



West Grove United Methodist Church

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THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT
March 7, 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 Psalm 19 and the song “With Lifted Hands”) Pastor Tim

Leader: The heavens are telling of the glory of God, and the firmament proclaims God’s handiwork!

People: **Day to day they pour forth speech, and night declares knowledge!**

Leader: There is no speech, nor are there words; their voice is not heard;

People: **Yet their voices go out through all the earth, and their words to the ends of the world!**

Leader: In them God has set a tent for the sun, which comes forth through the sky like a bridegroom, strongly running its course through the heavens!

People: **Its rising is from the ends of the heavens, its circuit is to the end of them, and there is nothing hidden from its heat!**

Leader: The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul; the testimony of the Lord is sure, making wise the simple!

People: **The precepts of the Lord are right and bring rejoicing of the heart because their source is in his love; God’s commandments are pure, enlightening the eyes;**

Leader: They are to be desired more than gold, sweeter also than the drippings of honeycomb!

People: **May they come to us naturally, and nourish our souls, as they lead us to be embraced by God’s guidance in grace!**

Opening Song

“I Will Rise Up”

PraiseWorks Band

Opening Prayer

Pastor Tim

**Lord, your ordinances were conceived out of love
and a desire for what is best for us and our world.**

With them is great empowerment.

**Yet we come to you, especially during this season
of journeying with Christ to the cross,
seeking to understand our own errors and sins.**

**It is an exercise that often overwhelms us,
for we are often so stubbornly independent,**

and cannot see ourselves in the truth without great intimacy with you.

Help us to live humbly, so that anger and perceptions of unfairness

do not control and dictate over us.
 As we taste all that the world has offered us,
 yet still leaves us wanting more, forgive us for our fruitless pursuits.
 For you are all that we really need.
 Forgive us for taking so long to see.
 With every heartbeat and breath, may we surrender all that we have;
 the days yet to come; the days in the past.
 For here today and throughout life, we give you all that we are,
 with lifted hands.
 Thank you for your mercy that helps us understand.
 Renew our call and action in ministry,
 and may we be faithful disciples with Jesus
 through the whole journey that is before us.
 In his name we pray. Amen.

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| Scripture Lessons | <i>John 2:13-22</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 | "God Can Cleanse and Strengthen <i>Our</i> Souls" | Pastor Tim |
| Hymn | "Beneath The Cross Of Jesus" | UMH No. 297 |
| Moment for All Ages | | Melanie Hartley |
| Hymn | "Where He Leads Me" | UMH No. 338 |
| Joys and Concerns | | Pastor Jim |
| Pastoral Prayer | | Pastor Jim |
| The Lord's Prayer | | Pastor Jim |
| Offertory | "Agnus Dei (Lamb of God)" | By Chris Owenby |
| | Duet with Vicki Owens and Betsy Smith | |
| Dedication of Offering | | Pastor Jim |
| Closing Song | "I Walk By Faith" | PraiseWorks Band |
| *Benediction | | Pastor Tim |
| Choral Benediction | "In The Shadow Of The Cross" | Chancel Choir |
| *Postlude | | |
| | • = Please stand as you are able Bold Print = Say in unison | |

Scripture Lesson: *John 2:13-23 (NRSV)*

Jesus Cleanses the Temple

The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money changers seated at their tables. Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables. He told those who were selling the doves, "Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a marketplace!" His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for your house will consume me." The Jews then said to him, "What sign can you show us for doing this?" Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." The Jews then said, "This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?" But he was speaking of the temple of his body. After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

EASTER FLOWER ORDERS

It's Easter Flower time! We are now accepting orders for Easter flowers in memory, honor or in celebration of a loved one, or for you and your family.

The last date to order flowers is Palm Sunday, March 28th. Order forms can be found in your newsletter, or send or email the information to Donna in the church office. Checks can be made payable to **"WGUMC" with memo line noting Easter Flowers**. On Easter Sunday, we will include the list of those who purchased flowers in memory, honor or celebration of a loved one. If you have any questions or need help with your order, please contact Donna Fackler in the church office (610-869-9334 or office@westgroveumc.org)

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.

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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

24 HOUR LENTEN PRAYER VIGIL 2021: Begins, Good Friday, April 2, 2021 at 9 am; ends Holy Saturday, April 3, 2021 at 9 am. Prayer vigils are centuries old- "Vigil", indicates a time of watchfulness, an awake time set apart for the purpose of prayer. It is based on the Scripture, 1 Thessalonians 5:17; pray without ceasing. Please sign up online on sign-up genius for 1 hour time slots so that we may have a 24 hour period of prayer without ceasing. [Click Here](#) Prayer requests and materials provided to aid you in your time of prayer will be sent via email and be available for pick up in the hall outside the office. They may also be mailed if needed, please make Donna aware. We, at West Grove UMC will intercede for each other, to care for each others needs during our prayer vigil.

YOUTUBE: Starting March 28 We are moving our worship service live stream from Facebook to YouTube. Get Ready! Subscribe to our channel today by searching YouTube for "West Grove (PA) United Methodist Church". Click the "All" notifications bell to receive live notifications. Recordings of all services since March 2020 are already posted, and also to our website under Watch & Read – Weekly Sermons.

LENTEN DEVOTIONS: During the 40 days of Lent we will be sending out a devotion every day through Constant Contact and our website, written by our pastoral leaders at WGUMC. Mel Leaman, Jim Mundell, David Frame, Melanie Hartley, and Tim Anderman will share some reflections on scripture to empower our journey with Christ to Jerusalem during Lent. We are intentional about growing and maturing as disciples of Christ, and look forward to the ways God is calling us to prepare for the year ahead and Easter's celebrations.

THE GREAT EASTER BAG PICK-UP! SUNDAY, MARCH 28TH, 1:00-3:00 P.M. Easter is right around the corner! The Children's Ministry team is excited to bring you Easter Bags again this year! Bags for Pre-k children and children K-6 are filled with Easter eggs, small crafts, candy and more. We hope you hop over on March 28th!

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://www.epaumc.org/?s=tools+for+ministry>**

THIS WEEK: March 7 through March 14, 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)

THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

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| Sunday: | 9:30 a.m. | In-Person and Facebook Worship |
| | 3:30 p.m.-5:30 p.m. | Youth Game Night (Sanc.) |
| Monday: | 9:00 a.m.-12:15 p.m. | Teacher In-Service Day (9, 11, 13, 15, 14, 16) |
| | 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. | Lenten Bible Study (Sanc.) |
| Tuesday: | 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 |
| | 6:30 p.m. | Prayer Gathering at home |
| | 7:00 p.m. | Re-Opening Committee Meeting (via Zoom) |
| Wednesday: | 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 |
| Thursday: | 9:00 a.m.-12:15 p.m. | CMO Preschool (9, 11, 13, 15, 14, 16) |
| | 5:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m. | WGUMC Food Pantry |
| Friday | 9:00 a.m.-12:15 p.m. | CMO Preschool (9, 11, 13, 15, 14, 16) |
| | 2:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m. | Mighty Writers Food Distribution |
| Saturday: | 9:00 a.m. | Memory Bells Rehearsal (Sanc.) |

FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

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| Sunday: | 9:30 a.m. | In-Person and Facebook Worship |
| | 11:00 a.m. | Jenner's Pond Worship (televised) |
| | 3:30 p.m.-5:30 p.m. | Youth Group (Sanc.) |

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.

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 **In-Person and Virtual worship**. Add www.facebook.com/westgroveumc to your browser and join in the live streaming at 9:30 a.m. on Sunday mornings. You do not need Facebook to worship. Call or email the church office to let us know you would like to attend in-person, so that we can ensure a seat for you! 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 and Mission Prayer Focus for March: Those who are suffering due to the Pandemic

Glenn Allen (Mundell)
Joe Carberry
Helen Carlin
Dick & Mildred Chambers
Joann Coates
Dee Crawford
Linda Eyster (Combs)
Michael Fackler (Fackler)
Bill Fili, Jr. (Bratton)
Mary Finn (Mullen)
Joyce Flowers
Cait Gardiner
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)
Laura Minnick
Family of Kristi Moore



Betty Mundell
Tim Mullen
Darlene Murphy
Lola Nadolny (Hruz)
Linda Peirson
Marlene Potter (Rubincan)
Brian Radcliffe (Hruz)
Michael Raineri
Rick Renzulli (McGinley)
Rich and Joan Saller
Roxanne Shane
Linda Shiplet
Rick Spencer (Kim Smith)
Flora Spiegel (Strewjewski)
Maureen Stickel (Fackler)
Jeannie Sullivan
Fernando Tena
Bruce Varney (Shiplet)
Mary Weidman (Miller)
Mary Lou Werndorfer (Miller)
Steve Williamson (Heist)
John Wills (Wills)
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 February 28, 2021

General Offering: \$ 8,305
(Needed to Meet Budget: \$6,300)
Building Maintenance Fund: \$330
Emergency Aid & Food Cupboard: \$25
Served 27 Families

SERVANTS IN MINISTRY ON SUNDAY MORNING

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

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| Live-Stream | Michael Duvall |
| Digital Audio, Camera | Nate Robinson, Will Stuhrke, Christian Stuhrke, and Maggie Stuhrke |
| 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) Bob Castaldi, Brian Combs, Joan Leaman, Mel Leaman, Betsy Smith |
| Hymn Vocalists: | Mel Leaman, Betsy Smith |
| Special Music: | Vicki Owens and Betsy Smith |
| Moment for All Ages: | (Video) Melanie Hartley |