



West Grove United Methodist Church

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



***Peace with Justice Sunday
Graduate Recognition & CMO Teacher Recognition
Playground Dedication
Sunday, June 10, 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!

*Processional Hymn

"Maker, In Whom We Live"

UMH No. 88

*Call to Worship (Responsive) - Inspired by Psalm 138

Mary Franciscus

One: Praise to the Lord who is worthy of all our praise, for you have exalted
your name and your word above everything.

Many: May we sing praise and tell stories of God's faithfulness.

One: Even when we walk in the middle of trouble, God is with us to deliver us.

Many: The steadfast love of the Lord endures forever.

*Opening Prayer (Unison)

Mary Franciscus

**Enduring God, your love wraps around us
and urges us on.**

**You remind us not to hide our lights under bushels,
but to live as those who let your love shine through us.**

**May we, this morning, soak up this wisdom of your parables,
ask good questions, and be in the presence of Great Teacher, we pray, Amen.**

*Passing of the Peace

Mary Franciscus

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

Many: And also with you.

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Moment for All Ages

Pastor Monica

CMO Teacher Recognition

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Ducks & Turtles: Natalie Eason & Maira Tena

Ladybugs: Abbie Gruscavage & Heather Smalley

Bumblebees & Honeybees: April Stoltzfus, Karen Reischke & Gina Bechtel

Frogs: Jennifer Smith & Stacy Smith

Butterflies: Elsie Kumpon & Mary Alice Miller

Director: Tracy McLaughlin

New Testament Lesson

Acts 8:4-25

Mary Franciscus

*Gospel Lesson

Mark 4:21-32

Mary Franciscus

*Response to the Lesson

Mary Franciscus

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

Many: Thanks be to God! Amen.

Anthem

"We Walk By Faith"

Chancel Choir

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Sermon

"DO Tell Parables"

Pastor Monica

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*Hymn of Response

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

UMH No. 140

Moment of Impact

Graduate Recognition
(See Insert)

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

**Storytelling God,
spinning tales and parables of ordinary and mundane items of our lives,
we offer to you all that we are,
so that you might turn our lives into gold flaxen.
Grant that we might know of being used
for the glory of the extraordinary purpose of God.
May these gifts, tithes, and offerings become extraordinary
providing compassion for those who need it most,
we pray in the name of Jesus the Christ, Amen.**

Gathered Prayers

Pastor Monica

The Lord's Prayer

Pastor Monica

*Hymn of Sending Forth

"Sent Forth By God's Blessing"

UMH No. 664

*Benediction

Pastor Monica

*Choral Benediction

"The Lord Bless You And Keep You"

Chancel Choir

*Postlude

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New Testament Lesson: Acts 8:4-25

Now those who were scattered went from place to place, proclaiming the word. Philip went down to the city of Samaria and proclaimed the Messiah to them. The crowds with one accord listened eagerly to what was said by Philip, hearing and seeing the signs that he did, for unclean spirits, crying with loud shrieks, came out of many who were possessed; and many others who were paralyzed or lame were cured. So there was great joy in that city.

Now a certain man named Simon had previously practiced magic in the city and amazed the people of Samaria, saying that he was someone great. All of them, from the least to the greatest, listened to him eagerly, saying, "This man is the power of God that is called Great." And they listened eagerly to him because for a long time he had amazed them with his magic. But when they believed Philip, who was proclaiming the good news about the kingdom of God and the name of Jesus Christ, they were baptized, both men and women. Even Simon himself believed. After being baptized, he stayed constantly with Philip and was amazed when he saw the signs and great miracles that took place.

Now when the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them. The two went down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit (for as yet the Spirit had not come upon any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus). Then Peter and John laid their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit. Now when Simon saw that the Spirit was given through the laying on of the apostles' hands, he offered them money, saying, "Give me also this power so that anyone on whom I lay my hands may receive the Holy Spirit." But Peter said to him, "May your silver perish with you, because you thought you could obtain God's gift with money! You have no part or share in this, for your heart is not right before God. Repent therefore of this wickedness of yours, and pray to the Lord that, if possible, the intent of your heart may be forgiven you. For I see that you are in the gall of bitterness and the chains of wickedness." Simon answered, "Pray for me to the Lord, that nothing of what you have said may happen to me."

Now after Peter and John had testified and spoken the word of the Lord, they returned to Jerusalem, proclaiming the good news to many villages of the Samaritans.

Gospel Lesson: Mark 4:21-32

Jesus said to them, "Is a lamp brought in to be put under the bushel basket, or under the bed, and not on the lampstand? For there is nothing hidden, except to be disclosed; nor is anything secret, except to come to light. Let anyone with ears to hear listen!" And he said to them, "Pay attention to what you hear; the measure you give will be the measure you get, and still more will be given you. For to those who have, more will be given; and from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away."

He also said, "The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come."

He also said, "With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade."

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: Your donations have helped so much! We have given away **142** bags of food so far this year. The need continues to be 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!

MEMORIAL SERVICE: There will be a memorial service for Bert Conard on Saturday, June 23, at 1:00 p.m. The service will be held here at West Grove UMC.

PLAYGROUND DEDICATION PICNIC: Please join us **today from noon to 2:30 p.m.** as we dedicate our new playground and enjoy 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. Please join us!**

SHORTCAKE SOCIAL FOR PASTOR SHIRLEY: Please join SPRC in extending your personal messages of congratulations on being lead pastor at Friendship UMC, best wishes, and gratitude to Pastor Shirley for her service here when you see her in the weeks ahead. Of course she will be missed as she is well-loved here and has touched many of us in the congregation personally. Pastor Shirley will lead worship on June 24, her last day at WGUMC. Please join us in a "Strawberry Shortcake Social" after each service that day. A sign-up Genius for donations will be available soon!

WEDNESDAY NITE FUN: All are invited to join in on the weekly fun of fellowship and games **beginning June 20th through August 29th, 6:00-8:00 p.m.** at the church. It is a Rain or Shine event! Weather permitting, we will have a slip-n-slide, the new playground, 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. Invite your friends and neighbors!

THIS WEEK: JUNE 10 DAY through JUNE 17, 2018

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

Sunday:	Peace with Justice Sunday, Graduate Recognition, CMO Teacher 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
	3:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.	Piano Recital
Monday:	9:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.	Knit Wits (#1)
	6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m.	SOS Ladies (#5)
	7:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m.	Full Staff Meeting (#1)
Tuesday:	7:30 a.m.-9:00 a.m.	Tech Team Meeting (#1)
	6:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.	Brownie #4138 (#8, 10)
	6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m.	Prayer Gathering (Prayer Room)
Wednesday:	2:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m.	Luther House Bible Study (Bldg. 1)
	5:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m.	Daisy Troop #4282 (#12)
	7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.	Girl Scout Leaders meeting (#1)
Thursday:	All Day	Annual Conference
	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	Annual Conference
	9:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m.	UMW Faith Circle (#8, 10)
Saturday:	All Day	Annual Conference
	10:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m.	Daily Reflections Group (#8 & 10)
Sunday:	Coffee Fellowship Hosted by the Christian Ed Team Pastor Kevin's Last Sunday Father's Day	
	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)

God's Faithfulness ~ Your Stewardship

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

Report June 3, 2018

General Offering: \$7,361.13
 Building Maintenance Fund: \$650.00
 Combined Attendance: 148
 Emergency Groceries YTD: 142 bags
 Prayer Bead Garden Donations: \$110.00
 Total amount received: \$13,683.91
 Goal-\$13,000

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

Darlene Alleger
(Guepet)
Cory Beattie (Shaub)
Roger Bates
Barb Bratton (Bratton)
Fran Bryan
Helen Carlin
Roger Cason
Family of Erma Clark
Family of Bert Conard
Dee Crawford
Family of Al Devote (Raineri)
Nina Dickinson (B. Raineri)
Ed Farrell (Babcock)
Odella Farrell (Babcock)
Laura Featherston
Bill Fili, Jr. (Bratton)
Betty Gaughan (Fackler)
Mike Haley
Family of Chris Hecht
Muff Hurst
Peg Kent
William Kirwin
Rosemary MacCoun



Townsend MacCoun
Dave McClain
Ray McKay
Pastor Jimmy
Montgomery
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
Zach Trexler (Lytle)
Gisela Winkler (Mullen)
Ron and Marliiss Wilson



Daniel Engberg—Iraq (Hruz)

Nathaniel Howard,
Quantico VA

Brian Kubo - Qatar (Mullen)

LTC Eric Maxwell,
Chesapeake, VA
(The Rambergers)

Ed Tolmie

Dalton Wolfe—U.S. Marine Corps

Chris Weidman - Japan (Miller)

SERVANTS IN MINISTRY ON SUNDAY MORNING

This Sunday, June 10

Ushers—8:30 Tim & Eileen Bushnell
Greeters—8:30 OPEN
Ushers—11:00 Fran Miller
Greeters—11:00 OPEN
Acolyte 8:30/11 Colton McCummings/Nate Robinson
Nursery 8:30/9:45/11 K. Hendrickson/K. Smith/P. Fulton
C. Worship—8:30/11 OPEN/Amy Castaldi
Lay Reader—8:30 Joan Leaman
Liturgist—11:00 Mary Franciscus
Moment All Ages Pastor Monica
Prayer Room 8:30/11 Pam Howard/Cindy Haley
Roamers Fran Miller
Hospitality 8:30/11 The Stuhrkes/OPEN
Counters Anderston/Shaub
Sound Booth Keith Schneider & various

Next Sunday, June 17

Marc & Nancy Simmons
P. Heist (front door)/M. Rubincan
OPEN
OPEN
Lindsay Reisinger/Matthew Rinehimer
M. Rubincan/NA/J. Leaman
OPEN/Joan Leaman
Judy Gambill
Sandy Deckard
Joan Leaman
OPEN/Jean Kilmartin
Maryanne Covington
The Covingtons/Scott Steele
Bowers
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.



MOMENT OF IMPACT

GRADUATE RECOGNITION

As we send our graduates into the world, we pray that we have been some of their “sticky” people of faith—those people who they can celebrate with and look to for wisdom as well as know sadness and contemplate the world’s mysteries. We are blessed by each of these graduates and ask God’s continuing blessing and wisdom in their lives as well as strength and courage. We pray also for each family in this new season of life. May God’s grace through each of us, continue to impact our community.

CMO TEACHER RECOGNITION

We give thanks to God for those who teach our children here at CMO Preschool. Wiping noses, holding hands, teaching letters, inspiring compassion, and molding tomorrow's leaders is all in a morning's circle time. We pray regularly for the tireless planning and heart you offer. Our gratitude grows each time as we watch our children graciously move in the world.

2018 Annual Conference

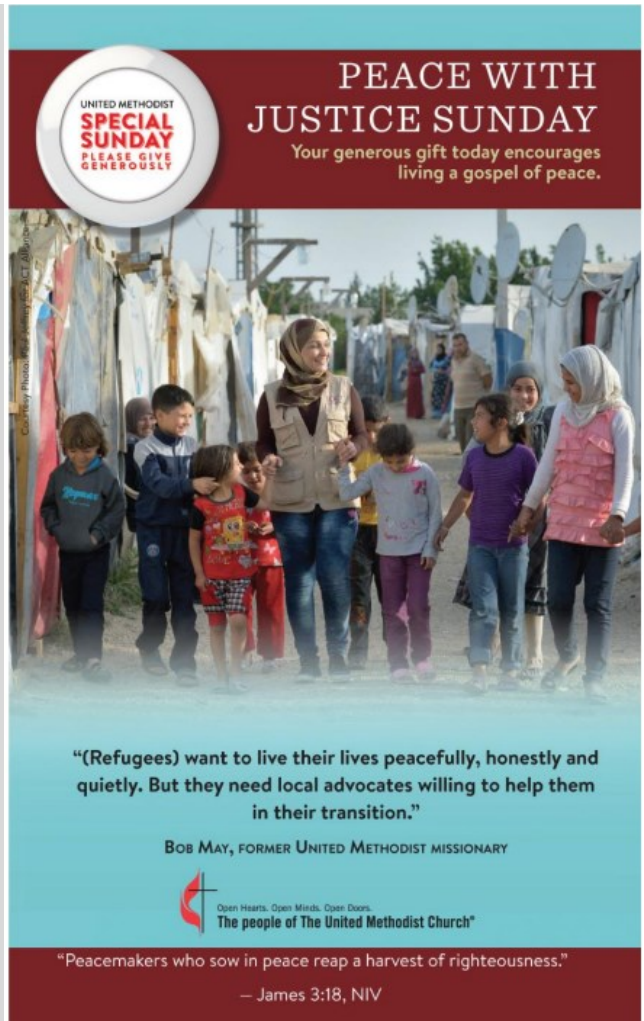
Pastor Monica, Pastor Shirley, Pastor Jim, Pastor Kevin, Mike Chalmers, Susan Paisley and our new Associate Pastor for Caring Ministries, Yvette Diaz, will all be at Annual Conference Thursday, June 14 through Saturday, June 16. Please pray for them and the 900 delegates as they worship, celebrate the life of the conference, and do the business of the Annual Conference.



Altar Flowers

The flowers gracing our altar space today are in celebration of Jordan Howard's 18th Birthday.
Given by Mom, Dad & Nate

TODAY!



UNITED METHODIST
SPECIAL SUNDAY
PLEASE GIVE GENEROUSLY

PEACE WITH JUSTICE SUNDAY
Your generous gift today encourages living a gospel of peace.

“(Refugees) want to live their lives peacefully, honestly and quietly. But they need local advocates willing to help them in their transition.”

BOB MAY, FORMER UNITED METHODIST MISSIONARY

Open Hearts. Open Minds. Open Doors.
The people of The United Methodist Church®

“Peacemakers who sow in peace reap a harvest of righteousness.”
— James 3:18, NIV

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.

Offering envelopes are in the bulletin.

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 _____

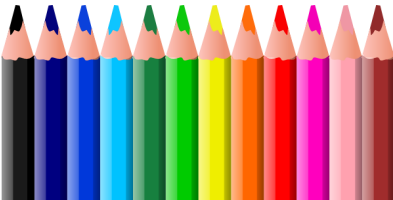
Your Name: _____ **Envelope #** _____ **Amount \$** _____



VBS IS COMING SOON!

VBS 2018 at WGUMC is planned for the week of July 9-13 from 9:00-noon for children age 3 through those entering grade 6. The theme is “Rolling River Rampage”- Experience the Adventure of a Lifetime with God! Registration is now open! Check the church web site for more details.

VBS Supply List!



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!

BOOK OF THE MONTH

Are you interested in reading and discussing what others are reading? Join us on the 4th Thursday of each month at 5:45 p.m. to discuss a newer title.

We'll meet in Room 3. See Pastor Monica for more information.

June 28: Faith: A Journey for All by Jimmy Carter

July 26: Searching for Sunday by Rachel Held Evans

August 23: Sin of Certainty by Peter Enns



Meditations For Your Week

Sunday, June 10 ~ Saturday, June 16



Sunday: *“Jesus said to them, ‘Is a lamp brought in to be put under the bushel basket, or under the bed, and not on the lampstand?’ Mark 4:21. When you have the experience of God’s goodness, you can not help but share it. When you see the light of love in others, it shines through them. Consider where you can affirm God’s love in someone else today.*

Monday: *“For there is nothing hidden, except to be disclosed; nor is anything secret, except to come to light. Let anyone with ears to hear listen!” Mark 4:22-23. Pray today for all those who feel held back by secrets of abuse.*

Tuesday: *“And he said to them, ‘Pay attention to what you hear; the measure you give will be the measure you get, and still more will be given you.” Mark 4:24. God is always speaking and moving. Where is God teaching you to listen closely to intuition and instinct?*

Wednesday: *“For to those who have, more will be given; and from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away.” Mark 4:25. Consider where it is that God is calling you to engage in the community. God is often calling us right beyond our area of comfort.*

Thursday: *“He also said, ‘The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come.” Mark 4:26-29. Parables of the sower and seed give us pause to figure who we are in the story. Perhaps, we might reflect dependence on God is not certainty, but adaptability.*

Friday: *“He also said, ‘With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; “ Mark 4:30-31. Where are you seeing the growth of the mustard seed in your life?*

Saturday: *“yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade.” Mark 4:32 Pray for all those in need of shelter and respite.*

8:30 Contemporary Worship Service

OPEN

***Opening Song** *“In The Secret (I Want To Know You)”* PraiseWorks Band

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*Celebration Set	<i>"Evidence Of God"</i> <i>"Spirit Of God"</i>	PraiseWorks Band
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***Passing of the Peace** PraiseWorks Band

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Offering	<i>"In Your Presence"</i>	PraiseWorks Band
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Offertory Prayer (Unison) Pastor Shirley

Gathered Prayers Pastor Shirley

The Lord's Prayer Pastor Shirley

***Closing Song** *“Testify To Love”* PraiseWorks Band

***Benediction** Pastor Monica

*Postlude

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