

## **West Grove United Methodist Church**

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Sixth Sunday After the Epiphany Sunday, February 16, 2020

## 11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship

#### **OPEN**

Prelude

"I Sing The Mighty Power Of God" Arranged by Linda McKechnie Memory Bells

**Welcome and Ministry Opportunities** 

Pastor Monica

Please fill out the Friendship Folder located on a chair in your row. First-time quest or member, let us know you were here!

\*Processional Hymn

"When I Survey The Wondrous Cross"

UMH No. 298

\*Call to Worship

Janet Phillips

One: You're blessed when you stay on course, walking steadily on the road

revealed by God.

Many: You're blessed when you follow God's directions, doing your best to

find God.

One: You, God, prescribed the right way to live; now you expect us to live it. Many: Oh, that my steps might be steady, keeping to the course you set.

\*Opening Prayer (Unison)

Janet Phillips

Holy God, you come to us in Christ to redeem us from our suffering and lead us to abundant life. Guide us by the wisdom of the cross, and show us life of justice, love and blessedness, that we might live filled by your Spirit and revealing your glory. In the name of Jesus, we pray, Amen.

\*Passing of the Peace

Janet Phillips

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

Many: And also with you.

### GROW

**Moment For All Ages** 

Joan Leaman

**New Testament Lesson** 

1Corinthians 1:18-21

Janet Phillips

\*Gospel Lesson

Matthew 5:21-37

Janet Phillips

Response to the Lesson

Janet Phillips

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

Many: Thanks be to God! Amen.

Anthem

"Let Me Be"

Chancel Choir

Sermon

"Show Me State"

Pastor Monica

#### **SERVE**

\*Hymn of Response "Jesus, Keep Me Near The Cross" UMH No. 301

Moment of Impact Covenant Missionary Pastor Monica

Offering "Because He Lives" Memory Bells

Arranged by Bill Ingram

\*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 Monica

We thank you, God that you have blessed us with an abundance of gifts for the flourishing of your world. May this offering of our life and labor reveal your love as we seek to share your promised reign with all creation.

Gathered Prayer Pastor Monica

The Lord's Prayer Pastor Monica

\*Hymn of Sending Forth "Blest Be The Tie That Binds" UMH No. 557

\*Benediction Pastor Monica

\*Choral Benediction "Love Round" Chancel Choir

\*Postlude

\* Rise in body or spirit Bold Print = Unison

# MOMENT OF IMPACT Covenant Missionary

Ngoy Kalangwa has been over covenant missionary across decades. We celebrate this connection. Her work in Morogoro, Tanzania has had a deep impact on her community. She has worked with the Masai people in digging a well in their village, from the generous donations she received. Her work encompasses women and children's needs as she equips women through the Susannah Wesley Training Center, relates to students, and cares for the aging. We are blessed to support her ministry.

#### **New Testament Lesson:** 1 Corinthians 1:18-31

For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written,

"I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart."

Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

Consider your own call, brothers and sisters: not many of you were wise by human standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; God chose what is low and despised in the world, things that are not, to reduce to nothing things that are, so that no one might boast in the presence of God. He is the source of your life in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God, and righteousness and sanctification and redemption, 31 in order that, as it is written, "Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord."

### Gospel Lesson: Matthew 5:21-37

"You have heard that it was said to those of ancient times, You shall not murder'; and whoever murders shall be liable to judgment.' But I say to you that if you are angry with a brother or sister, you will be liable to judgment; and if you insult a brother or sister, you will be liable to the council; and if you say, You fool,' you will be liable to the hell of fire. So when you are offering your gift at the altar, if you remember that your brother or sister has something against you, leave your gift there before the altar and go; first be reconciled to your brother or sister, and then come and offer your gift. Come to terms quickly with your accuser while you are on the way to court with him, or your accuser may hand you over to the judge, and the judge to the guard, and you will be thrown into prison. Truly I tell you, you will never get out until you have paid the last penny.

"You have heard that it was said, 'You shall not commit adultery.' But I say to you that everyone who looks at a woman with lust has already committed adultery with her in his heart. If your right eye causes you to sin, tear it out and throw it away; it is better for you to lose one of your members than for your whole body to be thrown into hell. And if your right hand causes you to sin, cut it off and throw it away; it is better for you to lose one of your members than for your whole body to go into hell.

"It was also said, 'Whoever divorces his wife, let him give her a certificate of divorce.' But I say to you that anyone who divorces his wife, except on the ground of unchastity, causes her to commit adultery; and whoever marries a divorced woman commits adultery.

"Again, you have heard that it was said to those of ancient times, You shall not swear falsely, but carry out the vows you have made to the Lord.' But I say to you, Do not swear at all, either by heaven, for it is the throne of God, or by the earth, for it is his footstool, or by Jerusalem, for it is the city of the great King. And do not swear by your head, for you cannot make one hair white or black. Let your word be 'Yes, Yes' or 'No, No'; anything more than this comes from the evil one.

## **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.

Our Welcome Center, in the lobby, is a place to find information about our church.

Church Office: 610-869-9334—Our Website: www.westgroveumc.org

## Please remember to silence 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!



There will be a **CELEBRATION OF LIFE FOR MAUVETTE F. (MUFF) HURST on Saturday, April 4th at 1:30 PM** in the sanctuary followed by an agape meal at the church. Visitation will begin at 12 noon. Muff was a superb southern cook. Please feel free to celebrate her with a dessert or side for the meal.

**KNOW I AM GOD: OUR FUTURE WITH HOPE:** A **short-term class**, **February 9th and 16th, taught by Pastor Monica** will present information about plans for the future of United Methodism that are to be debated to the General Conference in May. Pastor Monica's class will meet on Sundays from 9:45 - 10:45 a.m. in Room 5. All interested persons are welcome to attend.

**KIDSING will participate in worship on Mar. 8.** They will sing at both services. **Rehearsals will be Feb. 16, 23 and Mar. 1 at 10:45 in Room 4.** please let Joan Leaman know if your child(ren) will be singing.

**JOURNEY TO JESUS, JOURNEY TO LOVE: New Class during the Sunday School Hour beginning March 1, 2020** Are you saddened by the hate, violence, and disregard for life in our world? Now, imagine a world where love and respect for everyone reigned. Imagine a world where everyone actually obeyed Jesus' one commandment: love as you wish to be loved and forgive as you wish to be forgiven. Come – take the Journey to Jesus, Journey to Love beginning **Sunday, March 1**st **at 9:45-10:45** and learn how to better connect your heart with the heart of Jesus. Sign-up sheets will be in the church lobby

**YOUTH FUNDRAISER STARTS TODAY!** Tees and Totes are on sale in the lobby after each service today through March 29th. Melanie and the youth will be manning a table and are ready to sell you these top quality items for just \$15 each!

#### God's Faithfulness ~ Your Stewardship

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

## Report from February 9, 2020

Combined Worship Attendance: 110 General Offering: \$3,948.00 Building Maintenance Fund: \$570.00 Emergency Groceries YTD: 19 bags Emergency Aid provided YTD: \$726.98

### THIS WEEK: February 16th through February 23rd, 2020

~~ Hours for the Church Office: Monday-Friday, 7:30 a.m. - 4 p.m. ~~ Sixth Sunday After The Epiphany

Sunday: 8:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship w/PraiseWorks Band

9:45 a.m. Sunday School and Faith Learning Academy

10:45 a.m. KidSing Rehearsal (#4)

11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship w/ Chancel Choir & Memory Bells

12:00 p.m. Counters (#2) 12:15 p.m.-2:15 p.m. Disciple Class (#5) 3:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m. GS Troop #41403 (#8, 10) 5:30 p.m.-7:00 p.m. Youth Group (# 8, 10)

Monday: CHURCH OFFICE IS CLOSED IN HONOR OF PRESIDENTS DAY

6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. Memory Bell Rehearsal (Sanc.)

**Tuesday:** 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. CMO Preschool-Extended (#9, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16)

11:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
4:45 p.m.-6:00 p.m.
6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.

7:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.

Music Practice (#6)
GS Troop #447 (#8, 10)
GS Troop #41377 (#8, 10)
Cardio-Drumming Class (Sanc.)

7.00 p.m.-6.00 p.m. Cardio-Diamining Class (Sanc.)

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

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)

6:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m. GS Troop #427 (#8, 10) Finance Meeting (#1) Ad Council Meeting (#1)

**Thursday:** 9:00 a.m.-1:30 p.m. CMO Preschool –Extended (#9, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16)

9:15 a.m.-9:45 a.m.
4:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.

CMO Chapel Time (#12, Sanc.)
Food Pantry (Lobby, Kitchen)

5:30 p.m.-7:00 p.m. GS Troop #4099 (#12)

5:30 p.m.-7:00 p.m. Girl Scout Troop #4567 (#8, 10)

6:45 p.m.-8:00 p.m.
7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.
7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.
7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.

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Boy Scouts Troop #12 (#3, 4, 5)

Boy Scout Committee Meeting (#3)

7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.
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Boy Scouts Troop #12 (#3, 4, 5)
Boy Scout Committee Meeting (#1)
PraiseWorks Rehearsal (Sanc.)

**Friday:** 9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. CMO Preschool (#9, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16)

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

**Transfiguration Sunday** 

**Sunday:** 8:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship w/PraiseWorks Band

9:45 a.m. Sunday School and Faith Learning Academy

10:45 a.m. KidSing Rehearsal (#4)

11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship w/ Chancel Choir

12:00 p.m. Counters (#2) 12:15 p.m.-2:15 p.m. Disciple Class (#5) 5:30 p.m.-7:00 p.m. GS Troop #4070 (#12) 5:30 p.m.-7:00 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 February: Emergency Aid and Food Cupboard Mission Prayer Focus for February: The Garage-West Grove

Darlene Alleger (Guepet) Glenn Allen (Mundell) Helen Carlin Marilyn Churchhill Joann Coates Florence Combs (Combs) Dee Crawford Ian & Cindy Currie (Lytle) Jen Donnelly (Simmons) Linda Eyster (Combs) Michael Fackler (Fackler) Bill Fili, Jr. (Bratton) Mary Finn (Mullen) Stephen Gaughan (Fackler) John Gorman (McGinley) Family of Mike Haley Ellen Haves Scott Helsel (Stewart) Linda Herb (Shiplet) Baby Evelyn Herrera Laura and Max Herrera Nathaniel Howard Family of Muff Hurst

Peg Kent



Suzanne Krebel (Hurst)
Gordon Maule (Phillips)
Joel & Heaven McCree
(Combs)
Laura Minnick

Peggy Mowrer Betty Mundell Tim Mullen Lola Nadolny (Hruz) Vivian Paisley Brian Radcliffe (Hruz) Michael Raineri Wayne Reisler (Shiplet) Rick Renzulli (McGinley) Joan Saller Doug & Joan Smead (Wolff) Charlie Smith (B. Smith) Reed & Joyce Smith Rick Spencer (Kim Smith) Flora Spiegel (Strewiewski) Maureen Stickel (Fackler) Jeannie Sullivan Bruce Varney (Shiplet)



Anderson S. Camp Navy, Norfolk, VA (Shaub)

Daniel Engberg—Iraq (Hruz)

Nathaniel Howard, Norway

Brian Kubo—Washington (Mullen)

LTC Eric Maxwell, Fayetteville, NC (The Rambergers)

Chris Weidman—Japan (Miller)

Dalton Wolfe-U.S. Marine Corps

Drew Zumpino—South Korea (Beauchamp)

### SERVANTS IN MINISTRY ON SUNDAY MORNING

Mary Weidman (Miller)

	This Sunday, February 10	Next Sunday, February 25
Ushers—8:30 Greeters—8:30 Ushers—11:00	Tim and Eileen Bushnell John McGinley Daisey Ingiosi and Jean Kilmartin	Tim & Eileen Bushnell Margaret Rubincan Ed Tolmie and Laura Minnick
Greeters—11:00	TBA	TBA
Acolyte 8:30/11	Brady Castaldi / Owen Jones	Cora Boyd / Alisabeth Guepet
Nursery 8:30/9:45/11	C. Bruno / E. Mullen / K. Rinehimer	K. Hendrickson/K. Hruz/Open
C. Worship—8:30/11	Amy Castaldi / TBA	Tiffany Bohnsack / Amy Simonds
Lay Reader—8:30	David Bohnsack	Joan Leaman
Liturgist—11:00	Janet Phillips	Sandy Deckard
Moment All Ages	Joan Leaman	Eileen Bushnell
Roamers	Maryanne Covington	Joan Leaman
Hospitality 8:30	The Covingtons	Priscilla Barkman
Hospitality 11:00	Scott Steele	Linda Peirson
Counters	Caryl and Dick Stuhrke	Dave Talley & Valerie Kapp-Benner
Sound Booth	K. Schneider, M. Duvall & Others	K. Schneider, M. Duvall & Others

## 8:30 Contemporary Worship Service

## **OPEN**

**Opening Song** 

"Open The Eyes Of My Heart"

PraiseWorks Band

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\*Celebration Set

"Reaching For You"

PraiseWorks Band

"I Give You My Heart"

\*Passing of the Peace

PraiseWorks Band

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Many: And also with you.

## **GROW**

Moment For All Ages
New Testament Lesson

Joan Leaman

1 Corinthians 1:18-31

David Bohnsack

\*Gospel Lesson

Matthew 5:21-37

David Bohnsack

Children from Age 4 through Grade 4 are dismissed to room #10 for Children's Worship. Children ages birth to 3 are welcome to attend the nursery in room #15 to participate in a story and guided activities.

Sermon

"Show Me State"

Pastor Monica

### **SERVE**

**Moment of Impact** 

Covenant Missionary

Pastor Monica

Offering

"Give Me Faith"

PraiseWorks Band

**Offertory Prayer** 

Pastor Monica

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Amen.

**Gathered Prayer** 

Pastor Monica

The Lord's Prayer

Pastor Monica

\*Closing Song

"I Walk By Faith"

PraiseWorks Band

\*Benediction

Pastor Monica

\*Postlude

\* = Rise in body or spirit **Bold Print = Unison**