



West Grove United Methodist Church

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**You are my
beloved Son:
with you I am
well pleased.**

Mark 1:11

***Human Relations Day
Sunday, January 14, 2018***

11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship

OPEN

Prelude

Welcome

Pastor Monica

Please fill out the Friendship Register on the clipboard located on a chair in your row. First-time guest or member, let us know you were here!

*Call to Worship (Responsive)

Margee Michaels

<https://lectionary.library.vanderbilt.edu/prayers.php?id=13>

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

Many: And also with you.

One: God of grace and glory, you call us with your voice of flame, to be your people, faithful and courageous.

Many: As your beloved Son embraced his mission in the waters of baptism, inspire us with the fire of your Spirit to join in his transforming work.

One: We ask this in the name of our Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

Many: Amen.

*Processional Hymn

“We Gather Together”

UMH 131

*Opening Prayer (Unison)

Margee Michaels

**Lord God, you revealed your Son in the waters of the Jordan
and anointed him with the power of the Holy Spirit,
to proclaim good news to all people.
Sanctify us by the same Spirit,
that we may proclaim the healing power of the gospel,
by acts of love, in your name. Amen.**

*Passing of the Peace

Margee Michaels

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

Many: And also with you.

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Moment for All Ages

Joan Leaman

Old Testament Lesson

Psalm 108:1-5

Margee Michaels

*Gospel Lesson

Mark 1:4-11

Margee Michaels

***Response to the Lessons**

Margee Michaels

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

Many: Thanks be to God! Amen.

Anthem

“The Child Grew Strong”

Chancel Choir

Children from Age 4 through Grade 4 are dismissed to meet in room #10 for Children’s Worship. Parents, please pick up your children immediately following the worship service in room #10. Children ages birth to 3 are welcome to attend the nursery in room #15 to participate in a story and guided activities.

Sermon

“Remember Your Baptism”

Pastor Shirley

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Song of Response

“Take Me to the River”

Mel Leaman

Moment of Impact

Human Relations Day

Pastor Shirley

Offering

***Offertory Response** “Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow”

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

Hymn No. 95

***Offertory Prayer (Unison)**

<https://lectionary.library.vanderbilt.edu/prayers.php?id=60>

Pastor Shirley

Holy God, creator of light and herald of goodness, at the waters of his baptism you proclaimed Jesus your beloved Son. With the baptized of every time and generation, may we say yes to your call to repentance and be led to the life of abundance we experience in your kinship and your love. May our tithes and gifts for others speak and proclaim your love. Amen.

Gathered Prayers

Pastor Shirley

The Lord’s Prayer

Pastor Shirley

***Hymn of Sending Forth**

“Here I Am”

UMH 593

***Benediction**

Pastor Shirley

***Choral Benediction**

“May the Lord Go With You”

Chancel Choir

***Postlude**

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

Old Testament Lesson: Psalm 108:1-5

A psalm of David.
God, my heart feels secure.
I will sing and make music to you with all my heart.
Harp and lyre, wake up!
I want to sing and make music before the sun rises.
LORD, I will praise you among the nations.
I will sing about you among the people of the earth.

Great is your love. It is higher than the heavens.
Your truth reaches to the skies.
God, may you be honored above the heavens.
Let your glory be over the whole earth.

New Testament Lesson: Mark 1: 4-11

John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. He proclaimed, "The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."

The Baptism of Jesus

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

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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.

Welcome to worship this winter morning! As God addressed Jesus at his baptism, he also calls us his beloved. As brothers and sisters in Christ, we gather to praise his name, hear his Word, and be strengthened to share his love with others. 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 Assisted Listening system is available to all who could benefit from additional amplification or assistance. Please see our soundboard operators for questions or to use a unit.

**HUMAN RELATIONS DAY:** Today, **Sunday, January 14th**, is **Human Relations Day**. “Your generous gift today strengthens community outreach and empowers at-risk youth.” Envelopes are included in the bulletin and may be placed in the offering basket. Please consider how it is you may be able to help.

**PASTORAL CARE AND OFFICE BUSINESS:** Pastor Monica is out of the office January 9th - January 22nd recovering. Please direct pastoral care concerns (January 9th - 15th) to Pastor Jim; (January 16th - 22nd) to Pastor Shirley. Please direct administrative concerns to Donna Fackler. Prayers are an incredible gift!

**ELECTRONIC GIVING:** Electronic Giving Cards can be found in the friendship folders. They are a sign-act to put in the offering plate for those who give electronically if they wish.

**FAMILY PROMISE: January 14-21** Thanks for the great response to our plea for volunteers! This is what is still needed. Please check the sign-up sheets in the lobby. See Joan Leaman ([jmleaman@comcast.net](mailto:jmleaman@comcast.net)) with questions. ; Donations of food (store bought and baked goods; Help with set-up Sunday, Jan. 14 at noon; Help with tear-down Sunday, Jan. 21 at 7:15 a.m. Transporting cots to Kennett Presbyterian the morning of Sunday, Jan. 21.

**HYGIENE KITS:** Mission Possible is almost at their goal of **100 kits**-but not quite! If you feel led to assist further in reaching their goal, please consider how you may help. In the lobby is a list of the items needed to prepare a kit. **The estimated cost of one kit is \$10.00.** Envelopes are also available if you would like to make a monetary donation towards the purchase of the kit items. Donations may be placed in the black bin in the lobby marked Missions. For questions, see Cindy Haley or Julie Hughes.

**JOIN US FOR SCRIP!:** We are slowly getting more individuals and families to participate. Even one card can net additional income for the church as we count our pennies. Please see **Gene Aucott** with questions.

**POINSETTIAS:** The remaining poinsettias are located on the table in the lobby. Any poinsettias not taken today, will find themselves disposed. Thank you!

## THIS WEEK: January 14 through January 21, 2018

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

### Human Relations Day Pastor Shirley Preaching

8:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship with the PraiseWorks Band  
9:45 a.m. Sunday School and Faith Learning Academy  
11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship with the Chancel Choir  
11:00 a.m. Jenner's Pond Worship Service (Alison Theatre)

### Family Promise Week (January 14th-21st)

**Monday:** 9:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m. Knit Wits (#1)  
6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m. SOS Ladies (#5)  
6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. Memory Bells Rehearsal

**Tuesday:** 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. CMO Preschool (9, 11, 13, 14, 16)  
9:15 a.m.-9:45 a.m. CMO Chapel Time (Sanc.)  
4:45 p.m.-6:15 p.m. Girl Scouts Jr Troop #447 (#8 & 10)  
6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m. Girl Scout Jr Troop #498 (#12)  
6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m. Prayer Ministry Meeting (#3)  
6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m. Girl Scout Jr. Troop #41377 (#8 & 10)

**Wednesday:** 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. CMO Preschool (9, 11, 13, 14, 16)  
9:15 a.m.-9:45 a.m. CMO Chapel Time (Sanc.)  
10:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. Bridges Out of Poverty Mtg. (#1)  
2:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m. Luther House Bible Study (Bldg. 1)  
7:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m. Venture Crew Mtg. (Sanc., Lobby, #8 & 10)

**Thursday:** 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. CMO Preschool (9, 11, 13, 14, 16)  
11:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Music Practice (#6)  
5:45 p.m.-7:00 p.m. Girl Scout Jr Troop #4567 (#8 & 10)  
6:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. Girl Scout Daisy Troop #461 (#12)  
6:45 p.m.-8:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal (#6)  
7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. Boy Scout Troop #12 (#8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13)  
7:30 p.m.-9:00 p.m. PraiseWorks Band Rehearsal (Sanc.)

**Friday:** 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. CMO Preschool (9, 11, 13, 14, 16)  
9:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m. UMW Faith Circle (#1)

**Saturday:** 10:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m. Daily Reflections Group (#8 & 10)

**Sunday:** **Third Sunday after Epiphany**  
**Pastor Kevin Preaching**  
8:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship with the PraiseWorks Band  
9:45 a.m. Sunday School and Faith Learning Academy  
11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship with the Chancel Choir and Memory Bells

### God's Faithfulness ~ Your Stewardship Report January 7, 20187

**General Offering: \$6,882.52**

**Building Maintenance Fund: \$450.50**

**Combined Worship Attendance: 191**

**Emergency Groceries YTD: 13 bags**

**Anniversary Giving YTD: \$9,820.95**

**Prayer Bead Garden Donations: \$2,560.00**

**Total amount received: \$10,541.00**

**Goal-\$13,000**

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

## Moment of Impact

### Human Relations Day

*Our Social Principle invites us to step out of our comfort zones and take care of the world we live in, just as Jesus cared for it. Your generous gift today, along with thousands of other United Methodist Churches will help strengthen community outreach and empower at-risk youth.*

*"Life's most persistent and urgent question is, "What are you doing for others?"*

*-The Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr.*

# 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: Family Promise**  
**Mission Prayer Focus in: Mpasa Clinic**

Cory Beattie (Shaub)  
 Greg Bratton (Bratton)  
 Fran Bryan  
 Patrick Joseph  
 Componeschi (Hruz)  
 Dee Crawford  
 Nina Dickinson (B. Ranieri)  
 Lena Douglas  
 Jay Durham (Howard)  
 Tom Fagan  
 Ed Farrell (Babcock)  
 Laura Featherston  
 Bill Fili, Jr. (Bratton)  
 Ruth Harvey (Kilmartin)  
 Family of Onkel Heinz (Lytle)  
 Brown Honeycutt (Paisley)  
 Muff Hurst  
 Peg Kent  
 William Kirwin  
 Wanda Kreutzfeldt



Rosemary MacCoun  
 Dave McClain  
 Lynn Morgan (McClain)  
 Peggy Mowrer  
 Peter Mullen  
 Tim Mullen  
 Lola Nadolny (Hruz)  
 Nancy Pearo (Heist)  
 Rick Renzulli (McGinley)  
 Roann Schneider  
 The family of Bob Shappell (Mundell)  
 Family of Richard "Butch" Shaub  
 Rick Spencer (K. Smith)  
 Jeannie Sullivan  
 Maureen Stickel (Fackler)  
 Zach Trexler (Lytle)  
 Gisela Winkler (Mullen)  
 Ron and Marliss Wilson



Daniel Engberg—Iraq (Hruz)  
 Tom Fagan - USA (Whelan)  
 Brian Kubo - Qatar (Mullen)  
 LTC Eric Maxwell,  
 Chesapeake, VA  
 (The Rambergers)  
 Jimmy Strawhecker - NJ  
 (Lynne Strawhecker)  
 Chris Weidman - Japan (Miller)  
 Ed Tolmie

## SERVANTS IN MINISTRY ON SUNDAY MORNING

### *This Sunday, January 14th*

**Ushers—8:30** The Bushnells  
**Greeters—8:30** The Hills  
**Ushers—11:00** The Featherstons  
**Greeters—11:00** IN NEED  
**Acolyte 8:30/11** IN NEED/Matthew Rinehimer  
**Nursery 8:30/9:45/11** Bruno/Bratton/K. Rinehimer  
**C. Worship—8:30/11** M. Covington/J. Leaman  
**Lay Reader—8:30** Rain Catoia  
**Liturgist—11:00** Margee Michaels  
**Moment All Ages** Joan Leaman  
**Prayer Room 8:30/11** Nancy Howard/Susan Paisley  
**Roamers** Maryanne Covington  
**Hospitality 8:30/11** The Covingtons/The Hoovers  
**Counters** Michaels/Ramberger  
**Sound Booth** Keith Schneider & various

### *Next Sunday, January 21st*

The Simmons  
 Pat Heist/Margaret Rubican  
 IN NEED  
 IN NEED  
 Cora Boyd/Ian Ditzel  
 M. Rubican/K. Smith/A. Castaldi  
 Kristin Boyd/Amy Simonds  
 Judy Gambill  
 Dave Talley  
 Eileen Bushnell  
 Pastor Shirley/Joan Saller  
 Amy Castaldi  
 The Covingtons/Scott Steele  
 The Stuhrkes  
 Keith Schneider & various

# 8:30 Contemporary Worship Service

## OPEN

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| <b>*Opening Song</b>                      | “God Of All”                                                                                                                                                 | PraiseWorks Band |
| <b>Welcome and Ministry Opportunities</b> |                                                                                                                                                              | Pastor Shirley   |
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| <b>*Celebration Set</b>     | “The River is Here”<br>“Holy is the Lord” | PraiseWorks Band |
| <b>Passing of the Peace</b> |                                           | PraiseWorks Band |

## GROW

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| <b>Moment For All Ages</b>  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Joan Leaman |
| <b>Old Testament Lesson</b> | <i>Psalm 108:1-5</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | Rain Catoia |
| <b>*Gospel Lesson</b>       | <i>Mark 1:4-11</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Rain Catoia |
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| <b>Sermon</b> | “Remember Your Baptism” | Pastor Shirley |
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## SERVE

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| <b>Song of Response.</b>         | “Take Me to the River”     | Mel Leaman       |
| <b>Moment of Impact</b>          | <i>Human Relations Day</i> | Pastor Shirley   |
| <b>Offering</b>                  | “Come On Down”             | PraiseWorks Band |
| <b>Offertory Prayer (Unison)</b> |                            | Pastor Shirley   |
| <b>Gathered Prayer</b>           |                            | Pastor Shirley   |
| <b>The Lord’s Prayer</b>         |                            | Pastor Shirley   |
| <b>*Closing Song</b>             | “Let The River Flow”       | PraiseWorks Band |
| <b>*Benediction</b>              |                            | Pastor Shirley   |
| <b>*Postlude</b>                 |                            |                  |

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