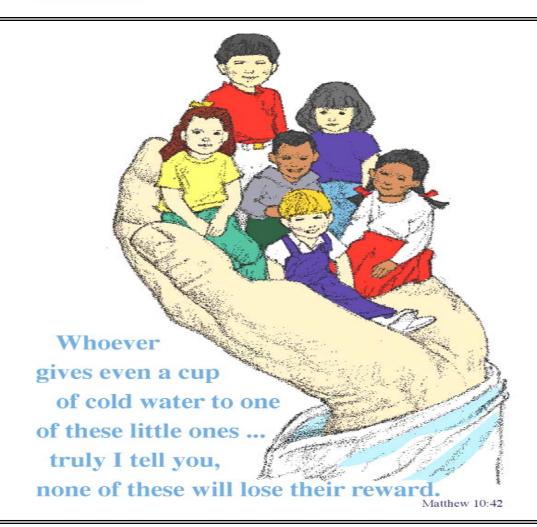


## **West Grove United Methodist Church**

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



Third Sunday After Pentecost

June 29, 2014

# Third Sunday

#### **Prelude**

#### **GATHERING**

#### Welcome

### **Ministry Opportunities**

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

\*Call to Worship (Responsive)

Vernon Ramberger

As we come from different homes, God invites each of us to worship. Come! Listen to the word of the Lord!

Help us to receive God's word and direction for our lives.

Proclaim the goodness of God's love!

Let our voices and our actions be filled with love.

Come, now is the time to worship.

Open our eyes, our hearts and our spirits this day, Lord. AMEN.

\*Welcoming Music

6677

PraiseWorks

\*Opening Prayer (Unison)

Vernon Ramberger

O God of Christ,

in Jesus you came into the midst of the Galileans as one of them.

You lived among them as a neighbor.

You spoke to them as a friend.

You welcomed them as members of your family.

And you treated them as brothers and sisters.

Come now into our midst, dear God, as you entered into Galilee, and give us the grace to welcome you as neighbor, friend, and family.

In the name of Christ, we pray, Amen.

\*Passing of the Peace

#### LISTENING AND RECEIVING

**Moment for All Ages** 

Pastor Monica

\*Song of Preparation

PraiseWorks

Scripture Lesson

Psalm 89:1-8, 14-18 Matthew 10:37-42 Vernon Ramberger

## After Pentecost

(Children 4-10 years meet in room #9 for Children's Worship. Parents, please pick up your children immediately following the worship service in room #9.)

**Sermon** "Beginning Again – Beginning Anew: A Welcoming Faith" Pastor Monica

#### CELEBRATION OF A NEW APPOINTMENT

**Carol Stewart, Staff Parish Relations Committee (SPRC):** Dear friends, today we welcome The Reverend Monica B. Guepet, who has been appointed to serve as our pastor. We believe that she is well qualified and has been prayerfully appointed by our Bishop Peggy A. Johnson.

**Carol:** Rev. Monica B. Guepet, you have been sent to live among us as a bearer of the Word of God; a minister of the Sacraments; and a sustainer of the love, order, and discipleship of the people of God.

**Monica Guepet, Pastor**: Today, I reaffirm this commitment in the presence of this congregation.

**Carol:** Brothers and sisters in Christ, as a people committed to participate in the ministries of the Church by your prayers, your presence, your gifts, and your service, will you who celebrate this new beginning support and uphold Rev. Monica B. Guepet in these ministries?

Congregation: We reaffirm our commitment to support you with our prayers, presence, gifts, and service.

Carol: How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of the messenger

Congregation: Who announces peace, who brings good news, who announces salvation.

(See back page of worship bulletin for New Appointment Litany)

#### RESPONDING

Offering "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms" Red Hymnal, No. 133

Gathered Prayers of the People Lori McClain

The Lord's Prayer Red Hymnal, No. 895

\*Song of Sending Forth "Here I Am Lord" Red Hymnal, No. 593

\*Benediction

**Postlude** 

<sup>\* =</sup> Please stand as you are able Bold Print = Say in unison

#### WELCOME TO ALL

Everyone is precious in the Lord's sight. Thank you for blessing us with your presence. **All are invited to a time of fellowship following the service.** If you have come as a visitor, we hope that you'll leave as a friend who's been blessed by worshiping in this house of God. We encourage you to join us again. Please honor us by signing the Friendship Registry. Our Welcome Center, located in the lobby, is a place where visitors and new attendees can seek information about our church.

Church Office: 610-869-9334—Our Website: www.westgroveumc.org

Gospel Lesson: Matthew 10:37-42

**37** Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; **38** and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. **39** Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. **40** "Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. **41** Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet's reward; and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous; **42** and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple—truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward."

### New Testament Lesson: Psalm 89:1-8, 14-18

1 I will sing of your steadfast love, O Lord, forever; with my mouth I will proclaim your faithfulness to all generations. 2 I declare that your steadfast love is established forever; your faithfulness is as firm as the heavens. 3 You said, "I have made a covenant with my chosen one, I have sworn to my servant David: 4 "I will establish your descendants forever, and build your throne for all generations.' " (Selah) 5 Let the heavens praise your wonders, O Lord, your faithfulness in the assembly of the holy ones. 6 For who in the skies can be compared to the Lord? Who among the heavenly beings is like the Lord, 7 a God feared in the council of the holy ones, great and awesome above all that are around him? 8 O Lord God of hosts, who is as mighty as you, O Lord? Your faithfulness surrounds you.

**14** Righteousness and justice are the foundation of your throne; steadfast love and faithfulness go before you. **15** Happy are the people who know the festal shout, who walk, O Lord, in the light of your countenance; **16** they exult in your name all day long, and extol your righteousness. **17**For you are the glory of their strength; by your favor our horn is exalted. **18** For our shield belongs to the Lord, our king to the Holy One of Israel.

### **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.

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

<u>Today is the 5th Sunday Loose Change Collection.</u> We will support our Covenant Missionary, Mrs. Ngoy and Rev. Umba Kalangwa, with our loose change coin collection. If you would like to contact them to send them your words of support and prayers, you can email them at ukalangwa@umcmission.org or nkalangwa@umcmission.org In the months that have a fifth Sunday, the Missions Team designates a specific recipient of the donations collected. Thank you for your support!

Youth Slip-n-Slide. It's back! We'll be slipping and sliding on our very own slip-n-slide. Join us at the church on TODAY, June 29 from 6-7:30 p.m.

**CMO'S LABELS FOR EDUCATION PROGRAM!** The WGUMC Children's Morning Out and Preschool program is collecting "Labels for Education" to help support the CMO and Preschool program. Please place them in the box provided in the church lobby.

WEIRD ANIMALS VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: July 14-18, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Register your children ( ages 4 years old to entering 4th grade) on line through our website: http://www.wg-umc.org/children\_vbs If you do not have access to the internet, please contact the church office or Melissa Jones to register.

**Volunteer:** We need a lot more volunteers to make this happen, so please sign up in the lobby or on line at: **http://www.wg-umc.org/children\_vbs** You must have your clearances if you are working directly with children. For more assistance with clearances, please contact Fran Miller.

**Donate:** Snack signup sheets will be in the lobby and on line soon. In the meantime, here are some items we are currently looking for include:

Bright colored tissue paper cardboard pool noodles green and blue plastic table clothes (\$ store) brown paper bags streamers: different shades of green, blue and brown

cardboard tubes (wrapping paper size or larger) artificial greenery small electric water fountain 2 boxes saltine crackers 100 3 oz. paper or plastic cups rope lights

**CHICKEN BBQ SUPPLIES:** Before long, the Annual Chicken BBQ planning will be in full swing! There are often great deals on charcoal over the summer, and your donation would be appreciated. The BBQ typically uses about 35-40 20 lb. bags of charcoal. Your donation would be gratefully accepted and could be stacked in the foyer in the administration wing.

### THIS WEEK: June 29 through July 6, 2014

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

Sunday: THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Fifth Sunday Coin Collection
Pastor Monica Guepet's First Sunday

8:30 a.m. PraiseWorks Rehearsal

9:30 a.m. Blended Worship

1:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m. Private event in the Sanctuary
2:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m. Twin Pines Ministry at Chatham
6:00 p.m.-7:30 p.m. Youth Slip-n-Slide at the church

Coffee Fellowship hosted by the Men's Sunday School Class

**Monday:** 6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m. S.O.S. Ladies (#8, 10)

Tuesday: No activities scheduled

**Wednes:** 2:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m. Luther House Bible Study (Bldg. 1)

7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. Boy Scout Troop Committee Meeting (#1)

**Thursday:** 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 12 (#8, 10)

Friday: No activities scheduled

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

Sunday: THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

8:30 a.m. PraiseWorks Rehearsal

9:30 a.m. Blended Worship

Please keep the youth and their leaders in your prayers as they travel to Washington, D.C. today to begin their week of mission work.



**Help Pastor Monica get to know you!** Today, Pastor Monica will meet the congregation for the first time. After the service, before you leave, please stop in the lobby where Luke Chalmers will be taking video shots of everyone. You can introduce yourself, your family and even say a short sentence or two about yourself. This will help Pastor Monica immensely as she gets to know each of you! Thank you.

## God's Faithfulness ~ Your Stewardship

Report for June 22, 2014

General Fund: Offering: \$3,146.00 Offerings Received YTD: \$157,010.65

Offerings Estimated to meet Budget YTD: \$171,150 (-\$14,140)

Building Maintenance Fund: Offering: \$70.00 Year-to-Date: \$3,536.00

Worship Attendance: 9:30 a.m.: 130

Emergency Food Bags distributed year-to-date: 47

### PRAYERS OF THE COMMUNITY

Would you like to add someone to the Prayer Chain?

Please contact Donna Fackler at donnaf@westgroveumc.org or 610-869-9334. 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 in June: West Grove Borough Buildings Mission Prayer Focus in June: Urban Promise

Kory Arnold Bayla (Tolmie) Cory Beattie (Shaub) Fran Bryan Janet Burtch (Russell)

Maura Carrol (Bates) Sandy Deckard

Colin Delaney (McGinley) Lena Douglas

Lil and Bill Fili (Bratton) Bill Fili, Jr. (Bratton)

Family of Arden Franks

(Hicks)

Bob Herb (Shiplet)

Ruth Hicks

George Hooker (Shiplet) Pat & Shawn Ireland

(Kreutzfeldt)

Nancy Lewis (Bratton)

Bill Lillev June Martz

Lois Michael (Haley) Phil Miller (Ramberger)

Lynn Morgan (McClain) Tim Mullen Randy Nelson (Boyd)

Ed O'Brien

Nancy Pearo (Heist) Sara Ann Ramberger Tammy Ramberger David Register (RAP)

Lisa Reoli

Kristina Roberts (Phillips)

Emily Rogers (Rogers)

Dot Russell

Roann Schneider Bill Shiplet (L. Shiplet)

Elliot Simpers (Schrader) Sandra Spotts (Mullen) Tom Story (Ramberger)

Jeannie Sullivan

Fernando Tena (Jones) Dorothy Tolmie (Tolmie)

Zach Trexler (Lytle) Megan Wittman (Lytle)



Jamie Dietterich - NC (Wiwel)

Tom Fagan - USA (Whelan)

Allan Frost - Guam (Frost)

Brian Kubo - Oatar (Edel Mullen)

LTC Eric Maxwell, Colorado Springs, CO (The Rambergers)

Andy Mineer- San Diego, CA (Hruz)

Terry Neal - Fort Bliss, TX (F. Miller)

Tom Peirson & Troop - Afghanistan (Simonds)

Dave Springer - Fort Bragg, NC Jimmy Strawhecker - Glen Burnie, MD (Lynne Strawhecker)

Ed Tolmie - Bagram AFB Afghanistan Chris Weidman - Nellis Air Force Base, Las Vegas, NV (Fran Miller)

#### SERVANTS IN MINISTRY ON SUNDAY MORNING

### This Sunday, June 29

**Ushers** Greeters Acolyte Nursery C. Worship Lay Reader Moment All Ages Counters

Sound Booth

Kay Yates & Fred Sullivan Mike and Denise Byers

Madeline Jones Amy Castaldi Amy Simonds Vernon Ramberger

OPEN

Vernon & Sara Ann Ramberger

#### Next Sunday, July 6

Margee Michaels and Ken Arnold Joan Saller & Margaret Rubincan

**Sydney Curtis** Kim Smith OPEN

Fred Sullivan Karen Hruz

Dave Talley and Beth Arnold

Joe Dea, B. Ditzel & K. Schneider Joe Dea, B. Ditzel & K. Schneider

## New Appointment Litany

**Carol:** Let us pray. Eternal God, strengthen and sustain us in our ministries together, with Rev. Monica B. Guepet as our pastor. Give her and us patience, courage, and wisdom so to care for one another and challenge one another that together we may follow Jesus Christ, living together in love, and offering our gifts and talents in your service; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Carol:** We offer these gifts as symbols of the pastoral office to which you are appointed among us.

**Jamie Lindtner, Youth Group Director:** Pastor Monica, accept this Bible, and be among us as one who proclaims the Word. Amen.

Melissa Jones, Small Groups and New Member Coordinator: Pastor Monica, take this water, and baptize new Christians in this place. Amen.

**Helen Carlin, Sunday Morning Coordinator:** Pastor Monica, take this patent and chalice, and keep us in communion with Christ and the Church. Amen.

**Betsy Smith, Choir and PraiseWorks Director:** Pastor Monica, use this hymnal and book of worship to guide us in our prayer and praise. Amen.

**John Boyd, Chair of Trustees:** Pastor Monica, receive these keys and records and let us be good stewards of our resources. Amen.

**Donna Fackler, Church Administrator:** Pastor Monica, cherish this directory as a symbol of our church family and community and care for us with God's love. Amen.

**Don Hurst, Hospitality Chair:** Pastor Monica, take this welcoming bag and membership pad and encourage to offer the welcome of Christ to all.

**Carol Stewart, Staff Parish Member:** Pastor Monica, receive this Book of Discipline, and help us keep the covenant that strengthens our connections as United Methodists. Amen.

**Joan Leaman, Christian Education:** Pastor Monica, receive this curriculum and teach us about God.

**Janice Bowers, Missions Chair:** Pastor Monica, receive this globe, and lead us in our mission to this community and all of the world. Amen.

**Luke Chalmers, Youth Group Member:** Pastor Monica, receive this stole, signifying your ordination, and shepherd us as our pastor. Amen.

**Pastor Monica:** This yoke has been laid upon me, and I willingly take it upon myself. Let us pray.

All: Lord, God, bless the ministries of your Church. We thank you for the variety of gifts you have bestowed upon us. Draw us together in one Spirit, that each of us may use our differing gifts as members of one body. May your Word be proclaimed with faithfulness, and may we be doers of your Word and not hearers only. As we who have died and risen with Christ in baptism gather at his table and then scatter into the world, may we be one in service to others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Congregation: The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace. Amen.

Pastor: The peace of the Lord is with always with you.

Congregation: An also with you.