



West Grove United Methodist Church

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BE STRONG

in the Lord

AND IN THE
Strength

OF HIS

MIGHT

EPHESIANS 6:10

Ninth Sunday After Pentecost
July 25, 2021

9:30 a.m. Blended Worship

Prelude

Welcome and Ministry Opportunities

Pastor Tim

*Welcome! We are Open and In-Person! No reservation is needed.
You are welcome to join us on YouTube as well.*

*Call to Worship (Based on VBS song, "Be Strong In the Lord")

Pastor Tim

Leader: Be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his power!

People: When it feels like hope is gone, be strong in the Lord, and in his mighty power!

Leader: When hope and joy are hard to find, I will keep on keeping on!

People: I will be strong in the Lord, and in the strength of his mighty power!

Leader: When I'm feeling hurt and pain, you restore my joy again!

People: I will be strong in the Lord, and in his mighty power!

Leader: So come everybody, time to get strong! Come together with the power of God we'll carry on!

People: Through the power of God we'll carry on! Be strong in the power of God to carry on!

*Opening Song

"More Love, More Power"

PraiseWorks Band

Opening Prayer (Based on Psalm 66:10-12)

Pastor Tim

**O Lord, our God, may our lives bless you
and your fellowship as we have been blessed by your faithfulness.
You have set us on the road of life, entrusted us with the miracle,
and kept us out of the ditches.**

**You trained and taught us,
and often throughout life pass us through refiner's fire.**

**It often presents us with severe challenges,
pushing us to our limits, twisting us inside, out.**

**We trust in your leading, so please pastor us
and lead us to the still waters of harmony in your grace.**

Restore our souls.

**May we share freely the true prize and treasures of our lives:
your love in our hearts.**

Help us to fulfill our promises, and then live by your Covenant.

May all believers come and listen

as we share what you, O God, have done for us.

Thank you for so generously listening to our prayers.

In the name of Jesus we pray.

Amen.

Scripture Lessons	<i>Jeremiah 15:15-21</i> <i>Malachi 3:1-5</i> <i>Ephesians 6:10-20</i>	Pastor Tim
Meditation	“Healing: Claiming an Authentic Relationship With God”	Pastor Tim
*Hymn of Response	“Softly and Tenderly, Jesus Is Calling”	UMH No. 348
Joys and Concerns		Pastor Jim
Pastoral Prayer		Pastor Jim
The Lord’s Prayer		Pastor Jim
Moment for All Ages		Melanie Hartley
*Song	“In The Secret”	PraiseWorks Band
Invitation to Offering		Pastor Jim
Offertory	“United In His Love”	Chancel Choir By Cindy Berry
Dedication of Offering		Pastor Jim
*Closing Hymn	“Where He Leads Me”	UMH No. 338
*Benediction		Pastor Tim
*Postlude		

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

Old Testament Lesson: *Jeremiah 15:15-21 (NRSV)*

O Lord, you know; remember me and visit me, and bring down retribution for me on my persecutors. In your forbearance do not take me away; know that on your account I suffer insult. Your words were found, and I ate them, and your words became to me a joy and the delight of my heart; for I am called by your name, O Lord, God of hosts.

I did not sit in the company of merry-makers, nor did I rejoice; under the weight of your hand I sat alone, for you had filled me with indignation.

Why is my pain unceasing, my wound incurable, refusing to be healed?

Truly, you are to me like a deceitful brook, like waters that fail.

Therefore thus says the Lord:

If you turn back, I will take you back, and you shall stand before me.

If you utter what is precious, and not what is worthless, you shall serve as my mouth.

It is they who will turn to you, not you who will turn to them.

And I will make you to this people a fortified wall of bronze; they will fight against you, but they shall not prevail over you, for I am with you to save you and deliver you, says the Lord.

I will deliver you out of the hand of the wicked, and redeem you from the grasp of the ruthless.

Old Testament Lesson: *Malachi 3:1-5 (NRSV)*

The Coming Messenger

See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight—indeed, he is coming, says the Lord of hosts. But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears? For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap; he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the Lord in righteousness. Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the Lord as in the days of old and as in former years.

Then I will draw near to you for judgment; I will be swift to bear witness against the sorcerers, against the adulterers, against those who swear falsely, against those who oppress the hired workers in their wages, the widow and the orphan, against those who thrust aside the alien, and do not fear me, says the Lord of hosts.

New Testament Lesson: *Ephesians 6:10-20 (NRSV)*

The Whole Armor of God

Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his power. Put on the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For our[a] struggle is not against enemies of blood and flesh, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers of this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. Therefore take up the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to withstand on that evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm. Stand therefore, and fasten the belt of truth around your waist, and put on the breastplate of righteousness. As shoes for your feet put on whatever will make you ready to proclaim the gospel of peace. 16 With all of these, take the shield of faith, with which you will be able to quench all the flaming arrows of the evil one. Take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

Pray in the Spirit at all times in every prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert and always persevere in supplication for all the saints. Pray also for me, so that when I speak, a message may be given to me to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel, for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it boldly, as I must speak.

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 God's name.

Welcome, one and all! Church Office: 610-869-9334

Our Website: www.westgroveumc.org Email us at info@westgroveumc.org

ALL ARE WELCOME IN THE GENEROSITY OF GOD. Let us joyfully celebrate the generosity of God and worship God in sincerity and truth. We sincerely welcome you in Christ's name. 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 located in the lobby.** Our Welcome Center, located in the lobby, is a place where guests and new attendees can seek information about our church.

THANK YOU TO OUR VBS VOLUNTEERS, DONORS AND THE CHILDREN!

Our team was so excited to bring Vacation Bible School back in-person this year. The children spent the week singing, playing games and conducting experiments all while learning about truth, justice, service and love. Thank to everyone who donated supplies, lead activities, helped decorate- all the things that go into making VBS happen. Thank you to the congregation for your support and care for our children. We are so very grateful!

SUNDAY SCHOOL TIME BIBLE STUDY CONTINUES: Pastor Tim will continue to offer a Bible study this summer after worship. We hope you can join us, as we've been blessed by the group that is meeting. We work to finish by 11:30 every week. We look forward to the fellowship we can share this summer in a variety of ways as we come back into community together in Christ.

FOOD PANTRY-UPDATED FOOD NEEDS LIST: Canned vegetables, soup, canned tomatoes, crackers, cookies, cooking oil, tortillas Your donations have been appreciated! Please contact Joan Leaman with your questions.

CHURCH PICNIC IDEA: Are you interested in having a time of fellowship together over the summer? We would like to know if you would be interested in having a church picnic (day to be determined). It would be held outdoors using our picnic tables and we hope to have a slip-n-slide for all to enjoy, the playground for children of all ages, the parking lot to skateboard, ride bikes or play other games. You would bring your own lawn chair and providing free and donated food ideas are being bandied about. **Please share your interest for this "All Ages" way to connect and fellowship by contacting Melanie Hartley (childyouthdirector@westgroveumc.org) Pastor Tim (pastor@westgroveumc.org) or Donna Fackler (office@westgroveumc.org).**

THIS WEEK: July 25, 2021 through August 1, 2021

**~~ Hours for the Church Office: Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
The office is open before and after the posted times. Check with Donna
Fackler, Church Administrator, for availability.
(office@westgroveumc.org or 610-869-9334)**

7:00 p.m. Daily Prayer (Wherever you are)

Melanie Hartley is on vacation July 28 through August 3

EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

- Sunday:** 9:30 a.m. **Blended Worship in the Sanctuary**
10:30 a.m. Bible Study on The Sermon on the Mount with
Pastor Tim
- Monday:** **No Activities**
- Tuesday:** **No Activities**
- Wednesday:** 10:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. Full Staff Meeting (#1)
- Thursday:** 9:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m. Emily Lucas Music Lessons (#6)
5:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m. **WGUMC Food Pantry (Lobby)**
- Friday** 12:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m. **Mighty Writers Food Distribution**
- Saturday:** 10:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m. Daily Reflections (parking lot)

TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

- Sunday:** 9:30 a.m. **Blended Worship in the Sanctuary**
10:30 a.m. Bible Study on The Sermon on the Mount with
Pastor Tim

SUNDAY WORSHIP ON YOUTUBE

We have moved our worship service live stream from Facebook to YouTube.
Subscribe to our channel today by **[CLICKING HERE](#)**, or by searching YouTube for
“West Grove (PA) United Methodist Church”. Click the “All” notifications bell to
receive live notifications. Recordings of all services since March 2020 are already
posted, and also to our website under Watch & Read – **[Weekly Sermons](#)**.

PRAYERS OF THE COMMUNITY

NEED PRAYER?

To be added to the Prayer Chain: Email Donna Fackler at office@westgroveumc.org or 610-869-9334. **Prayer requests will remain in the bulletin for four Sundays.** Please contact Donna, if you need the request extended. *If you do not want your name listed in the bulletin, please state that in your request.*

Community and Mission Prayer Focus for July: ZZZ

Joe Carberry
 Helen Carlin
 Dick & Mildred Chambers
 Joann Coates
 Dee Crawford
 Pat Crawl (Shiplot)
 Lena Douglas
 Linda Eyster (Combs)
 Bill Fili, Jr. (Bratton)
 Joyce Flowers
 Stephen Gaughan (Fackler)
 Ellen Hayes
 Richard Heacock
 Jennifer Hertzog (Jackson)
 TJ Hess (Hruz)
 Karen Hruz
 Debbie Kennedy (Coates)
 Raymond Leonardo (McGinley)
 Barb Lytle
 Beverly Martin (Mundell)
 Lenny Martin (K. Smith)
 Joel & Heaven McCree (Combs)
 Laura Minnick



Betty Mundell
 Tim Mullen
 Darlene Murphy
 Lola Nadolny (Hruz)
 Linda Peirson
 Marlene Potter (Rubincan)
 Brian Radcliffe (Hruz)
 Michael Raineri
 Rick Renzulli (McGinley)
 Rich and Joan Saller
 Roxanne Shane
 Sandy Smith (Mundell)
 Rick Spencer (Kim Smith)
 Flora Spiegel (Strewjewski)
 Maureen Stickel (Fackler)
 Jeannie Sullivan
 Fernando Tena
 Family of Bruce Varney (Shiplot)
 Mary Weidman (Miller)
 Mary Lou Werndorfer (Miller)
 Steve Williamson (Heist)



Anderson S. Camp
 Navy, Norfolk, VA (Shaub)
 Daniel Engberg—USA (Hruz)
 Nathaniel Howard,
 USA
 Brian Kubo—Washington
 (Mullen)
 LTC Eric Maxwell,
 Fayetteville, NC
 (Sara Ann Ramberger)
 Chris Weidman—Idaho
 (Miller)
 Dalton Wolfe—U.S. Marine
 Corps
 Drew Zumpino—USA
 (Beauchamp)

God's Faithfulness ~ Your Stewardship

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

Report from July 18, 2021

General Offering: \$4,250
 (Needed to Meet Budget: \$6,300)
 Building Maintenance Fund: \$140
 Attendance in Worship: 53
 You Tube Online: 19
 Food Pantry Served 33 Adults & 21
 Children

SERVANTS IN MINISTRY ON SUNDAY MORNING

Giving thanks to God for those who are serving you in
worship this Sunday.

Live-Stream	Michael Duvall
Digital Audio, Camera	Nate Robinson, Will Stuhrke, and Maggie Stuhrke
Audio/Visual/Live-Stream Tech	Steve May/Mike Wiwel
Remote Video Editing:	Keith Schneider
Officiating:	Rev. Timothy Carl Anderman Rev. S. James Mundell
Music Director:	Betsy Smith
Handbell Choir Director:	Sandy Deckard
PraiseWorks Band:	Bob Castaldi, Brian Combs, Jeff Laird, Betsy Smith, Dave Talley
Moment for All Ages:	Melanie Hartley

Thank you to our Ushers, Greeters, Counters and all Sunday
Morning Servants.