



West Grove United Methodist Church

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



Stewardship Sunday III
Sunday, October 21, 2018

11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship

OPEN

Prelude

"Standing On The Promises"

arranged by Linda Lamb

Memory Bells

Welcome and Ministry Opportunities

Deaconess Yvette Diaz

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)

Psalm 100:4-5

Vernon Ramberger

One: Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name.

Many: For the LORD is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations.

*Processional Hymn

"Sweet, Sweet Spirit"

UMH No. 334

*Opening Prayer (Unison)

Vernon Ramberger

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God.

(Colossians 3:16 NRSV)

(Moment of Silence)

*Passing of the Peace

Vernon Ramberger

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

Many: And also with you.

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Moment for All Ages

Joan Leaman

Old Testament Lesson

Isaiah 55:10-12

Vernon Ramberger

*Gospel Lesson

Mark 8:14-30

Vernon Ramberger

*Response to the Lesson

Vernon Ramberger

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

Many: Thanks be to God! Amen.

Anthem

"The Image Of God"

Chancel Choir
Diane Persons, Violin

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*Hymn of Response	<i>“We’ve A Story To Tell To The Nations”</i>	UMH No. 569
Moment of Impact	<i>Testimony on Witnessing</i>	Janice Bowers
Offering	<i>“To Be Happy In Jesus”</i> arranged by Tammy Waldrop	Memory Bells
*Offertory Response	“Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow” 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.	UMH No. 95
*Offertory Prayer (Unison)	<i>Based on Psalm 32</i> Forgiving God, you bring us the joy of salvation! Your steadfast love surrounds those who trust you. We are grateful that you nurture us with your Word. By your Spirit, help our congregation draw closer to you, even as we reach out to share your good news with our neighbors. We dedicate our tithes and offerings in the name of your faithful Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.	Pastor Jim
Unified Prayer		Susan Paisley
Gathered Prayers		Pastor Jim
The Lord’s Prayer		Pastor Jim
*Hymn of Sending Forth	<i>“What A Friend We Have in Jesus”</i>	UMH No. 526
*Benediction		Deaconess Yvette Diaz
*Choral Benediction	<i>“Go In The Grace Of The Lord”</i>	Chancel Choir
*Postlude		
<i>* = Please stand as you are able Bold Print = Say in unison</i>		

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Old Testament Lesson: Isaiah 55:10-12

For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven,
and do not return there until they have watered the earth,
making it bring forth and sprout,
giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater,
so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth;
it shall not return to me empty,
but it shall accomplish that which I purpose,
and succeed in the thing for which I sent it.
For you shall go out in joy,
and be led back in peace;
the mountains and the hills before you
shall burst into song,
and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands.

Gospel Lesson: Mark 8:14-30

Now the disciples had forgotten to bring any bread; and they had only one loaf with them in the boat. And Jesus cautioned them, saying, “Watch out—beware of the yeast of the Pharisees and the yeast of Herod.” They said to one another, “It is because we have no bread.” And becoming aware of it, Jesus said to them, “Why are you talking about having no bread? Do you still not perceive or understand? Are your hearts hardened? Do you have eyes, and fail to see? Do you have ears, and fail to hear? And do you not remember? When I broke the five loaves for the five thousand, how many baskets full of broken pieces did you collect?” They said to him, “Twelve.” “And the seven for the four thousand, how many baskets full of broken pieces did you collect?” And they said to him, “Seven.” Then he said to them, “Do you not yet understand?”

They came to Bethsaida. Some people brought a blind man to him and begged him to touch him. He took the blind man by the hand and led him out of the village; and when he had put saliva on his eyes and laid his hands on him, he asked him, “Can you see anything?” And the man looked up and said, “I can see people, but they look like trees, walking.” Then Jesus laid his hands on his eyes again; and he looked intently and his sight was restored, and he saw everything clearly. Then he sent him away to his home, saying, “Do not even go into the village.”

Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, “Who do people say that I am?” And they answered him, “John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets.” He asked them, “But who do you say that I am?” Peter answered him, “You are the Messiah.” And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him.

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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!



PASTOR MONICA'S RENEWAL LEAVE: Pastor Monica is on renewal leave for self care and medical care from October 15-November 30. Please keep her in prayer. We are delighted to have Deaconess Yvette in the pulpit on October 21. We welcome Rev. Tom Davis Shapell in the pulpit October 28-November 18. We are delighted to have Melanie Hartley, Director of Children and Youth Ministries, in the pulpit on November 25. Rev. Don Hurst will be holding office hours in the church on Monday, Wednesday, Friday from 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. for spiritual and administrative care. Pastor Jim, Deaconess Yvette, our visitation team, and prayer ministry continue their ministries of pastoral care. Please reach out to them and the office for pastoral care needs. We give thanks to God for the many gifts of the body of Christ.

TECHNOLOGY OPPORTUNITY: Keith Schneider operates and coordinates our AV system. We give thanks to God for his many gifts. We give thanks to God for Matt Simonds and Nate Robinson for their gifts as they set into these roles. As he travels, this is an opportunity for others to consider if they have gifts in technology and might want to serve. Please see our technology team - Steve May, Aaron Boyd, Keith Schneider, Tim Owens, Matt Simonds, or Nate Robinson for more information.

EMERGENCY FOOD PANTRY: **Your donations have helped so much!** We have given away **320** bags of food so far this year. **The need continues to be great.** Please consider donating one item from the shopping list. **Please place your donations in the shopping cart in the lobby.** Thank you!

INTRODUCTION TO CHRIST SERVANT MINISTRY: The course that was scheduled to to be held at West Grove UMC on October 26 & 27 has been **cancelled**. Alternate dates and location are being considered. Please look for updated information in future bulletins.

R.O.M.E.O.S (RETIRED OLDER MEN EATING OUT): If you are retired, then we would like to see you at our ROMEO lunch. We will get together to eat at Perkins in Avondale on Rt. 41 on **Thursday, October 25 at 12:00 p.m.** Call Roger Bates, at 610-724-0477, if you have any questions or if you are newly retired. Bring your retired friends.

UNITED METHODIST MEN: West Grove UMC is now part of the LanChester United Methodist Men. All men of our congregation are invited to attend the next dinner meeting on Monday, October 29. It will be held at Pomeroy United Methodist Church, 22 Spruce Street, Pomeroy PA, 19367 at 6:45 PM with the program to follow. The cost for the meal is \$11. Please let Pastor Jim or Vernon Ramberger know if plan to attend. We plan to car pool from the church. This is a new venture for our church and we hope you will want to join us.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD: West Grove UMC is once again taking part in Operation Christmas Child. If you would like to participate, be sure to pick up a box today in the lobby (look for the youth distributing the boxes). Questions? Contact Janice Bowers.

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

Stewardship Sunday III
Deaconess Yvette Diaz is preaching
Coffee Fellowship Hosted by the Finance Team
Family Promise Host Week Ends

Sunday:	8:30 a.m.	Contemporary Worship Service with Praise Works Band
	9:45 a.m.	Sunday School and Faith Learning Academy
	11:00 a.m.	Traditional Worship Service with Chancel Choir & Memory Bells
	12:00 p.m.	Counters (#2)
	1:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m.	Hunger Help Walk (Lighthouse Youth Center)
	6:00 p.m.-7:30 p.m.	Youth Group (#8, 10)
Monday:	9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.	CMO Preschool (#9, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16)
	9:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.	Knit Wits (#1)
	6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m.	SOS Ladies (#5)
	6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.	Memory Bell Rehearsal (Sanc.)
Tuesday:	9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.	CMO Preschool (#9, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16)
	6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.	Girl Scout Recruitment Event (#8, 10)
	6:00 p.m.-7:30 p.m.	Missions Meeting (#1)
	6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m.	Daisy Troop #41366 (#12)
Wednesday:	9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.	CMO Preschool (#9, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16)
	2:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m.	Luther House Bible Study (Bldg. 1)
	6:00 p.m.-9:30 p.m.	Girl Scout Leaders Meeting (#8, 10)
	7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.	Life of David Bible Study (Sanc.)
Thursday:	9:00 a.m.-1:30 p.m.	CMO Preschool (#9, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16)
	11:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m.	Music Practice (#6)
	12:00 p.m.-1:30 p.m.	R.O.M.E.O.s (Perkins)
	5:15 p.m.-6:45 p.m.	Girl Scouts #4251 (#8 & 10)
	5:30 p.m.-7:00 p.m.	Daisy Troop #4990 (#12)
	6:45 p.m.-8:00 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal (#6)
	7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.	Boy Scouts #12 (#5)
	7:30 p.m.-9:00 p.m.	PraiseWorks Rehearsal (Sanc)
Friday:	9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.	CMO Preschool (#9, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16)
	10:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.	Life of David Bible Study-Jenner's Pond (Alison Theater)
	6:30 p.m.-9:00 p.m.	Movie Night (Sanc.)
Saturday:	10:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m.	Daily Reflections Group (#8, 10)

Rev. Tom Davis Shapell is preaching
Stewardship Sunday IV

Sunday:	8:30 a.m.	Contemporary Worship Service with Praise Works Band
	9:45 a.m.	Sunday School and Faith Learning Academy
	11:00 a.m.	Traditional Worship Service with Chancel Choir
	12:00 p.m.	Counters (#2)
	3:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.	Trunk or Treat (all church)
	5:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m.	Concert Practice (Sanc.)

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 October: Church Finances Mission Prayer Focus for October: Mission Central

Darlene Alleger (Guepet)
Carolyn (A. Boyd)
Cory Beattie (Shaub)
Fran Bryan
Helen Carlin
Roger Cason (Mundell)
Family of Dana Clark (Fackler)
Joann Coates
Jim Collins (Mullen)
Dee Crawford
Family of John D'Anna (Guepet)
Family of Nina Dickinson (B. Ranieri)
Laura Featherston
Bill Fili, Jr. (Bratton)
Betty Gaughan (Fackler)
Operation Christmas Child
Pastor Monica
Liz Hadly
Mike Haley
Ellen Hayes
Pat Heist
Kelsey Jubinsky (Guepet)
Peg Kent
Aileen Krewatch



Cindy Luttman (Miller)
Dave McClain
John McGinley
Family of Liz Miller (A. Boyd)
Family of Lynn Morgan (McClain)
Peggy Mowrer
Tim Mullen
Lola Nadolny (Hruz)
Family of Mas Nakajma (Mullen)
Nancy Pearo (Heist)
Rick Renzulli (McGinley)
Family of Iris Rivera (Diaz)
Richard Saller
Roann Schneider
Linda Shiplet
Joan Smead (Wolff)
Rick Spencer (Kim Smith)
Maureen Stickel (Fackler)
Jeannette Stryjewski
Jeannie Sullivan
Bruce Varney (Shiplet)
Mary Weidman (Miller)
Ron Wilson
Gisela Winkler (Mullen)



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, October 21

Ushers—8:30	TBD
Greeters—8:30	TBD
Ushers—11:00	TBD
Greeters—11:00	TBD
Acolyte 8:30	TBD
Acolyte 11:00	Parker Featherston
Nursery 8:30/9:45/11	TBD/C. Bratton/P. Fulton
C. Worship—8:30/11	Amy Simonds/Amy Simonds
Lay Reader—8:30	Judy Gambill
Liturgist—11:00	Vernon Ramberger
Moment All Ages	Joan Leaman
Prayer Room 8:30/11	TBD
Roamers	Maryann Covington
Hospitality 8:30/11	The Covingtons/S. Steele
Counters	Stuhrke
Sound Booth	Keith Schneider & various

Next Sunday, October 28

The Chalmers & The Bushnells
Esther Culbertson
TBD
Fran Miller / Esther Culbertson
Anna Castaldi
Alisabeth Guepet
C. Bruno/K. Smith/K. Rinehimer
Maryanne Covington/Joan Leaman
Mike Chalmers
Vernon Ramberger
Eileen Bushnell
TBD/Sandi Hampton
Fran Miller
The Smiths/L. Peirson
Talley/Bowers
Keith Schneider & various



TODAY!

JOHN H. WARE IV MEMORIAL HUNGER HELP WALK
Registration—1:00 p.m. / Walk Begins at 1:30 p.m.
Lighthouse Youth Center

Hunger is an issue that can hit close to home. Because hunger exists in local places, area residents are asked to join their neighbors in the Hunger Help Walk. The walk benefits several local organizations that help the hungry.

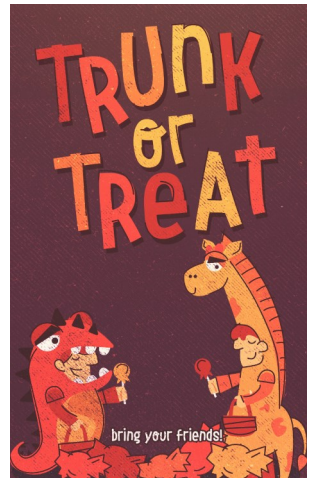
Join the walk or sponsor someone who is walking. Look for a display in the lobby. For more information, contact Roger Bates (610.724.0477) or Janice Bowers (484.888.6821).

TRUNK OR TREAT

October 28, 3:00-5:00 p.m.

Kids and families of all ages are invited to trick or treat with us! There will be activities for all ages, games, and of course candy!

Please sign up in the lobby to help!



THIS WEEK!

MOVIE NIGHT
"I Can Only Imagine" (PG)
on the BIG SCREEN
Friday, October 26,
at 6:30 pm.

This event is **totally FREE** and refreshments will be offered.
Bring your family and friends!



ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

November 4

8:30 & 11:00 a.m. Services

From the earliest days in the church, community has gathered to remember those who have gone onto the glory. On All Saints' Day, the church remembers those who have died in the previous year. This cherished tradition has been im-

portant in this congregation for many years.

We remember beloved members of the church, special loved ones of our families, and those for whom we have performed funeral and memorial services. Our remembrance includes pictures, the tolling of the bell, and the lighting of the candles.

You may be remembering a loved one this year. We would like to give thanks to God for their life in our All Saints Day service on November 4th during both services. **Please make sure that the office has the name of your loved one, a picture of your loved one, in addition to their date of birth and date of death, by October 30th .** You may email pictures and information to the church office atoffice@westgroveumc.org It is our privilege to remember those who moved onto the church triumphant, even as we hold the tenderness of loss.

"SURVIVING THE HOLIDAYS"

November 6

6:30-8:30 p.m.

As we approach the holiday season, you might find yourself wondering how this season will feel after the death of your loved one. You may notice some difficult emotions to navigate. Join "Surviving the Holidays" to help. You will watch a video, be part of a discussion group, and receive a survival guide with encouragement and resources. For questions, please contact Susan Paisley at 610.529.8699 / sbrintonpais1@verizon.net. We will keep you in prayer during this time.



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD Volunteers Needed!

West Grove UMC is going to be participating once again in Operation Christmas Child (OCC). Both Missions and the Youth will be working together to collect boxes from our congregation. We and others in the area will drop-off boxes at the church during National Collection Week - November 12-19, 2018.

We need volunteers! If you are able to help, please contact the church office or Janice Bowers at janicesemail2@gmail.com or 484-888-6821.

God's Faithfulness ~ Your Stewardship

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

Report October 14, 2018

General Offering: \$ 5,303
Building Maintenance Fund: \$ 130.00
Combined Attendance: 157
World Communion Offering YTD: \$250.00
Emergency Groceries YTD: 320 bags
Emergency Aid provided YTD: \$ 4,443.89
Prayer Bead Garden Donations: \$ 10.00
Total amount received: \$ 14,632.91

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 4 (6:30-8:00)
REFLECTIONS IN SONG: LIFE, LOVE, AND FAITH
A NEW AND ORIGINAL REPERTOIRE
BY MEL LEAMAN



MEL LEAMAN AND FRIENDS AT WEST GROVE UMC
300 N. GUERNSEY

SUGGESTED DONATION OF \$10 FOR
THE GARAGE YOUTH CENTER

William Rose, Director of Operations for The Garage and
professional musician will begin playing at 6:00. See his
website at: www.thewilliamrose.com

Special song by former Garage student Christian Valdivia; Refreshments provided

West Grove United Methodist Church
Prayer Bead Garden
“Dine to Donate” Fundraiser
at Perkins Restaurant & Bakery
Routes 41 and 1, Avondale
Monday, November 5, 2018 from 4pm-8pm



West Grove United Methodist Church will receive 10% of all sales accumulated by our supporters. The more family and friends we invite and who show up the more money we raise. Please tell your Perkins server and/or cashier when you check out that you are with the “West Grove United Methodist Church” Fundraiser. Thanks for your support!

DINE-TO-DONATE
EVENT!
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BABY
BOTTLE
COLLECTION

WGUMC will be supporting Chester County Women's Services through putting all of our change in baby bottles during the month of October. Keep an eye out for a display in the lobby to pick up a bottle to fill.

SUKKOT BOOTH

Keep an eye out for the Sukkot Booth in the lobby from November 4 – 25. We will be collecting food for the holiday season to stock our Emergency Food Cupboard.



Meditations For Your Week

Sunday, October 21 ~ Saturday, October 27



Sunday: *“Therefore, since we have so great a cloud of witnesses surrounding us, let us also lay aside every encumbrance and the sin which so easily entangles us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of faith, who for the joy set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.”*
Hebrews 12:1-2

Monday: *“The Spirit Himself testifies with our spirit that we are children of God.”* Romans 8:16

Tuesday: *“I am He who testifies about Myself, and the Father who sent Me testifies about Me.”* John 8:18

Wednesday: *“And behold, a voice out of the heavens said, “This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well-pleased.”* Matthew 3:17

Thursday: *“Jesus answered and said to them, “Even if I testify about Myself, My testimony is true, for I know where I came from and where I am going; but you do not know where I come from or where I am going.”*
John 8:14

Friday: *“You call me teacher and Lord; and you are right, for so I am.”*
John 13:13

Saturday: *“And with great power the apostles were giving testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and abundant grace was upon them all.”*
Acts 4:33

8:30 Contemporary Worship Service

OPEN

***Opening Song** *"I Will Rise Up"* PraiseWorks Band

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Deaconess Yvette Diaz

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***Celebration Set** *"Overwhelmed"* PraiseWorks Band
"How Great Is Our God"

***Passing of the Peace** PraiseWorks Band
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Sermon *"DO Share You"* Deaconess Yvette Diaz

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Moment of Impact *Testimony on Witnessing* Carol Whelan

Offering *"I Give You Me"* PraiseWorks Band

Offertory Prayer (Unison) Pastor Jim

Unified Prayer Karen Hruz

Gathered Prayers Pastor Jim

The Lord's Prayer Pastor Jim

***Closing Song** *"Holiness"* PraiseWorks Band

***Benediction** Deaconess Yvette Diaz