
10:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m.	Community Thanksgiving Service
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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
7:00 p.m.	Community Thanksgiving Service

Anthem "Any Road, Any Cost" Chancel Choir
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Sermon "Follow Which Leader?" Pastor Monica

SERVE

***Hymn of Response** "People Need the Lord" TFWS, No. 2244

Moment of Impact *Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes*

Offering "Raise the Song of Harvest Home" Memory Bells Choir
 Arranged by Jason W. Krug

***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

For the gifts offered this day and every day, we give thanks, O God. Make us good stewards of all you have entrusted to our care. May these gifts be used to serve your beloved creation, to sustain your children in all they say and do, and to build up your kingdom throughout the earth. Amen.

Gathered Prayers of the People Pastor Jim

The Lord's Prayer Pastor Jim

***Hymn of Sending Forth** "Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above" UMH, No. 126

***Benediction** Pastor Monica

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

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



Altar Flowers

The flowers gracing our Altar today are
 In celebration of Sophie, Rachel and Dallas McClain's
 birthday! Love Mom and Dad.



Old Testament Lesson: *Psalm 6*

O Lord, do not rebuke me in your anger, or discipline me in your wrath.
Be gracious to me, O Lord, for I am languishing;
O Lord, heal me, for my bones are shaking with terror.
My soul also is struck with terror, while you, O Lord—how long?
Turn, O Lord, save my life; deliver me for the sake of your steadfast love.
For in death there is no remembrance of you;
in Sheol who can give you praise?
I am weary with my moaning; every night I flood my bed with tears;
I drench my couch with my weeping.
My eyes waste away because of grief;
they grow weak because of all my foes.
Depart from me, all you workers of evil,
for the Lord has heard the sound of my weeping.
The Lord has heard my supplication; the Lord accepts my prayer.
All my enemies shall be ashamed and struck with terror;
they shall turn back, and in a moment be put to shame.

Gospel Lesson: *Mark 13:1-8*

As Jesus came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, “Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!”
Then Jesus asked him, “Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down.”
When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately,
“Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?”
Then Jesus began to say to them, “Beware that no one leads you astray.
Many will come in my name and say, ‘I am he!’
and they will lead many astray.
When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed;
this must take place, but the end is still to come.
For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom;
there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines.
This is but the beginning of the birth pangs.

Meditations For Your Week

Sunday, November 15~ Saturday, November 21



Sunday: “As he came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, ‘Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!’” *Mark 13:1*. Our eyes often drawn to the big and the flashy, instead of what is of God. Ask God to redirect you to see God’s way.

Monday: “Then Jesus began to say to them, ‘Beware that no one leads you astray.’” *Mark 13:5*. In a time when many wish to lead, open your eyes to Jesus.

Tuesday: “Many will come in my name and say, ‘I am he!’ and they will lead many astray.” *Mark 13:6*. Test all leaders against the word of God. Follow those who are leading from God.

Wednesday: “For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birth pangs.” *Mark 13:8*. Where have you seen the in-breaking of God’s kingdom?

Thursday: “My soul also is struck with terror, while you, O Lord—how long? Turn, O Lord, save my life; deliver me for the sake of your steadfast love.” *Psalm 6:3-4*. God’s kingdom is founded on steadfast love. Pray for God’s kingdom to come on earth as it is in heaven.

Friday: “I am weary with my moaning; every night I flood my bed with tears; I drench my couch with my weeping.” *Psalm 6:6* When we are at our lowest, God cares for us the most.

Saturday: “The Lord has heard my supplication; the Lord accepts my prayer.” *Psalm 6:9*. The Lord hears you!

BACKGROUND & EVENTS OF THE BIRTH OF JESUS

West Grove UMC Bible Study, Monday's Nov. 30, Dec. 7, 14, 21
7:00 – 8:30 PM Conference Room #1
By Rev. Jim Mundell

Nov. 30: **GOD'S COVENANT WITH US**

God's covenants with mankind
New Covenant – Jeremiah 31:31-34
The WORD made flesh – John 1:1-6, 14 [1-18]

Dec. 7: **PREPARING THE WAY**

OT Prophecies
Isaiah 7:14, Isaiah 9:6-7, Isaiah 40:3-5
Birth of John the Baptist
Birth foretold – Luke 1:5-25
Birth of John – Luke 1:57-80
Genealogies Of Jesus
Matthew 1:1-17, Luke 3:23-38

Dec. 14: **BIRTH OF JESUS FORETOLD**

From Mary's point of view – Luke 1:26-56
From Joseph's view point – Matt. 1:18-25

Dec. 21: **BIRTH OF JESUS**

Events of the birth of Jesus – Luke 2:1-20
Visit of the Wise Men – Matt. 2:1-18

Commitment cards are available in the Lobby. Please offer your commitments of giving through the offering time.

God's Faithfulness ~ Your Stewardship Report for November 8, 2015

General Offering: \$6,395.⁵⁰
Building Maintenance Fund: \$35.⁰⁰
Worship Attendance: 176
**Emergency Groceries Bags
Distributed YTD: 82**
Youth Stock Shares Purchased: 234
Emergency Aid disbursed YTD: \$1,753.⁸⁰
Endowment Fund Donation: \$2,000.⁰⁰

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

Moment of Impact

Since 1993, the Samaritan's Purse project, Operation Christmas Child, has collected and delivered more than 124 million gift-filled shoeboxes to children in more than 150 countries and territories. Last year, 8.5 million children received shoeboxes. In 2015, Operation Christmas Child hopes to collect enough shoebox gifts to reach another 11 million children. Help serve children 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.

We're glad you've joined us to worship God. Sing, pray and enjoy the Word of God when it is read and preached. Then go forth under the Holy Spirit's leadership. 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.***

**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!

**ELECTRONIC GIVING:** There are many folks who give electronically at West Grove UMC. An "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.**

**FAMILY PROMISE:** We are excited to host our first Family Promise event beginning on Sunday, **December 6 through Saturday, December 12.** Are you interested in volunteering with Family Promise here at our church? Join us on November 18<sup>th</sup> from 6-8pm for additional information and training. **In preparation for hosting, there will be a Family Promising Volunteer Training on Wednesday, November 18, 6-8 p.m. in the Sanctuary.** There are opportunities to serve in hosting, feeding, providing resources, and spending the night at the church. Please contact our team for more information. Janice Bowers: 610-444-8470 [janicemail2@gmail.com](mailto:janicemail2@gmail.com) and Joan Leaman: 484-643-2181 [jmleaman@comcast.net](mailto:jmleaman@comcast.net)

**OUR NEW YOU TUBE CHANNEL:** Thanks to Keith Schneider, we now have a link to the WGUMC *You Tube* Channel: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCCmSkzlor4EexJqIRtPVMZw> We hope you will visit this channel soon! Check out our Sunday School Memory verse for this unit as well as last week's Moment of Impact!

**OUR CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED** to celebrate Thanksgiving on Thursday, November 26<sup>th</sup> and Friday, November 27<sup>th</sup>. Blessings to all our families!

**AFRICAN AMERICAN EXPERIENCE:** Our Understanding the African American Experience and White Privilege group was scheduled to meet at Lincoln University this Sunday. The chapel may not be available, therefore we would like to extend the invitation to the group to come to **West Grove UMC on Sunday, November 15 at 6:30 p.m. in Room #16.** Mel Leaman 610-806-3805.

**The National Christian Choir** will present **JOY, A CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION** on December 12, 2015 at 2 p.m. at the Hempfield HS Performing Arts Center, Landisville, PA (west of Lancaster). Ticket price is \$20--Group of 10-19--\$3 discount (\$17), Group of 20+--\$4 discount (\$16). Our Karen and John Boyd are members of the choir!! If we have at least fifty people signed up, we will consider renting a bus (there would be an additional charge for the bus). We could also carpool. See the poster in the lobby! Please contact Sara Ann



**2015 OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD:** The youth group is sponsoring the Operation Christmas Child Shoebox ministry again this year. Dansko Shoes generously donated all the shoeboxes! Our Youth Group has a display in the lobby with the necessary information--the shoeboxes are now available for pickup. **Please return the filled shoeboxes by Sunday, November 22nd!**

**A UMW Unit Meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 18, at 10 a.m.** at the church. We will be wrapping the treats and filling our Advent Bags. A brief meeting will be held. Please join us to learn more about the missions we support.



**NOVEMBER SOUP SALE:** We will make two favorites. #1- **Roasted Butternut Squash**, #2- **Chicken Corn Chowder** *Sign-up is until Thursday, November 26. There is a sign-up sheet hanging on the blackboards in the lobby, or you can call the church office at 610-869-9334. Pick-up is on Saturday, November 28* between 2 & 4 p.m. or Sunday after Worship Services. The cost is still only **\$5.00 per Quart. Proceeds will help to buy a**

**smart TV for the church in support of Family Promise and many other programs and ministries hosted at WGUMC.** Thank you for supporting WGUMC!

**SUKKOT BOOTH:** Our church again is collecting nonperishable food items and turkey coupons (from local grocery stores) at the Sukkot booth in the lobby through Sunday, November 22. This year's Fall Harvest Food Collection will help replenish the short food supply for 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, several 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 Through November 22.** 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 through November 22. We are accepting all sizes for 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 as we help to keep **EVERYONE** warm this winter!

**ANNUAL CHRISTMAS MUSIC CELEBRATION: SUNDAY, DECEMBER 6TH ~ 6:30 P.M.** Christmas brings out the best music in all of us! Bring your family and invite your friends! Our family-friendly time of 6:30 p.m. allows all ages to join in the festivities. Welcome the Advent Season with music by the Chancel Choir, Memory Bells Handbell Choir, special musical numbers and, of course, a carol sing-along. Stay after for delicious, homemade Christmas cookies and cider! Invite your friends and family to get in the Christmas spirit!



# Community Thanksgiving Service

**Sunday, November 22nd at 7:00 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. Also, help us extend hospitality to those who will be coming to Community Thanksgiving Service on November 22<sup>nd</sup> by **bringing in a treat to share.** Your generosity gives our community an opportunity to fellowship.

## ADVENT

**Join us for Wednesdays Night Fun in Advent**

November 25, December 2, December 9, December 16, And December 23rd ~From 6-8 p.m.

We will have pot-luck style dinner. If you are able, you are invited to bring a dish to share. If you can't, no worries, come anyway! It is a potluck and there is always plenty to be shared!

We will provide plates, utensils, drinks, and desserts.

**Come one week, come all of the weeks!**

**Bring the family, bring the kids, invite your friends and neighbors!**