

West Grove United Methodist Church

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Pentecost Sunday May 31, 2020

9:30 a.m. Blended Worship

OPEN

Prelude

Welcome and Ministry Opportunities

Pastor Monica

Welcome! Comment in the livestream feed.

First-time guest or member, let us know you were here!

Praise Song

"Open Up The Heavens"

PraiseWorks Mini

* Unison Call to Worship

Pastor Monica

Come Holy Spirit, Come!

Renew our lives, inside and out.

With fire and wind, come to this place; gather us in, send us out.

Challenge us, comfort us, stir us up, calm us down.

Come Holy Spirit, Come!

*Opening Prayer

Pastor Monica

Breathe, Spirit of grace and truth, love and justice into our lives. Empower us to be your church and community. Reveal and remove from us shadows of prejudice and hatred, enabling us to hunger and thirst for righteousness. Stir up in us courage and prophetic witness, that we may proclaim to the world mighty deeds of power, we pray, Amen.

Hymn of Praise

"Surely the Presence of the Lord"

UMH No. 328

GROW

Moment for All Ages

Melanie Hartley

New Testament Lesson

Acts 2:1-21

Asbury Seminary Students

Response to the Lesson

Pastor Monica

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

Many: Thanks be to God! Amen.

Sermon

"COME!"

Pastor Monica

Song of Response

"Spirit Of The Living God"

PraiseWorks Mini

SERVE

Moment of Impact

5th Sunday Coin Collection

Kristin Proto

The Garage Offering

Offering

Pastor Monica

Offertory Prayer

Pastor Monica

Holy God, thank you for sending your Spirit, the Spirit of the risen Christ, from heaven. Help us to be like the early disciples, praying patiently as we wait for your guidance and power. Fill our hearts and minds with your gifts of faith, hope, and love. May our conversations with people of every language and culture around us witness to your grace and mercy. We dedicate ourselves and our offerings to your good purposes in the world through our church's mission by the power of your Spirit. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

Pastoral Prayer

Pastor Monica

The Lord's Prayer

Pastor Monica

*Hymn of Sending Forth

"We Are The Church"

UMH No. 558, Vv. 1,3,5

*Benediction

Pastor Monica

*Postlude

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

MOMENT OF IMPACT 5th Sunday Coin Collection ~ The Garage Offering

The Garage Community and Youth Center was a vacant car garage until 2001 when a local business leader and youth pastor envisioned its roof sheltering something far more valuable than vehicles. The renovated building is now home to services for middle and high school students.

After ten successful years serving students in the Kennett community, The Garage opened a second center in West Grove in 2011. Between the two centers, approximately 500 students pass through their doors annually; 74% are Latino, 10% are Mixed Race, 6% are African American, and 10% are Caucasian. More than 82% of their students are low-income, and 55% of them will be the first person in their families to complete high school.

To provide to the needs of the community, The Garage has organized a Supply Drive to support the needs of the community. The Supply Drive supports the requests for basic household items, including paper products, cleaning supplies, soaps, cleansers, hygiene products, laundry detergent, diapers, and other baby supplies.

The Garage is so grateful to have received \$31, 217 (at the time of printing) in COVID-19 donations from the community! By providing a matching gift on this campaign today, you can help double our fundraising efforts to support the community's needs! Each supply box has an approximate cost of \$10, and almost 200 families receive boxes per week. One week of providing supplies for the community costs \$2,000. The Garage is working harder than ever to maintain the support of community families throughout the COVID-19 closures, estimating that we will be providing supplies through the month of July. The Garage has currently served 302 different families totaling 1,532 individuals with over 600 supply boxes!

New Testament Lesson: Acts 2:1-21

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

'In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh.

and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams.

Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit;

and they shall prophesy.

And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist.

The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

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 God's name.

Welcome, one and all! Church Office: 610-869-9334

Our Website: www.westgroveumc.org Email us at info@westgroveumc.org

IN PRAYER The prayer ministry team has been praying at 7pm each night. We pray for protection and health and wellbeing for each other, for the church, for our community, our nation and our world that has been upended. Set an alarm for 7pm to pause for prayer.

VBS SAVE THE DATE: July 20-24, 2020 Compassion Camp: Be Loved, Kind, Be You. If you are interested in volunteering, please be sure to let Melanie Hartley know! Registration will be up on June 1st.

WE NEED YOUE HELP! Don't tell dad! Send a picture of your father or someone who has been like a dad to you by June 1st to pastor@westgroveumc.org. Join us in worship on June 21st as we celebrate all those who have fathers, are fathers, are like fathers Let's share those pictures and memories together as we give thanks to God.

OneRunTogether's Virtual Creamery Hustle 5K/10K Race will be held between 7am and 7pm on Saturday, June 6th. Since we are not able to run together due to Covid-19, we are taking it to the trails, roads, and treadmills. All runners and walkers that register receive a Carvel ice cream voucher, with top prizes being Penn State Creamery ice cream!

FOOD PANTRY: Did you know that our food pantry is providing food and primary household products to an average of 50-60 families every week? This increase represents 5-5.5 times the number of bags of groceries than we had provided by this week, last year, and 12 times as many bags as three years ago by this week in 2017. With your generosity and our collaboration with our community partners, we are feeding our neighbors, discovering their need for rental and utility assistance, and disseminating information about public health.

We can also store and distribute fresh produce and proteins. As your garden grows, consider sharing with the food pantry. If you have eggs, consider sharing some with your neighbors. Neighbors feeding and caring for neighbors is at the heart of our ministry. Serving God and God's people is our mission. You can drop off your items **Monday, Wednesday, Friday 9– noon** in the shopping cart by the office. Also, if you could use help this season, please come on **Thursdays between 4-6pm** for food.

- Peanut Butter and Jelly
- Soup, Bean (canned and dried)
- Canned fruits and Vegetables
- Tortillas, Rice, Spaghetti Sauce

- Diaper and Wipes (kids and disinfecting)
- Paper Products (Paper Towels, napkins and toilet paper, tissues)
- Cleaning products, Wipes

God's Faithfulness ~ Your Stewardship

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

Report from May 29, 2020

General Offering: \$ 6,130 Building Maintenance Fund: \$ 110 Emergency Groceries YTD: 998 bags Emergency Aid provided YTD: \$ 1,728.73 Family Promise Assistance: \$1,955.00

THIS WEEK: May 31st through June 7th, 2020

~~ Hours for the Church Office: Monday, Wednesday, Friday 9:00 am- 12:0pm~~ The church is open for essential business only. Thank you for using phone calls, emails, letters, texts, direct messages, and other mediums for nonessential business.

Pentecost Sunday
5th Sunday Collection

Sunday: 9:30 a.m. Worship (Facebook Live)

10:30 a.m. Children's Sunday School (via Zoom)

10:30 a.m. Faithlinks (via Zoom)

10:30 a.m. Journey to Love, Journey to Jesus

Monday: 5:30 p.m. Tech Team (via Zoom)

7:00 p.m. Daily Prayer (Where you are)

Tuesday: 9:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m. Musical Recordings (Sanctuary)

7:00 p.m. Trustee Meeting (via Zoom)
7:00 p.m. Daily Prayer (Where you are)

Wednesday: 10:00 a.m. Bi-Monthly Staff Meeting (via Zoom)

7:00 p.m. Finance/Ad Council Meeting (via Zoom)

7:00 p.m. Daily Prayer (Where you are)

Thursday: 4:00 p.m. Food Pantry Distribution

7:00 p.m. Daily Prayer (Where you are)
7:00 p.m. Choir Gathering (via Zoom)

8:00 p.m. Praise Band Gathering (via Zoom)

Friday 7:00 p.m. Daily Prayer (Where you are)

Saturday: 7:00 p.m. Daily Prayer (Where you are)

Trinity Sunday

Sunday: 9:30 a.m. Worship (Facebook Live)

10:30 a.m. Children's Sunday School (via Zoom)

10:30 a.m. Faithlinks (via Zoom)

Please contact Donna Fackler (<u>office@westgroveumc.org</u>) to set up Zoom for your group, Bible study, small group, gathering, or meeting. You can access Zoom on a landline, a cell phone, a smartphone, a laptop, or a desktop.

The church is not the building, The church is the people. The Holy Spirit can not be contained, even in quarantine. Please watch your email, our website www.westgroveumc.org, our Facebook page www.facebook/westgroveumc for more information.

Please join us for worship at www.facebook/westgroveumc. You do not need Facebook to worship. Click on the link or type it into your web browser. Best of all, God is with us!

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 May: United Methodist Women Mission Prayer Focus for May: The Les Family in the Ukraine

Darlene Alleger (Guepet) Glenn Allen (Mundell)

John Boyd Helen Carlin

Marilyn Churchhill

Joann Coates Florence Combs (Combs)

Family of Peg Cook
Dee Crawford

Family of Paul E. Chreiman (Hoover)

Ian & Cindy Currie (Lytle) Linda Eyster (Combs) Family of Edna Farmer Bill Fili, Jr. (Bratton) Mary Finn (Mullen)

Stephen Gaughan (Fackler) John Gorman (McGinley)

Ellen Hayes

Baby Evelyn Herrera TJ Hess (Hruz)

TJ Hess (Hruz) Peg Kent

Family of Suzanne Krebel (Hurst)

Gordon Maule (Phillips)

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Joel & Heaven McCree

(Combs)

Laura Minnick

Family of Peggy Mowrer

Betty Mundell

Tim Mullen

Lola Nadolny (Hruz) Vivian Paisley

Nancy Pearo (Heist) Brian Radcliffe (Hruz)

Michael Raineri

Wayne Reisler (Shiplet) Rick Renzulli (McGinlev)

Joan Saller

Family of Sam Shane

Doug & Joan Smead (Wolff) Charlie Smith (B. Smith)

Reed Smith

Rick Spencer (Kim Smith) Flora Spiegel (Strewjewski)

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 (Sara Ann Ramberger)

Chris Weidman—Japan (Miller)

Dalton Wolfe-U.S. Marine Corps

Drew Zumpino—South Korea (Beauchamp)

SERVANTS IN MINISTRY ON SUNDAY MORNING

Giving thanks to God for those who are serving you in worship this Sunday.

A/V Production Team:

PowerPoint, &Video Production: Keith Schneider Audio: Matt Simmonds Camera: Alisabeth Guepet

Music Director: (virtual) Betsy Smith

PraiseWorks Mini: (virtual) Joan and Mel Leaman, Betsy Smith

Moment for All Ages: (video) Melanie Hartley
Online Engagement Host: (virtual) Melanie Hartley

If you are interested in serving as a lay reader, liturgist, or other part of worship in a virtual way, please contact Pastor Monica (pastor@westgroveumc.org).

Meditations For Your Week

Sunday, May 31 ~ Saturday, June 6, 2020

- **Sunday:** "When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place," Acts 2:1. It may be our heart to gather in one place. We know that our hearts are gathered, even when physically, it is not our safest or healthiest choice. Pray for the heart of all God's people to be gathered together in the Spirit.
- **Monday:** "In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams." Acts 2:17. God speaks through men and women, young and old, with visions and dreams. Listen for the word of God. God is good!
- **Tuesday:** "All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" Acts 2: 12. Even within the scriptures, we have curiosities and questions recorded. God is big enough for all of your questions. Please feel free to ask them!
- **Wednesday:** "And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting." Acts 2:2. Praise God! God is present with us, whether we are gathered in the same place or in our own locations. Look for the rush of the wind and the presence of God.
- **Thursday:** "All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability." Acts 2:4. The Holy Spirit gifts and empowers. The disciples gathered on Pentecost spoke in the vernacular of those gathered. Pray for the language of those around you, including the language of compassion and justice.
- **Friday:** "Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language?" Acts 2: 7-8. When you see the miraculous power of God up close, you can not help but be amazed and astonished. Give thanks to God for where you have seen God's mighty power!
- **Saturday:** "Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved." Acts 2: 21. May the Holy Spirit fill you with courage and power for this day!