## West Grove United Methodist Church

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

Nineteenth Sunday After Pentecost October 19, 2014

## 11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship

## GATHERING

Prelude"March of Praise"Memory Bells ChoirArranged by Valerie W. Stephenson
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 (based on Psalm 106:1-3) Becky Rinehimer
One: Praise the Lord, all of the people!
Many: Give thanks to the Lord for God is good!
One: God's steadfast love endures forever!
Many: Who can tell of all God's wonderful deeds?
One: Blessed are those who follow in God's way.
Many: Blessed is the body of God who live as God's children.
*Processional Hymn "O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing" ..... Hymnal No. 57
*Opening Prayer (Unison) Becky RinehimerHoly God, we gather as your body this morning.We come from different locations and different understandings,but we all wish to serve you.Give us discerning hearts to live togetherin beloved communityin love and service of you, 0 God, and your people.Grant us grace and compassion to welcome each one who is presentand those who meet outside of this place as one of your children.
May we live out the way of Christ together, Amen.
*Passing of the peaceOne: The peace of Christ be with you.Many: And also with you.
LISTENING AND RECEIVING
Moments for All AgesJoan Leaman
Response to the LessonsOne: This is the word of God for the people of God.Many: Thanks be to God! Amen.
Anthem "Community of Faith" 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.
SermonJoin In!Pastor Monica
RESPONDING
Hymn of Response "Together We Serve" ..... TFWS No. 2175
Testimony of Presence and Membership
Offering "Come, We That Love the Lord" Memory Bells Choir Arranged by Linda R. Lamb
*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.
Gathered Prayers of the People
The Lord's Prayer*Hymn of Sending Forth"How Can We Name a Love"
Hymnal No. 111
*Benediction
*Choral Benediction "Change the World with Love" Chancel Choir
*Postlude

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


## New Testament Lesson: Acts 2:37-47

Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, "Brothers, what should we do?" Peter said to them, "Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him." And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, "Save yourselves from this corrupt generation." So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added. They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers.
Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

## Gospel Lesson: Matthew 6:24

"No one 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.


> God's Faithfulness ~ Your Stewardship

## Report for October 12, 2014

General Fund: Offering: $\mathbf{\$ 4 , 5 4 3 . 0 0}$ Offerings Received YTD: $\$ 259,521 .{ }^{43}$ Offerings Estimated to meet Budget YTD: $\$ 280,686$ (-\$21,165) Building Maintenance Fund: Offering: $\mathbf{\$ 4 , 1 3 5 . 0 0}$ Year-to-Date: $\mathbf{\$ 9 , 3 4 5 . 9 7}$ Worship Attendance: 159 Sunday School Attendance: 58 Emergency Food Bags distributed year-to-date: 62

## OPEN ~ GROW ~ SERVE

$\mathcal{A} t$ West Grove UMC, we fove God by opening our hearts to Jesus, growing our faith and serving our community and world in $\mathcal{H}$ is name.

Welcome. Nothing we own or do can fill our souls as God can. As we worship, I invite you to open your heart to the riches of abundant life the Father showers on us. We invite you to inquire about our church's activities and ministries. 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.
CROP WALK FOR HUNGER TODAY, 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. Contact Roger Bates at 610-869-7638 for more information.
WGUMC'S ANNUAL TRUNK OR TREAT EVENT! Sunday, October 26th 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! There are sign up sheets in the lobby to volunteer to help out. Candy donations can be deposited in the bins.

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. There is ample room 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 may email Donna Fackler your family's information at office $@ w e s t g r o v e u m c . o r g$ or call her at 610-869-9334. Thank you!
"PORTRAITS OF CHRIST" BIBLE STUDY, Led by Pastor Jim Mundell on Mondays, 7:00 p.m.8:30 p.m., September 22- November 24. Each chapter of John paints a portrait of Christ showing the characteristics of our Lord. There are 21 portraits of Christ that will be explored during the course of this study. The study meets weekly through November 24th in Room 14 in the Christian Education wing. JOIN US! Note: No Class on Monday, 10/20.
Calling All Children \& Youth: We're looking for ideas for backgrounds for the Sunday morning announcements. Please send your ideas to wgumc@verizon.net, put "Announcements Background" in the subject line! Understand that if you send a picture for the background, we may not be able to use it, as some pictures do not make good backgrounds.
So we may give you the proper credit, please include a picture of yourself--preferrably a head \& shoulders shot.


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PRAYERS OF THE COMMUNITY
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Would you like to add someone to the Prayer Chain? Weekdays, please contact Donna Fackler at the church office: office $a$ 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 four Sundays. If you would like to have the prayer concern extended, please update your request with Donna. Thank you.

## Community Prayer Focus in October: Avon Grove Wildcats Football Team

Mission Prayer Focus in October: Crop Walk for Hunger



Tom Fagan - USA (Whelan) Allan Frost - Guam (Frost) Brian Kubo- Qatar (Edel Mullen) LTC Eric Maxwell, U.S. Embassy, Mexico City(The Rambergers) Terry Neal-Fort Bliss, TX (F. Miller) 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
S. S. Roamers

Lay Reader-8:30
Liturgist-11:00
Moment All Ages
Counters
Sound Booth

This Sunday, October 19
Tim and Eileen Bushnell
George Anderson and Scott Steele John and Judy Gambill Joan Saller and Becky Tolmie Joshua Robinson / Sarah Reynolds
C. Bruno / A. Castaldi / E. Mullen

Maryann Covington / Heather Ditzel
Maryanne Covington
Mike Chalmers
Becky Rinehimer
Joan Leaman
Margee Michaels and Scott Steele Joe Dea/B. Ditzel

Next Sunday, October 26
Tim and Eileen Bushnell George Anderson and Scott Steele John and Judy Gambill Joan Saller and Becky Tolmie Matt Simonds / Joseph Yarbrough
M. Rubincan/K. Smith/J. Leaman

Sara White / Bill Jones
Cindy Haley
Karen Hruz
Dave Talley
Pastor Monica
Bill Jones and Tim Shaub
Joe Dea/B. Ditzel


# Date Night 

## Sponsored by the WGUMC Youth Group

Parents - Make a reservation and go to dinner without kids! Enjoy an evening on your own! We will watch your kids for you, and you can go on a date or the grocery store or take a nap! Here's the details!

When: Saturday, November 1 from 4:30-7:30.
Where: At WGUMC
Cost: a suggested donation of $\$ 10$ per child
Any money that is donated towards this event will be used to help offset the cost of the youth summer mission trip to Washington DC this summer. What: We will feed the kids pizza, do some crafts, play games and watch a movie. Your kids will be safe and have fun, and you get to enjoy time away and relax for 3 hours!
SIGN UP by October 30 by filling out the bottom of this form and returning it to the office or giving it to Jamie Lindtner.

Parents Date Night Sign-Up
Child/Children's Name \& Age

1. $\qquad$
2. $\qquad$
3. $\qquad$
4. $\qquad$
Parents Name:
Emergency \#: $\qquad$
Food Allergies or Concerns:

## "JOY TO THE WORLD" AT THE AMERICAN MUSIC THEATRE <br> ON FRIDAY, DECEMBER 5TH !

You are invited to celebrate the Christmas
Season with the RAP group and friends on
Friday, December 5th as all travel to the Plain \& Fancy Restaurant for their delicious Traditional Amish Farm Family Style Feast at 12:30 p.m. If you would like to browse/ shop in the Country Store, plan to arrive earlier in the morning before the meal. After lunch, we will then travel to the American Music Theatre to attend the 2014
Christmas Show "Joy to the World" which begins at 3 p.m.--the suggested time of arrival is $2: 30$ p.m.


JOY TO THE WORLD
are welcome to do just the meal or just the show. The price for the feast is $\$ 24$ (including all taxes and gratuities). The price for the show is $\$ 36$.

Make reservations to enjoy the meal and the show. However, you

Those planning to attend need to reserve a ticket by the end of October. Payments are due no later than Friday, November 14th at RAP.
Please contact Sara Ann Ramberger with your questions and to make reservations for the meal and/or the show: sar57ver@verizon.net or 610-8693863. We will be traveling by car-please inform Sara Ann if you need a ride.


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!

# EVERYONE IS INVITED - COMMUNITY EVENT SATURDAY NOVEMBER 1, 2014 

HELP FEED THE HUNGRY<br>++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++ New London United Methodist Church<br>10 am - 12 noon<br>1010 State Road, New London, PA



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Food Collection event for the Bridge Food Cupboard
Stop Hunger Now is a mission providing packaged meals that provide the greatest nutritional value in the most efficient shelf-stable package. At this event, you will help make those packaged meals and feed someone who would otherwise go hungry.

## Come Join the Fun - Come Make a Difference <br> *** Bring a non-perishable food item *** for the local food pantry <br> - the Bridge in West Grove -

## Refreshments available

Sponsored by the United Methodist Church Mission Connexion of Southern Chester County
Need more info? Contact 610-869-8129 newlondonumc@verizon.net

## Meditations For Your Week

## October 19-October 25



Sunday: "No one 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. " Matthew 6:24a How have the conveniences, comforts, and securities of the world distracted you from serving God?

Monday: "You cannot serve God and wealth." Matthew 6:24b Prayerfully consider how God is calling you to choose this day whom you will serve.

Tuesday: "They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers." Acts $2: 42$. The apostles' teachings are both the scriptures and the expounding of the scriptures and practical situations by modern day apostles. Where are you seeking the apostles' teachings?

Wednesday: "Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles." Acts 2: 43. Have you noticed God's workings in your midst? God can even work through us to show God's wonders and signs.

Thursday: "All who believed were together and had all things in common." Acts $2: 44$. The apostles were described as those who believed. It was together that best show God's love, justice, and compassion. Prayerfully consider how gathering with others who believe helps you to show God's love, justice, and compassion.

Friday: "Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts." Acts $2: 46$. Consider today being mindful of God's blessings by eating with glad and generous hearts.

Saturday: "[they were] praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved." Acts 2: 47 In praising God, we too seek the goodwill of all people. Where is God calling you today to do something to seek the goodwill of all people?

## 8:30 Contemporary Worship Service

## Opening Song

"Come Let Us Worship and Bow Down"

## Welcome and Ministry Opportunities and Opening Prayer

Pastor Monica
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Celebration Set<br>"With One Voice"<br>"Mighty to Save"

## Passing of the Peace

Moment For All Ages
Joan Leaman

## Reception of New Members

Shannon Hargreaves
Carol McGinley
John McGinley

## Scripture

Acts 2:37-47
*Matthew 6:19-21
Mike Chalmers
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<br>"Join In!"<br>Pastor Monica

## Testimony of Presence and Membership

Offering
"We, the Church"
Prayers of the People
The Lord's Prayer
Closing Song
"Big House"

## Benediction

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