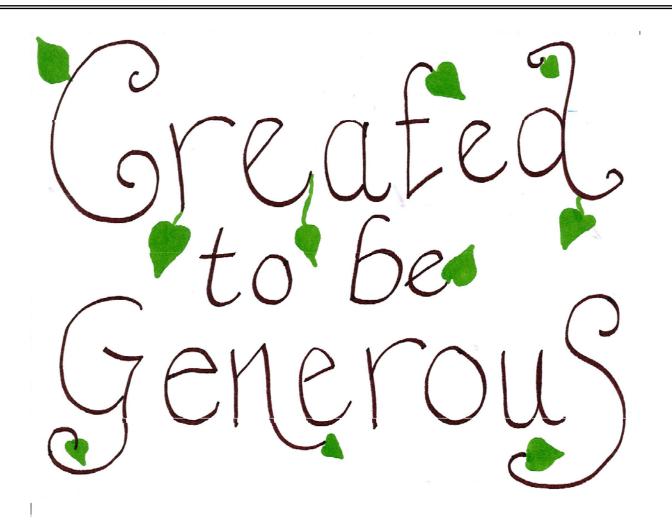


West Grove United Methodist Church

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



Consecration Sunday November 8, 2015

11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship **Consecration Sunday**

OPEN

Prelude

Welcome and Ministry Opportunities

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

- **Call to Worship** (written by Rev. Sarah E. Weaver) Delight! Children of God, delight! One:
 - We are delighted to be here together; to worship as a family and to be Manv: united in a common ministry.
 - We gather in worship to celebrate this community. One:
 - Many: We celebrate the love that we have for one another, the support that we give to one another and the journey we are on to be united by God's grace.
 - We come together this day to delight in offering our gifts. One:
 - Many: We delight in the gifts we are giving, the pledges we are making and the future we are creating.
 - We join our hearts and our spirits today and delight in giving. One:
 - Many: We are here! We are delighted! We are united!
 - Let us worship the God who loves when we delight in giving. One:
 - A11: Let us worship God!

*Processional Hvmn "Come Thou Font of Every Blessing" Hymnal No. 400

***Opening Prayer** (Unison)

Dave Tallev Loving and Delighted God, we pray that you would fill us with generosity and delight. So draw our hearts to you, so guide our minds, so fill our imaginations, that we may be wholly yours, utterly dedicated to you. Use us as you will, always to your glory and the welfare of your people; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. AMEN.

*Passing of the peace

One: The peace of Christ be with you. Many: And also with you.

GROW

Moments for All Ages		Julie Hughes
Old Testament Lesson	2 Corinthians 8:1-15	Dave Talley
*Gospel Lesson	Mark 12:38-44	Dave Talley
*Response to the Lesson		Dave Talley

One: This is the word of God for the people of God. Many: Thanks be to God! Amen.

Anthem	"The Gifts He Gives to Me"	Chancel Choir

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Dave Talley

Pastor Monica

Dave Tallev

"Generous Givers"

Pastor Monica

SERVE

*Hymn of Response

"Be Thou My Vision"

Hymnal No. 451

Acts of Consecration

Invitation

Pastor Monica Hymnal No. 399

Offering Our Generosity "Take My Life and Let it Be"

Consecrating our Generosity

One: Creator of all, the earth is yours, the world and all who live in it.

- All: You have entrusted us with gifts— time, talent, energy, money—and asked us to use them to build your kingdom. With thanks and praise we respond to your call.
- One: We bring these gifts you have given, reflecting your generosity, living as your disciples.
- All: We offer ourselves, our lives, our hopes and fears, our dollars and our hours. We commit ourselves to work for your world, to love and serve wherever you call.
- One: May these cards reflect our commitments to You and your church.
- All: May our hearts, minds, and souls continue to seek you through this step of faith, path of discipleship, reflection of generosity.
- One: We ask your blessing on this, your church, as we seek to follow you with heart, mind, and soul.
- All: Bless these gifts as we live into your image, we who are created to be generous Bless also these gifts, our investment in your future, that they may multiply in faith, hope, and love. Amen.

Offering	"I Give You Me"	Duet by Betsy Smith &	Victoria Owens
	ss thou the gifts ou	u The Gifts" hands have brought;	Hymn No. 587
Bless thou the work our hearts have planned. Ours is the faith, the will, the thought; the rest, O God, is in thy hand.			
*Offertory Prayer (Unison) Living God, you miraculously provide for our needs, beyond what we could			

Living God, you miraculously provide for our needs, beyond what we could imagine. Thank you for showing us people of faith who live according to your Word. Free us from fear, so that we will open our hands and faithfully share our tithes and offerings. Fill us with delight and generosity to offer our resources for your will and way. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

Gathered Prayers of the People		Pastor Jim
The Lord's Prayer		Pastor Jim
*Hymn of Sending Forth	"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"	Hymnal No. 140
*Benediction		Pastor Monica
*Choral Benediction	"Go, Now In Peace"	Chancel Choir
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*Postlude

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

Old Testament Lesson: 2 Corinthians 8:1-15

Encouragement to Be Generous

We want you to know, brothers and sisters, about the grace of God that has been granted to the churches of Macedonia; for during a severe ordeal of affliction, their abundant joy and their extreme poverty have overflowed in a wealth of generosity on their part. For, as I can testify, they voluntarily gave according to their means, and even beyond their means, begging us earnestly for the privilege of sharing in this ministry to the saints— and this, not merely as we expected; they gave themselves first to the Lord and, by the will of God, to us, so that we might urge Titus that, as he had already made a beginning, so he should also complete this generous undertaking among you. Now as you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in utmost eagerness, and in our love for you—so we want you to excel also in this generous undertaking.

I do not say this as a command, but I am testing the genuineness of your love against the earnestness of others. For you know the generous act of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich. And in this matter I am giving my advice: it is appropriate for you who began last year not only to do something but even to desire to do something— now finish doing it, so that your eagerness may be matched by completing it according to your means. For if the eagerness is there, the gift is acceptable according to what one has—not according to what one does not have. I do not mean that there should be relief for others and pressure on you, but it is a question of a fair balance between 14 your present abundance and their need, so that their abundance may be for your need, in order that there may be a fair balance. As it is written,

"The one who had much did not have too much, and the one who had little did not have too little."

Gospel Lesson: Mark 12:3844

Jesus Denounces the Scribes

As he taught, he said, "Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes, and to be greeted with respect in the marketplaces, and to have the best seats in the synagogues and places of honor at banquets! They devour widows' houses and for the sake of appearance say long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation."

The Widow's Offering

He sat down opposite the treasury, and watched the crowd putting money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. A poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which are worth a penny. Then he called his disciples and said to them, "Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. For all of them have contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on."

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.

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. 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

Please remember to mute your cell phone when you enter the sanctuary for worship.

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

ELECTRONIC GIVING: There are many folks who give electronically at West Grove UMC. A "Electronic Giving Card" is available to those who desire to have a symbolic gift for the offering plate. If you would like to learn more about giving electronically, please take a brochure offered in the literature rack by the front doors, or see our Church Administrator, Donna Fackler.

FAMILY PROMISE: We are excited to host our first Family Promise event on Sunday, **December 6 through Saturday, December 12**. Contact our team for more information. Janice Bowers: 610-444-8470 janicesemail12@gmail.com and Joan Leaman: 484-643-2181 jmleman@comcast.net

RETIRED ACTIVE PEOPLE (R.A.P.) FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 12:00 P.M.-3:00 P.M.

Bring your brown bag lunch and be prepared for an interesting presentation by Scott Steele, a West Grove historian. His presentation will cover the history of the West Grove Independent, West Grove's hometown newspaper for over 80 years. You will learn why the Democratic party won all 20 offices in the first borough elections in 1893 and what Independent founder and editor Morris Lloyd had to say about it. You will find out which US President was a personal friend of the second editor, William Dantz and hear two famous crime stories from the front page of the Independent, the 1894 robbery and assault of traveling salesman B. Leo Bonefield ,and the bank robbery and gunfight at the National Bank of West Grove in 1947.

OUR NEW YOU TUBE CHANNEL: Thanks to Keith Schneider, we now have a a link to the WGUMC You Tube Channel: <u>https://www.youtube.com/channel/</u> <u>UCcMskzlor4EexJqIRtPVMZw</u> We hope you will visit this channel soon! Check out our Sunday School Memory verse for this unit as well as last week's Moment of Impact! NOVEMBER SOUP SALE: We will make two favorites. #1- Roasted Butternut Squash #2- Chicken Corn Chowder Sign-up is until Thursday, November 26. There is a signup sheet hanging on the blackboards in the lobby, or you can call the church office at 610-869-9334. Pick-up is on Saturday, November 28 between 2 & 4 p.m. or Sunday after Worship Services. The cost is still only \$5.00 per Quart. Proceeds will help to buy a smart TV for the church in support of Family Promise and many other programs and ministries hosted at WGUMC. Thank you for supporting WGUMC!

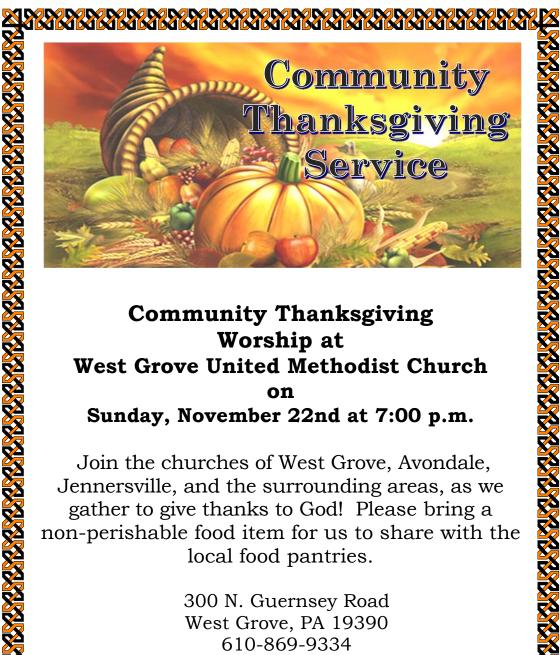
SUKKOT BOOTH: As we have done in previous years, our church will collect nonperishable food items and turkey coupons (from local grocery stores) at the Sukkot booth in the lobby beginning Sunday, November 1 through Sunday, November 22. This year's Fall Harvest Food Collection will benefit and help replenish the short food supply for The Bridge at the Avon Grove Church of the Nazarene. The Bridge has doubled the number of local families that it is serving this fall. Your donations are essential to serve those in our community. In addition, Thanksgiving Baskets will be given to a few local families in need. Be sure to stop by the booth with your donations. Thank you for serving God through the faces in our community.

COAT & BLANKET DRIVE: November 1 through November 22. Winter is coming and everyone needs to bundle up nice and warm. Yes, that means **EVERYONE**. However, throughout our community we have many individuals that lack the basic winter defense of a nice, warm winter coat. Once again, **West Grove United Methodist Church is asking for the donation of gently used or new blankets and winter coats.** Donations may be dropped off at the church from November 1 through November 22. We are accepting all sizes from children, through teens and adults. These items will be given to The Bridge at the Church of the Nazarene in West Grove and to the Penn London Elementary School for distribution. Please join us and help keep **EVERY-ONE** warm this winter!

AFRICAN AMERICAN EXPERIENCE: Last Sunday night about 15 people gathered for an invigorating and in-depth discussion of Leana Williams book *It's the Little Things: Everyday Interactions That Anger, Annoy, and Divide the Races.* Your participation is not dependent upon whether or not you had a chance to read the chapters. We will be meeting at the Lincoln University Chapel Fellowship Hall at 6:30 on Sunday, November 15. Mel Leaman 610-806-3805

CONSECRATION BRUNCH: Today we will offer our commitment cards in worship and celebrate following in the image of God as generous givers. We hope you will join us for a moving and inspirational worship, that morning at 8:30 and 11:00 am. After each service, a brunch will be hosted in the Church Lobby. As we give thanks to God for all that God has given us, we rejoice together our steps of faith towards the fuller image of God. Join us for a delicious brunch after the 8:30 service and the 11:00 service.

A UMW unit meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 18, at **10 am** at the church in order to wrap treats and pack Advent Bags. A brief meeting will also be held at this time. Please join us if you have an interest or desire to learn more about the missions we support.



Community Thanksgiving Worship at West Grove United Methodist Church on Sunday, November 22nd at 7:00 p.m.

Join the churches of West Grove, Avondale, Jennersville, and the surrounding areas, as we gather to give thanks to God! Please bring a non-perishable food item for us to share with the local food pantries.

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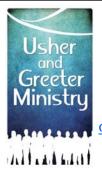


West Grove UMC Church Directory Update

Please check your family's information and update addresses, cell phone numbers, emails, birthdates, etc.

There are many children (and adults) in our church family who do not have their birthdays listed, and we would love to be able to wish them happy birthday!

Our new directory is used by all of our congregation, so please make sure to check your information. The binder with our current directory information is at the Welcome Center in Lobby. Please make your corrections directly in the book or you may email the office at office.westgroveumc.org Thank you.



DO YOU LIKE TO WELCOME GUESTS? CAN YOU HELP OTHERS FEEL COMFORTABLE? USHERS AND GREETERS ARE NEEDED FOR SUNDAY MORNINGS.

Please call the office at 610-869-9334 or email Donna at <u>office@westgroveumc.org</u> if you can serve. The commitment is one week per month on a Sunday morning you choose.

<u>God's Faithfulness ~ Your Stewardship</u> Report for November 1, 2015

General Offering: \$10,563.78 Building Maintenance Fund: \$395.00 Worship Attendance: 254 Emergency Groceries Bags Distributed YTD: 82 Youth Stock Shares Purchased: 234 Emergency Aid disbursed YTD: \$1,753.80 Endowment Fund Donation: \$2,000.00

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

Meditations For Your Week

Sunday, November 8 ~ Saturday, November 14



- **Sunday:** "For during a severe ordeal of affliction, their abundant joy and their extreme poverty have overflowed in a wealth of generosity on their part." 2 Corinthians 8:2. Prayerfully consider how God offers opportunities for us to impact the lives of others, if we only look around.
- **Monday:** *"For, as I can testify, they voluntarily gave according to their means, and even beyond their means, begging us earnestly for the privilege of sharing in this ministry to the saints" 2 Corinthians 8:3-4.* Where is God calling you to beg for the privilege of sharing and serving?
- **Tuesday:** "Now as you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in utmost eagerness, and in our love for you—so we want you to excel also in this generous undertaking." 2 Corinthians 8:7. Paul calls disciples to be excellent in generosity as in all things, because it reflects more fully the image of God. How will you be excellent in generosity?
- **Wednesday:** "I do not mean that there should be relief for others and pressure on you, but it is a question of a fair balance between your present abundance and their need, so that their abundance may be for your need, in order that there may be a fair balance." 2 Corinthians 8:13-14. God always uses God's people. Prayerfully consider where God is using you.
- **Thursday:** "He sat down opposite the treasury, and watched the crowd putting money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. A poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which are worth a penny." Mark 12: 41 -42. As Jesus cares about the way people treated one another with actions, Jesus cared about the way we treat one another with our money. What does the use of your money say about you?
- Friday: "Then he called his disciples and said to them, 'Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury." Mark 12:43. Giving is never one-size fits all. Our need to give differs with our need to serve. Ask God to show you what your need to give is and respond.
- **Saturday:** "For all of them have contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on." Mark 12:44. Contemplate what you give out of your poverty.

THIS WEEK: November 8 through November 15, 2015

~~ Hours for the Church Office: Monday-Friday, 7:30 a.m 4 p.m. ~~			
Sunday:			
		ECRATION SUNDAY	
	8:30 a.m. 9:45 a.m.	Contemporary Worship with the PraiseWorks Band	
	9.45 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Christian Education for All Ages	
Monday:	9:00 a.m12:00 p.m.	Traditional Worship with the Chancel Choir CMO Preschool (3, 4, 5, 6)	
Monuay.	9:30 a.m 11:00 a.m.	Knit Wits (#1)	
	6:30 p.m8:00 p.m.	Jr. Girl Scout Troop #453 (#14)	
	6:30 p.m 8:00 p.m.	S.O.S. Ladies (#8, 10)	
	6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.	Memory Bells Rehearsal (Sanc.)	
Tuesday:	9:00 a.m12:00 p.m.	CMO Preschool (3, 4, 5, 6)	
	11:30 a.m11:45 a.m.	Chapel Time with CMO Preschool (#3)	
	1:00 a.m2:30 p.m.	Staff Meeting (#1)	
	6:30 p.m8:00 p.m.	Tech Team Meeting (#1)	
	6:30 p.m8:00 p.m.	Jr. Girl Scout Troop #41377 (#8, 10)	
	7:00 p.m8:30 p.m.	4-H Club (#8, 10)	
	7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.	Yoga-Sanc.	
	7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.	AG Wildcats (#15)	
Wednesday:	9:00 a.m12:00 p.m.	CMO Preschool	
	11:00 a.m.	CMO Fall Music Show	
	11:15 a.m11:45: a.m.	Chapel Time with CMO Preschool (Sanc.)	
	12:15 p.m1:15 p.m.	CMO Soccer Shots (church grounds)	
	2:00 p.m 3:00 p.m.	Luther House Bible Study (Bldg. 1)	
	6:30 p.m.—8:00 p.m.	Staff Parish Relations Committee (#14)	
	7:00 p.m8:00 p.m.	Venture Crew Youth Meeting (#8, 10)	
Thursday:	9:00 a.m1:30 p.m.	CMO Preschool (3, 4, 5, 6) (Classroom 5 until 1:30 p.m.)	
	11:00 a.m.	CMO Fall Music Show	
	6:30 p.m8:00 p.m.	Jr. Girl Scout Troop 04317 (#14)	
	6:45 p.m8:00 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal (#6)	
	7:00 p.m9:00 p.m.	Boy Scout Troop #12 (#8, 10)	
	7:00 p.m9:00 p.m.	Boy Scout Committee Troop meeting (#1)	
Fridam	8:00 p.m.–9:00 p.m.	PraiseWorks Rehearsal	
Friday:	9:00 a.m12:00 p.m.	CMO Preschool (3, 4, 5, 6, 8&10) UMW Faith Circle (#1)	
	9:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	CMO Fall Music Show	
	12:00 p.m3:00 p.m.	RAP (Retired Active People) Sanc., Kitchen	
	7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.	Youth Dodgeball (Sanctuary)	
Saturday:	UMW Annual Meeting (
		nnual Conference (Hempfield UMC)	
	10:00 a.m11:30 a.m.	Daily Reflections (#8, 10)	
Sunday:		H SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST	
	8:30 a.m.	Contemporary Worship with the PraiseWorks Band	
	9:45 a.m.	Christian Education for All Ages	
	11:00 a.m.	Traditional Worship with the Chancel Choir and	
		Memory Bells	
	6:00 p.m 7:30 p.m.	Youth Group Meeting (#8 & 10)	
	6:00 p.m 7:30 p.m.	Mission Possible Meeting (#14)	
	6:30 p.m.	African American Experience (LU Chapel)	
** Coffee Fellowship is Hosted by the Staff Parish Relations Committee**			

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 <u>four Sundays</u>. If you would like to have the prayer concern extended, please update your request with Donna. Thank you.

Community Prayer Focus in November: The Staff of WGUMC Mission Prayer Focus in November: Sunday Breakfast Mission

Kory Arnold Aunt Naomi and Cousin Cheryl (Haley) Cory Beattie (Shaub) Fran Bryan Bill Cooney (O'Brien) Colin Delaney (McGinley) Bradley Dunn Tom Fagan Bill Fili, Jr. (Bratton) Marcus Forst (Howard) Dave Hake & Family (May) Lonna Hudson (Hurst) Lee Hunt (Curtiss) Mike James Bill Jones Richard Kreutzfeldt Bill Lillev Pam McClain **Margee Michaels** Lynn Morgan (McClain)



Bill Mowery (Shiplet) Tim Mullen Kylie Myer (Hughes) nain Ed O'Brien Family of Hailey Parker (Simonds) James Pollard (Yarbrough) Tammy Ramberger Vernon Ramberger Ron Ritter (Chalmers) Dot Russell Roann Schneider Doug and Joan Smead (Wolff) Lorrie Steele Reinhard Streibel (Mullens) Fernando & Jonathan Tena Zach Trexler (Lvtle) Dot Weeks Jeff Whelan Megan Wittman (Lytle)



Tom Fagan - USA (Whelan)

Allan Frost - South Korea (Frost)

Brian Kubo - Maryland (Edel Mullen)

LTC Eric Maxwell, Colorado Springs, CO (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

Ushers—8:30 Ushers—11 Greeters—8:30 Greeters—11 Acolyte 8:30/11 Nursery 8:30/9:45/11 C. Worship—8:30/11 Lay Reader—8:30 Liturgist—11:00 Moment All Ages Hospitality 8:30/11 Counters Sound Booth

<u>This Sunday, November 8</u>

Luke Chalmers & Tim Bushnell Fran Miller & Karen Schneider Karen Underwood TBA Alisabeth Guepet/Joshua Robinson J. Lindtner/C. Bratton/C. Bruno
1 Jessi Timm / Heather Ditzel Carolyn Barrett Dave Talley Julie Hughes Steve May / Dick & Caryl Stuhrke Dave Talley and Denise Byers Joe Dea/B. Ditzel/K. Schneider

Next Sunday, November 15

Fred & Jeannie Sullivan Edel Mullen & Joan Saller Karen Underwood Larry and Kay Yates M. LesStourgeon / Sydnye Curtis H. McCummings/K. Smith/OPEN Amy Castaldi / OPEN Mark Simonds Bill Jones Joan Leaman Covingtons / Scott Steele The Rambergers Joe Dea/B. Ditzel/K. Schneider

8:30 Contemporary Worship Service Consecration Sunday

Open "Praise Adonai"

PraiseWorks Band

Welcome and Ministry Opportunities and Opening Prayer Pastor Monica

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*Celebration Set	"Overwhelmed"	PraiseWorks Band
	"You Are My All in All"	

*Passing of the Peace

***Opening Song**

Grow

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Offertory Prayer (Unison)		Pastor Jim
Gathered Prayers of the People		Pastor Jim
The Lord's Prayer		Pastor Jim
*Closing Song	"All to You"	PraiseWorks Band
*Benediction		Pastor Monica
*Postlude		

* Please stand as you are able