



## West Grove United Methodist Church

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*“Set Free From  
Confinement”*



*FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY*  
*January 31, 2021*

# 9:30 a.m. Blended Virtual 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 a song, Wake Up Sleeper, by Austin French)

Pastor Tim

Leader: We thank God for the daylight, for we have spent far too long in the darkness!

**People: It feels good to say good bye to its confinement and wake up to a brand new heart!**

Leader: So if you're sleeping, like many used to be, sleeping in a cave or a grave that holds you tightly;

**People: There is a Savior calling us, promising a brand new start, an empowered life!**

Leader: He is saying, "Wake up sleeper, open your eyes; oh sinner arise, leave your past at the door!

**People: Wake up sleepers, come to God's light! Christ is alive, death doesn't live here anymore!**

## Opening Hymn

"In Jesus' Name"

PraiseWorks Band

## **Opening Prayer** (Based on a song, Wake Up Sleeper, by Austin French)

Pastor Tim

**Dear Lord, this world all too easily  
places us into caves and graves of darkness and despair.**

**Limitation and slavery to what hurts us,**

**becomes a way of life for many;**

**it is often reinforced by family and community.**

**Come to us Lord Jesus and place your heart in ours; remake us;**

**lift up our hearts into your light.**

**Whatever falsely possesses us, take it away.**

**Empower and renew us to live lives fully by your grace, mercy, and love.**

**For we are blessed by a freedom that comes only from you,**

**that leads us to choose your kingdom's way.**

**May it come upon us, centered in grace,**

**come on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Wake us up from our sleep,**

**wake us from allowing things to lead us, possess us.**

May we instead welcome and strive for your kingdom  
and tell others about you, our Savior.  
Open up our eyes and help us arise!  
May death not live here in our hearts anymore.  
We praise you for your amazing grace,  
in the name of Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.

<b>Scripture Lessons</b>	<i>Mark 1:21-28</i>	Pastor Tim
<b>Response to the Lesson</b>		Pastor Tim
	One: This is the word of God for the people of God.	
	<b>Many: Thanks be to God! Amen.</b>	
<b>Sermon</b>	“Set Free From Confinement”	Pastor Tim
<b>Song</b>	“I Will Never Be”	PraiseWorks Band
<b>Moment for All Ages</b>		Melanie Hartley
<b>Hymn</b>	“Breathe On Me, Breath Of God”	UMH No. 420
<b>Joys and Concerns</b>		Pastor Jim
<b>Pastoral Prayer</b>		Pastor Jim
<b>The Lord’s Prayer</b>		Pastor Jim
<b>Offertory</b>	“How Great Is Our God”	Bill Ditzel, Solo
<b>Dedication of Offering</b>		Pastor Jim
<b>Closing Song</b>	“Blessed Assurance”	UMH No. 369
<b>*Benediction</b>		Pastor Tim
<b>*Postlude</b>		
	• = <i>Please stand as you are able</i> <b>Bold Print = Say in unison</b>	

**Scripture Lesson:** *Mark 1:21-28 (NRSV)*

**The Man with an Unclean Spirit**

They went to Capernaum; and when the sabbath came, he entered the synagogue and taught. They were astounded at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes. Just then there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit, and he cried out, "What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are, the Holy One of God." But Jesus rebuked him, saying, "Be silent, and come out of him!" And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying with a loud voice, came out of him. They were all amazed, and they kept on asking one another, "What is this? A new teaching—with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him." At once his fame began to spread throughout the surrounding region of Galilee.

**Lenten Bible Study Class  
Mondays, February 22-April 5  
6:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary**

**During the Mondays of Lent, beginning on February 22** and continuing each Monday until the Monday after Easter (April 5th ), there will be a Bible Study on the events of each day of Holy Week and for the days following the Resurrection. It will be held in the sanctuary at 6:30 PM and will be supported by a PowerPoint program that I am developing.

This 7-week study will begin with Palm Sunday when Jesus rode triumphantly and victoriously into Jerusalem and will look at the events of each day of Holy Week and will include events leading up to the Ascension of Christ.

Our study will use the Gospel of Mark as our foundational text and add the events from the other Gospels that are not included in Mark.

# 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](http://www.westgroveumc.org) Email us at [info@westgroveumc.org](mailto:info@westgroveumc.org)

**IN-PERSON WORSHIP IS OPEN!** WGUMC is reopening our doors to LIVE worship. Currently, we will offer in-person worship limited to 35 people to allow for safe distancing, as well as continuing to provide our online services. At this time, all music will be recorded. Your health and safety is our primary concern. **Masks must be worn** at all times, except for presenters. Only the front Narthex doors will be available for entry and a touch-free thermometer will be used to check **temperatures**. We ask that everyone **sanitize their hands** using church provided sanitizer before entering the sanctuary. Chairs have been arranged in "pods" to ensure proper **social distancing**. Some pods will be larger than others to allow people who live together to sit together. There will not be a formal collection: we continue to encourage you to share your tithes and offerings electronically or by mail as we have done since March. At the conclusion of the service please do not congregate in the narthex. Conversations with your fellow attendees can be had safely outside practicing social distancing. We all miss seeing our church family in person. While you may want to reach out and greet each other (handshake, hug etc.) please respect the 6 foot social distance guideline.

**YOUTH GROUP MOVIE NIGHT, February 7, 5:00-7:30 p.m.:** We're cozying up with some good food and a good flick. Bring a blanket or something cozy to sit with! We will have pizza and snacks for the occasion and watching on the big screen in the sanctuary. Contact Melanie with any questions!

**PENN LONDON VALENTINES:** This is our 15th year of donating boxed valentines to the children of Penn London Elementary who do not have Valentines to give to their classmates. Please consider buying a box of valentines and dropping it off in the collection box provided in the church lobby. You may also leave them at the office door or in shopping basket outside of the front lobby doors.. **We will be collecting the valentines now through February 7th.** Thank you!

**YOUR NEW 2021 OFFERING ENVELOPES:** Due to mail delays, we have just received our 2021 Offering Envelopes. They are **ready for you to pick up at the church**. We will have a table in the lobby with your envelopes in alphabetical order. Call the office and Donna will be sure to have them ready for you! **Unable to pick up your envelopes?** Let the church office know and we will arrange delivery or mail them.

**TOOLS FOR MINISTRY:** The Eastern PA Conference's 2021 Tools for Ministry, **March 13, from 8:30 AM to 12:30 PM**, will make history by being **totally online for the first time**. Ironically, that adaptation is bearing fruit in allowing the Conference to offer a cornucopia of 35 diverse, online courses taught by expert faculty, **all for a nominal registration fee of only \$5**. The 35 workshops cover a wide array of interesting and helpful subjects. One is in Spanish and another will be offered bilingually in English and Spanish. The workshops will be offered in two 90-minute sessions-beginning at 9:00 and 10:45 AM, with a break in-between. Visit the online information page and register today (<https://na.eventscloud.com/ereg/index.php?eventid=597616&>). Also, download the flyer and the full brochure with worship descriptions

**THIS WEEK: January 31 through February 7, 2021**

**~~ Hours for the Church Office: Monday through Friday, 10:00 a.m.-12:00 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)***

**FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY**

<b>Sunday:</b>	<b>9:30 a.m.</b>	<b>In-Person and Facebook Worship</b>
		<b>Youth Group cancelled due to threat of snow.</b>
<b>Monday:</b>	9:00 a.m.-12:15 p.m.	CMO Preschool (9, 11, 13, 15, 14, 16)
	<b>10:00 a.m.</b>	<b>CMO Registration—Current Families</b>
	5:30 p.m.	Tech Team Meeting (via Zoom)
	6:30 p.m.	Advent Bible Study with Pastor Jim (Sanc.)
<b>Tuesday:</b>	9:00 a.m.-12:15 p.m.	CMO Preschool (9, 11, 13, 15, 14, 16)
	9:15 a.m.-9:45 a.m.	CMO Chapel Time
	7:00 p.m.	Trustees Meeting (via Zoom)
<b>Wednesday:</b>	9:00 a.m.-12:15 p.m.	CMO Preschool (9, 11, 13, 15, 14, 16)
	9:15 a.m.-9:45 a.m.	CMO Chapel Time
	<b>10:00 a.m.</b>	<b>CMO Registration—Alumni Families</b>
	6:45 p.m.	Youth Mission Planning (via Zoom)
<b>Thursday:</b>	9:00 a.m.-12:15 p.m.	CMO Preschool (9, 11, 13, 15, 14, 16)
	<b>5:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.</b>	<b>WGUMC Food Pantry</b>
<b>Friday</b>	9:00 a.m.-12:15 p.m.	CMO Preschool (9, 11, 13, 15, 14, 16)
	<b>2:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Mighty Writers Food Distribution</b>
<b>Saturday:</b>	9:00 a.m.	Memory Bells Rehearsal (Sanc.)

**FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY**

<b>Sunday:</b>	<b>9:30 a.m.</b>	<b>In-Person and Facebook Worship</b>
	3:30 p.m.-5:30 p.m.	Youth Group (Sanc.)
	<b>5:00 p.m.-7:30 p.m.</b>	<b>Youth Group Movie Night (Sanc.)</b>

**Please contact Donna Fackler ([office@westgroveumc.org](mailto: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.**

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](http://www.westgroveumc.org),

# 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 and Mission Prayer Focus for January: Those who are suffering due to the Pandemic

George Anderson  
Glenn Allen (Mundell)  
Barber Family (Saller)  
Joe Carberry  
Helen Carlin  
Dick & Mildred Chambers  
Family of Jeanette Christman (Deckard)  
Joann Coates  
Dee Crawford  
Linda Eyster (Combs)  
Michael Fackler (Fackler)  
Bill Fili, Jr. (Bratton)  
Mary Finn (Mullen)  
Stephen Gaughan (Fackler)  
Ellen Hayes  
Richard Heacock  
Family of Norma Herb  
Baby Evelyn Herrera  
TJ Hess (Hruz)  
Doug Kaiser (Mundell)  
Kathy Kase (Fackler)  
Debbie Kennedy (Coates)  
Raymond Leonardo (McGinley)  
Steve May  
Joel & Heaven McCree (Combs)  
The McCulloch Family (Owens)



Laura Minnick  
Betty Mundell  
Tim Mullen  
Lola Nadolny (Hruz)

Linda Peirson  
Brian Radcliffe (Hruz)  
Michael Raineri  
Rick Renzulli (McGinley)  
Rich and Joan Saller  
Linda Shiplet  
Reed Smith  
Rick Spencer (Kim Smith)  
Flora Spiegel (Strewjewski)  
Maureen Stickel (Fackler)  
Jeannie Sullivan  
Fernando Tena  
Family of Larry Thompson (Saller)  
Bruce Varney (Shiplet)  
Mary Weidman (Miller)  
Mary Lou Werndorfer (Miller)  
Steve Williamson (Heist)  
Family of Larry Yates  
Jacob Yoder (Wills)



Anderson S. Camp  
Navy, Norfolk, VA (Shaub)  
  
Daniel Engberg—USA (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 January 24, 2021

General Offering: \$ 1,915  
(Needed to Meet Budget: \$6,300)  
Building Maintenance Fund: \$150  
Emergency Aid & Food Cupboard: \$1,000

## **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:	Betsy Smith
Handbell Choir Director:	Sandy Deckard
PraiseWorks Band:	(Recorded) Joan Leaman, Mel Leaman, Betsy Smith
Hymn Vocalists:	Mel Leaman and Betsy Smith
Solo Vocalist:	Bill Ditzel
Moment for All Ages:	(Video) Melanie Hartley