

West Grove United Methodist Church

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of Commitments and Gifts

Consecration Sunday of Commitments and Gifts
November 21, 2021

9:30 a.m. Blended Worship

Prelude

"We Thy People Praise Thee"

Memory Bells Choir Composed by Franz Joseph Haydn Arranged by Martha Lynn Thompson

Welcome and Ministry Opportunities

Pastor Tim

Welcome! We are Open and In-Person! No reservation is needed. You are welcome to join us on YouTube as well.

*Call to Worship (Based on the song, "Made New," by Lincoln Brewster)

Pastor Tim

Leader: Lord, you are calling us over, you are pulling us close! **People: With love you surround us, and you give us hope!** Leader: You are taking us deeper, you are making us whole! **People: With grace you redeem us, you restore our souls!**

Leader: Now we are made new, because of you!

People: You hold our heads up, you remind us of who we are! We are alive in you again!

Leader: You are making us stronger, you are healing our hearts!

People: With your hands you hold us and you set us apart! You are our salvation! For you are the strength of our lives, we will not fear!

*Opening Hymn

"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"

UMC No. 154 Verses 1,2,4,6

(Children from Age 4 through Grade 4 are invited to meet in room #10 for Children's Worship after the Opening Hymn/Song. Children will return to worship at the Moment for All Ages. Children ages birth to 3 are welcome to attend the nursery in room #15 to participate in a story and quided activities.)

Opening Prayer

Pastor Tim

O Lord our God, crowning you as our God and King n a me-centered world does not come easily. And yet knowing you have not forgotten us, empowers our turning anew to your care.

Be our King, so that we do not follow and resign our lives to lesser gods. Forgive our infidelity, the hardening of our hearts to you

and the deeper needs of our world.

Arrest the ways we look and talk past each other, and help us become attentive once more to your Word.

Mold us into a community of believers trusting in you, united in one heart and mind by your extravagant generosity in grace.

We thank you for loving us so, and to be assured of your goodness through Christ our Lord.

May we be led to celebrate and lift our hearts in joy to live and fulfill your promises. May sharing our gifts bring joy to you, and be the strength of our lives, always. Amen.

Scripture Lesson Mark 12: 38-44 Pastor Tim

Meditation "A Joyful Heart" Pastor Tim

Offering Of Our Time and Talents

Pastor Tim

Please come forward with your Time & Talents sheet and your offering and place it in the offering plates as the Memory Bells play.

Offertory "Our Hymn of Grateful Praise" Memory Bells Choir

Arranged by Michael Helman

Dedication of Offering Pastor Tim

*Song of Response "Blessed Be Your Name" PraiseWorks Band

Affirmation of Faith (Modern)

Judy Gambill

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Anthem "We Gather Together" Chancel Choir

Words by Theodore Baker (1851-1934)

Tune by Edward Kremser (1834-1914) Arranged by Heather Sorenson

Moment for All Ages Melanie Hartley

***Hymn** "Where He Leads Me, I Will Follow" UMC No. 338

Joys and Concerns Pastor Jim

Pastoral Prayer Pastor Jim

The Lord's Prayer Pastor Jim

*Closing Song "Made New" PraiseWorks Band

*Benediction Pastor Tim

Passing of the Peace

(Please honor those who perceive the need to maintain boundaries to prevent the spread of illness)

*Postlude

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

Scripture Lesson: Mark 12: 38-44

Jesus Denounces the Scribes

As he taught, he said, "Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes, and to be greeted with respect in the marketplaces, and to have the best seats in the synagogues and places of honor at banquets! They devour widows' houses and for the sake of appearance say long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation."

The Widow's Offering

He sat down opposite the treasury, and watched the crowd putting money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. A poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which are worth a penny. Then he called his disciples and said to them, "Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. For all of them have contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on."

Affirmation of Faith (Modern)

Leader: Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is the one true church, apostolic and universal, whose holy faith let us now declare.

People: We believe in God the Father, infinite in wisdom, power and love, whose mercy is over all his works, and whose will is ever directed to his children's good.

We believe in Jesus Christ, Son of God and Son of man, the gift of the Father's unfailing grace, the ground of our hope, and the promise of our deliverance from sin and death.

We believe in the Holy Spirit as the divine presence in our lives, whereby we are kept in perpetual remembrance of the truth of Christ, and find strength and help in time of need.

We believe that this faith should manifest itself in the service of love as set forth in the example of our blessed Lord, to the end that the kingdom of God may come upon the earth. Amen.

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

ALL ARE WELCOME in the generosity of God. Let us joyfully celebrate the generosity of God and worship God in sincerity and truth. We sincerely welcome you in Christ's name. If you have come as a guest, we hope that you'll leave as a friend and pray you'll be nourished in faith as you hear God's message for you today. We encourage you to join us again. Please honor us by signing the Friendship pad. Our welcome center, located in the lobby, is a place where guests and new attendees can seek information about our church.

ADVENT MUSIC CELEBRATION WITH SIGN-UP: Christmas brings out the best music in all of us! Bring your family and invite your friends! Our family-friendly time of 6:30 p.m. allows all ages to join in the festivities. Welcome the Advent Season with music by the Chancel Choir, PraiseWorks Band, Memory Bells Handbell Choir, special musical numbers and, of course, a carol sing-along. In order to assure appropriate social distancing, **seating is limited, so we request you sign-up now. The link can be found in your digital bulletin, Constant Contact emails and our website. You may also call the office for a reservation.**

RAP (RETIRED ACTIVE PEOPLE): RAP MEETS AT NOON ON FRIDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2021 RAP will gather once again, after quite a lengthy hiatus due to the pandemic. We look forward to greeting our members and friends again. Please bring your bagged lunch! Coffee, decaf, water, lemonade, and iced tea will be provided. Of course, we must have desserts! Please notify Sara Ann Ramberger, 610-869-3863 or sar57ver@verizon.net if you would like to provide a dessert. We are delighted to welcome the return of The Providence Brass to share their musical talents with RAP by playing a selection of sacred and secular Christmas music. Remember your lunch, and invite your friends! Everyone is welcome! RSVP YES or NO to Sara Ann Ramberger, 610-869-3863 or sar57ver@verizon.net.

BLUE CHRISTMAS—Sunday, December 12th at 7:00 p.m. As we prepare for Christmas, some of us might not feel the joy of the season. Perhaps, this is a season of loss and pain. Anyone who feels that the holly and the jolly of the season is not where they find their hearts, is welcome to join us for our Blue Christmas service. The service welcomes all with trust and understanding in what can be a very painful time of the year. The service includes the lighting of candles, meditative music, prayers, comforting scriptures, and the giving of prayer shawls. Join us as we offer a quiet and reflective service of light in the midst of darkness.

YOUTH GROUP: Youth group is a time to have fun, learn something new and build friendships. **Our schedule:** Middle school & high school youth groups are studying the book of Daniel through the month of November. We are looking forward to trying some new indoor games and Melanie will be testing some new games for our Christmas party in December! If you would like more information about our youth program, contact Melanie Hartley.

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL: Sunday school is available for children in grades K-5 from 10:30-11:30 a.m. We have been learning the Beatitudes and God's kingdom. Our time together is filled with fun times with friends, learning, and smiles. All children and volunteers will be wearing masks and surfaces and supplies will be cleaned. For information about Sunday school and our

THIS WEEK: November 21, 2021 through November 28, 2021

~~ Hours for the Church Office: Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. The office is open before and after the posted times. Call for an appointment. (office@westgroveumc.org or 610-869-9334)

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

CONSECRATION SUNDAY OF OUR GIFTS

Sunday: 9:30 a.m. Blended Worship in the Sanctuary

10:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m. Sunday School for All Ages
(Adult Sunday School has moved from the Sanctuary to the Library)

3:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m. GS Troop #4492 (#8, 10)

4:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m. Middle School Youth Group (#8, 10) 5:00 p.m.-6:30 p.m. High School Youth Group (#8, 10)

Monday: 9:00 a.m.-12:15 p.m. CMO Classes (9, 11, 13, 14, 16)

10:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. Full Staff Meeting (#1) **500 p.m.-6:00 p.m.** Food Pantry (Lobby)

Tuesday: 6:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. GS Troop #41366 (#8, 10)

Wednesday: 1:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m. Mighty Writers Food Distribution

Thursday: HAPPY THANKSGIVING (CHURCH OFFICE IS CLOSED)

Friday CHURCH OFFICE IS CLOSED

Saturday: 10:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m. Daily Reflections (Sanc. Or Parking lot)

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

BAPTISM SUNDAY OF CHASE CROWDER

Sunday: 9:30 a.m. Blended Worship in the Sanctuary

10:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m. Sunday School for All Ages

Annual Christmas Gift Tree



The small tree in the lobby is filled with gift tags for residents of Twin Pines Care Facility and three families in our community. Please take as many tags as you would like. Be sure to write you name on the paper listing the gifts, identifying which gift tags you took. All gifts need to be wrapped, with tags

taped on the outside of the gift and brought to church by Mon. Dec. 13th. Please contact Joan Leaman with any questions. Thanks!

PRAYERS OF THE COMMUNITY

NEED PRAYER?

To be added to the Prayer Chain: Email Donna Fackler at of-fice@westgroveumc.org or 610-869-9334. 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.

The Bishop Family (Anderman) Joyce Bischoff Dianne Bunch (Stuhrke) Helen Carlin

Dick & Mildred Chambers

Joann Coates Dee Crawford Pat Crowl (Shiplet)

Christina DeFelice (Smith)

Lena Douglas

Linda Eyster (Combs) Bill Fili, Jr. (Bratton)

Ellen Hayes

Richard Heacock

Jennifer Hertzog (Jackson)

TJ Hess (Hruz)

Bill Jones (Peirson)

Debbie Kennedy (Coates)

Mrs. Luke (K. Smith)

Ted Lynam (Stuhrke)

Jim May (Mullen)

Lenny Martin (K. Smith)

Maxine Miller (Mullen)

Laura Minnick



Betty Mundell
Tim Mullen
Lola Nadolny (Hruz)
Linda Peirson
Brian Radcliffe
(Hruz)
Michael Raineri

Rick Renzulli (McGinley) Rich and Joan Saller Ian Smedley (Heist) Sandy Smith (Mundell) Rick Spencer (Kim Smith) Flora Spiegel (Strewjewski) Maureen Stickel (Fackler) Jeannette Strewiewski Jeannie Sullivan Stephen Syska (Mullen) Carol Sweet Martin Tiderman (Hughes) Dorothy Tolmie (Tolmie) Mary Weidman (Miller) Steve Williamson (Heist) Linda and Ken Woodward (Mullen)



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—Idaho (Miller)

Dalton Wolfe-U.S. Marine Corps

Drew Zumpino—USA (Beauchamp)

God's Faithfulness ~ Your Stewardship

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

Report from November 21, 2021

General Offering: \$5,250 (Needed to Meet Budget: \$6,300) Building Maintenance Fund: \$45 Attendance: 66 in-person, 16 online views Food Pantry: 16 families were served on 11/18/21

SERVANTS IN MINISTRY ON SUNDAY MORNING

Sunday Morning Servants

Live-Stream Michael Duvall

Digital Audio, Camera Nate Robinson, Will Stuhrke,

and Maggie Stuhrke

Audio/Visual/Live-Stream Tech Steve May/Mike Wiwel

Officiating: Rev. Timothy Carl Anderman

Rev. S. James Mundell

Music Director: Betsy Smith

Handbell Director: Sandy Deckard

Moment for All Ages: Melanie Hartley

This Week: Next Week:

Nursery Aide: Amy Castaldi Open

Counters: Valerie Kapp-Benner & Dave Talley & Vicki Owens

Joan Leaman

Lay Readers:Judy GambillChris CurtissUsherCindy HooverAndrew HermanGreeterTom HooverEsther Culbertson

SS Roamers: Please contact Fran Miller for information on being

a Sunday School Roamer.

Thank you to all of our Sunday Morning Servants.

Please prayerfully consider serving on Sunday mornings.

Share your interest with the office and you will be connected with the correct person to give you information and to sign-up.