



West Grove United Methodist Church

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



***Ascension Day & Mother's Day
Sunday, May 6, 2018***

11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship

OPEN

Prelude

Welcome and Ministry Opportunities

Pastor Monica

Please fill out the Friendship Folder on the clipboard located on a chair in your row.

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

*Call to Worship (Responsive) - Inspired by Psalm 47

Becky Rinehimer

One: God most high, astride land and ocean, over mountain and seas.

Many: Sing your best songs to God. Make a joyful noise to God!

One: Lord of heaven and earth, Sovereign of all, we praise you!

Many: Powers of the Earth are under God! To God, be the Glory!

*Processional Hymn

"Thine Be The Glory"

UMH No. 308

*Opening Prayer (Unison)

Becky Rinehimer

Glorious God of Heaven and Earth, we might find ourselves looking between heaven and earth. Looking between inspiration and our own lives, waiting for someone else to begin. Jesus whispers in our ears today and calls us out to follow. Let us not be left staring out at the sky. May we look for the face of Jesus in those we have not yet met, and the seemingly unlovable. As Jesus ascended to heaven, we look forward to resurrection here and now, as well as then and there, we pray, Amen.

*Passing of the Peace

Becky Rinehimer

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

Many: And also with you.

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Moment for All Ages

Pastor Monica

New Testament Lesson

Ephesians 1:15-23

Becky Rinehimer

*Gospel Lesson

Luke 24:44-53

Becky Rinehimer

*Response to the Lesson

Becky Rinehimer

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

Many: Thanks be to God! Amen.

Anthem

"ZZZ"

Chancel Choir

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Sermon

"DO Believe in Resurrection"

Pastor Monica

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***Hymn of Response**

"Sing With All The Saints In Glory"

UMH No. 702

Moment of Impact

Puerto Rico Relief

Pastor Monica

Offering

***Offertory Response**

"Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow"

UMH 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.

***Offertory Prayer**

Pastor Monica

God of Resurrection, as we stand amazed by you, you call us to give ourselves to your service. May these gifts, tithes, and offerings we present be a portion of our lives committed to you. Remind us that as we are tempted to stand agog looking at the sky, you need our very hands, feet, minds, and hearts to do your work, we pray, Amen.

Gathered Prayers

Pastor Monica

The Lord's Prayer

Pastor Monica

***Hymn of Sending Forth**

"Christ Is Alive"

UMH No. 318

***Benediction**

Pastor Monica

***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 space today are
in honor of our mothers, given by Bob & Julie Hughes; and
in celebration of Linda, Kim, Linda & Karen
given by Margaret Rubincan

New Testament Lesson: Ephesians 1:15-23

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

Gospel Lesson: Luke 24:44-53

Then Jesus said to them, “These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.” Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, “Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things. And see, I am sending upon you what my Father promised; so stay here in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high.”

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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, one and all! We are glad you are here—a place where faith, hope and love abide! 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.



Our Assisted Listening system is available to all who could benefit from additional amplification or assistance. Please see our soundboard operators for questions or to use a unit. We would like for you to hear!



EMERGENCY FOOD PANTRY: Our pantry continues to need your donations! We have given away 126 bags of food in just 7 weeks. The need is great. **An updated Shopping List** is out on the shopping cart. Please consider picking one up and donating a few items from the list.

NEW MEMBERS: We will be receiving New Members in worship on **May 20th at both services!** Pastor Monica will also offering the Sacrament of Baptism. Please contact the office, if you have not already, if you wish to become a member or be baptized.

FAMILY PROMISE BENEFIT CONCERT: Sunday, May 20 at 3:00 p.m. A Dessert Reception will be held at 4:00 p.m. Unionville Presbyterian Church at 815 Wollaston Road in Kennett Square, PA. For more information call 610-347-2327

RUMMAGE SALE: Thank you to everyone who helped to make the Rummage Sale a big success! Over \$1,200 was raised by the UMW to continue their missions and ministries!

GRADUATING THIS YEAR? Please let the church know about your future plans—educational or vocational. Send the names and plans to office@westgroveumc.org. We want to celebrate with you, and keep you in our prayers!

PRAYER ROOM: Our newly updated prayer room is open each Sunday after worship for anyone seeking prayer.

FAITH CIRCLE: The Faith Circle meets to make quilts for area shelters and Family Promise. We will for lunch on Friday May 18 (location TBD). Enjoy good company and learn about current and future projects. If you are interested in learning more please contact Chris Curtiss. (Sewing skills not essential.)

BAD MOVIE NIGHT: Join us on Friday, May 25 at 7:00 p.m. for a Special Memorial Day weekend edition of Bad Movie Night—featuring “THEM!” Come out and join us. Invite your friends! (This program is for youth, young adult and young at heart. No children under 6th grade please.)

PLAYGROUND DEDICATION PICNIC: Please join us on June 10th from noon to 2:30 p.m. to dedicate our new playground and enjoy a fellowship with each other over a picnic lunch.

CORNERSTONE AT SIMPSON HOUSE OPEN HOUSE & TOUR: June 4th from 4:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. This is the oldest United Methodist affiliated Retirement Community in the world. Come to the open house to learn more about their ministry to older adults and tour the facility. 2101 Belmont Ave., Philadelphia PA. www.simpsonhouse.org.

THIS WEEK: MAY 13 through MAY 20, 2018

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

Sunday:

Ascension Day & Mother's Day Pastor Shirley's Quarterly Day Off Pastor Jim is at Jenner's Pond

8:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship with the PraiseWorks Band
9:45 a.m. Sunday School and Faith Learning Academy
11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship
11:00 a.m. Jenner's Pond Worship Service (Alison Theater)
12:00 p.m. Counters (#1)
12:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m. Boys Scouts Shed Project

Monday:

9:00 a.m.-1:30 p.m. CMO Preschool (9, 11, 13, 14, 16)
9:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m. KnitWits (#1)
6:15 p.m.-7:00 p.m. Pastors Meeting (#1)
6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m. SOS Ladies (#5)
6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. Memory Bells Rehearsal (Sanc.)
7:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m. Full Staff Meeting (#1)

Tuesday:

8:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m. DCOM Meeting
9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. CMO Preschool (9, 11, 13, 14, 16)
4:45 p.m.-6:15 p.m. Jr. Girl Scouts \$447 (#8,10)
6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m. Jr. Girl Scouts #41377 (#8, 10)
6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. Finance Meeting (#1)
7:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m. Ad Council Meeting (#1)

Wednesday:

9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. CMO Preschool (9, 11, 13, 14, 16)
2:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m. Luther House Bible Study (Bldg. 1)
7:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m. Venture Crew Youth Meeting (HS & #10)

Thursday:

9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. CMO Preschool Year-End Celebration (9, 11, 13, 14, 16)
11:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Music Practice (#6)
5:45 p.m.-7:00 p.m. Jr. Girl Scouts #4567 (#8, 10)
6:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. Daisy Troop #461 (#12)
6:45 p.m.-8:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal (#6)
7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. Boy Scouts #12 (#5, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13)
7:30 p.m.-9:00 p.m. PraiseWorks Band Rehearsal (Sanc.)

Friday:

All Day Peter Enns Workshop (Holy Cross UMC)
9:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m. UMW Faith Circle (#8, 10)

Saturday:

10:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m. Daily Reflections Group (#8 & 10)

Sunday:

Pentecost and New Members Sunday

*** Coffee Fellowship hosted by the Faithlinks Class***

8:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship with the PraiseWorks Band
9:45 a.m. Sunday School and Faith Learning Academy
11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship with Memory Bells
12:00 p.m. Counters (#1)

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.** **PLEASE STATE "PRAYER CHAIN ONLY" ON YOUR REQUEST IF YOU DO NOT WANT NAME LISTED IN THE BULLETIN.** 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 for May: United Methodist Women Mission Prayer Focus for May: Les Family—Ukraine

Cory Beattie (Shaub)		Townsend MacCoun
Roger Bates		Dave McClain
Barb Bratton (Bratton)		Ray McKay
Fran Bryan		Lynn Morgan (McClain)
Family of Ann Cantrell (Mullen)		Peggy Mowrer
Helen Carlin		Tim Mullen
Family of Bert Conard		Pastor Jim Mundell
Dee Crawford		Lola Nadolny (Hruz)
Pastor Shirley Daddario		Pastor Monica
Family of Colin Delaney		Nancy Pearo (Heist)
Nina Dickinson (B. Ranieri)		Rick Renzulli (McGinley)
Lena Douglas		Richard Saller
Ed Farrell (Babcock)		Roann Schneider
Odella Farrell (Babcock)		Linda Shiplet
Laura Featherston		Joan Smead (Wolff)
Bill Fili, Jr. (Bratton)		Rick Spencer (K. Smith)
Mike Haley		Jeannie Sullivan
Family of Ruth Harvey (Kilmartin)		Maureen Stickel (Fackler)
Tom Hoover		Family of Gary Taylor (Dist. Super.)
Muff Hurst		Zach Trexler (Lytle)
Peg Kent		Family of Lydia Whelan
William Kirwin		Gisela Winkler (Mullen)
Rosemary MacCoun		Ron and Marliss Wilson



Daniel Engberg—Iraq (Hruz)
Brian Kubo - Qatar (Mullen)
LTC Eric Maxwell,
Chesapeake, VA
(The Rambergers)
Jimmy Strawhecker - NJ
(Lynne Strawhecker)
Chris Weidman - Japan (Miller)
Ed Tolmie

SERVANTS IN MINISTRY ON SUNDAY MORNING

This Sunday, May 13

Ushers—8:30	Tim & Eileen Bushnell
Greeters—8:30	Karen Hruz
Ushers—11:00	OPEN
Greeters—11:00	Esther Culbertson
Acolyte 8:30/11	Hannah McCummings/ Matthew Rinehimer
Nursery 8:30/9:45/11	Margaret Rubincan/Kim Smith/OPEN
C. Worship—8:30/11	Maryann Covington / Joan Leaman
Lay Reader—8:30	Cindy Haley
Liturgist—11:00	Becky Rinehimer
Moment All Ages	Pastor Monica
Prayer Room 8:30/11	Nancy Howard/Sandi Hampton
Roamers	Joan Leaman
Hospitality 8:30/11	The Stuhrkes/The Hoovers
Counters	Talley/Bowers
Sound Booth	Keith Schneider & various

Next Sunday, May 20

Marc & Nancy Simmons
P. Heist (front door)/M. Rubincan
OPEN
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Lindsay Reisinger/Ian Ditzel
OPEN/OPEN/Amy Castaldi
Amy Castaldi / Jessi Timm
John McGinley
Janis Schrader
Joan Leaman
Pam Howard/Susan Paisley
Maryanne Covington
The Covingtons/Scott Steele
Stuhrke
Keith Schneider & various

God's Faithfulness ~ Your Stewardship

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

Report MAY 6, 2018

General Offering: \$5,802.13
Building Maintenance Fund: \$290.00
Combined Attendance: 173
Twin Pines Attendance: 26
Emergency Groceries YTD: 126 bags
5th Sunday Offering for Sponsored Children: \$260.00
Prayer Bead Garden Donations: \$210.00
Total amount received: \$12,662.91
Goal-\$13,000

MOMENT OF IMPACT

PUERTO RICO RELIEF

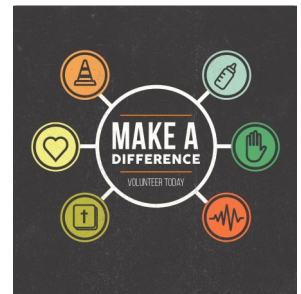
From September 16, 2017 – October 2, 2017, Hurricane Maria devastated Puerto Rico and much of the larger region. Through UMCOR and other efforts, we are involved in collaborating with others who are on the ground. A small team from our Conference went in February to survey needs, including our own Rev. BK Chung, previous pastor, now District Superintendent. We are in prayer for a team currently in Puerto Rico from Christ Church at Grove restoring homes. These offering funds seek to restore homes, churches, and lives.

MAKE A DIFFERENCE

A church is one body made of many parts. And it takes lots of volunteers for a church to run smoothly. **Please consider how you can help to serve our body with your gifts.**
Look for a Sign-Up Genius to be posted early in May.

Greeters—A warm greeting, smile, and a handshake—that is what can make the difference for someone visiting our church for the first time. Being a greeter is a small commitment—20 minutes before each service. If you are a “people” person and have the gift of hospitality, this is a wonderful way to serve the church.

Ushers—Another way to serve the church is as an usher. Ushers assist with the church service by welcoming people as they enter the sanctuary, handing out bulletins, and assisting with the collection of the offering. It is a small time commitment—arrive 15 minutes before each service and then serve for a few minutes during the church offering. If you have the gift of service, this is an easy way to serve the church in an important way.



“Dine to Donate” on May 21
Prayer Bead Garden Fundraiser at Perkins

Join West Grove United Methodist Church for a
 “Dine to Donate” Fundraiser
 Perkins Restaurant & Bakery
 Routes 41 & 1 in Avondale, PA
4:00 p.m.—8:00 p.m.

West Grove UMC will receive 10% of all sales accumulated by our supporters. Please notify your Perkins server and/or cashier when you check out that you are with the “West Grove United Methodist Church” Fundraiser.

Invite your friends and family! Thank you for your support!



PRAYER BEAD GARDEN PAVERS

The Prayer Bead Garden team is offering an opportunity to purchase a *Bead* (paver) in Honor or Memory of a loved one. The names of those Honored or Memorialized will be listed in a laminated book and displayed. A full Bead (paver) is \$100.00 or a quarter Bead for \$25.00. Checks may be made out to West Grove United Methodist Church with Prayer Bead Garden in the memo. An envelope is provided.

	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Full Bead Paver—\$100.00	_____	\$ _____
Quarter Bead Paver—\$25.00	_____	\$ _____
Totals:	_____	\$ _____

Please designate below how you wish to offer these Pavers, so it can be recognized in the Dedication Book. Please contact Pastor Monica, Susan Paisley, or the Prayer Bead Garden Team with questions or concerns .

In Memory of _____

In Honor of _____

Your Name: _____ **Envelope #** _____ **Amount \$** _____

Pancake Breakfast



Pancake Breakfast at West Grove UMC Saturday, June 9th 7 a.m.-10.a.m.

Tickets for the All-You-Can-Eat Pancake Breakfast
are now on sale!

Tickets are \$6 each.

Children under the age of 3 are invited to eat for free!

See Kim Smith or Linda Shiplet to get your tickets.
Pick up packs of tickets to sell to your friends and family!

Proceeds go to the on-going mission and ministry of our church.
Contact the church at 610-869-9334 if you have any questions
or need more information.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!

**July 9-13, 2018
9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.**

**Rolling River Rampage
Experience the Adventure
of a Lifetime with God!**



Registrations are being accepted for children age 3 through those entering 6th grade. To register: Visit www.westgroveumc.org. Click on the VBS event and click the link to register your child/children.

We need lots of volunteers, both adults and youth. Please let Joan Leaman (jmleaman@comcast.net) know, ASAP, if you would like to help. Thanks!!

Meditations For Your Week

Sunday, May 13 ~ Saturday, May 19



Sunday: *"I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love towards all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers." Ephesians 1: 15-16.* Pause today for pray for all who have mothers, have been mothers, remember mothers, and will be a mother.

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Wednesday: *"And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all." Ephesians 1:22-23* Take time to today to give praise to God who is God of all in heaven and earth!

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Friday: *"You are witnesses of these things. And see, I am sending upon you what my Father promised; so, stay here in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high." Luke 24: 48- 49.* As God's witnesses, with whom will you share God's promises?

Saturday: *"Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and, lifting up his hands, he blessed them. While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven. And they worshipped him and returned to Jerusalem with great joy; and they were continually in the temple blessing God." Luke 24: 50-53.* At Ascension, Jesus prepares the disciples for what comes next. How are you being prepared for what comes next?

8:30 Contemporary Worship Service

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*Opening Song

"Here I Am To Worship"

PraiseWorks Band

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*Celebration Set

*"Because Of Your Love"
"Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)"*

PraiseWorks Band

*Passing of the Peace

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Pastor Monica

*Closing Song

"Hope Is Alive"

PraiseWorks Band

*Benediction

Pastor Monica

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