



West Grove United Methodist Church

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



Third Sunday in Lent
March 8, 2015

**Third Sunday in Lent ~ Baptism Sunday
11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship**

GATHERING

Prelude

Welcome and Ministry Opportunities

Melissa Jones

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

***Call to Worship** (Responsive) (based on Isaiah 43:1-7) Karen Boyd

Leader: The Lord says I have created and formed you. Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, child, you are mine.

People: Do not fear, for the Lord says, 'bring my sons and daughters everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made.'

Leader: When you walk through waters, you will not be overwhelmed. And as you go through fire, you will not be burned.

People: You are precious in my sight, and honored, and I love you, says the Lord to all of God's children.

***Processional Hymn** "Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing" Hymnal No. 400

***Opening Prayer** (Unison) Karen Boyd

**Holy God, Parent of us all,
we praise you for your love proclaimed in baptism
in which we have become your sons and daughters.
By your mercy, renew us to your living hope through Jesus Christ
as we are born again through water and Spirit
remembering our own baptisms.
In Your Blessed Name, 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

Eileen Bushnell

***Gospel Lesson**

Luke 18:15-18

Karen Boyd

Response to the Lesson

Karen Boyd

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

Many: Thanks be to God! Amen.

Anthem

“Train Up a Child”

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

“Let The Children Come”

Bishop Peggy Johnson

RESPONDING

***Hymn of Response**

“For Everyone Born”

(PowerPoint)

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**

The Sacrament of Baptism

Peter David Guepet

Hymn

“Child of Blessing, Child of Promise” Hymn No. 611, Vss. 1,3

Sacrament of Holy Communion

Written by Rev. Michael Johnson, spouse to
Bishop Peggy Johnson

Please wait for the Ushers to guide you to communion.

Prayer After Receiving (Unison)

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

***Hymn of Sending Forth**

“How Great Thou Art”

Hymnal No. 77

***Benediction**

***Choral Benediction**

“Here in the Shadow of the Cross”

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 Honor of Peter David Guepet’s Baptism
With love from his family
and
In honor of all those who are celebrating
Birthdays in March! Love, Linda Shiplet



11:00 a.m. Gospel Lesson: Luke 18:15-18

Now they were bringing even infants to him that he might touch them; and when the disciples saw it, they rebuked them. But Jesus called them to him, saying, "Let the children come to me, and do not hinder them; for to such belongs the kingdom of God. Truly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God like a child shall not enter it." And a ruler asked him, "Good Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?"

8:30 a.m. Gospel Lesson: John 2:13-22

The Passover of the Jews was at hand, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the temple he found those who were selling oxen and sheep and pigeons, and the money-changers at their business. And making a whip of cords, he drove them all, with the sheep and oxen, out of the temple; and he poured out the coins of the money-changers and overturned their tables. And he told those who sold the pigeons, "Take these things away; you shall not make my Father's house a house of trade." His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for thy house will consume me." The Jews then said to him, "What sign have you to show us for doing this?" Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." The Jews then said, "It has taken forty-six years to build this temple, and will you raise it up in three days?" But he spoke of the temple of his body. When therefore he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word which Jesus had spoken.

God's Faithfulness ~ Your Stewardship

Report for March 1, 2015

General Fund: Offering: \$13,859.⁸⁹ Offerings Received YTD: \$48,033.⁸⁴

Building Maintenance Fund: Offering: \$270.⁰⁰ Year-to-Date: \$1,575.⁰⁰

Worship Attendance: 8:30—73 + 11:00—95 = Total: 168 Sunday School: 63

Emergency Food Bags distributed year-to-date: 6

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! God has promised to be our God and to let us be his people. May we focus confidently on the blessing of such a loving relationship as we worship God today. 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.***

**This morning, we welcome out Bishop Peggy Johnson** to lead us in worship. Bishop Johnson was elected a bishop of The United Methodist Church by the Northeastern Jurisdictional Conference in 2008 and is assigned to the Philadelphia Episcopal Area, comprised of the Eastern Pennsylvania and the Peninsula-Delaware Annual Conferences.

**We welcome our District Superintendent, The Rev. Dawn Taylor-Storm.** Rev. Taylor-Storm is the district superintendent of the Southeast District of the Eastern Pennsylvania Annual Conference

**We welcome the Rev. Susan Worrell**, an ordained deacon and Mental Health and Substance Abuse chaplain with the United Methodist Church serving on the pastoral staff of The United Methodist Church of the Open Door in Kennett Square.

**We welcome David Koch**, Lay Leader of our Conference, elected in 2014. Mr. Koch is a Christ Servant Minister, former President of the Conference Board of Pension and Health Benefits, and is a member at Grove United Methodist Church in West Chester.

**JULIET:** Saturday, March 14, 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? See Margee Michaels or Chris Curtiss.

**RAP:** Retired Active Persons will meet at the church on Friday, March 13th. Please join us for a presentation from antique appraisers Dolores and Leon Rowe. They are lifelong residents of the area. They are back by popular demand. Bring your lunch and a friend.

**RAP and UMW Hosting Marie Monville**, Author of "One Light Still Shines: My Life Beyond the Shadow of the Amish Schoolhouse Shooting" on Friday, April 10 at 6:30 p.m. Light refreshments will be served. Seating is limited, so please plan to arrive early.

**THIS WEEK: March 8 through March 15, 2015**

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

**Sunday:**

**THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT**

**Baptism of Peter David Guepet**

**Bishop Peggy Johnson and District Superintendent Rev. Dawn Taylor-Storm**

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  
7:00p.m.-8:30 p.m. High School Youth Group (#8, 10)

**Monday:**

9:00 a.m 12:00 p.m. CMO Preschool Classes (#3,4,5,6)  
12:00 p.m.-1:30 p.m. CMO Lunch Bunch  
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. Crown Financial (#1)

**Tuesday:**

9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. CMO Preschool Classes (#3, 4, 5, 6)  
9:30 a.m.-10:30 a.m. Staff Meeting  
6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m. Brownie Troop 04317 (#14)  
7:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m. 4-H Robotics Club ( #8, 10)  
7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. AG Wildcats (#15)  
7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Girl Scout Troop 41250 ( #12)  
7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. Yoga (Sanc.)

**Wednesday:**

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. CMO Preschool Classes (#3, 4, 5, 6)  
2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Luther House Bible Study (Bldg. 1)  
7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Caregivers Meeting (#16)  
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 Classes (#3, 4, 5, 6)  
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

**Friday:**

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. CMO Preschool Classes (#3, 4, 5, 6)  
9:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. UMW Faith Circle (#1)

**Saturday:**

8: a.m. 1:00 p.m. TOOLS FOR MINISTRY (All church)  
10:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m. Daily Reflections (#8, 10)

**Sunday:**

**FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT**

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  
7:00p.m.-8:30 p.m. Middle School Youth Group (#8, 10)

# PRAYERS OF THE COMMUNITY

**Would you like to add someone to the Prayer Chain? Due to back surgery for Donna, please contact Sara Ann Ramberger at sar57ver@verizon.net or 610-869-3863 for all prayer requests until further notice.** 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 Sara Ann.** Thank you.

**Community Prayer Focus in March: Children's Morning Out Preschool**  
**Mission Prayer Focus in March: Family Promise**

Darlene Alleger  
(Guepet)

Therese Allen (Bowers)

Dennis Baldwin (Boyd)

Cory Beattie (Shaub)

Carolyn Bratton

Fran Bryan

Maura Carroll (Bates)

Kristine DeBoda (Yates)

Sandy Deckard

David Dickens (Hoover)

Leslie Dunn (Boyd)

Natalie Eason

Donna Fackler

Lil and Bill Fili (Bratton)

Bill Fili, Jr. (Bratton)

Family of Paul Jubinsky

(Guepet)

Matt Helm (Laird)

Tonya Howell (Boyd)

Deborah Kennedy (Coates)

Kim Kurz (Ramberger)

Family of Fred Landis

Amy Lengel & family (May)

Bill Lilley

Kay Longnecker (Mullen)

Family of Jose Lopez (Tena)

Neva Luttman (Miller)



Dave McClain

Gloria Miller (Ramberger)

Lisa Montgomery (Russell)

Lynn Morgan (McClain)

The Mothersil Family

(Murphy)

Tim Mullen

Ami Murray and Family (May)

Ed O'Brien

Tammy Ramberger

Lisa Reoli

The Rinehimer Family

Shirley Rosazza (Ramberger)

Dot Russell

Richard Saller

Roann Schneider

Sandy & Doug Schwartz (Mullen)

Family of Ellie Streibel (Mullen)

Jeannie Sullivan

Fernando Tena

Dorothy Tolmie (Tolmie)

Family of Joseph Tolmie (Tolmie)

Zach Trexler (Lytle)

Reston Turn & Family (May)

Dot Weeks

Megan Wittman (Lytle)

Chris Wolfe (Bauer)

John Wrek (Hruz)



Tom Fagan - USA (Whelan)

Allan Frost - Guam (Frost)

Brian Kubo - Maryland (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**

**Hospitality 8:30/11**

**Counters**

**Sound Booth**

### **This Sunday, March 8**

Tim and Eileen Bushnell

Ralph Curtiss and Kay Yates

John and Judy Gambill

Ed and Becky Tolmie

J. Robinson / A. Kirwin

J. Lindtner / C. Bratton / E. Mullen

Judy Gambill / Jessica Timm

Joan Leaman

Mark Simonds

Karen Boyd

Eileen Bushnell

The Chalmers / The Mears

Vernon and Sara Ann Ramberger

Joe Dea / B. Ditzel / K. Schneider

### **Next Sunday, March 15**

Tim and Eileen Bushnell

Ralph Curtiss and Kay Yates

John and Judy Gambill

Ed and Becky Tolmie

W. Boyd / S. Reynolds

H. McCummings / K. Smith / K. Boyd

OPEN / Heather Ditzel

Maryanne Covington

Rain Catoia

Tom Hoover

Jamie Lindtner

The Covingtons / Scott Steele

Dave Talley and TBA

Joe Dea / B. Ditzel / K. Schneider

# **Third Sunday in Lent**

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

### **Opening Song**

“Come, Now is the Time to Worship”

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

Melissa Jones

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### **Celebration Set**

“It’s All For You ”

“I Will Never Be”

### **Passing of the Peace**

### **Moment For All Ages**

Eileen Bushnell

### **Scripture**

*John 2:13-22*

Mark Simonds

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**

“*Spring Cleaning*”

The Rev. Dawn Taylor-Storm

### **Offering**

“Sanctuary”

### **Sacrament of Holy Communion**

“For Everyone Born”

Written by Rev. Michael Johnson,  
spouse to Bishop Peggy Johnson

### **Closing Song**

“Take My Life (Holiness)”

### **Benediction**

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