



West Grove United Methodist Church

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



Dancing in the Streets!

Tenth Sunday After Pentecost

August 2, 2015

OPEN

Prelude

Welcome

Pastor Monica

Ministry Opportunities

*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!*

***Welcoming Music**

“Lord of the Dance”

Hymnal No. 261

***Call to Worship (Responsive)**

Karen Hruz

One: Blessed be the Lord of Hosts, who cleanses and heals our lives.

Many: Praise be to God!

One: Blessed be the Holy One, who brings us from despair to hope.

Many: Praise be to God!

One: Blessed be the Giver of Life, who nurtures and comforts us.

Many: Let us praise God with our whole hearts and souls! AMEN

***Opening Prayer (Unison)**

Karen Hruz

Loving God, we greet you this day with joy. Joy that you have woken us up.

Joy that we are given another chance. Joy that you are always with us.

**Grant that this day may be filled with your joy and that we might overflow
with praises of you. In the name of Christ, we pray, Amen.**

***Passing of the Peace**

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

Many: And also with you.

GROW

Moment for All Ages

Julie Hughes

***Song of Preparation**

“Better Is One Day”

PraiseWorks Band

Old Testament Lesson

Psalms 84

Karen Hruz

Old Testament Lesson

2 Samuel:6:14-19

Karen Hruz

Response to the Lessons

Karen Hruz

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

Many: Thanks be to God.

After Pentecost Worship

(Children 4-10 years meet in room #9 for Children's Worship. Parents, please pick up your children in room #9 immediately following the worship service.)

Sermon "Dancing in the Streets" Pastor Monica

SERVE

Moment of Impact Union Beach Mission Trip Youth Group

Offering "Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above" Hymnal No. 126

Offertory Prayer (Unison) Pastor Jim

Blessed God, You have called to offer our tithes, offerings and gifts to the needs of the saints and to extend hospitality to strangers. Hallow these gifts that they may be a blessing to many in your name, Amen.

***Invitation** Pastor Monica

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Holy God, we confess that we have mistaken You for the world. We come to worship You in a building when You are present in the community, within and beyond these walls. We have loved our lives too much that we are unwilling to risk, and we allow oppression and marginalization to continue because we don't want to get involved. Forgive us, we pray. Turn us back to You, make our desire Your desire, and help us to follow You to the cross and beyond. In the name of Christ, who emptied himself on the cross for us, we pray. Amen.

Words of Assurance Pastor Monica

The Great Thanksgiving

Communion Song "Enough" PraiseWorks Band

Prayer After Receiving Pastor Jim

God of Life, your Risen Son has gathered us into the church, nourished us with his body and blood, and poured out upon us your Holy Spirit. Grant that we may receive the blessing of your grace, so that we may love you with all our hearts, and gladly serve others in the name of Christ, Amen.

***Song of Sending Forth** "Break Free" PraiseWorks Band

***Benediction**

Postlude

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

Old Testament Lesson: *Psalm 84*

The Joy of Worship in the Temple

How lovely is your dwelling place, O Lord of hosts!

My soul longs, indeed it faints for the courts of the Lord;
my heart and my flesh sing for joy to the living God.

Even the sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for herself,
where she may lay her young, at your altars, O Lord of hosts,
my King and my God.

Happy are those who live in your house, ever singing your praise. Selah

Happy are those whose strength is in you, in whose heart are the highways to
Zion.

As they go through the valley of Baca they make it a place of springs;
the early rain also covers it with pools.

They go from strength to strength; the God of gods will be seen in Zion.

O Lord God of hosts, hear my prayer; give ear, O God of Jacob! Selah

Behold our shield, O God; look on the face of your anointed.

For a day in your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere. I would rather be a
doorkeeper in the house of my God than live in the tents of wickedness.

For the Lord God is a sun and shield; he bestows favor and honor.

No good thing does the Lord withhold from those who walk uprightly.

O Lord of hosts, happy is everyone who trusts in you.

Old Testament Lesson: *2 Samuel:6:14-19*

David danced before the LORD with all his might; David was girded with a linen ephod. So David and all the house of Israel brought up the ark of the LORD with shouting, and with the sound of the trumpet.

As the ark of the LORD came into the city of David, Michal daughter of Saul looked out of the window, and saw King David leaping and dancing before the LORD; and she despised him in her heart.

They brought in the ark of the LORD, and set it in its place, inside the tent that David had pitched for it; and David offered burnt offerings and offerings of well-being before the LORD. When David had finished offering the burnt offerings and the offerings of well-being, he blessed the people in the name of the LORD of hosts, and distributed food among all the people, the whole multitude of Israel, both men and women, to each a cake of bread, a portion of meat, and a cake of raisins. Then all the people went back to their homes.

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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.

Thank you for joining us today! We are happy to welcome you to this service of worship. May it be a wonderful spiritual experience for everyone. Sing praise to God! 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.***

**OUR TRUSTEES are currently evaluating and addressing potential leaks and repairs to our air conditioning in the Narthex. We hope you will understand in the interim.**

**DO YOU HAVE FAITH? This Sunday, FAITH cards (like BINGO) will be available once again for our children and youth during the service.** Mark off your spaces by coloring them in. When you get "FAITH", feel free to shout out faith (and make a witness!). At the end of the service, please come see Pastor Monica for a surprise!

**WEDNESDAY FAITH, FOOD AND FUN NIGHTS: 6-8 p.m.!** Everyone is invited to join together for an opening devotion from Pastor Monica, lots of great food, and fun games. Families can get a night off of cooking by coming to the church for hot dogs and whatever assortment of side dishes show up. If you have already come to one of the nights, you know there is always an abundance!! All beverages are supplied. If you'd like to bring a bag of chips, some cookies, or side dish, they will be appreciated, but are by no means mandatory. The event is totally free. Games are available, 9-In-The-Air is a favorite of all ages, a gated playground is open for little ones, and the ample parking lot and grounds provide lots of space for kids of all ages to play. **Bring your lawn chair and take the night off! Invite your friends and neighbors!**

**West Grove United Methodist Church will be partnering with Good Works, a Christian nonprofit based in Coatesville, on Saturday, August 8<sup>th</sup>.** This full day service opportunity will focus on home repair for one low-income homeowner in the greater Coatesville area. Good Works workday staff, who are also volunteers, organize the work, plan for the needed materials, and accompany each group to the homes needing work. Applicants who have been approved by our agency receive repair services on their homes free of charge. **All tools and supplies are provided** and our volunteers even teach people how to do what is needed! Workday staff remain in the home the entire time working beside the volunteers; **you are never left on your own** and there will always be someone to help you if you are unsure how to proceed. **Lunch will be provided** for you and the work continues after lunch, finishing usually around **4 p.m.** Contact Melissa Jones at [melissa.jones@westgroveumc.org](mailto:melissa.jones@westgroveumc.org) to sign up!

**THIS WEEK: August 2 through August 9, 2015**

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

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| <b>Sunday:</b>    | <b>TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST</b><br><b>Communion Sunday and Emergency Food Shelf Sunday</b><br>7:30 a.m. PraiseWorks Band Rehearsal<br>9:30 a.m. <b>Blended Worship with both Contemporary and Traditional elements</b><br>2:00 p.m. <b>Twin Pines Worship</b><br>7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. African American Experience (#11, 13) |
| <b>Monday:</b>    | 9:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m. Knit Wits (#1)<br>6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. CMO Advisory Team Meeting (#1)<br>6:30 p.m.- 8:00 p.m. S.O.S. Ladies (#8, 10)                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>Tuesday:</b>   | 6:00 p.m.- 7:00 p.m. Yoga-Sanc.<br>7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Trustees Meeting (#1)<br>7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Missions Meeting (#1)                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| <b>Wednesday:</b> | 2:00 p.m.- 3:00 p.m. Luther House Bible Study (Bldg. 1)<br>6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m. <b>Wednesday Faith, Food &amp; Fun Night</b><br>7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Venture Crew Youth Meeting (#8, 10)                                                                                                                                       |
| <b>Thursday:</b>  | 4:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. All Staff Meeting (#1)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| <b>Friday:</b>    | <b>Pastor Monica is on Vacation through August 15</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| <b>Saturday:</b>  | <b>Good Works Mission Work in Coatesville</b><br>9:00 a.m.-10:30 a.m. <b>JULIET Breakfast- Sunrise Café, Kennett Square</b><br>10:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m. Daily Reflections (#8, 10)                                                                                                                                                |
| <b>Sunday:</b>    | <b>ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST</b><br><b>Jamie Lindtner preaching</b><br>7:30 a.m. PraiseWorks Band Rehearsal<br>9:30 a.m. <b>Blended Worship with both Contemporary and Traditional elements</b>                                                                                                                          |

**God's Faithfulness ~ Your Stewardship**

**Report for July 26, 2015**

**General Offering: \$3,671.00**  
**Building Maintenance Fund: \$110.00**  
**Worship Attendance: 93**  
**Emergency Groceries: Bags**  
**Distributed YTD: 32**  
**Youth Stock Shares Purchased: 214**  
**Food Cupboard: \$50.00**  
**Emergency Aid disbursed YTD:**  
**\$921.<sup>65</sup>**

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

## **Moment of Impact**

Today, we are looking forward to hearing the reflections of our Youth from their Mission trip to Union Beach, New Jersey rebuilding homes affected by Hurricane Sandy. 18 students and 4 adults cleaned out gutters, repainted homes, landscaped, and brought hope to the lives of those who were turn-upside down by the storm. Thanks be to God for sharing the hope of Christ with others.

# 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 July: Vacation Bible School**  
**Mission Prayer Focus in July: Children International**

Kory Arnold  
 Louise Ballard (Boyd)  
 Amijo Bearley (Hampton)  
 Cory Beattie (Shaub)  
 Fran Bryan  
 Laura Beth & Connor  
 Camponeschi (Hruz)  
 Ora Carr (Carlin)  
 Family of Maura Carroll (Bates)  
 Helen Chreiman (Hoover)  
 Ruby DeBoard  
 Colin Delaney (McGinley)  
 Retired Local Pastor Edgar  
 Donnon (SE District)  
 Family of Lil Fili (Bratton)  
 Bill Fili, Jr. (Bratton)  
 Marcus Forst (Howard)  
 Family of Rev. G. Kim Gilson (Hurst)  
 Matt Helm (Laird)  
 Kim Henry (Hampton)  
 Bill Jones  
 Bill Lilley  
 Rachel McClain  
 Family of Gloria Miller  
 (Ramberger)



Lynn Morgan (McClain)  
 Bill Mowery (Shiplet)  
 Tim Mullen  
 Lois Norton (Mears)  
 Ed O'Brien  
 Tammy Ramberger  
 Amanda Rector (Czerpak)  
 Lisa Reoli  
 Ron Ritter (Chalmers)  
 Family of Mabel Romanowski  
 Dot Russell  
 Roann Schneider  
 Doug and Joan Smead (Wolff)  
 Vicki Snyder (Hughes)  
 Pat Sparks (Bushnell)  
 Lorrie & Scott Steele  
 Fernando Tena  
 Jonathan Tena  
 James Thomas (Mullen)  
 Zach Trexler (Lytle)  
 Lucia Vanninni (Paisley)  
 Eveline Walker (Schrader)  
 Dot Weeks  
 Jeff Whelan  
 Leon Willis (Carlin)  
 Megan Wittman (Lytle)



Tom Fagan - USA (Whelan)  
 Allan Frost - South Korea (Frost)  
 Nate Howard—Quantico  
 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

|                        | <b><u>This Sunday, August 2</u></b> | <b><u>Next Sunday, August 9</u></b> |
|------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| <b>Ushers</b>          | Tim and Eileen Bushnell             | Tim and Eileen Bushnell             |
| <b>Greeters</b>        | Bill, Melissa and Madeline Jones    | Bill, Melissa and Madeline Jones    |
| <b>Acolyte</b>         | Alisabeth Guepet                    | Wesley Boyd                         |
| <b>Nursery</b>         | Jamie Lindtner                      | Kim Smith                           |
| <b>C. Worship</b>      | OPEN                                | OPEN                                |
| <b>Lay Reader</b>      | Karen Hruz                          | Susan Paisley                       |
| <b>Moment All Ages</b> | Julie Hughes                        | Eileen Bushnell                     |
| <b>Hospitality</b>     | Rain Catoia                         | The Kreutzfeldts                    |
| <b>Counters</b>        | Margee Michaels and Scott Steele    | Margee Michaels and Scott Steele    |
| <b>Sound Booth</b>     | Joe Dea/B. Ditzel/K. Schneider      | Joe Dea/B. Ditzel/K. Schneider      |

# Meditations For Your Week

Sunday, August 2 ~ Saturday, August 8



**Sunday:** *“How lovely is your dwelling place, O Lord of hosts! “ Psalm 84: 1.*  
Look for time today to find joy in the presence of God.

**Monday:** *“My soul longs, indeed it faints for the courts of the Lord; my heart and my flesh sing for joy to the living God.” Psalm 84:2.*  
When have you know God’s blessings so deeply that your heart has sung for joy?

**Tuesday:** *“Even the sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay her young, at your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.” Psalm 84:3.*  
How are you resting in the God who cares for you?

**Wednesday:** *“Happy are those whose strength is in you, in whose heart are the highways to Zion.” Psalm 84:5.*  
Prayerfully consider how you might put your strength in God.

**Thursday:** *“David danced before the Lord with all his might” 2 Samuel 6:14a.*  
David danced with abandon! Are you serving God with abandon?

**Friday:** *“So David and all the house of Israel brought up the ark of the Lord with shouting, and with the sound of the trumpet.” 2 Samuel 6: 15.*  
God’s presence is personal, but not private. Share the presence of God with others.

**Saturday:** *“When David had finished offering the burnt-offerings and the offerings of well-being, he blessed the people in the name of the Lord of hosts” 2 Samuel 6: 18.*  
After encountering God, we can not help but bless others. How are you blessing others?