



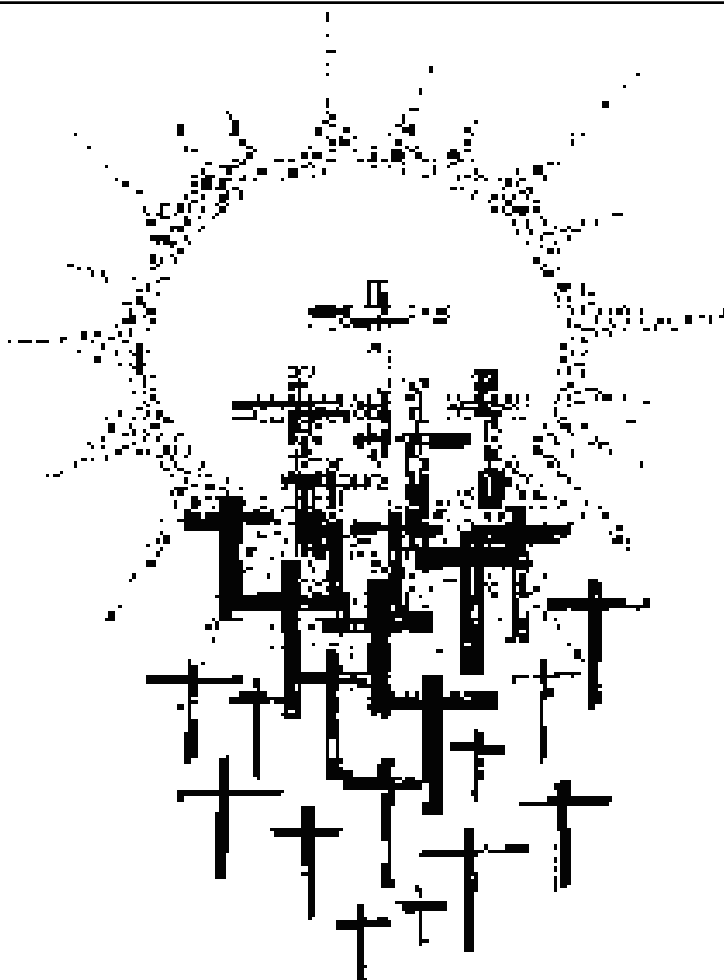
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# West Grove United Methodist Church

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**Twenty-First Sunday After Pentecost**  
*November 2, 2014*

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# All Saints and Communion Sunday

## 11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship

### GATHERING

#### 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 visitor or member, let us know you were here!*

#### \*Call to Worship (Responsive)

Peter Mullen

One: Give thanks to God, for God is good.

**Many: God's love endures forever!**

One: God has come to God's people with blessings and hope.

**Many: God's people live the *examples of God's faithfulness.***

One: God is faithful to the young and old, the male and female, the joyous and the pained.

**Many: Praise God for the many ways God touches our lives. AMEN.**

#### \*Processional Hymn

"For All the Saints"

Hymnal No. 711

#### \*Opening Prayer (Unison)

Peter Mullen

**Almighty God,  
we give you thanks for those who have gone before us in the faith.  
It is their witness and lives that lay the foundation for our lives.  
Grant us grace to follow their lives  
as examples of faithful followers of Christ.  
Give us faith to see beyond what we can see and touch,  
to know the great cloud of witnesses  
who enable us to run our own races with perseverance.  
Let our lives illumine those who come after us towards your way.  
In the name of Christ, Amen.**

#### \*Passing of the peace

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

**Many: And also with you.**

### LISTENING AND RECEIVING

#### Moments for All Ages

Eileen Bushnell

<b>Old Testament Lesson</b>	<i>Ruth 1:1-18</i>	Peter Mullen
<b>New Testament Lesson</b>	<i>Revelation 7:9-17</i>	Peter Mullen

**\*Response to the Lessons**

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

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

**Anthem** "Heaven's Choir" Chancel Choir

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** *The Amazing Race* Pastor Monica

**RESPONDING**

**Hymn of Response** "I Sing a Song of the Saints of God" Hymnal No. 712

**Offering**

**\*Offertory Response** "Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow" Hymnal, 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.**

**All Saints Great Thanksgiving and Remembrance**

*Please wait for the Ushers to guide you to communion.*

**Prayer After Receiving** (written by Rev. Elaine Sweet)

God of field and fruit, of bread and wine, we give thanks for all we have received at this communion table. United with the divine, now unite us better with one another. Lead us to heal divisions, to welcome the stranger, to treat all as family. Send us out to care for creation and one another, as we follow in the redeeming way of Jesus Christ. Amen.

**Gathered Prayers of the People**

**The Lord's Prayer** Hymnal No. 895

**\*Hymn of Sending Forth** "I Know Whom I Have Believed" Hymnal No. 714

**\*Benediction**

**\*Choral Benediction** "Go Now in Peace" Chancel Choir

**\*Postlude**

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

## Old Testament Lesson: Ruth 1:1-8

In the days when the judges ruled, there was a famine in the land, and a certain man of Bethlehem in Judah went to live in the country of Moab, he and his wife and two sons. The name of the man was Elimelech and the name of his wife Naomi, and the names of his two sons were Mahlon and Chilion; they were Ephrathites from Bethlehem in Judah. They went into the country of Moab and remained there. But Elimelech, the husband of Naomi, died, and she was left with her two sons. These took Moabite wives; the name of the one was Orpah and the name of the other Ruth. When they had lived there about ten years, both Mahlon and Chilion also died, so that the woman was left without her two sons and her husband. Then she started to return with her daughters-in-law from the country of Moab, for she had heard in the country of Moab that the Lord had considered his people and given them food. So she set out from the place where she had been living, she and her two daughters-in-law, and they went on their way to go back to the land of Judah. But Naomi said to her two daughters-in-law, "Go back each of you to your mother's house. May the Lord deal kindly with you, as you have dealt with the dead and with me. The Lord grant that you may find security, each of you in the house of your husband." Then she kissed them, and they wept aloud. They said to her, "No, we will return with you to your people." But Naomi said, "Turn back, my daughters, why will you go with me? Do I still have sons in my womb that they may become your husbands? Turn back, my daughters, go your way, for I am too old to have a husband. Even if I thought there was hope for me, even if I should have a husband tonight and bear sons, would you then wait until they were grown? Would you then refrain from marrying? No, my daughters, it has been far more bitter for me than for you, because the hand of the Lord has turned against me." Then they wept aloud again. Orpah kissed her mother-in-law, but Ruth clung to her. So she said, "See, your sister-in-law has gone back to her people and to her gods; return after your sister-in-law." But Ruth said, "Do not press me to leave you or to turn back from following you! Where you go, I will go; where you lodge, I will lodge; your people shall be my people, and your God my God. **17** Where you die, I will die— there will I be buried. May the Lord do thus and so to me, and more as well, if even death parts me from you!" **18** When Naomi saw that she was determined to go with her, she said no more to her.

## Gospel Lesson: Revelation 7:9-17

After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!" And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, singing, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen." Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

# 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. Nothing we own or do can fill our souls as God can. As we worship, I invite you to open your heart to the riches of abundant life the Father showers on us. We invite you to inquire about our church's activities and ministries. 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.***

**OPERATION SHOEBOX IS BACK!** This is a ministry of Samaritans Purse who send gift filled shoe boxes to children all over the world. Want to participate? Here's what you do!

1. Pick up a shoebox in the lobby of the church, decide if you are filling it for a boy or a girl and then fill it up with age appropriate fun items! You can pack it with card games, crayons or markers, toothbrush/paste, a brush or hairbands, soap, socks, note pad...etc.
2. Help with the shipping costs by including \$7 in the box or by going online to donate.
3. Bring your box back to the church lobby by November 23rd.
4. You can download a girl/boy label and find out more about tracking your box, what to donate and more about what the ministry of Samaritan Purse does to help the impoverished all over the world. <http://www.samaritanspurse.org/operation-christmas-child/pack-a-shoe-box/>

**CALLING ALL CHILDREN & YOUTH:** We're looking for ideas for backgrounds for the Sunday morning announcements. Please send your ideas to [wgumc@verizon.net](mailto:wgumc@verizon.net), put "Announcements Background" in the subject line! So we may give you the proper credit, please include a picture of yourself--preferably a head & shoulders shot.

**R.A.P. (Retired Active People)** our next meeting is **Friday, November 14**. We will be blessed with speaker Diane Albertson on the Civil War. She is a true talent and it will make for a wonderful afternoon! Please bring a neighbor or friend, bagged lunch and we will supply the dessert and beverages.

**COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING SERVICE, Sunday, November 23 at 6:30 p.m.** hosted by West Grove UMC! Join us for worship with the churches of our community!

## God's Faithfulness ~ Your Stewardship

Report for October 26, 2014

**General Fund: Offering: \$4,274.<sup>00</sup> Offerings Received YTD: \$269,797.<sup>26</sup>**

**Offerings Estimated to meet Budget YTD: \$294,378 (-\$24,581)**

**Building Maintenance Fund: Offering: \$10.<sup>00</sup> Year-to-Date: \$9,522.<sup>97</sup>**

**Worship Attendance: 144 Sunday School Attendance: 42**

**Emergency Food Bags distributed year-to-date: 65**

**THIS WEEK: November 2 through November 9, 2014**

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

**Sunday:**

**TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
ALL SAINTS SUNDAY AND COMMUNION SUNDAY**

8:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship with PraiseWorks Band  
9:45 a.m. J.A.M. and Christian Education classes  
11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship with Chancel Choir  
**2:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m. Twin Pines Nursing Home Ministry**  
7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. MS Youth Group Meeting (#8 & 10)

**Monday:**

9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. CMO Preschool (3, 4, 5, 6, Sanc.)  
9:30 a.m.-11:00 p.m. Knit Wits (#1)  
6:00 p.m.-7:15 p.m. Daisy Troop 4383 (#9)  
6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m. Memory Bells Rehearsal (Sanc.)  
6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m. S.O.S. Ladies (#8, 10)  
**7:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m. "Portraits of Christ" Bible Study (#14)**

**Tuesday:**

9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. CMO Preschool (3, 4, 5, 6, Sanc.)  
4:45 p.m.-5:45 p.m. Brownie Troop 447 (#8, 10)  
6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m. Brownie Troop 41377 (#8, 10)  
6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. Yoga (Sanc.)  
7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Trustees Meeting (#1)

**Wednesday:**

9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. CMO Preschool (3, 4, 5, 6, Sanc.)  
2:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m. Luther House Bible Study (Bldg. 1)  
6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. Brownie Troop 453(#9)  
7:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m. Venture Crew Meeting (#12)

**Thursday:**

**8:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m. CMO Picture Day**  
9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. CMO Preschool (3, 4, 5, 6, Sanc.)  
4:30 p.m.-6:00 p.m. All Staff Meeting (#1)  
6:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. Daisy Troop 4567 (#9)  
6:45 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. Chancel 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 Band Rehearsal (Sanc.)

**Friday:**

**8:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m. CMO Picture Day**  
9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. CMO Preschool (3, 4, 5, 6, Sanc.)

**Saturday:**

9:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. JULIET Breakfast-  
10:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m. Daily Reflections (#8, 10)

**Sunday:**

**TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
Baptism Sunday ~ Savannah Marie Taylor**

8:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship with PraiseWorks Band  
9:45 a.m. J.A.M. and Christian Education classes  
11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship with Chancel Choir  
**2:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m. Twin Pines Nursing Home Ministry**

# 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 November: The Emergency Food Shelf and The Bridge Mission Prayer Focus in October: Stop Hunger Now**

Marianne Aquino  
 Kory Arnold  
 Grace Baker (Mears)  
 Michael Basilio (Covington)  
 Cory Beattie (Shaub)  
 Olive Brinton  
 Maura Carroll (Bates)  
 Dee Crawford  
 Joe Devereaux (Keystone)  
 Judy Elvin (Bryan)  
 Lil and Bill Fili (Bratton)  
 Bill Fili, Jr. (Bratton)  
 John Gambill  
 Richard Heacock  
 Matt Helm (Laird)  
 Nancy Jessup (Gambill)  
 Eddie Lavin (Eason)  
 Bill Lilley  
 Neva Luttman (Miller)  
 June Martz  
 John McGinley  
 Phil Miller (Ramberger)



Lynn Morgan (McClain)  
 Harry Moyer (Saller)  
 Tim Mullen  
 Family of Gen Offerman (Hruz)  
 Liz Powell (Schrader)  
 Tammy Ramberger  
 Lisa Reoli  
 Juanita Rickards  
 Tom Rosazza (Ramberger)  
 Dot Russell  
 Roann Schneider  
 Family of Jim Schriver (Mears)  
 Peg Seiz (Fackler)  
 Bill Shiplet (L. Shiplet)  
 Jeannie Sullivan  
 Fernando Tena  
 Jonathan Tena  
 Dorothy Tolmie (Tolmie)  
 Zach Trexler (Lytle)  
 Joseph White (Tolmie)  
 Shelley Wiseman (Hruz)  
 Megan Wittman (Lytle)



Tom Fagan - USA (Whelan)  
 Allan Frost - Guam (Frost)  
 Brian Kubo - Qatar (Edel Mullen)  
 LTC Eric Maxwell, U.S. Embassy, Mexico City (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**  
**S. S. Roamers**  
**Lay Reader—8:30**  
**Liturgist—11:00**  
**Moment All Ages**  
**Counters**  
**Sound Booth**

### **This Sunday, November 2**

Mike Chalmers & Luke Chalmers  
 Tom and Charlotte Adams  
 The Simonds Family  
 Ruth Wells and Kay Yates  
 Wesley Boyd / Sydney Curtis  
 K. Reischke/R. Catoia/K. Boyd  
 Amy Simonds / OPEN  
 Fran Miller  
 Ken Arnold  
 Peter Mullen  
 Eileen Bushnell  
 George Anderson and Donna Shaub  
 Joe Dea/B. Ditzel

### **Next Sunday, November 9**

Mike Chalmers & Luke Chalmers  
 Tom and Charlotte Adams  
 The Simonds Family  
 Ruth Wells and Kay Yates  
 Cecelia Figueroa / Alisabeth Guepet  
 J. Lindtner/C. Bratton/L. McClain  
 Jessi Timm / Joan Leaman  
 Amy Castaldi  
 Judy Gambill  
 Vernon Ramberger  
 Julie Hughes  
 Vernon and Sara Ann Ramberger  
 Joe Dea/B. Ditzel

# **All Saints and Communion Sunday 8:30 Contemporary Worship Service**

## **Opening Song**

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## **Welcome and Ministry Opportunities and Opening Prayer**

Pastor Monica

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First-time visitor or member, let us know you were here!*

## **Celebration Set**

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## **Passing of the Peace**

## **Moment For All Ages**

Eileen Bushnell

## **Scripture**

*Ruth 1:1-18*

*Revelation 7:9-17*

Ken Arnold

Children from Age 4 through Grade 4 are dismissed to meet in room #9 for Children's Worship. At 9:30, the children staying for JAM will be taken to the youth room (#8 & 10) and those who are not staying will be brought back to the Sanctuary.

## **Sermon**

“The Amazing Race”

Pastor Monica

## **Offering**

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## **All Saints Great Thanksgiving and Remembrance**

*Please wait for the Ushers to guide you to communion.*

## **Prayers of the People**

The Lord's Prayer

## **Closing Song**

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## **Benediction**

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