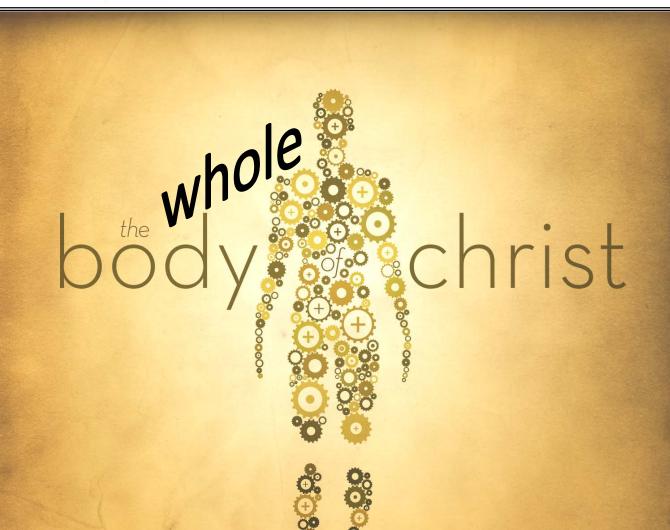


#### **West Grove United Methodist Church**

OPEN • GROW • SERVE

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



Second Sunday of Easter
Apríl 12, 2015

# Second Sunday of Easter 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 (Responsive)

Susan Paisley

One: We gather in the name of the risen Lord.

Many: Christ is risen! Alleluia!

One: We gather as sisters and brothers of the resurrected one.

Many: Christ is risen! Alleluia!

One: We gather to share our faith and to worship God.

Many: Christ is risen! Alleluia!

One: We gather as the body of Christ to live out the good news of Easter!

Many: Christ is risen! Alleluia!

\*Processional Hymn

"Christ Is Alive"

Hymnal No. 318

#### \*Opening Prayer

Susan Paisley

Almighty God, in raising Jesus from the grave, you shattered the power of sin and death. We confess that we remain captive to doubt and fear, bound by the ways that lead to death. We overlook the poor and the hungry, and pass by those who mourn; we are deaf to the cries of the oppressed, and indifferent to calls for peace; we despise the weak, and abuse the earth that you made. Forgive us, God of mercy. Help us trust your power to change our lives and make us new, that we may know the joy of life abundant given in Jesus Christ, the risen Lord, 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** 

Eileen Bushnell

**New Testament Lesson** 

1 Corinthians 12:12-27

Susan Paisley

\*Gospel Lesson

John 20:19-31

Susan Paisley

\*Response to the Lesson

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

Many: Thanks be to God! Amen.

"Many Gifts, One Spirit" Anthem 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

"The Whole Body of Christ"

Pastor Monica

#### RESPONDING

\*Hymn of Response

"One Is The Body"

Offering

\*Offertory Response "We Are The Body Of Christ" TFWS No. 2227

One heart, one Spirit, one voice to praise you, We are the body of Christ.

One goal, one vision: To see you exalted. We are the body of Christ.

And to this we give our lives to see you glorified. One heart, one Spirit, one voice to praise you, We are the body of Christ.

\*Offertory Prayer (Unison)

Generous and surprising God, when we thought that death had claimed your only Son, you amazed us with the resurrection. Surprise us again with your ability to turn these humble offerings into gifts that will transform the world through our witness to your love. We lay our very lives at your feet, O God, knowing that you will use us to proclaim and embody the gospel. Amen.

Gathered Prayers of the People

Pastor Monica

The Lord's Prayer

Hymnal No. 895

\*Hymn of Sending Forth "Easter People Raise Your Voices"

Hymnal No. 304

\*Benediction

\*Choral Benediction

"A Parting Prayer"

Chancel Choir

\*Postlude

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

## Altar Flowers

The flowers gracing our Altar today are In Celebration of Felicity Guepet's 4th birthday! With love from her Mommy, Daddy, Big Sister and Little Brother



#### New Testament Lesson: 1 Corinthians 12:12-27

#### One Body with Many Members

For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. If the foot would say, "Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. And if the ear would say, "Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. If all were a single member, where would the body be? As it is, there are many members, yet one body. The eye cannot say to the hand, "I have no need of you," nor again the head to the feet, "I have no need of you." On the contrary, the members of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, and those members of the body that we think less honorable we clothe with greater honor, and our less respectable members are treated with greater respect; whereas our more respectable members do not need this. But God has so arranged the body, giving the greater honor to the inferior member, that there may be no dissension within the body, but the members may have the same care for one another. If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honored, all rejoice together with it.

Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it.

## God's Faithfulness ~ Your Stewardship Report for April 5, 2015

General Fund: Offering: 8,027.27 Offerings Received YTD: \$82,078.91

Estimated Weekly offerings needed to meet annual Budget: \$7,540.29

Estimated YTD \$105,564.06 Budget credit/(deficit) = (-\$23,485.15)

Building Maintenance Fund: Offering: \$170.00 Year-to-Date: \$2,510.00

Worship Attendance: 6:30: 23 + 8:30: 98 + 11:00: 160 = Total: 281

Emergency Food Bags distributed year-to-date: 8

#### Gospel Lesson: John 20:19-31

#### Jesus Appears to the Disciples

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

#### Jesus and Thomas

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

#### The Purpose of This Book

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.



#### **Communion Stewards**

Serving and preparing communion is wonderful way to serve.

Are you wondering how you might be involved?

Join us on April 26th after both services for 10 minute session on training and getting involved.

No need to sign up, see you there.

#### **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.

"We, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another" (Romans 12:5, NRSV). Welcome, then, to "the body of Christ, the family of God." 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.

RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY: Come out on TODAY Sunday, April 12 to help prepare a dinner for the children and families staying at the Ronald McDonald House Delaware. This is a fun time of fellowship, cooking and serving along side members of our Missions Team who would love to have new or repeat volunteers come help! You can choose to meet at the church at 1:45 pm for carpooling or at 2:30 pm at the RMH. We serve dinner at 5:30. Ronald McDonald House of Delaware, 1901 Rockland Road, Wilmington, DE 19803 Please share your interest in participating with Janice Bowers – 484-888-6821 or janicesemail2@gmail.com

New Prayer/Discussion Group. Beginning Sunday, April 19, 9:45 a.m. in the Prayer Room off the left side of the Sanctuary. The theme for the group is based upon the scripture "Be still and know that I am God." We will meet in the prayer room and begin with a period of quiet and stillness in a candlelight setting as we get in touch with God's spirit within. We will slow down and listen. When we are still, we can feel God's holy spirit all around us. We will have a time for sharing; sharing personal stories of how God has touched our lives, in the past week, months, or years. How has God lifted us? How can we focus on hope, even when our world crashes in on us? Where can we find blessings in our everyday life? We will nurture an "attitude of gratitude". Do you have any special scriptures, songs, poetry, writings that touch you? Bring them to share with us. Any adult man or woman who wants to be still and focus on God's spirit, join us starting on Sunday, April 19 at 9:45. For more information or to share your ideas, call Julie Hughes at 610-547-7023 julahug@verizon.net

**R.O.M.E.O.** Retired Older Men Eating Out, Thursday, April 30. Remember, if you are retired, then you could be a ROMEO. We get together to eat at Perkins on the **last Thursday of each month**. Call Roger Bates at 610-869-7638 if you have any questions or if you are newly retired. Bring your retired friends!

**FAMILY PROMISE:** As we prayerfully consider if and how our church might be involved with Family Promise, we give thanks to God for the Ministerium's generous gift of \$735 received on Good Friday . We also give thanks to God for our congregation giving generously with our Easter offering. To date, we have received \$2,180. You can still give. Pick up an Easter envelope or mark your own envelope or check. Thanks be to God for the generosity of God's people.

### THIS WEEK: April 12 through April 19, 2015

~~ Hours for the Church Office: Monday-Friday, 7:30 a.m 4 p.m. ~~		
Sunday:	8:30 a.m. 9:45 a.m. 10:45 a.m. 11:00 a.m. Afternoon 3:00 p.m5:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m8:00 p.m.	COND SUNDAY OF EASTER Contemporary Service with PraiseWorks Band J.A.M. and Christian Education for all ages Children's Choir Rehearsal (#4) Traditional Service with Chancel Choir Mission trip to Ronald McDonald House to serve Dinner District Conference at Grove UMC Middle School Youth Group meeting (#8, 10)
Monday:	9:00 a.m12:00 p.m. 9:30 a.m11:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m 8:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m 8:00 p.m.	CMO Preschool Classes (#3, 4, 5, 6) Knit Wits (#1) Memory Bells Rehearsal (Sanc.) S.O.S. Ladies (#8, 10)
Tuesday:	9:00 a.m12:00 p.m. 9:30 a.m10:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m11:15 a.m. 6:30 p.m 8:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m 8:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m 8:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 8:30 p.m.	CMO Preschool Classes (#3, 4, 5, 6) Staff Meeting Chapel Time with CMO Preschool Brownie Troop 04317 (#14) 4-H Robotics Club ( #8, 10) AG Wildcats (#15) Girl Scout Troop 41250 ( #12)
NEWSLETTER ARTICLES FOR THE MAY ISSUE OF THE WESLEYAN STAR ARE DUE		
Wednesday:	9:00 a.m12:00 p.m. 10:15 a.m.+10:30 a.m. 2:00 p.m 3:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m 7:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m 8:00 p.m.	CMO Preschool Classes (#3, 4, 5, 6) Chapel Time with CMO Preschool Luther House Bible Study (Bldg. 1) Brownie Troop 453(#9) Venture Crew Youth Meeting (#8, 10)
Thursday:	9:00 a.m12:00 p.m. 5:30 p.m 6:30 p.m. 6:45 p.m 8:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m 9:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m 8:00 p.m. 8:00 p.m 9:00 p.m.	CMO Preschool Classes (#3, 4, 5, 6) Daisy Troop 4567 (#8, 10) Choir Rehearsal (#6) Boy Scout Troop 12 (#8, 10) SPRC (#1) PraiseWorks Rehearsal
Friday:	9:00 a.m12:00 p.m.	CMO Preschool Classes (#3, 4, 5, 6)
Saturday:	<b>8:30 A.M 3:00 P.M.</b> 8:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m11:30 a.m.	Confirmands visit St. George in Philadelphia UMW Spring Ingathering @ St. Mark's UMC, Broomall Daily Reflections (#8, 10)
Sunday: THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER		
	8:30 a.m. 9:45 a.m. <b>10:45 a.m.</b> <b>9:45 a.m10:45 a.m.</b> 11:00 a.m. 6:30 p.m8:00 p.m.	Contemporary Service with PraiseWorks Band J.A.M. and Christian Education for all ages Children's Choir Rehearsal (#4) New Members Class (Pastor's Office) Traditional Service with Chancel Choir and Memory Bells High School Youth Group meeting (#8, 10) Page 7

#### 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 **four Sundays.** If you would like to have the prayer concern extended, please update your request with Donna. Thank you.

> Community Prayer Focus in April: Sunday School Program Mission Prayer Focus in April: The Ronald McDonald House

Darlene Alleger (Guepet) Kory Arnold Dennis Baldwin (Boyd) Cory Beattie (Shaub) Arthur Bertogle (Fackler) Fran Bryan Maura Carroll (Bates) Colin Delaney (McGinley) Leslie Dunn (Boyd) Lil and Bill Fili (Bratton) Bill Fili, Jr. (Bratton) Adam Foltz (Russell) Marcus Forst (Howard) Grace Gurney (Wolff) Jason Haley (Haley) Brielle & Ariana Hargraeves

Richard Kreutzfeldt Amy Lengel & family (May) Bill Lilley Kay Longnecker (Mullen)

Matt Helm (Laird)

Tonva Howell (Bovd)

Neva Luttman (Miller)



Dave McClain Julia McDonnell Chain (Czerpak) Gloria Miller (Ramberger)

Lynn Morgan (McClain) Bill Mowery (Shiplet) Tim Mullen

Ed O'Brien

Family of Lawrence Ramberger

Tammy Ramberger

Lisa Reoli

Ron Ritter (Chalmers)

Dot Russell Richard Saller Roann Schneider Jeannie Sullivan Fernando Tena Dorothy Tolmie (Tolmie) Zach Trexler (Lytle)

Reston Turn & Family (May)

Dot Weeks

Megan Wittman (Lytle)



Tom Fagan - USA (Whelan)

Allan Frost - South Korea (Frost)

Brian Kubo - Maryland (Edel Mullen)

LTC Eric Maxwell, U.S. Embassy, Mexico City (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 S. S. Roamers Lav Reader—8:30 Liturgist—11:00 **Moment All Ages** Hospitality 8:30/11 Counters

Sound Booth

This Sunday, April 12 Mike and Luke Chalmers Fran Miller and Scott Steele Mike and Cindy Haley Joan Saller and Ruth Wells Nathan Robinson/Matt Rinehimer H. McCummings/K. Smith/K. Boyd C. Bruno / R. Catoia / J. Leaman M. Covington / Jessi Timm Amy Castaldi Mike Chalmers Susan Paisley Eileen Bushnell The Covingtons/ Scott Steele

G. Anderson and D. Shaub

Joe Dea/B. Ditzel/K. Schneider

Next Sunday, April 19 Mike and Luke Chalmers Fran Miller and Scott Steele Mike and Cindy Haley Joan Saller and Ruth Wells Wesley Boyd / Madeline Jones Jessica Timm / Heather Ditzel Maryanne Covington Joan Leaman

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Annual Spring Rummage Sale Set-Up on Thursday, April 30, 12:00 p.m. Sale, Friday, May 1: 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Sale, Saturday, May 2: 9 a.m.-12 p.m.

Household goods, adult and children's clothing, toys, and lots of other "treasures" will be for sale. On Saturday, all shoppers may fill a bag for \$2.00 **How can you help?** 

This is a biannual event pioneered by the United Methodist Women. It offers gently used clothing and household items to the community at record low prices. Many families in our community attend this event and the bargains are very helpful to them in these hard economic times. In order for the event to be held, many hands are needed for the physical labor of setting up the sanctuary and putting the items out on tables on the Thursday before the Friday sale. Then the reverse must happen on Saturday to get the sanctuary set up for Sunday worship. It is also helpful to have a half dozen people available during the busiest sale hours to help with check out on Friday and Saturday morning. Please consider lending an hour or two. The United Methodist Women use the proceeds of this event for various missions or additions to our church. Also needed, of course, are donations of gently used clothing and household items. These can be brought to the church during office hours the week before the sale.

Volunteer sign-up sheets are located in the lobby. We will be setting up on Thursday, April 30 at 12 p.m. So, start cleaning and sorting and we will see you at the sale!

**Understanding the African American Experience and White Privilege** - We meet from 7:00-9:00 on the fourth Sunday evening of each month in the church conference room to discuss articles, videos, and presentations by speakers. On April 26th we will be discussing Martin Luther King, Jr's. sermon entitled "Loving Your Enemies." You can Google that title to find it. We will also be discussing reactions to the PBS Documentary "Slavery by Another Name" which can be seen on You Tube. Rev. Mel Leaman, a Religion professor at Lincoln University facilitates the class. Please join us. Contact Mel at <a href="mellea-man50@gmail.com">mellea-man50@gmail.com</a>



# New Member Class Starts Sunday, April 19

Have you been attending WGUMC and want to join our family? Beginning April 19th, we will meet for three weeks to learn more about what it means to become a member of the United Methodist Church, and more spe-

cifically, our church here in West Grove.

**April 19th: OPEN** Join us as we learn about opening our hearts to Jesus. In this class, we will get to know one another a little better and discuss the United Methodist Church structure.

**April 26th:** GROW In this class, we will discuss spiritual growth and what that means to you as an individual.

**May 3rd: SERVE** We will talk about spiritual gifts and how they can be used for different forms of service.

**May 10th: WELCOME** On this day, you will be taken into membership during the worship service.

Classes meet on Sunday morning at 9:45 in the Pastor's office. Please contact Pastor Monica or Melissa Jones if you are interested in learning more about membership. **Our next class will begin in Fall 2015.** 

#### THE POWER AND THE GLORY

This June, after a five year absence, Hopewell UMC's Drama Ministry will present **THE POWER AND THE GLORY-**-the modern language resetting of their original **Passion Play**. This wonderfully rich telling of the story of Jesus' ministry, teachings, sacrifice, victory, resurrection, and ascension was originally translated in 2005 from **The Passion Play** which was first performed at Hopewell in 1963.

Our **RAP group and friends** will be traveling to Hopewell UMC on **June 12th**. The group will board a **DuVall bus** at WGUMC at **5 p.m.** The bus will return our group to WGUMC after the play. Light dinner choices, snacks, desserts, and bev-

erages will be available for purchase at Hopewell UMC beginning at 6 p.m. The play will start at 8 p.m. Hopewell suggests that you bring bug spray for your comfort and also a pillow/blanket for your seating--we will be permitted to choose and "save" our seats before enjoying our meal.

The cost for bus transportation is \$12.50 per person (includes the gratuity for the driver). Individual food choice purchases and freewill offering will be the responsibility of each attendee. Please direct your questions and reserve your seat on the bus with Sara Ann Ramberger, RAP Outing Coordinator, asap at 610-869-3863 or sar57ver@verizon.net.



# Shing for the Stars! Red Carpet Prom Night

(Youth fundraiser) ~ April 25<sup>th</sup> ~ 6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m. \$10.00 per ticket

Dust off those fancy clothes and break in the dance shoes! The youth are hosting their Second Annual Prom Night on April 25 from 6:00 - 8:00. There will be appetizers and music, games,

a Red Carpet and some entertainment. Tickets are on Sale starting Sunday, March 29th. for \$10.00. *(Under 5 yrs. Old – Free)* All proceeds go towards off setting the cost for the Youth Summer Mission Trip. It will be a Dazzling Night!

Be sure to Join Us!



The Confirmands invite the congregation to St. George's UMC on April 18!

Time Traveler 2015 at St. George's UMC. All Confirmands will head down to Historic St. George's UMC in Philadelphia on April 18 to participate in a dramatic retelling of some of our Methodist history. Please meet at WGUMC at 8:30 and plan on returning to WGUMC around 3:00. Bring \$12 for lunch at Ruby's Diner.

\*\*\* If anyone from the congregation is interested in learning more about our Church's history and visiting Historic St. George's UMC with us – you are welcome to come! The program runs from 10:30 – 12:30 and doors at the church open at 10:00. Contact Jamie Lindtner \*\*\*

### Second Sunday of Easter 8:30 Contemporary Worship Service

\*Opening Song

"God of All"

PraiseWorks Band

Welcome and Ministry Opportunities and Opening Prayer

Pastor Monica

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