



West Grove United Methodist Church

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300 North Guernsey Road
West Grove, PA 19390



***Ephiphany
All Worship Sunday
Communion & Emergency Aid Sunday
Sunday, January 6, 2019***

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)

Jean Kilmartin

One: Come to worship this morning from near and afar, traveling by car and camel,
foot and ferry.

Many: We come to worship the Christ child.

One: From afar, the Magi calculated and planned, traveled and strategized; they
wanted to see the next king. They committed their lives to see the next king.

**Many: After they met with Herod, the king, God warned them in a dream to go
home a different way.**

One: The Magi returned via another road with their lives and plans changed forever.

Many: Jesus regularly changes our lives and our plans.

*Processional Hymn

"We Three Kings"

UMH No. 254

*Opening Prayer (Unison)

Jean Kilmartin

**Everpresent God, we give you thanks for the tenacity of wise ones who have sought
the Christ child based on hunches and insights, passing star lights and dreams. As
they traveled to the manager, they bowed before the Christ child and humbled
themselves faithfully. They found joy in the midst of changing landscapes of power
and unknown journeys home. You, O God, call us to offer our contradictions and
confusions, journeys and jumpstarts, to your way. Guide us with thy perfect light,
we pray, Amen.**

*Passing of the Peace

Jean Kilmartin

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Many: And also with you.

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Moment for All Ages

Pastor Monica

Old Testament Lesson

Isaiah 60:1-6

Jean Kilmartin

*Gospel Lesson

Matthew 2:1-12

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*Response to the Lesson

Jean Kilmartin

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

Many: Thanks be to God! Amen.

Anthem

"Any Road, Any Cost"

Chancel Choir

Sermon

"Another Road"

Pastor Monica

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- *Hymn of Response** *"Twas In The Moon Of Wintertime"* UMH No. 244
- Moment of Impact** *Chuck Knows Church: Epiphany!* Pastor Monica
- Offering**
- *Offertory Response** *"What Child Is This"* UMH No. 219, vs 3
- So bring him incense, gold and myrrh, come peasant king to own him.**
 The King of Kings salvation brings, let loving hearts enthrone him.
 This, this is Christ the King whom shepherds guard and angels sing,
 Haste, Haste to bring Him laud, the Babe, the Son of Mary.
- *Offertory Prayer (Unison)** Pastor Jim
- God of Joy, you chose to share the gift of your son first with poor shepherds in a field, announced by angels. The shepherds worshipped the baby in a manger beside kings. You gave us the gift of a Savior, sent for the rich and the poor alike. Every gift given from the heart is blessed by you, and every act that proclaims your love brings joy to you. May our gifts bring love and joy as we offer them today. We pray in the holy name of Jesus, Amen.**
- *Invitation** Pastor Jim
- Prayer of Confession (Unison)** Pastor Jim
- Light from Light Eternal, we praise you, as you lead us. O come let us adore thee. As we adore the child, we confess that we have wandered away. Forgive us for when we have forgotten our neighbors in need. Forgive us for when we have put listening to others ahead of discerning the voice of God. Forgive us for when we have numbed our suffering instead of turning to you or others for support and help. Let the light shine in our darkest places, that together we might see hope. May your wondrous grace bring light, when our coping capacity seems exhausted. May your dazzling newness override our weariness.**
 (Moment of Silence)
- Words of Assurance** Pastor Jim
- The Great Thanksgiving (Insert)** Pastor Jim & Pastor Monica
- 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.*
- The Lord's Prayer (Unison, Insert)** Pastor Jim
- Communion Song** *"I Want To Walk As A child Of The Light"* UMH No. 206
- Prayer After Receiving (Unison, insert)** Pastor Jim
- *Hymn of Sending Forth** *"Good Christian Friends, Rejoice"* UMH No. 224
- *Benediction** Pastor Monica
- *Choral Benediction** *"A Song Of Parting"* Chancel Choir
- *Postlude**

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Old Testament Lesson: Isaiah 60:1-6

Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.
For darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples;
but the Lord will arise upon you, and his glory will appear over you.
Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn.
Lift up your eyes and look around; they all gather together, they come to you;
your sons shall come from far away,
and your daughters shall be carried on their nurses' arms.
Then you shall see and be radiant; your heart shall thrill and rejoice,
because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you,
the wealth of the nations shall come to you.
A multitude of camels shall cover you, the young camels of Midian and Ephah;
all those from Sheba shall come.

Gospel Lesson: Matthew 2:1-12

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, "Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage." When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet:

'And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah,
are by no means least among the rulers of Judah;
for from you shall come a ruler
who is to shepherd my people Israel.'

Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, "Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage." When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

God's Faithfulness ~ Your Stewardship

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

Report December 30 2018

Sunday Attendance: 159
Christmas Eve Combined Services
Attendance: 342
General Offering & Christmas Eve: \$ 3,640.03
Building Maintenance Fund: \$ 2,885.00
Emergency Groceries YTD: 397 bags
Emergency Aid provided YTD: \$ 4,603.89
Christmas Offering Total: \$3,425.92

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!



FAITH CIRCLE: Faith Circle will not be meeting on December 21 or January 4. We will resume meeting on **Friday, January 18th at 9:30 a.m.** in the Youth Room. We will continue making quilts and pillowcases for area shelters. New folks are welcome! Contact Chris Curtiss for more information.

FAITH IN WASHINGTON BIBLE STUDY: The Faith in Washington Bible study will resume **tonight, 6:00-7:30 p.m.** in room 3. We are picking up with immigration. Join us as we explore what the Bible has to say as well as what we do!

JANUARY NEWSLETTER: The January newsletter is now available. Be sure to pick up your copy!

R.A.P. (RETIRED ACTIVE PEOPLE): RAP will meet on **Friday, January 11th, 12:00-3:00 p.m.** Christopher Lengel, a Physical Therapist from Penn Medicine, will be discussing Fall Risks and Balance Issues Facing Seniors. Remember to bring your lunch—desserts and drinks are provided. Invite your friends to join us for a time of Fun, Food, and Fellowship! Kim Smith and Linda Shiplet are our Co-Leaders!

J.U.L.I.E.T.S.: The J.U.L.I.E.T.s (Just Us Ladies Interested in Eating Together) will meet on **Saturday, January 12** at 9:00 a.m. at the Sunrise Café for breakfast. Join us!

EMERGENCY FOOD PANTRY: Our food pantry has blessed many people and families this year. Thank you for supporting this important ministry. We are currently in need of personal hygiene products, particularly shampoo, conditioner, and deodorant. Please leave your donations in the shopping cart in the lobby. Thank you!

FAMILY PROMISE: WGUMC is hosting Family Promise again this month. Our families always enjoy a comfortable and hospitable week when they stay with us. Please come help us and enjoy serving in this fulfilling ministry. Look for the sign-up sheet in the lobby for all the opportunities to serve!

THIS WEEK: January 6 through January 13, 2019

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

Ephiphany

All Worship Sunday / Communion & Emergency Aid Sunday

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)
6:00 p.m.-7:30 p.m. Faith in Washington Bible Study (#3)
 6:00 p.m.-7:30 p.m. Youth Group (#8, 10)

Monday: 9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. CMO Preschool (#9, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16)
 9:15 a.m.-9:45 a.m. CMO Chapel Time (#12, Sanc.)
 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.)

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 9:15 a.m.-9:45 a.m. CMO Chapel Time (#12, Sanc.)
 6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m. Jr. Girl Scouts Troop #41377 (#5)
 6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m. Jr. Girl Scouts Troop #498 (#8, 10)
6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m. Prayer Gathering (Prayer Room)
 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. Daisy Troop #41366 (#12)
 7:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m. Trustees Meeting (#1)

Wednesday: 9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. CMO Preschool (#9, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16)
 10:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m. Full Staff Meeting (#1)
 2:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m. Luther House Bible Study (Bldg. 1)
 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. Girl Scout Info Session (#8, 10)

Thursday: 9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. CMO Preschool (#9, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16)
 11:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Music Practice (#6)
 5:15 p.m.-6:45 p.m. Girl Scout Troop #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 Troop #12 (#3, 4, 5)
 7:30 p.m.-9:00 p.m. PraiseWorks Rehearsal (Sanc.)

Friday: 9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. CMO Preschool (#9, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16)
12:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m. R.A.P. (Sanc.)
 7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. Youth Dodgeball (Sanc.)

Saturday: 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. DCOM Meeting (Elam UMC)
9:00 a.m.-10:30 a.m. J.U.L.I.E.T.s (Sunrise Café)
 10:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m. Daily Reflections Group (#8, 10)

First Sunday After Ephiphany

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
 11:00 a.m. Jenner's Pond Worship Service
 12:00 p.m. Counters (#2)
6:00 p.m.-7:30 p.m. Faith in Washington Bible Study (#3)
 6:00 p.m.-7:30 p.m. Youth Group (#8, 10)

PRAYERS OF THE COMMUNITY

NEED PRAYER?

To be added to the Prayer Chain: Weekdays, contact Donna Fackler at office@westgroveumc.org or 610-869-9334. Evenings and weekends, email prayer@westgroveumc.org. **Prayer requests will remain in the bulletin for four Sundays.** Please contact Donna, if you need the request extended. *If you do not want your name listed in the bulletin, please state that in your request.*

Community Prayer Focus for December: Advent Activities & Services Mission Prayer Focus for December: UMCOR

Darlene Allegre (Guepet)
Carolyn (A. Boyd)
Cory Beattie (Shaub)
Mike Bohn (Fackler)
Fran Bryan
David Cantrell (Mullen)
Helen Carlin
Roger Cason (Mundell)
Family of Dana Clark (Fackler)
Joann Coates
Dee Crawford
Laura Featherston
Bill Fili, Jr. (Bratton)
Family of Vera Flowers
Family of Betty Gaughan (Fackler)
Pastor Monica
Liz Hadly
Mike Haley
Ellen Hayes
Pat Heist
Walter Hunt (K. Boyd)
Kelsey Jubinsky (Guepet)



Peg Kent
Aileen Krewatch
Cindy Luttmann (Miller)
Dave McClain
Peggy Mowrer
Tim Mullen
Lola Nadolny (Hruz)
Nancy Pearo (Heist)
Rick Renzulli (McGinley)
Richard Saller
Roann Schneider
Linda Shiplet
Joan Smead (Wolff)
Cliff Smith (Mundell)
Rick Spencer (Kim Smith)
Maureen Stickel (Fackler)
Jeannette Stryjewski
Jeannie Sullivan
Bruce Varney (Shiplet)
Karrington Washington (Howard)
Mary Weidman (Miller)
Family of Leon Willis (Carlin)
Ron 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, January 6

Ushers—8:30 The Aucotts
Greeters—8:30 TBD
Ushers—11:00 Fran Miller
Greeters—11:00 TBD
Communion 8:30/11:00 The Mundells, M. Hartley, F. Sullivan, C. McGinley / J. Mundell, M Michaels, M. Hartley, J. Bowers
Acolyte 8:30/11:00 Anna Castaldi / Nate Robinson
Nursery 8:30/9:45/11 A. Castaldi/E. Mullen/P. Fulton
C. Worship—8:30/11 N/A
Lay Reader—8:30 Judy Gambill
Liturgist—11:00 Jean Kilmartin
Moment All Ages Pastor Monica
Prayer Room 8:30/11 TBD/TBD
Roamers Fran Miller
Hospitality 8:30/11 Linda Shiplet & Kim Smith/The Stuhrkes
Counters Anderson/Shaub
Sound Booth Keith Schneider & various

Next Sunday, January 13

The Bushnells
TBD
TBD
TBD
Cora Boyd / Parker Featherston
C. Bruno/C. Bratton/J. Leaman
TBD/TBD
Mark Simonds
Dave Talley
Pastor Monica
TBD/TBD
Heather McCummings
The Smithsk / The Stuhrkes
Kapp-Benner/Bowers
Keith Schneider & various

8:30 Contemporary Worship Service

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"The Table"

PraiseWorks Band

Prayer After Receiving (Unison, insert)

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*Closing Song

"I Will Follow"

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*Benediction

Pastor Monica

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