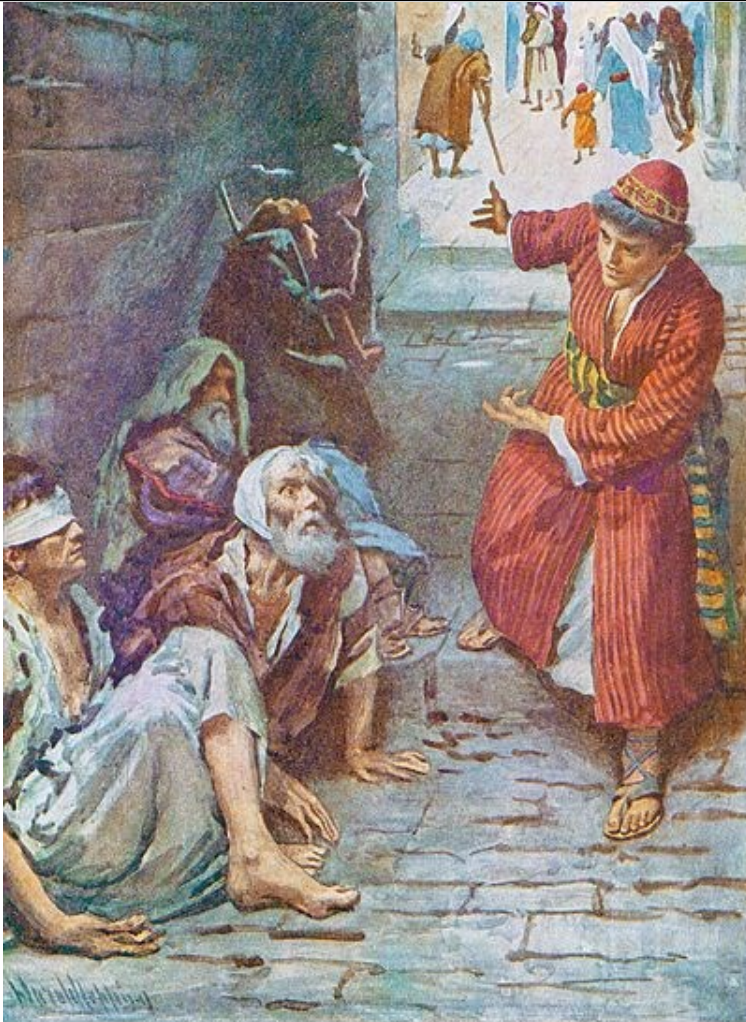




West Grove United Methodist Church

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Parable Of The Great Supper by Harold Copping

**Nineteenth Sunday After Pentecost
October 11, 2020**

9:30 a.m. Blended Worship

Prelude

Welcome and Ministry Opportunities

Pastor Tim

*Welcome! Comment in the livestream feed.
First-time guest or member, let us know you were here!*

***Call to Worship** (Based on Hymn #339, Come, Sinners, to the Gospel Feast)

Pastor Tim

Leader: Come, sinners, to the gospel feast; let every soul be Jesus' guest!

People: You need not a one be left behind, for God bids and invites all
humankind!

Leader: Sent by my Lord, on you I call; his invitation is to all!

People: Come all the world! Come every sinner now! All things in Christ are ready
now!

**Leader: Come all you souls by sin oppressed, you restless wanderers after
rest!**

People: You who are poor and maimed, and halt and blind, now in Christ may we
all a great welcome share and find!

**Leader: This right now is the time, no more delay! This is the Lord's
accepted day!**

People: Come you all, this moment at his call, and live for him who died and rose
for all!

*Opening Song

"You Invite Me In"

PraiseWorks Mini

***Opening Prayer** (Based on the song, "I Will Fear No More," by the Afters)

Pastor Tim

**Dear Lord, we open our hearts to you this morning,
trusting in your promises**

and the vision of life and creation you provide.

**Every anxious thought that steals our breath,
is like a weight upon our chest.**

**When we lie awake and wonder what our futures hold,
help us to remember that you are ultimately in control.**

**For you are our courage in the night,
and you, alone, are our strength,**

because we are not able to finish this fight.

**Help us to lift up our eyes and our cares and lay them in your hands
and leave them there.**

For with you, even though I am in the storm, the storm is not in me.

Open our minds and hearts to share the gift of heaven

as you call us to, to all the people in our lives,

and may we always be working to bring heaven to earth.

In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Moment for All Ages

Melanie Hartley

Hymn

"Stand By Me"

UMH No. 512

Joys and Concerns		Pastor Jim
Pastoral Prayer		Pastor Jim
The Lord's Prayer		Pastor Jim
Offering		Pastor Tim
Offertory Music	"Let Your Kingdom Come" By Pepper Choplin	Chancel Choir Ensemble
Dedication of Offering		Pastor Tim
Praise Song	"For Everyone Born"	PraiseWorks Mini
Scripture Lesson	<i>Luke 14:7-24</i>	Pastor Tim
Response to the Lesson		Pastor Tim
	One: This is the word of God for the people of God.	
	Many: Thanks be to God! Amen.	
Sermon	"Visions of Heaven: Welcome to the Party, The Unexpected Guests of Jesus	Pastor Tim
Closing Hymn	"When We All Get To Heaven"	UMH No. 701
*Benediction		Pastor Tim
*Postlude		

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

Re-Opening Volunteers: As we are softly re-opening our church, there are roles that you may wish to volunteer to fill. Initially, we will not have many congregants in the sanctuary, however, your help is needed. We hope to have several volunteers for each role so that we can rotate them over the weeks. If you are interested in serving in any of these capacities, please contact the church office at 610-869-9334.

We need volunteers to help in the following ways:

- Set-up chairs: Important to set up in a manner to insure distancing for those able to attend.
- Thermometer Attendant: Check the temperatures of all who attend the service.
- Greeter: Welcome our guests and guide them to the next check-in step.
- Usher: Help our guests find their seating in the sanctuary.

Thank you for your willingness to serve.

Scripture Lesson: Luke 14:7-24 (NRSV)

Humility and Hospitality

When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honor, he told them a parable. “When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honor, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, ‘Give this person your place,’ and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, ‘Friend, move up higher’; then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted.”

He said also to the one who had invited him, “When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous.”

The Parable of the Great Dinner

One of the dinner guests, on hearing this, said to him, “Blessed is anyone who will eat bread in the kingdom of God!” Then Jesus said to him, “Someone gave a great dinner and invited many. At the time for the dinner he sent his slave to say to those who had been invited, ‘Come; for everything is ready now.’ But they all alike began to make excuses. The first said to him, ‘I have bought a piece of land, and I must go out and see it; please accept my regrets.’ Another said, ‘I have bought five yoke of oxen, and I am going to try them out; please accept my regrets.’ Another said, ‘I have just been married, and therefore I cannot come.’ So the slave returned and reported this to his master. Then the owner of the house became angry and said to his slave, ‘Go out at once into the streets and lanes of the town and bring in the poor, the crippled, the blind, and the lame.’ And the slave said, ‘Sir, what you ordered has been done, and there is still room.’ Then the master said to the slave, ‘Go out into the roads and lanes, and compel people to come in, so that my house may be filled. For I tell you, none of those who were invited will taste my dinner.’”

October is Pastor Appreciation Month!

The leadership of the church encourage you to take time to let our pastors know how much their ministry means to you. Our lead pastor, Pastor Tim and his wife, Julie, had just arrived in July and, due to Covid, have not had an opportunity to meet many of you. Please take the time to call Pastor Tim to set up an appointment to meet, send them a card (a gift card to local businesses is also a good idea), and most importantly, keep them in your prayers. Pastor Jim and Betty have served the church here and at Jenner’s Pond for many years. Be sure to thank them for their faithful service. We are blessed with many Pastors in our congregation. Keep them all in your prayers each day.

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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 God's name.

Welcome, one and all!

Church Office: 610-869-9334

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

LIVE WORSHIP: The church has reopened its doors to live worship. **Every precaution is being taken** to ensure the safety of those attending live service and includes disinfecting of all surfaces (The trustees purchased a disinfecting fogger for large areas), temperature check at the door, chairs placed for social distancing, masks required to name a few of the precautions. There is limited seating to ensure social distancing. **If you would like to attend worship, call (610-869-9334) or email (office@westgroveumc.org) the church office. Your message needs to include your name, the number attending in your group, your email address/phone number and the date of the service you wish to attend (ie, Sunday, October 4). This information must be received by 6 p.m. Thursday of the current week. A confirmation email or call will be received by 2pm on Friday.**

DO YOU RECEIVE THE WEEKLY CONSTANT CONTACT EMAILS FROM THE CHURCH? We publish a **Weekly West Grove Wednesday edition and a Sunday Sneak-a-Peek** about the sermon on Sunday and other information, including a link to the week's bulletin. If you are not receiving these two emails, perhaps you elected to unsubscribe or they are being treated as spam and are going directly to trash. **A lot of information is shared in these two weekly emails and we often publish special editions of timely information you may be interested in.** This monthly newsletter is also shared via CC. If you are missing out and would like to be on the list, email Donna Fackler, our Church Administrator, at office @westgroveumc.org or call the office at 610-869-9334. I will be happy to add you to the list!

BULLETIN BOARD: We have been decorating the lobby bulletin boards with photos, artwork and writings of our church family. It serves two purposes. The first being to acquaint Pastor Tim and his wife, Julie, to our congregation. The other intent is to reconnect with each other, as we begin to use the church building again. We would like to post a photo of each person or family showing something that they have done while we have been apart. **Please send your photo(s) to Joan Leaman (jmleaman@comcast.net) and include all names and a brief description of the photo.**

UNITED METHODIST MEN: We have planned a "Men's Tailgate Gathering" at our church, West Grove UMC, at 6:30 PM on Oct. 12th in our parking lot. There will be dinner of grilled hamburgers and other goodies, which you can pick up and take back to your car or have a folding chair and eat it by your car. There will be a program which you can listen to in your car over your FM radio. The cost of this meal will be \$11 each as it was last year, with a portion going to the Men's group. Masks and social distancing are required. Jim Mundell and Dick Price

Please contact Donna Fackler (office@westgroveumc.org) 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.

THIS WEEK: October 11 through October 18, 2020

**~~ Hours for the Church Office: Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Thank you for using phone calls, emails, letters, texts, direct messages, and
other mediums for nonessential business.**

Nineteenth Sunday After Pentecost

Sunday:	9:30 a.m.	Worship Live & Live Streaming with Choir Ensemble
	10:30 a.m.	Children's Sunday School (via Zoom)
	11:00 a.m.	Jenner's Pond Worship with Pastor Jim
	3:30 p.m.-5:30 p.m.	Youth Group (church parking lot)
Monday:	5:30 p.m.	Tech Team Meeting (via Zoom)
	6:30 p.m.	UMM Tailgate Gathering (Parking lot)
	7:00 p.m.	Daily Prayer (Where you are)
Tuesday:	Annual Conference (via Zoom)	
	7:00 p.m.	Daily Prayer (Where you are)
Wednesday:	Annual Conference (via Zoom)	
	7:00 p.m.	Daily Prayer (Where you are)
Thursday:	4:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.	Food Pantry Distribution
	7:00 p.m.	Daily Prayer (Where you are)
Friday	12:00 p.m.-1:00 p.m.	Mighty Writers Food Distribution
	7:00 p.m.	Daily Prayer (Where you are)
	7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.	Domestic Violence Seminar-EPAC (via Zoom)
Saturday:	6:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m.	Avon Grove Wildcats Parking in church lot
	9:39 a.m.-3:00 p.m.	UMW Annual Celebration—St. Matthew's UMC
	10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.	Memory Bells Rehearsal
	9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.	Racism, Post-Traumatic Stress & Transformation (Zoom)
	7:00 p.m.	Daily Prayer (Where you are)

Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost

Sunday:	9:30 a.m.	Worship Live & Live Streaming with Memory Bells
	10:30 a.m.	Children's Sunday School (via Zoom)
	3:30 p.m.-5:30	Youth Group (church parking lot)

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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.com/westgroveumc for more information.

Please join us for worship at www.facebook.com/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 October: Church Finances
Mission Prayer Focus for October: Emergency Food Pantries and Distribution

Glenn Allen (Mundell)
 Debbie Beck (Shiplet)
 Virgil Brown
 Helen Carlin
 Marilyn Churchhill
 Joann Coates
 Dee Crawford
 Steve Croft
 Linda Eyster (Combs)
 Donna Fackler
 Bill Fili, Jr. (Bratton)
 Mary Finn (Mullen)
 Stephen Gaughan (Fackler)
 Ellen Hayes
 Richard Heacock
 Baby Evelyn Herrera
 TJ Hess (Hruz)
 Karen Hruz
 Doug Kaiser (Mundell)
 Mo Kase (Fackler)
 Len Kuch
 Kenny Lenhard (Fackler)
 Gordon Maule (Phillips)
 Joel & Heaven McCree (Combs)



Family of Pastor James McIntire
 Laura Minnick
 Betty Mundell
 Tim Mullen
 Lola Nadolny (Hruz)
 Linda Peirson
 Brian Radcliffe (Hruz)
 Michael Raineri
 Wayne Reisler (Shiplet)
 Rick Renzulli (McGinley)
 Rich and Joan Saller
 Linda Shiplet
 Reed Smith
 Rick Spencer (Kim Smith)
 Flora Spiegel (Strewjewski)
 Maureen Stickel (Fackler)
 Jeannie Sullivan
 Bruce Varney (Shiplet)
 Mary Weidman (Miller)
 Mary Lou Werndorfer (Miller)
 Jacob Yoder (Wills)



Anderson S. Camp
 Navy, Norfolk, VA (Shaub)
 Daniel Engberg—Iraq (Hruz)
 Nathaniel Howard,
 USA
 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)

God's Faithfulness ~ Your Stewardship

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

Report from October 4, 2020

General Offering: \$ 2,361.61
 Building Maintenance Fund: \$70
 Emergency Aid & Food Cupboard: \$—
 Emergency Groceries: 32 families, 96 bags

SERVANTS IN MINISTRY ON SUNDAY MORNING

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

Easy Worship/Live-Stream	Michael Duvall
Digital Audio	Nate Robinson
Camera	TBA / Nate Robinson
Audio/Visual/Live-Stream Tech	Steve May/Mike Wiwel
Remote Video Editing:	Keith Schneider
Officiating:	(Live) Pastor Tim (Live) Pastor Jim
Music Director:	(Live) Betsy Smith
PraiseWorks Mini:	(Live) Brian Combs, Joan Leaman, Betsy Smith, Dave Talley, Mike Wiwel
Chancel Choir Ensemble:	(Recorded) Sandy Deckard, Margee Michaels, Edel Mullen, Peter Mullen, Dick Price, Vicki Owens, Debbie Schneider, Jake Schneider, Janis Schrader, Betsy Smith, Dave Talley, Peggy Watkins
Moment for All Ages:	(Video) Melanie Hartley