



West Grove United Methodist Church

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The Reverend Monica B. Guepet, Lead Pastor
300 North Guernsey Road
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**I am
A
Disciple**

**Eighteenth Sunday After Pentecost
Baptism Sunday
*September 18, 2016***

11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship

OPEN

Prelude

“Ring A Joyful Song”

Memory Bells Choir

By Michael Helman

Pastor Monica

Welcome and Ministry Opportunities

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)**

Tom Hoover

One: God calls us to sing and praise, offering worship to God.

Many: Let us lift our voices in song and praise.

One: God calls us to study God’s ways.

Many: Let us walk with integrity, live in honesty, and uplift our neighbors.

One: God calls us to follow and leads us in the ways that prosper.

Many: Let us be blameless in the eyes of our Lord, following the immortal, invisible God.

***Processional Hymn**

“Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”

Hymnal No. 103

***Opening Prayer (Unison)**

Tom Hoover

Great God only wise, we praise you and lift our voices to you. May our worship remind us that to you be honor and glory, majesty and praise. Call us again to be disciples in your way. Call us again to lean on your wisdom where we blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree. In the name of the Immortal and Invisible One, we pray, Amen.

***Passing of the peace**

Tom Hoover

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

Many: And also with you.

GROW

Moments for All Ages

Pastor Monica

New Testament Lesson

1 Timothy 2:1-7

Tom Hoover

***Gospel Lesson**

Luke 16:1-13

Tom Hoover

***Response to the Lessons**

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

Many: Thanks be to God! Amen.

Anthem

“Christians, We Have Met To Worship”

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.

SERVE

- *Hymn of Response** "There's a Wideness in God's Mercy" Hymnal No. 121
- Moment of Impact** *Crisfield Mission Trip* Pastor Monica
- Offering** "Sweet Hour of Prayer" Memory Bells Choir
By Ron Mallory
- *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.
- *Offertory Prayer (Unison)** Pastor Jim
Generous God, you are the king of the universe! Everything belongs to you, yet you graciously provide for our smallest needs. You sent your Son Jesus, the Prince of Peace, to redeem us. We are grateful for your blessings, for we have enough to share. Help us to be faithful in our use of the resources you give us. We return a portion of your bounty for the work of the church. May people in our community rejoice in your goodness, through Christ, our Lord. Amen
- Baptism of Emma Grace Ianni** Pastor Monica and Pastor Jim
- Song** "Children of our Heavenly Father" Hymnal No. 141 vv. 1,4
- Gathered Prayers** Pastor Shirley
- The Lords Prayer** Pastor Shirley
- *Hymn of Sending Forth** "You Are The Seed" Hymnal No. 583
- *Benediction** Pastor Monica
- *Choral Benediction** "God Be With You Till We Meet Again" 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
 Celebration Lori and Dave McClain's 35th Wedding Anniversary!

and

In Celebration of Kim Smith's Birthday!
 With love from Linda Shiplet, Karen Underwood and Linda Peirson



New Testament Lessons: *1 Timothy 2:1-7*

First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.

For there is one God; there is also one mediator between God and humankind, Christ Jesus, himself human, who gave himself a ransom for all—this was attested at the right time. For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

Gospel Lessons: *Luke 16:1-13*

Then Jesus said to the disciples, “There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. So he summoned him and said to him, ‘What is this that I hear about you? Give me an accounting of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer.’ Then the manager said to himself, ‘What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes.’ So, summoning his master’s debtors one by one, he asked the first, ‘How much do you owe my master?’ He answered, ‘A hundred jugs of olive oil.’ He said to him, ‘Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty.’ Then he asked another, ‘And how much do you owe?’ He replied, ‘A hundred containers of wheat.’ He said to him, ‘Take your bill and make it eighty.’ And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes.

“Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth.”

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 to this gathering of God's people worshipping and praising God! May we continue to be moved by the Spirit to live as the body of Christ. 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 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.

**YOUTH KICK OFF!! Youth Ministry Olympics 2016 today, Sunday, September 18<sup>th</sup>** - We will have pizza and sodas, some fun competition that is not for the faint of heart and some fun giveaways! Invite your friends and come join in as we kick off our youth ministry program for this fall! **6:30 -8:15 p.m.** (competition will start around 7!).

**CHILDREN'S WORSHIP** – is open to all children 4 years old through 3<sup>rd</sup> grade and will be held in room 10. A variety of activities will be offered to help the children grasp the message of the sermon scriptures for the week. If your child is not yet 4 years old, children ages birth through 3 years old are welcome in the nursery for the children's worship times with some low-key, guided activities for those children, see Amy Castaldi for more details or with questions.

**STUDENT VOLUNTEERS** -- Children's Worship is also inviting student's 7<sup>th</sup> grade and older to participate as volunteer helpers for CW on a Sunday morning. The child and parent would both need to agree and a very short training session would be set-up for those interested. Volunteer opportunities for students range from once a year up to but not exceeding more than once a month.

**RETIRED ACTIVE PEOPLE:** RAP and friends will be traveling to **Sight and Sound** to see **SAMSON on Wednesday, October 26th, at 11 a.m.** Tickets are available for **\$51**. After the show, those interested will be enjoying a meal together at **Miller's Smorgasbord**. **\$28** includes the smorgasbord, hot/cold beverage, all taxes and gratuities. We are carpooling. Contact Sara Ann Ramberger at 610-869-3863 or [sar57ver@verizon.net](mailto:sar57ver@verizon.net) for reservations and additional information.

**CONFIRMATION INTEREST MEETING for Students & Parents: Sunday, September 18 at 9:45** - Come and hear about the Confirmation Program for our 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders! Confirmation is an opportunity for our students to learn more about their faith and the church. Come with your questions and hear about this opportunity. Confirmation class will meet on Sunday mornings from 9:45 - 10:45 in the youth room.

**SAVE THE DATE: Charge Conference, Saturday, September 24<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 am**

**FAMILY PROMISE** Save the dates as we prepare for the next weeks of hosting. **October 16<sup>th</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup>**. Consider how you can serve by bringing in supplies or food, hosting in the evening or overnight. This vital ministry to our community needs your help! Please contact Janice Bowers, Missions Chair, with your interest.

**12th Annual Penn Township Community Picnic – September 24 from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m** West Grove UMC will have a booth at the this huge community event! Please come out and find us, lend support and talk to friends! Be a part of this wonderful outreach opportunity!

# West Grove United Methodist Church

## Semi~Annual Rummage Sale

**Friday, September 30<sup>th</sup>, 9 a.m.-2 p.m.**

**Saturday, October 1<sup>st</sup>, 9 a.m.– 12 p.m.**



**Donations accepted at the church  
from Sunday, Sept. 25—Wed., Sept. 28**

**On Saturday, there is a special bargain because you may fill a brown paper grocery sack for only \$2.00!! Left-over items are donated to various mission organizations. The United Methodist Women who sponsor this sale, use the proceeds to fund various missions in the church and the wider community.**

### **God's Faithfulness ~ Your Stewardship** **Report September 11, 2016**

**General Offering: \$7,929.00**  
**Building Maintenance Fund: \$255.00**  
**Emergency Aid Offering: \$50.00**  
**Combined Worship Attendance: 139**  
**Emergency Groceries YTD: 85 Bags**

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

### **Moment of Impact**

#### **Crisfield Mission Trip**

From September 10-12th, a team of seven from West Grove UMC went to Crisfield, Maryland to serve with Volunteers in Mission. The work of recovery from Hurricane Sandy switched to risk reduction against future storms. We give thanks to God as we serve our neighbors and provide sustainable solutions.



### **FAITHLINKS Adult Class starting September 25!**

This class is for individuals and groups that want to apply their United Methodist beliefs to current faith issues and world events. They meet in Room 1, Sundays, 9:45–10:45 a.m.

### **You Are Invited to a WAR ROOM BIBLE STUDY!**

Starting **Sunday, September 11**, at 9:45 a.m. sharp, in room #3. We will meet for 5 weeks through Sunday, October 9. This class is offered, as well, on **Mondays**, starting on **September 12** at 7 p.m. in room #3 through Monday, October 10. The directors of the movie, War Room are the designers of the study. The study calls believers to trust in our God and to find their relationship with our Savior.

This five week study reminds us that prayer is powerful. You don't have to see the movie to attend the class.

### **FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY is back!**

We all need a plan for our money. Financial Peace University (FPU) is that plan! It teaches God's ways of handling money. Through video teaching, class discussions and interactive small group activities, FPU presents biblical, practical steps to get from where you are to where you've dreamed you could be. This plan will show you how to get rid of debt, manage your money, spend and save wisely, and much more! FPU classes meet for around an hour and a half each week for nine weeks. For information, go to the following web address: **<http://www.daveramsey.com/fpu/home>** This 9 week course starts Sunday morning **September 25th at 9:45 a.m.** Contact David or Barbara Delaney at 484-37-8332 if you have specific questions. Go the following link to sign up for the class: **<http://www.daveramsey.com/fpu/locations/class/1024371>**

### **UNDERSTANDING ISLAM: Begins September 11, 9:45 a.m.-11:00 a.m.- (Rm. 4)**

Mel Leaman, retired professor of Religion at Lincoln University will lead this study. The shared and contrasting beliefs of Islam and Christianity will be discussed. The first Sunday together will be an introduction to the topic. All are welcome each Sunday, however, participants will get the most out of this class by following the selected readings from Dr. David W. Shenk's book *Journeys of the Muslim Nation and the Christian Church: Exploring the Mission of Two Communities*. We will read two chapters each week. David Shenk has travelled the globe speaking to leading Muslim clerics and Presidents of Muslim nations. His books can be viewed on Amazon. He will join us for an evening session on Sunday, October 16 from 6:30-8:00. The theme for that evening will be "The Peace of the Gospel in Dynamic Encounter with the Peace of Islam."

### **MAKING SENSE OF THE BIBLE – Starting September 11th at 9:45 a.m.**

This will be a 6 weeks course in the sanctuary at 9:45 am. "The world's best-selling, most read, and most loved book is also one of the most confusing" said Adam Hamilton, writer of the study moses. Join Pastor Monica to explore the Bible in 6 weeks! Whether you are new to the Bible or have been reading it for decades, join us as we explore the Bible and some foundational questions about how and when the Bible was written, how should we read it, and what does it mean?

### **WEEKLY GROUNDINGS!**

Not sure where to land or what to do while your children are in Sunday school? Stop by in the lobby and meet up with this informal group in the lobby each Sunday from 9:45-10:45 a.m. We will have open ended questions about faith/life application; come one week or every week!

# C.M.O. Consignment Sale



## SAVE THE DATES!

West Grove United Methodist Church will be holding a Children's Clothing, Toy and Equipment Consignment Sale. This is a great chance to buy quality used children's items that you need at good prices. **If you have quality items and would like to sell them at the consignment sale, please use the below contacts to get additional information.**

There will be a large selection of Fall and Winter children's clothes, shoes, coats, toys, books, baby items and equipment. **Shopping hours are Friday, October 7<sup>th</sup> from 9:00am-4:00pm and Saturday, October 8<sup>th</sup> from 9:00am-12 noon.** Come on Friday for the best selection. On Saturday, many items will be half price. This sale benefits the early childhood and scholarship programs at the Children's Morning Out and Preschool Program of WGUMC.

If you have any questions, you can e-mail: [tracy.mclaughlin@westgroveumc.org](mailto:tracy.mclaughlin@westgroveumc.org) or call the church office at 610-869-9334.

## Collecting Clothing for a Cause

There is a local organization in West Grove, the **Community New Garment Association**. In October they come together with donations of articles which are distributed to several local agencies. Two recipients of these donations are the **Avon Grove School Nurses and Maternity Departments of Jennersville Regional and Chester County Hospitals**. We would like to support these two agencies and invite you, our congregation, to help by donating an item from the list below. These items will be collected throughout the month and there is bin in the lobby for you to donate your clothing items. We thank you for your help.

**AVON GROVE SCHOOL NURSES – New items such as sweat pants and tops, socks and underwear for children from Kindergarten age through High School.**

**JENNERSVILLE REGIONAL AND CHESTER COUNTY HOSPITALS – New Items of receiving blankets, crib sheets and blankets, diapers, one piece sleepers, undershirts (onesies) or any layette item.**

# THIS WEEK: September 11 through September 18, 2016

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

**Sunday:**

## EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

### BAPTISM SUNDAY

|                      |                                                                               |
|----------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 8:30 a.m.            | Contemporary Worship with the PraiseWorks Band                                |
| 9:45 a.m.            | Faith Learning Academy: Sunday School for all ages                            |
| 9:45 a.m.-10:45 a.m. | Confirmation Meeting 8, 10)                                                   |
| 11:00 a.m.           | Traditional Worship with the Chancel Choir and<br>Memory Bells Handbell Choir |

**Monday:**

|                        |                                             |
|------------------------|---------------------------------------------|
| 6:30 p.m.-8:15 p.m.    | Youth Kick Off! (See page 5 for details!)   |
| 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. | CMO Preschool Classes (#11, 13, 14, 15, 16) |
| 9:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. | Knit Wits (#1)                              |
| 6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m.    | SOS Ladies (#4)                             |
| 6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.  | Memory Bells Rehearsal (Sanc)               |
| 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.  | War Room Bible Study (#3)                   |

**Tuesday:**

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|------------------------|---------------------------------------------|
| 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. | CMO Preschool Classes (#11, 13, 14, 15, 16) |
| 9:00 a.m.-10:30 a.m.   | Staff Meeting (#1)                          |
| 4:45 p.m.-6:00 p.m.    | Jr. Girl Scout Troop 447 (#8, 10)           |
| 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.  | Missions Meeting (#1)                       |
| 6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m.    | Jr. Girl Scout Troop #41377 (#8, 10)        |
| 7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.  | Yoga-Sanc.                                  |

**Wednesday:**

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|------------------------|---------------------------------------------|
| 8:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m.   | Keystone Fire Inspection (Kitchen)          |
| 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. | CMO Preschool Classes (#11, 13, 14, 15, 16) |
| 2:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m.    | Luther House Bible Study (Bldg. 1)          |
| 6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m.    | Prayer Ministry Meeting                     |
| 7:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.    | Venture Crew Youth Meeting (#8, 10)         |

**Thursday:**

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|------------------------|---------------------------------------------|
| 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. | CMO Preschool Classes (#11, 13, 14, 15, 16) |
| 6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m.    | Jr. Girl Scout Troop #4317 (#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, 10, 9, 11, 12, 13) |
| 8:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.  | PraiseWorks Rehearsal                       |

**Friday:**

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|------------------------|---------------------------------------------|
| 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. | CMO Preschool Classes (#11, 13, 14, 15, 16) |
| 9:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. | UMW Faith Circle (#8, 10)                   |

**Saturday:**

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| <b>8:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m.</b> | <b>SE District Charge Conference</b>                      |
| 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.     | Daily Reflections Group (8,10.)                           |
| 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.        | District Workshop (Sanc.)                                 |
| 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.        | District SPRC meetings (#1)                               |
| 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m      | 12th Annual Penn Township Community (Come see our booth!) |

**Sunday:**

## NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

|            |                                                    |
|------------|----------------------------------------------------|
| 8:30 a.m.  | Contemporary Worship with the PraiseWorks Band     |
| 9:45 a.m.  | Faith Learning Academy: Sunday School for all ages |
| 11:00 a.m. | Traditional Worship with the Chancel Choir         |
| 5:30 p.m.  | Potluck and a “Look to the Future” (Leaman home)   |

# 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](mailto:office@westgroveumc.org) or 610-869-9334. After office hours and on weekends, please contact **Sara Ann Ramberger** at [sar57ver@verizon.net](mailto: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 September: Sunday School Program** **Mission Prayer Focus in September: Children's Morning Out Preschool**

Wayne Achuff  
Cory Beattie (Shaub)  
Kylee Brown (Wiwel)  
Fran Bryan  
Dee Crawford  
Esther and Ed Culbertson  
Bill Davis (Mullen)  
Dorothy Dean (Bratton/Farr)  
Colin Delaney (McGinley)  
Family of Barbara Donahoe (Mundell)  
Tom Fagan  
Bill Fili, Jr. (Bratton)  
Family of Sandy Futti (Phillips)  
Richard Heacock  
Anne Horn (Mullen)  
Jimmy Hunt (Kr. Boyd)  
Muff Hurst  
Sue Hutton  
Lynn Jackson  
Laura Shiplet James  
Karen Kirby (Bushnell)  
Bill Lilley  
Family of Neva Luttman (Miller)



Rosemary MacCoun  
Dave McClain  
Margee Michaels  
Lynn Morgan (McClain)  
Bill Mowery (Shiplet)  
Tim Mullen  
Lola Nadolny (Hruz)  
Ed O'Brien  
Warren Payton (Mullen)  
James Pollard (Yarbrough)  
Rick Renzulli (McGinley)  
Ruth Richards (Delaney)  
Ron Ritter (Chalmers)  
Kristine Roberts (Phillips)  
Garrett Rogers (Lindtner)  
Roann Schneider  
Lorrie Steele  
Maureen Stickel (Fackler)  
Fernando & Jonathan Tena  
Raymond Thompson (Adams)  
Zach Trexler (Lytle)  
Ron and Marliss Wilson  
Megan Wittman (Lytle)



Tom Fagan - USA (Whelan)  
Allan Frost - South Carolina (Frost)  
Brian Kubo - Maryland (Edel Mullen)  
LTC Eric Maxwell, Chesapeake, VA (The Rambergers)  
Dave Springer - Fort Bragg, NC  
Jimmy Strawhecker - Kuwait (Lynne Strawhecker)  
Tyler Thompson—Kandahar, Afghanistan (Margee Michaels)  
Ed Tolmie—Afghanistan  
Chris Weizman - Okinawa, Japan (Fran Miller)

## **SERVANTS IN MINISTRY ON SUNDAY MORNING**

### **This Sunday, September 18**

**Ushers—8:30** The Catoia Family  
**Greeters—8:30** Karen Hruz and Jeanette Stryjewski  
**Ushers—11:00** Joan Saller and **OPEN**  
**Greeters—11:00** Larry and Kay Yates  
**Acolyte 8:30/11** Cecelia Figueroa/Alisabeth Guepet  
**Nursery 8:30/9:45/11** M. Rubincan/K. Smith/A. Castaldi  
**C. Worship—8:30/11** Amy Castaldi / **OPEN**  
**Lay Reader—8:30** Fred Sullivan  
**Liturgist—11:00** Tom Hoover  
**Moment All Ages** Pastor Monica  
**Hospitality 8:30/11** Maryanne Covington / Scott Steele  
**Counters** Margee Michaels and Scott Steele  
**Sound Booth** B. Ditzel/K. Schneider

### **Next Sunday, September 24**

The Howard Family  
The Simmonds Family  
**OPEN**  
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Anna Castaldi / Joseph Yarbrough  
J. Lindtner/E. Mullen/J. Leaman  
Amy Castaldi / **OPEN**  
Karen Hruz  
Vernon Ramberger  
Julie Hughes  
Dawn and Mike Chalmers  
Bill Jones and Tim Shaub  
B. Ditzel/K. Schneider

# **Meditations For Your Week**

**Sunday, September 18 ~ Saturday, September 24**



**Sunday:** *“First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings should be made for everyone” 1 Timothy 2:1.* Disciples live out the discipline of prayer. When are you intentionally praying – asking, thanking, listening to God?

**Monday:** *“[Pray] for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity.” 1 Timothy 2:2.* Prayerfully consider pausing today to pray for governmental leaders, church leaders, community leaders, and business leaders.

**Tuesday:** *“This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.” 1 Timothy 2:3-4.* How is God showing you the knowledge of the truth today?

**Wednesday:** *“For there is one God; there is also one mediator between God and humankind, Christ Jesus, himself human, who gave himself a ransom for all — this was attested at the right time.” 1 Timothy 2:5-6.* Our discipleship is under Jesus. Give thanks to God for Jesus.

**Thursday:** *“For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.” 1 Timothy 2: 7.* Paul, a disciple of Jesus, was called to be a teacher of faith and truth. Prayerfully consider where God is leading your discipleship towards.

**Friday:** *“Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much.” Luke 16: 10.* In your discipleship, where is God offering you an opportunity to be faithful? Where is the experiment of being faithful with a little?

**Saturday:** *“No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth.” Luke 16:13.* Discipleship includes all areas of your life, including your money. How is your money serving God?

## 8:30 Contemporary Worship Service

***OPEN***

**\*Opening Song**      “In The Secret (I Want To Know You)”      PraiseWorks Band

**Welcome and Ministry Opportunities** Pastor Monica

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

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| <b>*Celebration Set</b> | “I Will Follow”<br>“Holy Is The Lord” | PraiseWorks Band |
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## \*Passing of the Peace

## GROW

**Moment For All Ages** Pastor Monica

**New Testament Lesson**      *1 Timothy 2:1-7*      Fred Sullivan

**\*Gospel Lesson** *Luke 16:1-13* Fred Sullivan

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**Sermon** "I Am A Disciple" Pastor Monica

## SERVE

**Moment of Impact** *Crisfield Mission Trip* Pastor Monica

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| <b>Offering</b> | “One Pure and Holy Passion” | PraiseWorks Band |
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**Offertory Prayer (Unison)** Pastor Jim

**Generous God, you are the king of the universe! Everything belongs to you, yet you graciously provide for our smallest needs. You sent your Son Jesus, the Prince of Peace, to redeem us. We are grateful for your blessings, for we have enough to share. Help us to be faithful in our use of the resources you give us. We return a portion of your bounty for the work of the church. May people in our community rejoice in your goodness, through Christ, our Lord. Amen**

**Gathered Prayers** Pastor Jim

**The Lord's Prayer** Pastor Jim

**\*Closing Song**                      “All Creation Worships You”                      PraiseWorks Band

**\*Benediction** Pastor Monica

## \*Postlude