



West Grove United Methodist Church

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



***Communion Sunday & Emergency Aid Sunday
Sunday, June 3, 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)

Christy Robinson

One: When we feel down-hearted...

Many: Jesus says: "Rise!"

One: When we wonder if we can continue on our journey...

Many: Jesus says: "I am with you. You have nothing to fear."

One: When we hunger and thirst in our souls for relief...

Many: Jesus says: "Come, follow me."

One: Lord of hope and possibilities, be with us today.

Many: Open our hearts and spirits to feed upon your healing word. AMEN.

*Processional Hymn "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

UMH No. 139

*Opening Prayer (Unison)

Christy Robinson

O God, who lifts us up, sets us free, and watches over us, visit us this day. Lift our spirits, and free our minds. Open our eyes and hearts to your words, your will, and the miracle of your holy presence, that we may encounter you in the meeting of friends and in kindness to strangers. May we know the miracle of life with you. Lift us up, and set us free, O God. Watch over us, we pray. Amen.

*Passing of the Peace

Christy Robinson

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

Many: And also with you.

GROW

Moment for All Ages

Pastor Monica

New Testament Lesson

Acts 5:12-16

Christy Robinson

*Gospel Lesson

Mark 4:1-20

Christy Robinson

*Response to the Lesson

Christy Robinson

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

Many: Thanks be to God! Amen.

Anthem

"This Is My Song"

Chancel Choir

Children from Age 4 through Grade 4 are dismissed to meet in room #10 for Children's Worship. Parents, please pick up your children immediately following the worship service in room #10. Children ages birth to 3 are welcome to attend the nursery in room #15 to participate in a story and guided activities.

SERVE

***Hymn of Response**

“My Hope is Built”

UMH No. 368

Moment of Impact

Peace with Justice

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 (Unison)**

Pastor Shirley

Hope-planting God, we praise us each time we found seeds of in our life. Receive these offerings, tithes, and gifts as our symbols and signs-acts of your presence among us. Help us to point to your presence among us, we pray, Amen.

***Invitation**

Pastor Shirley

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Pastor Shirley

God of Healing, we have broken down again. We have broken relationships with worldly values of success, wealth and fame over relationships and trust. We have broken our hearts over empty desires and failed promises of security and satisfaction by listening to the voices of this world above the call of Christ. We have broken our faith with You by failing to follow Your commandments to love You with our whole being and to love our neighbors as ourselves. Forgive us. Call us back to Your ways, to listen to Your wisdom, to follow You in this world, now. In the name of Christ, the one who lived and died for us, that we might have the hope of resurrection, we pray. Amen.

(Moment of Silence)

Words of Assurance

Pastor Shirley

The Great Thanksgiving

Pastor Monica & Pastor Shirley

All are welcome. Our communion bread is gluten free and nut free so that all may receive together. Our cup is grape juice, so that all may partake.

Communion Song

“Let Us Break Bread Together”

UMH No. 618

Prayer After Receiving (Unison)

Pastor Shirley

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that in the strength of your Spirit we may give ourselves for others, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

***Hymn of Sending Forth**

“Blessed Assurance”

UMH No. 368

***Benediction**

Pastor Monica

***Choral Benediction**

“The Lord Bless You And Keep You”

Chancel Choir

***Postlude**

New Testament Lesson: Acts 5:12-16

Now many signs and wonders were done among the people through the apostles. And they were all together in Solomon's Portico. None of the rest dared to join them, but the people held them in high esteem. Yet more than ever believers were added to the Lord, great numbers of both men and women, so that they even carried out the sick into the streets, and laid them on cots and mats, in order that Peter's shadow might fall on some of them as he came by. A great number of people would also gather from the towns around Jerusalem, bringing the sick and those tormented by unclean spirits, and they were all cured.

Gospel Lesson: Mark 4:1-20

Again Jesus began to teach beside the sea. Such a very large crowd gathered around him that he got into a boat on the sea and sat there, while the whole crowd was beside the sea on the land. He began to teach them many things in parables, and in his teaching he said to them: "Listen! A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seed fell on the path, and the birds came and ate it up. Other seed fell on rocky ground, where it did not have much soil, and it sprang up quickly, since it had no depth of soil. And when the sun rose, it was scorched; and since it had no root, it withered away. Other seed fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked it, and it yielded no grain. Other seed fell into good soil and brought forth grain, growing up and increasing and yielding thirty and sixty and a hundredfold." And he said, "Let anyone with ears to hear listen!" When he was alone, those who were around him along with the twelve asked him about the parables. And he said to them, "To you has been given the secret of the kingdom of God, but for those outside, everything comes in parables; in order that 'they may indeed look, but not perceive, and may indeed listen, but not understand; so that they may not turn again and be forgiven.'" And he said to them, "Do you not understand this parable? Then how will you understand all the parables? The sower sows the word. These are the ones on the path where the word is sown: when they hear, Satan immediately comes and takes away the word that is sown in them. And these are the ones sown on rocky ground: when they hear the word, they immediately receive it with joy. But they have no root, and endure only for a while; then, when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, immediately they fall away. And others are those sown among the thorns: these are the ones who hear the word, but the cares of the world, and the lure of wealth, and the desire for other things come in and choke the word, and it yields nothing. And these are the ones sown on the good soil: they hear the word and accept it and bear fruit, thirty and sixty and a hundredfold."

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.

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 **142** bags of food so far this year. 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. **Please place your donations in the shopping cart in the lobby.** Thank you!

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!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: We need donations for items that will be used during VBS: snacks, science, craft and recreation items. A sign-up sheet will be posted in the lobby during the month of June. Please sign up to donate items if you feel led to help in this way. Thank you!

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

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

BLENDED WORSHIP: During the months of **July and August we have one blended worship service at 9:30 a.m.** that incorporates elements from both the traditional and contemporary worship services. **Our blended worship begins this summer on July 1.**

SHORTCAKE SOCIAL FOR PASTOR SHIRLEY: Please join us on **June 24th** after each service for a shortcake social and celebration as we say farewell to Pastor Shirley.

WEDNESDAY NITE FUN: All are invited to join in on the weekly fun of fellowship and games **beginning June 20th and continuing through August 29th, 6-8:00 p.m.** at the church. It is a Rain or Shine event! Weather permitting, we will have a slip-n-slide for all to enjoy, the new playground for children of all ages, a parking lot to skateboard, ride bikes or play other games. Hot dogs and beverages are provided. If you are able, bring a dish to share. We encourage you to invite your friends and neighbors, too!

WEST GROVE MEET-YOUR-NEIGHBORS NIGHT: Wednesday, June 6: 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. **Neighborhood Meet & Greet over an evening meal.** Bring your dinner; bring your family; bring your friends!! We will have a few tables set-up in the area **near the West Grove Library.** The idea is for the community to gather together over a meal and get to know one another. Spread the word!!!

THIS WEEK: JUNE 3 through JUNE 10, 2018

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

Sunday:	Communion Sunday and Emergency Aid Sunday	
	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 the Chancel Choir
	12:00 p.m.	Counters (#1)
	12:00 p.m.-1:30 p.m.	PB&J Club (Kitchen)
	6:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.	SPRC Interviews (#1)
Monday:	7:30 a.m.-9:00 a.m.	Tech Team Meeting (#1)
	9:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.	Knit Wits (#1)
	6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m.	SOS Ladies (#5)
Tuesday:	All Day	Playground Installation
	9:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m.	Bi-monthly Staff Meeting (#1)
	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 #498 (#12)
	7:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m.	Trustees Meeting (#1)
Wednesday:	8:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m.	Ministerium (WGUMC)
	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 (#8, 10)
Thursday:	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 (#11)
	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	Pancake Breakfast Set-Up
	7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.	Kickball Celebration
Saturday:	6:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.	Pancake Breakfast
	9:00 a.m.-10:30 a.m.	J.U.L.I.E.T (Sunrise Café)
	10:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m.	Daily Reflections Group (#8 & 10)
Sunday:	Peace with Justice Sunday, Graduate Recognition, Playground Dedication Picnic	
	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 the Chancel Choir
	11:00 a.m.	Jenner's Pond Worship (Alison Theater)
	12:00 p.m.	Counters (#1)
	12:00 p.m.-2:30 p.m.	CMO Playground Dedication & Picnic
	2:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.	Piano Recital

**God's Faithfulness ~
Your Stewardship**

Report May 27, 2018
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*It is your tithes, offerings, and gifts that
impact and change lives for Christ!*

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 for June: Missions Mission Prayer Focus for June: Good Neighbors

Darlene Alleger (Fackler)
Cory Beattie (Shaub)
Roger Bates
Barb Bratton (Bratton)
Fran Bryan
Family of Ann Cantrell (Mullen)
Helen Carlin
Family of Bert Conard
Dee Crawford
Family of Colin Delaney
Family of Al Devote (Raineri)
Nina Dickinson (B. Ranieri)
Lena Douglas
Ed Farrell (Babcock)
Odella Farrell (Babcock)
Laura Featherston
Bill Fili, Jr. (Bratton)
Mike Haley
Tom Hoover
Muff Hurst
Peg Kent
William Kirwin
Rosemary MacCoun
Townsend MacCoun



Dave McClain
Ray McKay
Lynn Morgan (McClain)
Peggy Mowrer
Tim Mullen
Lola Nadolny (Hruz)
Pastor Monica
Nancy Pearo (Heist)
Rick Renzulli (McGinley)
Richard Saller
Roann Schneider
Linda Shiplet
Joan Smead (Wolff)
Rick Spencer (K. Smith)
Family of Frank Steele
Maureen Stickel (Fackler)
Jeannie Sullivan
Family of Gary Taylor (Dist. Super.)
Zach Trexler (Lytle)
Family of Lydia Whelan
Gisela Winkler (Mullen)
Ron and Marliss Wilson



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

SERVANTS IN MINISTRY ON SUNDAY MORNING

This Sunday, June 3

Ushers—8:30 Gene & Alison Aucott
Greeters—8:30 John & Carol McGinley
Ushers—11:00 OPEN
Greeters—11:00 OPEN
Acolyte 8:30/11 Anna Castaldi/Parker Featherston
Nursery 8:30/9:45/11 OPEN/C. Bratton/K. Rineheimer
C. Worship—8:30/11 Jessi Timm/Joan Leaman
Lay Reader—8:30 Julie Hughes
Liturgist—11:00 Christy Robinson
Moment All Ages Pastor Monica
Prayer Room 8:30/11 Nancy Howard/Susan Paisley
Roamers Amy Castaldi
Hospitality 8:30/11 L. Shiplet & K. Smith/The Stuhrkes
Counters Michaels
Sound Booth Keith Schneider & various

Next Sunday, June 10

Tim & Eileen Bushnell
The Hill Family
Fran Miller
OPEN
Colton McCummings/Nate Robinson
K. Hendrickson/K. Smith/P. Fulton
OPEN/Amy Castaldi
Joan Leaman
Mary Franciscus
Pastor Monica
Pam Howard/OPEN
Fran Miller
The Stuhrkes/OPEN
Anderston/Shaub
Keith Schneider & various

MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Serve the Church with Your Gifts and Time

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.**

A link to sign up as a volunteer is on the church web site.

Nursery Helpers

If you have the gift of service and love children, considering serving in the nursery. Nursery childcare is offered to families attending the worship services as well as Sunday School.

Nursery volunteers assist Maira Tena, nursery attendant, with caring for the little ones, ages birth-3 years. What a wonderful way to bless parents during worship or Sunday School while enjoying spending time with God's precious little ones! For more information, contact Amy Castaldi at ahass17@hotmail.com or 610.468.4321.



EMERGENCY AID SUNDAY



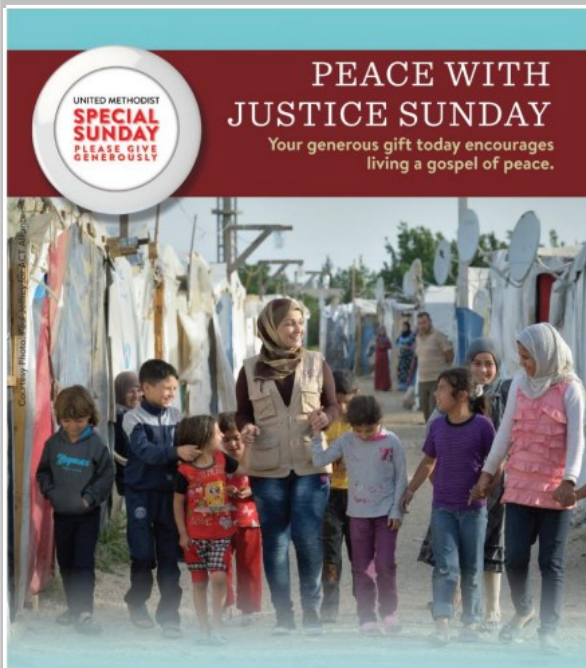
Our Emergency Food Pantry serves our community and provides much needed food and supplies to families in our area. Your donations are appreciated. An Emergency Aid donation envelope has been provided in the bulletin for donations.

The funds collected help others in need with rent, utility bills, etc. Thank you for your generosity!



Altar Flowers

The flowers gracing our altar space today are in memory of Bill Mowery.
Given by Linda Shiplet



PEACE WITH JUSTICE SUNDAY

June 10, 2018

“Peace with Justice” represents many things — an absence of war, striving to live in harmony with others who may or may not share our beliefs, advocacy and support. For over 100 years, the United Methodist Church has pursued advocacy for strangers and friends around the globe. We believe that all God’s children deserve to live full lives. When you give on this Special Sunday, you are joining together to break down barriers so that all God’s children have equal

MOMENT OF IMPACT

Peace with Justice

Moved by Christ’s love to pursue reconciliation and peace, honoring the dignity of every individual made in God’s image, The United Methodist Church is unwilling to turn a blind eye to injustice. Together, we, with our congregation, our district, our conference, our whole connection, join our resources to effect change in a broken world, your giving is vital for the UMC to continue its global ministries of reconciliation.

Because of the Peace with Justice Sunday offering, the people of The United Methodist Church are able to make a difference together by sowing seeds—and yielding fruit!—of peace. Next Sunday is Peace with Justice Sunday. Offering envelopes are in your giving and in the bulletin.

*West Grove
UMC's famous*



Pancake Breakfast

*3 & Under
Eat Free!!*



**Saturday
June 9
8:00—10:00 a.m.**

Gluten Free Pancakes too!!

See Kim Smith or Linda Shiplet to get your tickets. Pick up

Meditations For Your Week

Sunday, MONTH DAY ~ Saturday, MONTH DAY



Sunday: *"ZZZ SCRIPTURE"* ZZZ REFLECTION

Monday:

Tuesday:

Wednesday:

Thursday:

Friday:

Saturday:

8:30 Contemporary Worship Service

OPEN

***Opening Song** *"Hallelujah (Your Love Is Amazing)"* PraiseWorks Band

Welcome and Ministry Opportunities Pastor Monica
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***Celebration Set** *"Sing, Sing, Sing"* PraiseWorks Band
"Word Of God Speak"

***Passing of the Peace** PraiseWorks Band

GROW

Moment For All Ages Pastor Monica

New Testament Lesson *Acts 5:12-16* Julie Hughes

***Gospel Lesson** *Mark 4:1-20* Julie Hughes

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Sermon *"DO Tell Stories of Hope Deferred"* Pastor Monica

SERVE

Moment of Impact *Peace with Justice* Pastor Monica

Offering *"My Story"* PraiseWorks Band

Offertory Prayer (Unison) Pastor Monica

The Great Thanksgiving Pastor Monica
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Communion Song *"The Table"* PraiseWorks Band

Prayer After Receiving (Unison) Pastor Kevin

***Closing Song** *"Sing For Joy"* PraiseWorks Band

***Benediction** Pastor Monica

***Postlude**

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