



West Grove United Methodist Church

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



Seventeenth Sunday After Pentecost
October 5, 2014

11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship

GATHERING

Prelude

Welcome and Ministry Opportunities

Pastor Monica

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 (written by Rick Neale)

Bill Jones

One: Today we are invited to a joyful feast, hosted by Jesus Christ.

Many: All who are hungry will find the bread of life here.

One: All who thirsty will find will find a fountain of grace here.

Many: All who are lost will find safety here.

One: All who are lonely will find a friend here.

Many: All who are broken will find healing here.

One: All who have been wandering will find a home here.

All: For this is a heavenly banquet, and you are welcome here! Let us worship God!

*Processional Hymn

"There is a Wideness in God's Mercy"

Hymnal No. 121

*Opening Prayer (Unison) (adapted from Africana Worship Book, Year B)

Bill Jones

Holy God of us all, Jesus prayed that we might be one:

one in spirit and in mission,

one in union and communion with each other and with You.

Today, God, we confess fumbings and failures in accomplishing unity,

as we set aside yet another day to remind ourselves of the task.

On this World Communion Sunday,

give us eyes to recognize your reflection

in the eyes of Christians everywhere.

Give us a mind to accept and celebrate our differences.

Give us a heart big enough to love your children everywhere.

We thank you for setting a table with space enough for us all! Amen.

*Passing of the peace

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

Many: And also with you.

LISTENING AND RECEIVING

Moments for All Ages

Pastor Monica

Old Testament Lesson

Psalm 90:1-6, 9-12

Bill Jones

*Gospel Lesson

Matthew 5: 13-16

Bill Jones

Response to the Lessons

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

Many: Thanks be to God! Amen.

Anthem

“We Are Called”

Chancel Choir

Children from Age 4 through Grade 4 are dismissed to meet in room #9 for Children’s Worship. Parents, please pick up your children immediately following the worship service in room #9.

Sermon

“Puzzling Over the Clock”

Pastor Monica

RESPONDING

Hymn of Response

“Take Time to be Holy”

Hymnal No. 395

Service Testimony

Blessing of the Bibles—Confirmands

Offering

*Offertory Response

“Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow”

Hymnal, 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.**

Sacrament of Holy Communion

Prayer After Receiving (written by Rev. Elaine Sweet)

God of field and fruit, of bread and wine, we give thanks for all we have received at this communion table. United with the divine, now unite us better with one another. Lead us to heal divisions, to welcome the stranger, to treat all as family. Send us out to care for creation and one another, as we follow in the redeeming way of Jesus Christ. Amen.

*Hymn of Sending Forth

“Come Thou Font of Every Blessing”

Hymnal No. 400

*Benediction

*Choral Benediction

“Change the World with Love”

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 Memory of Joseph Milton Yarbrough
From his daughter, Hope Yarbrough



Old Testament Lesson: Psalm 90:1-6, 9-12

Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all generations. Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever you had formed the earth and the world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God. You turn us back to dust, and say, "Turn back, you mortals." For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday when it is past, or like a watch in the night. You sweep them away; they are like a dream, like grass that is renewed in the morning; in the morning it flourishes and is renewed; in the evening it fades and withers.

For all our days pass away under your wrath; our years come to an end like a sigh. The days of our life are seventy years, or perhaps eighty, if we are strong; even then their span is only toil and trouble; they are soon gone, and we fly away. Who considers the power of your anger? Your wrath is as great as the fear that is due you. So teach us to count our days that we may gain a wise heart.

Gospel Lesson: Matthew 5:13-16

"You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot. "You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.



All Saints Day Service, Sunday, November 2. One of the oldest traditions of the church is the remembrance of those who have died during the last year on All Saints' Day on November 1st. You maybe remembering a loved one this year. We would like to give thanks to God for their life in our All Saints Day service on November 2nd during both services. Please make sure that the office has the name of your loved one, in addition to their date of birth and date of death, **by October 27th**. We wish to stand with you in honoring your loved one.

God's Faithfulness ~ Your Stewardship

Report for September 28, 2014

General Fund: Offering: \$5,637.⁰⁰ Offerings Received YTD: \$236,297.⁰¹

Offerings Estimated to meet Budget YTD: \$266,994 (-\$30,697)

Building Maintenance Fund: Offering: \$222.⁰⁰ Year-to-Date: \$5,210.⁹⁷

Worship Attendance: 182 **Sunday School Attendance:** 51

Emergency Food Bags distributed year-to-date: 60

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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 worship! Our gracious, all-forgiving God receives you with open arms. May his love strengthen you today. 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.***

### **WGUMC'S ANNUAL TRUNK OR TREAT EVENT! Sunday, October 27th from 4-6 P.M.**

This eagerly awaited event is an awesome outreach to the children of our community! It's a fun, safe way for children to experience the joy of trick or treating. We line up cars in part of our parking lot and children will go trunk to trunk collecting candy. We'll also have games, crafts, refreshments, and a hay ride. Invite a friend or neighbor to join in on the fun! We need lots of trunks this year! **All you need to do is decorate the trunk of your car and hand out candy** as the children come around. You can dress in costume if you like! You may decorate with any theme you like, as long as it has nothing scary, remember this is a fun and safe Christian event. There are tons of ideas to be found on the internet! We will be posting sign up sheets in the lobby as we will need lots of **volunteers** to help out, and you can place **candy donations** in the bins.

**CROP WALK FOR HUNGER SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19 AT 1 P.M.** All are welcome to participate in the CROP Hunger Walk beginning at the Memorial Park in Oxford. **You can participate by walking in the event or by SPONSORING ONE OF OUR WALKERS with your donation.** Our local efforts are making a huge difference... and you are part of it! **Twenty-five percent of the amount raised is returned to support the Neighborhood Service Center located in Oxford.** **Sign-up sheets and sponsor sheets will be available at the display in the church lobby** by mid-September. **Contact Roger Bates at 610-869-7638 for more information.**

**CHURCH DIRECTORY AND DATABASE UPDATES:** We are updating our database in anticipation of a new Church Directory publication. Please review your family's information in the binder located in the lobby on Sundays, or in the office during the week. The profile pages are in a "Family" rather than "Individual" format, so some information is not shown. There is ample room, however, to note any changes/additions such as, cell phone numbers, birthdates, new addresses, emails, etc. Any information you share and note as "Unlisted" will not be shared in the directory, but will be for church database information only. If you would prefer, you can email Donna Fackler your family's information at [office@westgroveumc.org](mailto:office@westgroveumc.org) or call her at 610-869-9334. Thank you!

**EMERGENCY FOOD NEEDED:** The Bridge has shared that they are quite low on supplies due to an increased need by families. The number of families requesting help has doubled in the last month. The items they are requesting are: #4 and #5 diapers, all pastas and cereal. Your donations can be put in the shopping cart located in the lobby. Thank you for your generosity!

# THIS WEEK: October 5 through October 12, 2014

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

## **Sunday: SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST STEWARDSHIP II BLESSING OF THE BIBLES FOR OUR CONFIRMANDS**

|                     |                                            |
|---------------------|--------------------------------------------|
| 8:30 a.m.           | Contemporary Worship with PraiseWorks Band |
| 9:45 a.m.           | J.A.M. and Christian Education classes     |
| 9:45 a.m.           | New Members Class (Pastor's Office)        |
| 10:45 a.m.          | Children's Choir Rehearsal (#4)            |
| 11:00 a.m.          | Traditional Worship with Chancel Choir     |
| 7:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m. | Middle School Youth Group (#8, 10)         |

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|----------------|----------------------|-----------------------------------------|
| <b>Monday:</b> | 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. | CMO Preschool (3, 4, 5, 6, Sanc.)       |
|                | 9:30 a.m.-11:00 p.m. | Knit Wits (#1)                          |
|                | 6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m.  | Memory Bells Rehearsal (Sanc.)          |
|                | 6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m.  | S.O.S. Ladies (#8, 10)                  |
|                | 7:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m.  | "Portraits of Christ" Bible Study (#14) |

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| <b>Tuesday:</b> | 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. | CMO Preschool (3, 4, 5, 6, Sanc.) |
|                 | 4:45 PM-5:45 PM      | Daisy Troop 447 (#8, 10)          |
|                 | 6:00 p.m.-7:30 p.m.  | Children's Ministry Meeting (#1)  |
|                 | 6:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.  | Yoga Class (Sanc.)                |
|                 | 6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m.  | Brownie Troop 41377 (#8, 10)      |
|                 | 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM    | AG Wildcats (#15)                 |
|                 | 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM    | Trustees Meeting (#1)             |

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| <b>Wednesday:</b> | 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. | CMO Preschool (3, 4, 5, 6, Sanc.)     |
|                   | 2:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m.  | Luther House Bible Study (Bldg. 1)    |
|                   | 6:00 PM - 10:00 PM   | Girl Scout Leaders Training (#8 & 10) |
|                   | 6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.  | CMO Event                             |
|                   | 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM    | Caregivers Meeting (#16)              |

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| <b>Thursday:</b> | 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.  | CMO Preschool (3, 4, 5, 6, Sanc.)  |
|                  | 6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m.   | Lay Leadership Meeting (#1)        |
|                  | 6:45 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. | Chancel Choir Rehearsal (#6)       |
|                  | 7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.   | Boy Scout Troop 12 (#8, 10)        |
|                  | 8:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. | PraiseWorks Band Rehearsal (Sanc.) |

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| <b>Friday:</b> | 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.        | CMO Preschool (3, 4, 5, 6, Sanc.)             |
|                | 9:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.      | UMW Faith Circle (#1)                         |
|                | 12:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m.        | RAP (Retired Active People) Sanc., Kitchen    |
|                | 12:00 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.      | CMO Lunch Bunch (#3 & 5)                      |
|                | <b>5:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m.</b> | <b>Smith Wedding Rehearsal and decorating</b> |

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| <b>Saturday:</b> | 9:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.      | JULIET Breakfast-Creekside Diner   |
|                  | 9:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.      | Hospitality Meeting (#1)           |
|                  | 10:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m.       | Daily Reflections (#8, 10)         |
|                  | <b>12:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m.</b> | <b>Smith Wedding and Reception</b> |

## **Sunday: SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST STEWARDSHIP III CHILDREN'S CHOIR SINGS**

|                     |                                            |
|---------------------|--------------------------------------------|
| 8:30 a.m.           | Contemporary Worship with PraiseWorks Band |
| 9:45 a.m.           | J.A.M. and Christian Education classes     |
| 9:45 a.m.           | New Members Class (Pastor's Office)        |
| 11:00 a.m.          | Traditional Worship with Chancel Choir     |
| 7:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m. | High School Youth Group (#8, 10)           |

# 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 week-ends, 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 in September: Chester County Food Bank**  
**Mission Prayer Focus in September: Compassion International**

Kory Arnold  
Michael Basilio  
(Covington)  
Cory Beattie (Shaub)  
Family of Eddie  
Bogus (Shiplet)  
Maura Carroll (Bates)  
Nick and Maria Cicchini  
(Miller)  
Dee Crawford  
Joe Devereaux (Keystone)  
Leslie Dunn (Boyd)  
Judy Elvin (Bryan)  
Lil and Bill Fili (Bratton)  
Bill Fili, Jr. (Bratton)  
Richard Heacock  
Pat Heist  
Matt Helm (Laird)  
Nancy Jessup (Gambill)  
Eddie Lavin (Eason)  
Bill Lilley  
Cindy Luttman (Miller)  
Neva Luttman (Miller)  
June Martz  
John McGinley  
Family of Lois Michael (Haley)  
Phil Miller (Ramberger)



Family of Raziel Mireles  
and the students of  
AGHS  
Lynn Morgan (McClain)  
Tim Mullen  
Gen Offerman (Hruz)  
Liz Powell (Schrader)  
Raymond Ramberger  
Tammy Ramberger  
Lisa Reoli  
Juanita Rickards  
Family of Alvin Rinehimer, Sr.  
Kristina Roberts (Phillips)  
Dot Russell  
Roann Schneider  
Family of Jim Schriver  
(Mears)  
Bill Shiplet (L. Shiplet)  
Jeannie Sullivan  
Fernando Tena  
Jonathan Tena  
Dorothy Tolmie (Tolmie)  
Zach Trexler (Lytle)  
Shelley Wiseman (Hruz)  
Dan Witscher (Chalmer)  
Megan Wittman (Lytle)



Jamie Dietterich - NC (Wiwel)  
Tom Fagan - USA (Whelan)  
Allan Frost - Guam (Frost)  
Brian Kubo - Qatar (Edel Mullen)  
LTC Eric Maxwell, Colorado Springs, CO  
(The Rambergers)  
Terry Neal - Fort Bliss, TX (F. Miller)  
Tom Pearson & 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**

**S. S. Roamers**

**Lay Reader—8:30**

**Liturgist—11:00**

**Moment All Ages**

**Counters**

**Sound Booth**

### **This Sunday, October 5**

Fred & Jeannie Sullivan  
Edel Mullen and Kay Yates  
Margaret Rubincan & Gail Bauer  
Ruth Wells and Fran Miller  
Cecelia Figueroa / Madeline Jones  
J. Lindtner/R. Catoia/J. Leaman  
Karen Reischke / Kim Weingarten  
Fran Miller  
Joan Leaman  
Bill Jones  
Julie Hughes  
Dave Talley and Beth Arnold  
Joe Dea/B. Ditzel

### **Next Sunday, October 12**

TBA  
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J. Lestourgeon/Matthew Rinehimer  
H. McCummings/C. Bratton/L. McClain  
Eileen Bushnell / Joan Leaman  
Joan Leaman  
Karen Hruz  
Susan Paisley  
Jamie Lindtner  
Sara Ann and Vernon Ramberger  
Joe Dea/B. Ditzel

# **8:30 Contemporary Worship Service**

## **Opening Song**

“Today is the Day”

## **Welcome and Ministry Opportunities and Opening Prayer**

Pastor Monica

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

## **Celebration Set**

“Better is One Day”

“You Are God”

## **Passing of the Peace**

## **Moment For All Ages**

Julie Hughes

## **Scripture**

*Psalms 90:1-6, 9-12 and Matthew 5:13-16*

Joan Leaman

Children from Age 4 through Grade 4 are dismissed to meet in room #9 for Children's Worship. At 9:30, the children staying for JAM will be taken to the youth room (#8 & 10) and those who are not staying will be brought back to the Sanctuary.

## **Sermon**

“Puzzling Over the Clock”

Pastor Monica

## **Service Testimony**

## **Blessing of the Bibles—Confirmands**

## **Offering**

“I Will Offer Up My Life”

## **Sacrament of Holy Communion**

“We Fall Down”

## **Prayers After Receiving**

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## **Closing Song**

“I Will Follow”

## **Benediction**