



West Grove United Methodist Church

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TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
November 8, 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 the hymn, “Beams of Heaven” UMH #524) Pastor Tim

Leader: Beams of heaven as I go, through this wilderness below, guide my feet in peaceful ways, turn my midnights into days.

People: When in the darkness I would grope, faith always sees a star of hope, and soon from all life’s grief and danger I shall be free one day.

Leader: Often times our sky is clear, joy abounds without a tear; though a day so bright begun, clouds may hide tomorrow’s sun.

People: There is a day that’s always bright, a day that never yields to night, and in its light the streets of glory I shall behold one day.

Leader: Harder yet may be the fight; right may often yield to might; wickedness a while may reign; Satan’s cause may seem to gain.

People: There is a God that rules above, with a hand of power and a heart of love; if I am right, he’ll light the darkness with his love, by bringing heaven down to us from above.

Hymn

“Here I Am Lord”

UMH No. 593

***Opening Prayer**

Pastor Tim

Faithful Lord, you are generous and loving of all your children.

Help us to be aware of all the ways,

every life is still reaching out to receive your grace.

**May we be alert to how we can receive and share your Covenant
in new ways every day.**

**May it bring us together as your people,
prepared to live in joy and creativity.**

**May we renew our vows to grow and mature
in the sacred friendships of fellowship**

that faith has created, sustained, and renewed in Christ.

Help us to let go of what we so often hold on to too tightly.

Fill our hearts, so that we are at peace in you.

In Jesus’ name we pray. Amen.

Moment for All Ages

Melanie Hartley

Joys and Concerns

Pastor Jim

Pastoral Prayer

Pastor Jim

The Lord's Prayer		Pastor Jim
Anthem	"I Surrender All"	Chancel Choir Ensemble
Offering		Pastor Tim
Dedication of Offering		Pastor Tim
Hymn	"The Gift of Love"	UMH No. 408
Scripture Lesson	<i>Mark 10:17-27</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: Bring The Little Children Unto Me"	Pastor Tim
Scripture	<i>Mark 10:13-16</i>	Pastor Tim
Baptism of Emmett Porter-Lee Owens		Pastor Tim
Special Music	"Where Love Can Play"	Mel Leaman and Betsy Smith Written by Mel Leaman
Baptism Liturgy		Pastor Tim
Pastor: Members of the household of faith, I commend to your love and care this child, Emmett Porter-Lee Owens, whom we this day recognize as a member of the family of God.		
Do you as a congregation accept the responsibility of assisting these parents, Tim and Vicki Owens (and sponsors) in fulfillment of the baptismal vows, and do you undertake to provide facilities and opportunities for Christian nurture and fellowship?		
All: We will, by the grace of God.		
Pastor: Will you endeavor so to live that Emmett may grow in the knowledge and love of God, through our Savior Jesus Christ?		
All: With God's help we will so order our lives after the example of Christ that this Emmett, surrounded by steadfast love, may be established in the faith and confirmed and strengthened in the way that leads to life eternal.		
Song of Dedication	"Lullaby Prayer"	Chancel Choir Ensemble
Closing Hymn	"I Will Follow"	PraiseWorks Mini
*Benediction		Pastor Tim
*Postlude		

Scripture Lesson: *Mark 10:13-16 (The Message)*

The people brought children to Jesus, hoping he might touch them. The disciples shooed them off. But Jesus was irate and let them know it: “Don’t push these children away. Don’t ever get between them and me. These children are at the very center of life in the kingdom. Mark this: Unless you accept God’s kingdom in the simplicity of a child, you’ll never get in.” Then, gathering the children up in his arms, he laid his hands of blessing on them.

Scripture Lesson: *Mark 10:17-27 (The Message)*

To Enter God’s Kingdom

As he went out into the street, a man came running up, greeted him with great reverence, and asked, “Good Teacher, what must I do to get eternal life?”

Jesus said, “Why are you calling me good? No one is good, only God. You know the commandments: Don’t murder, don’t commit adultery, don’t steal, don’t lie, don’t cheat, honor your father and mother.”

He said, “Teacher, I have—from my youth—kept them all!”

Jesus looked him hard in the eye—and loved him! He said, “There’s one thing left: Go sell whatever you own and give it to the poor. All your wealth will then be heavenly wealth. And come follow me.”

The man’s face clouded over. This was the last thing he expected to hear, and he walked off with a heavy heart. He was holding on tight to a lot of things, and not about to let go.

Looking at his disciples, Jesus said, “Do you have any idea how difficult it is for people who ‘have it all’ to enter God’s kingdom?” The disciples couldn’t believe what they were hearing, but Jesus kept on: “You can’t imagine how difficult. I’d say it’s easier for a camel to go through a needle’s eye than for the rich to get into God’s kingdom.”

That set the disciples back on their heels. “Then who has any chance at all?” they asked.

Jesus was blunt: “No chance at all if you think you can pull it off by yourself. Every chance in the world if you let God do it.”



Altar Flowers

The flowers gracing our altar space today are
Celebration of Melanie and Gary Hartley’s 10th Wedding Anniversary
and
In Memory of Bob Herb with love from his sister, Linda Shiplet



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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

ADVENT CELEBRATION: Sunday, December 6 at 6:30 p.m. We have, traditionally, opened the Advent Season with a celebration enjoyed by the entire community on the first Sunday in December. This year, we are planning a wide variety of celebrations including music, art, dance, poetry, etc. Performances can be recorded or in person on the night of the event. The celebration will be live streamed in the same way that we live stream our worship service. Due to constraints on the number of people we can have attend, this event will be a Virtual attendance only for non-participants. Please contact Betsy Smith to sign up to participate!

Coffee and Scripture with Pastor Tim, Thursdays, 11 a.m. (Sanctuary), and 7 p.m. (Zoom) Please join us on Thursdays for a time of coffee and scripture with Pastor Tim. **We will meet in person in the clean, sanitized sanctuary on Thursday morning from 11AM until noon**, and then by **Zoom on Thursday evening at 7PM**. Please join us. We ask you to **social distance in the morning wearing a mask and we will be seated 8 feet apart**. And if you are a coffee drinker, please bring your favorite coffee or other soft beverage. Come and share the fellowship we can safely have during these challenging times.

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.**

SUNDAY MORNING SOUND BOOTH ASSISTANCE: Our Sunday Morning sound booth crew needs your help! They would like to train you to use the sound booth to help with Sunday mornings or when someone is out due to an emergency. Please call the church office, Michael Duvall or Steve May to express your interest. No experience necessary!

EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE TEAM: This team is being newly formed. More details to come. Please contact Pastor Tim if you have interest in being a part of this team.

Please contact Donna Fackler (office@westgroveumc.org) to set up Zoom for your group, Bible study, small group, gathering, or meeting.

THIS WEEK: November 8 through November 15, 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.

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

TWENTY-THIRD 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 Service (Televised internally)
Monday:	9:00 a.m.-12:15 p.m.	CMO Preschool (9, 11, 13, 15, 14, 16)
Tuesday:	9:00 a.m.-12:15 p.m.	CMO Preschool (9, 11, 13, 15, 14, 16)
	10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.	BOOM (West Lawn)
	6:30 p.m.	Prayer Gathering (via Zoom)
Wednesday:	9:00 a.m.-12:15 p.m.	CMO Preschool (9, 11, 13, 15, 14, 16)
Thursday:	9:00 a.m.-12:15 p.m.	CMO Preschool (9, 11, 13, 15, 14, 16)
	11 a.m.	Coffee & Conversation with Pastor Tim (Sanctuary)
	4:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.	Food Pantry Distribution
	7:00 p.m.	Coffee & Conversation with Pastor Tim (via Zoom)
Friday	9:00 a.m.-12:15 p.m.	CMO Preschool (9, 11, 13, 15, 14, 16)
	1:00 p.m.-2:00 p.m.	Mighty Writers Food Distribution
Saturday:	6:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m.	Avon Grove Wildcats Parking in church lot
	10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.	Memory Bells Rehearsal
	9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.	Faith-Sharing Event: Evangelism in a Changing Landscape (Zoom)

CONSECRATION SUNDAY OF TIME AND TALENTS

Sunday:	9:30 a.m.	Worship Live & Live Streaming with Memory Bells
	10:30 a.m.	Children's Sunday School (via Zoom)

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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 November: Youth Ministry
Mission Prayer Focus for November: Sunday Breakfast Mission

Glenn Allen (Mundell)
 Debbie Beck (Shiplet)
 Virgil Brown
 Joe Carberry
 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 November 1, 2020

General Offering: \$ 8,743
 Building Maintenance Fund: \$100
 Emergency Aid & Food Cupboard: \$500
 Emergency Groceries: 29 families,
 87 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, Mel Leaman, Betsy Smith and Mike Wiwel
Chancel Choir Ensemble:	(Recorded) Sandy Deckard, Margee Michaels, Edel Mullen, Peter Mullen, Vicki Owens, Debbie Schneider, Jake Schneider, Janis Schrader, Betsy Smith, Dave Talley, Peggy Watkins
Hymn Vocalists	(Live) Mel Leaman, Jim Mundell, and Betsy Smith
Moment for All Ages:	(Video) Melanie Hartley