

Thanksgiving Sunday

11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship

GATHERING

Prelude

“A Song of Thanksgiving”

Memory Bells Choir
Arranged by Michael Helman

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)

Margee Michaels

One: When they said, “Let’s go to the house of God,”

Many: my heart leaped for joy.

One: The city to which the tribes ascend, all God’s tribes go up to worship,

Many: to give thanks to the name of God.

One: For the sake of my family and friends,

Many: I say it again: live in peace!

One: For the sake of the house of our God,

Many: God, I’ll do my very best for you.

*Processional Hymn

“Come, Ye Thankful People, Come”

Hymnal No. 694

*Opening Prayer (Unison)

Margee Michaels

**Generous God, we marvel at the blessings we recount
in this season of gratitude.**

**Hot showers in the morning
and sustenance that carries us through the day;
work that provides for those we love
and companions that bring joy to our days.**

What blessings are ours, Creator God.

**Pets that awaken us to live and routine,
grandparents that care with love,
and children whose joy calls us back to the present.**

We give you thanks, O God.

**For employers whose hearts are greater than profits
and friends who care for needs we did not know we had,
your gifts are abundant.**

Cultivate our love and gratitude as we turn back to you.

**God in Community, Holy in One,
may thanksgiving be in every word we speak,
in the name of the Christ, we pray, 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

Joan Leaman

Old Testament Lesson

Judges 4:1-10

Margee Michaels

***Gospel Lesson**

Matthew 25:31-46

Margee Michaels

***Response to the Lessons**

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

Many: Thanks be to God! Amen.

Anthem

“Proclamation of Gratitude”

Chancel Choir

Accompanied by the Memory Bells 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 Bachelorette

Pastor Monica

RESPONDING

Hymn of Response

“We Gather Together”

Hymnal No. 131

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.

Gathered Prayers of the People

Rev. Jim Mundell

The Lord’s Prayer

Hymnal No. 895

***Hymn of Sending Forth**

“Now Thank We All Our God”

Hymnal No. 102

***Benediction**

***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 space today are
In Celebration of Kelly Hendrickson’s Birthday!
With love from Matt and Baby Mason



Old Testament Lesson: Judges 4:1-10

Deborah and Barak

The Israelites again did what was evil in the sight of the Lord, after Ehud died. So the Lord sold them into the hand of King Jabin of Canaan, who reigned in Hazor; the commander of his army was Sisera, who lived in Harosheth-ha-goiim. Then the Israelites cried out to the Lord for help; for he had nine hundred chariots of iron, and had oppressed the Israelites cruelly twenty years.

At that time Deborah, a prophetess, wife of Lappidoth, was judging Israel. She used to sit under the palm of Deborah between Ramah and Bethel in the hill country of Ephraim; and the Israelites came up to her for judgment. She sent and summoned Barak son of Abinoam from Kedesh in Naphtali, and said to him, "The Lord, the God of Israel, commands you, "Go, take position at Mount Tabor, bringing ten thousand from the tribe of Naphtali and the tribe of Zebulun. I will draw out Sisera, the general of Jabin's army, to meet you by the Wadi Kishon with his chariots and his troops; and I will give him into your hand.'" Barak said to her, "If you will go with me, I will go; but if you will not go with me, I will not go." And she said, "I will surely go with you; nevertheless, the road on which you are going will not lead to your glory, for the Lord will sell Sisera into the hand of a woman." Then Deborah got up and went with Barak to Kedesh. Barak summoned Zebulun and Naphtali to Kedesh; and ten thousand warriors went up behind him; and Deborah went up with him.

Gospel Lesson: Matthew 25:31-46

"When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, "Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.'" Then the righteous will answer him, "Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?" And the king will answer them, "Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.'" Then he will say to those at his left hand, "You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.'" Then they also will answer, "Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?" Then he will answer them, "Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.'" And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

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.

Family and friends, guests and visitors: Welcome to Thanksgiving worship as we take time to celebrate and be grateful for all that God has done. 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 DUE TODAY.** This is a ministry of Samaritans Purse who send gift filled shoe boxes to children all over the world. Shoeboxes are still available in the You can fill it with items such as card games, crayons or markers, toothbrush/paste, a brush or hairbands, soap, socks, note pad...etc. Help with the shipping costs by including \$7 in the box.

**Join us tonight for the COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING SERVICE at 6:30 p.m.** hosted by West Grove UMC! Consider bringing a treat to share as we fellowship after the service. We hope you will join us for worship with the churches of our community!

**ADVENT DREAMS:** Advent Dreams is a four-week long Bible study series exploring the four dream sequences in Matthew 1:18 to 2:23 that comprise the entirety of Jesus' infancy in Matthew's Gospel. Join us on **Wednesday mornings from 9:30—11:00 am., December 3, 10, 17 and January 7**

**CHRISTMAS GIFT TREE** will be up in the Narthex On November 30th. On the tree, there will be gift tags for families and individuals in need. Please prayerfully consider taking a tag and helping someone in need over this Christmas season. Details will follow.

**MOVIE-ING THROUGH ADVENT: WEDNESDAYS, 6-8 P.M. Join us for Potluck dinner and the full movie** that the upcoming Sunday's sermon will be based on. 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! Pajamas for the kids are great, along with a comfy blanket and pillow! A short meditation will follow the movie. Join us as we prepare for Christ's birth and second coming with movies! **November 26<sup>th</sup>** – How the Grinch Stole Christmas – animated version; **December 3<sup>rd</sup>** – Home Alone; **December 10<sup>th</sup>** – Miracle on 34<sup>th</sup> Street; **December 17<sup>th</sup>** – It's a Wonderful Life!

**LIVE NATIVITY, SATURDAY, DECEMBER 20, 6-8 P.M.** Help Us Celebrate the Real Reason for the Season! We need YOUR help with the Living Nativity! This year's Living Nativity is scheduled for December 20<sup>TH</sup> from 6-8pm. We need lots of help to make this event successful. Sign up to bake cookies, provide hot beverages, lend a hand in set up or take down of the Nativity scene, greet people as they arrive, or even dress as one of the many Nativity characters. For more information, or to sign-up, contact Lori McClain at 610-869-7812

**THIS WEEK: November 23 through November 30, 2014**

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

- Sunday: TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**  
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 and Memory Bells  
**1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. Youth Turkey Bowl (outside)**  
**6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. Community Thanksgiving Service (Sanc.)**
- Monday:** 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. CMO Preschool Fall Conferences (3, 4, 5, 6)  
9:30 a.m.-11:00 p.m. Knit Wits (#1)  
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. UMW Women In Action Circle (#15)
- Tuesday:** 9:30 a.m.-10:30 a.m. Staff Meeting  
6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m. Brownie Troop 498 (#8, 10)  
7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Girl Scout Troop 41250 ( #12)  
7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Yoga-Sanc.
- Wednesday:** 2:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m. Luther House Bible Study (Bldg. 1)  
**6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m. Movie-ing Through Advent (Kit., Sanc.)**
- Thursday: Happy Thanksgiving! Church Office is Closed.**
- Friday: Church Office is Closed.**
- Saturday:** 10:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m. Daily Reflections (#8, 10)
- Sunday: FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT**  
**Fifth Sunday Coin Collection to Benefit The Garage Youth Center**  
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 and Memory Bells

**God's Faithfulness ~ Your Stewardship**

**Report for November 16, 2014**

**General Fund: Offering: \$5,922.<sup>83</sup> Offerings Received YTD: \$288,854.<sup>09</sup>**

**Offerings Estimated to meet Budget YTD: \$314,916 (-\$26,062)**

**Building Maintenance Fund: Offering: \$10.<sup>00</sup> Year-to-Date: \$10,043.<sup>97</sup>**

**Worship Attendance: 185 Sunday School Attendance: 57**

**Emergency Food Bags distributed year-to-date: 72**

# 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 November: Stop Hunger Now**

Marianne Aquino

Kory Arnold

Grace Baker (Mears)

Michael Basilio  
(Covington)

Cory Beattie (Shaub)

Family of Olive Brinton

Maura Carroll (Bates)

Dee Crawford

Laura Deckman (Paisley)

Joe Devereaux (Keystone)

Olivia Eason

Family of Judy Elvin (Bryan)

Steve Engle (Ramberger)

Lil and Bill Fili (Bratton)

Bill Fili, Jr. (Bratton)

Family of Charles Fisher

John Gambill

Richard Heacock

Matt Helm (Laird)

Tonya Howell (Boyd)

Nancy Jessup (Gambill)

Deborah Kennedy (Coates)

Peg Kent

Bill Lilley

Neva Luttmann (Miller)



Family of June Martz

John McGinley

Phil Miller (Ramberger)

Lynn Morgan (McClain)

Harry Moyer (Saller)

Peter Mullen

Tim Mullen

Dale Palmer (B. Smith)

Liz Powell (Schrader)

Tammy Ramberger

Lisa Reoli

Tom Rosazza (Ramberger)

Dot Russell

Roann Schneider

Bill Shiptet (L. Shiptet)

Elli Streibel (Mullen)

Heidi Streibel (Mullen)

Jeanette Stryjewski

Jeannie Sullivan

Fernando Tena

Jonathan Tena

Dorothy Tolmie (Tolmie)

Zach Trexler (Lytle)

Joseph White (Tolmie)

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 23**

Mike Chalmers & Luke Chalmers

Tom and Charlotte Adams

The Simonds Family

Ruth Wells and Kay Yates

Nathan Robinson / Matt Rinehimer

C. Bruno/K. Smith/K. Boyd

Sara White / Kim Weingartner

Maryanne Covington

Rain Catoia

Margee Michaels

Joan Leaman

Margee Michaels & Scott Steele

Joe Dea/B. Ditzel

### **Next Sunday, November 30**

Mike Chalmers & Luke Chalmers

Tom and Charlotte Adams

The Simonds Family

Ruth Wells and Kay Yates

Matt Simonds / Alisabeth Guepet

M. Rubincan/R. Catoia/J. Leaman

Eileen Bushnell / OPEN

Cindy Haley

Joan Leaman

Wanda Kruezfeldt

Karen Hruz

Bill Jones and Tim Shaub

Joe Dea/B. Ditzel

# **Thanksgiving Sunday**

## **8:30 Contemporary Worship Service**

### **Opening Song**

“Today Is The Day”

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

Pastor Monica

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### **Celebration Set**

“You Are The One”

“You Are God Alone”

### **Passing of the Peace**

### **Moment For All Ages**

Joan Leaman

### **Scripture**

*Judges 4:1-10*

*\*Matthew 25:31-46*

Rain Catoia

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 Bachelorette”

Pastor Monica

### **Offering**

“Thank You Lord”

### **Prayers of the People**

The Lord's Prayer

Rev. Jim Mundell

### **Closing Song**

“Love The Lord”

### **Benediction**

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