



# West Grove United Methodist Church

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West Grove, PA 19390

“When we come to the end of  
ourselves, we come to the  
beginning of knowing God.”  
Billy Graham



***Second Sunday in Lent  
Sunday, February 25, 2018***

# 11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship

## OPEN

### Prelude

### Welcome and Ministry Opportunities

Pastor Monica

*Please fill out the Friendship Folder 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)

Mary Franciscus

One: Jesus said, "Those are well, have no need of a doctor."

**Many: We come to see Jesus for healing and wholeness for ourselves and others.**

One: We come to Jesus most in need of relationship and wanting more of God's grace.

**Many: God's grace is sufficient for all that is before us.**

### \*Processional Hymn

"I Know Whom I have Believed"

UMH No. 714

### \*Opening Prayer (Unison)

Mary Franciscus

**Holy Spirit of Wisdom, we pray, we come to seek you first.**

**We know that we, who believe in you,  
will find in you ultimately all that we need.**

**Guide us in this time to pause and know you fully.**

**May we pause long enough, not to just hear platitudes,  
but to glimpse the fullness of your character and being, we pray, Amen.**

### \*Passing of the Peace

Mary Franciscus

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

**Many: And also with you.**

## GROW

### Children's Choir

"Jesus Loves Me"

Joan Leaman, Director

*Anna Castaldi, Brady Castaldi, Felicity Guepet,*

*Mason Hendrickson, Owen Hill, Betsy Hill, Grace Reisinger,*

*Lindsay Reisinger, Jacob Rinehimer, Clarissa Robinson, Norah Timm*

### Moment for All Ages

Eileen Bushnell

### New Testament Lesson

*1 Corinthians 3:1-6*

Mary Franciscus

**\*Gospel Lesson** *Mark 2:13-17* Mary Franciscus

**\*Response to the Lessons** Mary Franciscus

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

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

**Anthem** "Know My Heart" Chancel Choir

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**Sermon** "DO Pause to Know" Pastor Monica

## **SERVE**

**\*Hymn of Response** "Open My Eyes, That I May See" UMH No. 454

**Moment of Impact** *Faithlinks* Pastor Monica

## **Offering**

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

**\*Offertory Prayer (Unison)** Pastor Monica  
**Generous God from whom all blessings flow, we give you thanks and praise.  
Bless each of those who offer of themselves. Bless each of the gifts offered.  
May those who receive these gifts know the full blessings of your generosity,  
we pray, Amen.**

**Gathered Prayers** Pastor Monica

**The Lord's Prayer** Pastor Monica

**\*Hymn of Sending Forth** "Wonderful Words" UMH No. 600

**\*Benediction** Pastor Monica

**\*Choral Benediction** "Love Round" Chancel Choir

## **\*Postlude**

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

## New Testament Lesson: 1 Corinthians 3:1-6

And so, brothers and sisters, I could not speak to you as spiritual people, but rather as people of the flesh, as infants in Christ. I fed you with milk, not solid food, for you were not ready for solid food. Even now you are still not ready, for you are still of the flesh. For as long as there is jealousy and quarreling among you, are you not of the flesh, and behaving according to human inclinations? For when one says, "I belong to Paul," and another, "I belong to Apollos," are you not merely human?

What then is Apollos? What is Paul? Servants through whom you came to believe, as the Lord assigned to each. I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth.

## Gospel Lesson: Mark 2:13-17

Jesus went out again beside the sea; the whole crowd gathered around him, and he taught them. As he was walking along, he saw Levi son of Alphaeus sitting at the tax booth, and he said to him, "Follow me." And he got up and followed him.

And as he sat at dinner in Levi's house, many tax collectors and sinners were also sitting with Jesus and his disciples—for there were many who followed him. When the scribes of the Pharisees saw that he was eating with sinners and tax collectors, they said to his disciples, "Why does he eat with tax collectors and sinners?" When Jesus heard this, he said to them, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick; I have come to call not the righteous but sinners."



### *Altar Flowers*

The flowers gracing our altar space today are in  
In Memory of my daughter, Terry Lane  
With love from Fran Bryan

**GSR**  
Give | Serve | Restore

This year, our church is participating with close to 25 others in our area as we unite to take part in a restoration process in our community – imagine the difference we can make! Give|Serve|Restore (GSR) is a collaborative time of service and giving in partnership with churches across Southern Chester County.

The project consists of **3 challenges**: **1. Participate in a service project!** **2. Write a letter of gratitude.** **3. Give \$3 (for Kids) and \$30 (for adults)** to our support the Getting Ahead program. We encourage you to joining us and our brother and sisters across Southern Chester County during this Lenten season as we love and serve our community!

***Literature can be found in the lobby, as well as the March newsletter!***  
***Visit [TheConstellationNetwork.com/GSR](http://TheConstellationNetwork.com/GSR) to learn more!***

# 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, one and all! We are glad you are here—a place where faith, hope and love abide! 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.

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. We would like for you to hear!



**YOUTH SINGERS:** We give thanks to God for our Youth Singers. Any youth 5th grade and up are welcome to join our PraiseWorks Band in singing on 3rd Sundays. Practice is the preceding Sunday after worship.

**CANTATA:** Our Chancel Choir has begun rehearsing for the cantata. This is always an incredible musical experience. If you feel called to join in, see Choir Director Betsy Smith.

**EMERGENCY FOOD PANTRY:** Our pantry continues to need your donations! We have given away 59 bags of food in just 7 weeks. The need is great. **An updated Shopping List** is out on the shopping cart. Please consider picking one up and donating a few items from the list.

**WALKING WITH JESUS:** A sign-up sheet and copies of the book are still available on a display in the lobby. I encourage you to sign-up and share your email address or phone number, so that we can all share our experiences and support with one another throughout the 6 week journey. Book donations of \$8.30 are appreciated to cover the cost of the book, but don't let cost be an issue. You are invited to take a book and join the journey! Donations can be placed in the offering plate. If you have any questions, please contact Susan Paisley by email or phone: [sbrintonpais1@verizon.net](mailto:sbrintonpais1@verizon.net) or 610-268-3305

**Prayers for the Mission Team in the Congo: Please continue to pray for the team's safety** as they serve those they came to care for. **Itinerary:** 2/24 Return to Kinshasa. 2/25 Worship with various missions. 2/26-2/27 Travel home. In God's Love, Pastor Monica

**Prayer Bead Garden Fundraiser at Perkins Monday, February 26, 4-8 p.m.** The church will receive 10% of all sales accumulated by our supporters to help fund the "Prayer Bead Garden". The more family and friends we invite and who show up, the more money we raise. **DON'T FORGET** to tell your Perkins server and/or cashier when you check out that you are with the "West Grove United Methodist Church" Fundraiser. Thanks for your support!

**VBS Volunteers are Needed:** In order for us to have a successful and impactful week (July 9 -13) for the children of our church and community, we need lots of volunteers, both adults and youth. Please contact Joan Leaman [jmleaman@comcast.net](mailto:jmleaman@comcast.net) if you are able to commit to a volunteer position or for more information on what leadership is needed.

**PBJ is NEXT SUNDAY!** Please join the Youth and Pastor Kevin after the 11 a.m. service on March 4as they make loads of PB&J sandwiches for the hungry.

## THIS WEEK: February 25 through March 3, 2018

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

**Sunday:**

**Second Sunday in Lent**

**Children's Choir at Both Services**

8:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship with the PraiseWorks Band  
 9:45 a.m. Sunday School and Faith Learning Academy  
**9:45 a.m.-10:45 a.m.** **"After 40" Lenten Study with Pastor Monica (#3)**  
 11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship with the Chancel Choir  
 12:00 p.m. Counters (#1)

**Monday:**

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.)  
 9:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m. Knit Wits (#1)  
**4:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.** **Perkins Fundraiser for Prayer Bead Garden**  
 6:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. Girl Scout Leaders Meeting (#4)  
 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. Memory Bells Rehearsal  
 7:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m. Full Staff Monthly Meeting (#1)  
 7:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m. SOS Ladies (#5)

**Tuesday:**

7:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m. "Walking With Jesus" Group Meeting (#8, 10)  
 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.)  
 1:00 p.m.-2:30 p.m. Bi-monthly Staff Meeting (#1)  
 6:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. Brownie Troop #4138 (#8, 10)  
 6:00 p.m.-7:30 p.m. Missions Meeting (#1)  
 6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m. Jr. Girl Scouts #498 (#12)

**Wednesday:**

6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m. Prayer Bead Garden Meeting (#2)  
 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. CMO Preschool (9, 11, 13, 14, 16)  
 2:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m. Luther House Bible Study (Bldg. 1)  
 5:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m. Daisy #4282 (#12)  
 6:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. Girl Scout Leaders Meeting (#8, 10)  
**6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m.** **Lenten Wednesdays Potluck Dinner and After 40 Study (Sanc.)**

**Thursday:**

9:00 a.m.-1:30 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. Jr. Girl Scouts #4567 (#8, 10)  
 6:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. Daisy Troop #461 (#11)  
 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)

**Saturday:**

8:00 a.m.-9:30 a.m. Tech Team Meeting (#1)  
 10:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m. Daily Reflections Group (#8 & 10)

**Sunday:**

**Third Sunday in Lent**

**Communion Sunday and Emergency Aid Sunday**

8:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship with the PraiseWorks Band  
 9:45 a.m. Sunday School and Faith Learning Academy  
**9:45 a.m.-10:45 a.m.** **"After 40" Lenten Study with Pastor Monica (#3)**  
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**12:00 p.m.** **PB&J Sandwich Making! (Kitchen, Lobby)**  
 6:00 p.m.-7:30 p.m. SPRC Meeting (#1)

### God's Faithfulness ~ Your Stewardship Report February 18, 2018

**General Offering: \$12,540**  
**Building Maintenance Fund: \$710**  
**Worship Attendance: 170**  
**Emergency Groceries YTD: 59 bags**  
**Prayer Bead Garden Donations: \$0**  
**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

### Faithlinks

We give thanks to God for Sunday School as a way to dive deeper into our faith and engage God. Faithlinks is an ongoing class that address contemporary issues in a Methodist understanding. There is thoughtful dialogue from multiple perspectives.

# 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 for February: Emergency Aid and Food Cupboard**  
**Mission Prayer Focus for February: The Garage in West Grove**

Cory Beattie (Shaub)		Peggy Mowrer
Fran Bryan		Tim Mullen
Patrick Joseph		Lola Nadolny (Hruz)
Componeschi (Hruz)		Pastor Monica
Dee Crawford		Nancy Pearo (Heist)
Nina Dickinson (B. Ranieri)		Family of Helen Mae Rapp
Lena Douglas		(Ramberger)
Tom Fagan		Rick Renzulli (McGinley)
Ed Farrell (Babcock)		Roann Schneider
Odella Farrell (Babcock)		So. Dist. Congo Team
Laura Featherston		Family of Richard "Butch"
Bill Fili, Jr. (Bratton)		Shaub
Ruth Harvey (Kilmartin)		Linda Shiplet
Brown Honeycutt (Paisley)		Joan Smead (Wolff)
Muff Hurst		Rick Spencer (K. Smith)
Peg Kent		Jeannie Sullivan
William Kirwin		Maureen Stickel (Fackler)
Rosemary MacCoun		Zach Trexler (Lytle)
Dave McClain		Gisela Winkler (Mullen)
Lynn Morgan (McClain)		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, February 25th

<b>Ushers—8:30</b>	Mike & Dawn Chalmers
<b>Greeters—8:30</b>	The Simonds Family
<b>Ushers—11:00</b>	Carol & Jeff Whelan
<b>Greeters—11:00</b>	Joan Saller
<b>Acolyte 8:30/11</b>	Anna Castaldi/Ian Ditzel
<b>Nursery 8:30/9:45/11</b>	Open/Open/Open
<b>C. Worship—8:30/11</b>	Amy Castaldi/Jessi Timm
<b>Lay Reader—8:30</b>	Cindy Haley
<b>Liturgist—11:00</b>	Mary Franciscus
<b>Moment All Ages</b>	Ellen Bushnell
<b>Prayer Room 8:30/11</b>	Nancy Howard/Susan Paisley
<b>Roamers</b>	Amy Castaldi
<b>Hospitality 8:30/11</b>	The Chalmers/Linda Peirson
<b>Counters</b>	Stuhrke
<b>Sound Booth</b>	Keith Schneider & various

### Next Sunday, March 4th

Gene & Alison Aucott
John & Carol McGinley
Open
Open
Hannah McCummings/Alisabeth Guepet
K. Hendrickson/E. Mullen/J. Leaman
Open/Open
John McGinley
Sandy Deckard
Pastor Monica
Nancy Howard/Jean Kilmartin
Fran Miller
The Stuhrkes / The Stuhrkes
Anderson/Shaub
Keith Schneider & various

# 8:30 Contemporary Worship Service

## OPEN

**\*Opening Song** "Open The Eyes Of My Heart" PraiseWorks Band

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**\*Celebration Set** "Let The Praises Ring" PraiseWorks Band

"Seek Ye First "

**\*Passing of the Peace** PraiseWorks Band

## GROW

**Moment For All Ages** Eileen Bushnell

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**Offering** "In The Secret (I Want to Know You)" PraiseWorks Band

**Offertory Prayer (Unison)** Pastor Shirley

**Gathered Prayer** Pastor Shirley

**The Lord's Prayer** Pastor Shirley

**\*Closing Song** "Found In You" PraiseWorks Band

**\*Benediction** Pastor Monica

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