



The Wesleyan Star

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"Blessed are you among women, & blessed is the fruit of your womb.

And why has this happened to me, that the mother of my Lord comes to me?" (Luke 1:42b-43)

Elizabeth's proclamation expresses her amazement that God was at work in her life in such a creative, personal, and intimate way. Incarnation is an incredible dynamic for us to try to understand, not just for its physical aspect, but that God would have such generosity and grace to come to earth to be one of us out of God's love for us, is where the dynamic is so unbelievable for so many people. The Author of creation loves us? This much?! Yes! He does! Oh to live every aspect of our lives in such a Light, in understanding!

Just before Christmas, we lifted up this great meeting of Elizabeth and Mary, who were entrusted as mothers with the lives of John the Baptist and Jesus. What a responsibility to have, and they celebrated in joy. They were part of God's creativity, bringing very real-life embodied hope to the world. In faith, they would receive and share God's gifts to transform the world.

As we looked upon the events of their lives, we looked at how they shared fellowship and how essential, and central it is for us today. For we, too, have been entrusted with the great moments of faith in our day. In their celebration, we hear the women made a choice to live faithfully, and we have the same freedoms too. It is extremely important we make great decisions as they did.

The Year Ahead

In America, we when we think new year, we often think about making our lives better in the year ahead. We have a lot of choices before us as we search for a clearer vision, resources, and sources of strength and empowerment to help us in our efforts. Julie and I have been working out at the gym for several months; my health requires it and we are healthier when we do. We anticipate the gym getting much busier in January. People move to improve their lives and health in greater dedication in January. Sometimes, in addition to physical health, we are open to also growing in the ways we relate with God and other people. Our emotional and spiritual health requires exercise too; we are made in God's image, made to share love in friendships. And so we may also be open to growing by starting new relationships with people new to us. (What an Epiphany when it happens.)

I knew when I started going to the gym, I needed to get into a rhythm again, and move in a careful pace to recover my strength one step at a time. I'm aware the same dynamic is likely to be at work in our emotional and spiritual health, as we come back together in fellowship. It will take time and patience for people to rebuild our spiritual and emotional strength. I'm trusting the virus will slow down again, as our responses are taken in greater wisdom and experience.

We are blessed with new medications coming on line. I invite you to be prayerful about taking part in our fellowship groups of Bible study, Sunday School, our musical groups, and ministry groups. I can't imagine where my life and faith would be, had I not decided to take part many years ago, and continue to share. It is a joy to share faith focused fellowship where real friendships that embody God's grace can grow and mature. Fellowship is an essential part of our faith development and exercise.

This coming year at the start, we are offering three adult Sunday School classes: the Faithlinks Class that meets in the Church Conference Room; the Men's Sunday School Class, that meets in the Food Pantry Room; and the Discussion Group that meets in the Library, we've been studying the Beatitudes for the past several months and will look at some new materials starting in January. I'd like us to offer additional groups. Pastor Jim will again be offering Bible study on Monday evenings. The great gift in taking part is developing friendships in faith and hearing one another's perspectives on the scriptures and applying them to life. We can learn from one another and like Mary and Elizabeth, encourage each other as we confirm the blessings entrusted to us.

~ Pastor Tim



Worship in January West Grove UMC

Join us as we worship together by opening our hearts to Jesus, growing in God's way, and serving God's world.



9:30 a.m Fully Open Worship. Live Streaming on You Tube.

Holy Living – Worship in 2022

“Oh! Teach us to live well! Teach us to live wisely and well!” (Msg., Ps 90:12)

“So teach us to count our days that we may gain a wise heart.” (NRSV, Ps. 90:12)

In the year ahead, our focus will be that as Christians we engage in Holy Living. Our heritage of faith leads us to encourage one another to express the love and presence of Christ in our speech and behavior. We are striving and taking action to grow and mature in Christ in the specific ways we live, and the vision provided for us is one of community united by God's grace.

January traditionally begins with Epiphany, as a time of reflection and seeking insight into the ways we can include people into our faith fellowship. We remember the Wisemen, and how exotic they were, what a sight as we traditionally envision them kneeling and paying honor to Jesus. They came from a country far away, where we now have the countries of Iraq, Iran, and Afghanistan. Not exactly places we expect people to be focused on searching for God. And we are led to see there is no one beyond God's reach in the gift of grace, all are brought home to God's heart. Here is our rough draft schedule for January Worship:

January 2 – Epiphany – Matthew 2:1-12

Who is God calling us to include in fellowship and what might we learn from them? We will also celebrate the sacrament of communion. “Come to the Table” is a favorite of mine, among contemporary Christian songs. I invite you to look up the scripture and song during your devotion time.

January 9 – Remembering the Baptism of Jesus, & Our Own – Anointing with Oil

We will remember the baptism of Jesus and our own and what it means for us today. God's Covenant is rich in meaning and guidance in grace for us. Our Scripture will be Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

January 16– Our Sense of Community

Our Scripture will be from Matthew 18:12-20 an important passage, considering how God became human to show us the way, now we are called to faithfully live the Way. We may also take a look at I Corinthians 8:4-13 to understand how we need to look out for each other.

January 23 –Guest Preacher (To be confirmed later)

The recommended texts are Luke 4:14-21, when Jesus reads in the synagogue of his home town and what he shares and teaches is not accepted, and I Corinthians 12:12-31a, the essential parts of the body.

January 30 – God's Faithfulness & Fulfillments Surprise Us

Jesus taught us that whoever wants to lead, and be first, must be a servant. For Jesus came to serve, and not to be served in giving his life so that all might be able to be free. We'll look at passages from Matthew 2:17-28, or Mark 10:35-45. It is always striking when the stories of Jesus have more than one source.

In looking ahead, I am trusting that God will continue to be at work in our lives, especially when times are tough, we can turn to God for real guidance and a sense of wholeness and strength. I keep a set of verses close to me, ones that were important to the early Methodists when they worked and sacrificed to create vibrant fellowship in Christ, that I share here:

I John 3:16, 18, 23-24 (NRSV)

“We know love by this, that he laid down his life for us, and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. Little children let us love, not just in speech, but in truth and action. And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us.”

Pastor's Desk



Jenner's Pond Residents:

Join us for worship on
January 9th at 11 a.m.

On your closed circuit TV and in-person
in Alison Theater, Led by Pastor Jim



Join Us IN Worship

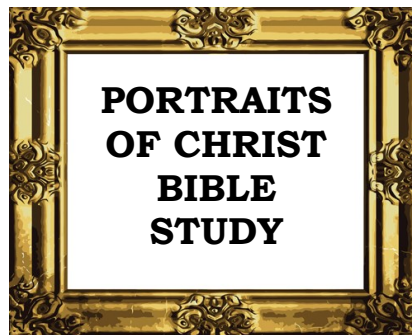
We look forward to seeing you in worship! Our children have returned to Sunday School, Children's Worship and the Nursery. In order to protect our children and others who cannot yet be vaccinated, we ask that you wear masks at church. If you don't have one, or forget, we will be happy to give you one.

DISCIPLE

BECOMING DISCIPLES
THROUGH BIBLE STUDY

Disciple Bible Study

I can't imagine where my life would be, had I not joined a Disciple Bible Study fellowship group when I was younger. It meant a lot to me to be in fellowship, focused on God's word together with others who had made the commitment to meet every week after reading for 20 minutes on our own with God every day. We covered about 85% of the Bible in 36 weeks. We grew closer to God and each other, and it provided me with the friendships and insight to see and move in the ways God was calling me to grow and mature in faith. I found the choices in the decisions I was making to come more clearly and easily. Would you like to take part in such a fellowship group? Please contact me, Pastor Tim, if you are. The virus has interfered with our lives in many ways, the worst being the fellowship we share and the strengthening of the friendships in our lives.



A new Bible Study, taught by Pastor Jim Mundell, will be starting on January 10, 2022, entitled "PORTRAITS OF CHRIST".

The world has been asking, "Who is this Jesus"? This study from the Gospel of John presents a series of pictures or portraits telling us about Jesus. Each of the twenty-one chapters gives us a portrayal of some special aspect of the character, life, and work of Christ. You are invited to take part in this study to gain knowledge and understanding of Jesus and His life. **Study begins January 10th at 6:30 PM in the sanctuary.**

All Our Mighty Love



We're so grateful to you this holiday season.

Your generosity allows us to offer robust literacy programs and reach our Mighty kids with the safest covid protocols of the moment.

Your generosity allows us to serve our communities by distributing food, diapers and books all week long.

Your generosity fills our hearts with hope and a Mighty love.

Make this season Mighty and joyful for all the children you know.

And we promise to do the same.

In Mighty peace.

THE MISSING HANDBELL TABLES— A SMALL CHURCH MYSTERY



As you know, the bells have once again started playing live and rehearsing once a week. Our problem is that two of our folding

bell tables are missing and now that things are beginning to ramp up after a year and a half of pandemic protocols, they are needed again. They have been shared with many different groups and people during that time, and If you have any information regarding these tables, could you please either contact Sandy Deckard, at davsav5@comcast.net, or 610-563-9500, or call the church office and let us know where they are. P.S. If you might be interested in playing bells, either as a permanent ringer, or as a substitute, we would also like to welcome you to our group. Let me know. Sandy Deckard, Memory Bells Director

AFRICA MISSION TRIP



Donations for Michael Duvall's Africa Mission Trip. Please deliver to church by Sunday, January 9, 2022

Here is the list that they will be able to take with them!

- KJV Bible Dictionary
- Matthew Henry Commentary
- English Bibles
- Paul David Tripp books
- Bible Study Guide resources
- Children's Sunday School materials
- Tools including hammers, screwdrivers, saws and others.

Retired Active People

**Retired Active People (RAP)****Friday, January 14, 2022, 12:00 PM**

RAP was very excited to gather once again on December 10th. Thank you to everyone who helped us launch our welcome back and to those who provided desserts and helped with our cleanup.

We were very blessed that the **Providence Brass** was able to join us and entertain us with a selection of sacred and secular Christmas pieces, along with a sing-a-long to favorite Christmas hymns.

Join us on January 14, 2022 at noon, as we welcome a New Year and the opportunity to continue our monthly gatherings. Invite your friends and bring your bagged lunch. Desserts and beverages are provided.

We are pleased to welcome RAP member **D. K. Taylor, local author and member of West Grove UMC**, as she discusses her five book series about the Vail family and tells us how she got started in writing. Below is a brief summary of her books.

Come and join us for a wonderful afternoon program and fellowship!

RAP Committee

Paulette Bryan, Cindy Haley, Caryl Stuhrke, and Sara Ann Ramberger



#1, "Loving What's Left"
(Kit's Story)



#2, "To Forgive the Past"
(Mark's Story)



#3, "...And Face the Future"
(Jon's Story)



#4, "A Mate for the Lone Wolf"
(Luke's Story)



#5, "Going Home"
(Jake's Story)

Follow the story of the Vail Family in a six-book series by local author D. K. Taylor. Books 1 through 5 are currently available on Amazon.com (in both paperback and e-book form). Book 6 will be out in Summer 2020.

PASTOR JIM'S
CHRISTIAN LIVING COLUMN
 helping us to live the Christian life

In this monthly column, I want to challenge you to learn and put to mind verses of scripture. The intent is to give you some of God's word that will always be with you, to help you and guide you. May I suggest you take a 3X5 card and write out the monthly verse and carry it with you, reading it from time to time and putting it to memory. This month's verse I learned when I was a teenager. It has been part of my life and I'm glad I had it to recall as I lived. It is from Proverbs 3:5-6, ***"Trust in the Lord with all of your heart, and lean not on your own understanding: in all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make your paths straight"***. (NIV)

The intent of this verse is not to rely on your own knowledge and understanding, but to trust God and the things He wants us to live by. The world wants to teach you their way. A way that leads to eternal death, but God's way leads to eternal life. God cares for you and loves you and He wants you to love Him in return.

Our emergency call of 911 is used to save people in distress. God's Word also has a 911 call, but for spiritual help. You will find it in Psalm 91:1, ***"He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High will rest in the shadow of the Almighty."*** In whatever troubles we face today, God is our shelter that we can run to, He is our safe place. This entire chapter of Psalm 91 (I challenge you to read and study it) is filled with the goodness and power of God. It has great insight how He faithfully works on behalf of those who love Him. At the end of this chapter, God gives 8 promises of why we need to trust in Him as He leads and guides us in return for our love of Him. ***"Because he loves me," says the Lord, "I will rescue him; I will protect him, for he acknowledges my name. He***



will call on me, and I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble, I will deliver him and honor him. With long life I will satisfy him and show him my salvation."

Psalm 91:14-16

What God promises to those

who love Him:

- "I will rescue him..." (deliver us, cause to escape the evil in the world)
- "I will protect him..." (set him on a high place)
- "I will answer him..." (God will respond to us)
- "I will be with him in trouble..." (in afflictions, in distress)
- "I will deliver him..." (rescue, to bring into safety)
- "and honor him..." (be devoted to, with our place in heaven)
- "With long life will I satisfy him..." (blessings and abundance in life)
- "and show him my salvation." (let us see His deliverance & victory)

There are great blessings as we seek after God and choose to walk in His ways. In the midst of the darkness in this world, living in it all without His Truth and freedom, would be like wading in the pits of a sewer. God's words are sure, strong, and true, assuring us that in all that we walk through in this journey of life, He reminds us we're not alone. He never says that we won't face hard times, He does say He'll be with us in it, rescuing us, and shining His grace, mercy, and peace over us. Don't ever doubt it. God works on behalf of those who love Him and bless His name. He is so good to us. We may never fully know how very much He has sheltered us in this life. ***"Trust in the Lord with all of your heart, and lean not on your own understanding: in all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make your paths straight"***.

YOUTH AND CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES



Summer Service Trip 2022

June 26- July 2, 2022

Boston, Massachusetts

Our summer work trip team will be heading to Boston this June to work with Next Step

Ministries. Next Step Ministries works closely with organizations and individuals in need in areas around the United States, building bridges within communities.

Any students entering grade 8 through graduating seniors are welcome to attend. Any adults or parents interested in being volunteer

leaders are also welcome!

Information about the trip, including cost, important dates, and COVID-related information is available. Contact Melanie Hartley for information and to sign up!

Youth Group is back January 9!

We'll be back after Christmas break ready for a new year! Our schedule is as follows:

January 9, 16, 23, 30

Middle school- 4:00-5:00 p.m.

High school- 5:00-6:30 p.m.

Save the Date:

High School Spring Retreat at Gretna Glen

March 18-20, 2022

Children's Ministry: January 2022

Sunday school and children's worship will be back on January 9.

Children's worship is offered during the worship service for children in grades K-4. Children will have the opportunity to learn the scripture lesson of the day as well as worship practices of the church, and the church seasons. Children will begin in the worship service with their families and be dismissed by the pastor to children's worship. The children will be brought back to the worship service before the children's message.

In Sunday school, we will be learning about different stories and passages in the bible. Each week we will have a bible lesson, some questions to think about, and an activity that connects us to the story.

If you would like information about the children's ministry and Christian education,

contact Melanie Hartley.

For information about Sunday school and our children's programs please contact Melanie Hartley.





Children's Morning Out and Preschool

Happy New Year! I hope the new year brings you joy, health, and happiness. We are excited to be back at preschool with all of our little friends. In January, we shift our focus to themes of winter, snow, hibernation and arctic animals. These are always fun themes to come back to after the break. We often talk about all different types of bears this time of year, from hibernating bears to polar bears. The children will be busy making lots of fun crafts, playing in sensory bin "snow", and reading lots of books. It is hard to believe that it is time to start thinking about registration for next school year. Our month will end with an Open House. Current and new families are invited to visit the preschool from 6-7pm on the 20th to learn all about our preschool. Our registration for 2022-2023 will then open in February. For more information about our Open House or Registration, please reach out to me at cmo@westgroveumc.org.

Heather Smalley, CMO & Preschool, Director



Safe Sanctuaries, Nursery Attendants, Sunday School Roamers and YOU!

Just a reminder that as we continue to work to renew our in-person Sunday School, children, and youth activities, it is important to keep clearances for all our volunteers up to date. Many of you who had clearances that were older than three years did renew this summer and early fall. I'll be sending reminders to those of you who will be due by the end of this year.

Our church policy requires two people for Sunday School classes, Nursery, and youth activities. Since many Sunday School classes are taught by one person, we use a Roamer to serve as the second person during the Sunday School hour. We are looking for volunteers to serve as Roamers. If we have four or five volunteers, you only need to serve every once every four to five weeks. If you have a child in Sunday School or you attend Sunday School, perhaps you could consider being a Roamer. It requires no preparation. You just need to walk up and down the hall and assist the Teacher or Nursery attendant if they need some help. Roamers do need clearances. These can be obtained on-line. Let Fran Miller know if you are interested in volunteering and you will be given the needed information. Clearances from other volunteer organizations can just be copied and turned in if they are less than three years old. Fran can be reached by email at jmille8698@verizon.net, by phone at 484-614-6627 or in church most Sundays.



AMAZON SMILE AND HOW YOU CAN HELP THE CHURCH

Due to Covid, many of us have been depending on on-line shopping to limit our exposure. If you use Amazon for your shopping, would you please consider signing in under

Amazon Smile? It's the same stuff, same account, but you get to choose a charity and Amazon will donate (at no cost to you) a percentage of what you spend to the charity. Of course, we hope you choose **West Grove United Methodist Church** when you make your choice. It's painless and it helps the church. **Please ask your family and friends to choose us too!**

I was amazed at how my Christmas shopping allowed donations to build up for the church. If everyone did it, it would be a wonderful gift to the church. Donna

Gift cards and store cards. SCRIP IS STILL GOING STRONG! If you are ordering gift cards for the holidays to shop or give as gifts, grocery cards, gas cards, a selection of many store and restaurant cards, please place your order through the church! Restaurant cards can be used for Take-Out if you don't want to dine in! We get a percentage as a donation to the church, so every card you purchase, helps the church! **Please call Gene Aucott to place your order today! 610-869-7355**



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! Donna

Open Grow Serve



OUR MONTHLY SHOUT OUTS!

Winter is bringing many gifts to the church! We have had meetings, events, fellowship time and hosted groups. Here are a few people you might not have seen around the church, but work quietly behind the scenes. If you would like a "shout out" about someone/something you saw that should be recognized, email the office at office@westgroveumc.org.

A Big Thank You to:

Our decorating crew led by Linda Shiplet: Gene Aucott, Nancy Duvall, Donna Fackler, Peter Mullen, Joan Saller, Kim Smith, Caryl Stuhrke, and Karen Underwood. The Christmas decorations throughout the church are beautiful. We are thankful to all those who had a hand in helping us to celebrate the season!

Heather Ditzel: The beautiful poinsettia tree was decorated by Heather. We thank her for picking up the many flowers and helping to make the chancel beautiful.

Cindy Hoover, Kim Smith and Pastor Tim: The CMO teachers and church staff enjoyed a lovely breakfast and gift exchange. Thank you to others who donated goodies!

BIRTHDAYS IN JANUARY

01/01 Carson Dunn
01/01 Ray Leonardo
01/02 Matt Hendrickson
01/03 Chase Crowder
01/04 Steve Croft
01/04 Nora Hendrickson
01/05 Clarissa Robinson
01/08 Ashley Irwin
01/10 Reed Smith
01/15 Ken Rinehimer
01/15 Elizabeth Lusavage
01/16 Karen Hruz
01/17 Joanne Frost



Your church family
wishes all of you a
very happy birthday
and a year filled
with happiness
and blessings!!

01/17 Jerry Gula
01/18 David DiRamio
01/18 Ava Kirwin
01/18 Abigail Stephenson
01/23 Tom Adams
01/23 Liz Hadley
01/24 Isaac Armstrong
01/24 Asher DiRamio
01/27 Becky Rinehimer
01/27 Aiden Seltzer
01/29 Logan Wolfe
01/29 Fred Sullivan
01/30 Mike Reisinger



The United Methodist Church
Bishop John Schol
Serving Eastern Pennsylvania
& Greater New Jersey
December 16, 2021
Dear Laity and Clergy of EPA,

One of the essential roles in the life of The United Methodist Church is District Superintendent. Superintendents work with the Bishop to lead the church to fulfill its mission, to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world. We are blessed with gifted and faithful District Superintendents.

District Superintendents serve for up to eight years in the role of superintending, and I am sad that the **Rev. Bumkoo Chung** will finish his tenure as a superintendent on June 30, 2022. He has served EPA and the West District faithfully. In the short time I have known him, Rev. Chung is deeply committed to leading congregations to health and vitality, growing lay leadership and supporting clergy. He is committed to a full Gospel, reaching new people with God's love through Jesus Christ, and engaging congregations in the community to serve and bring justice. He will be deeply missed as a superintendent.

I am also sad to share with you that **Superintendent Steve Morton**, in this time of his life and career, has requested to receive a new part-time appointment as of July 1, 2022. I have known Steve for much of my ministry career and have found him to be an exemplary leader in growing churches, developing leaders and supporting clergy and laity in their ministry. His leadership in the North District has led to innovative and strengthened ministry. He too will be deeply missed as a superintendent.

I ask for your prayers for the Cabinet, as we prayerfully discern and appoint two new superintendents. I would like your help by submitting names you recommend for superintending in EPA. Please submit up to two names of individuals you believe will serve well as superintendents. I will only consider names submitted by clergy and laity for the superintendency.

A District Superintendent, by our Book of Discipline, must be an ordained elder in The United Methodist Church. A superintendent orders the life of the district and is the chief mission strategist for the district. He or she develops lay and clergy transformational leaders to make disciples of Jesus Christ and grow vital missional congregations for the transformation of the world. Superintendents work with the bishop to appoint clergy to congregations and to support clergy and laity in leading congregations. The following are the qualities to consider when you identify names for a District Superintendent.

Spirituality

Superintending requires a depth of spirituality that models the life of Christ and provides a deep reservoir of hope, joy, peace, grace, perseverance, resiliency and wisdom to serve the church and the world. A superintendent has a strong conviction and call to

ministry and superintending. Superintendents continually grow their faith through spiritual disciplines of prayer, scripture reading, worship, Sabbath rest, service in the world and participation in a community of faith for continued learning and growth.

Attitude

While facing many challenges, a superintendent is hopeful, positive, joyful and committed to the unity of the Church. Superintendents are gifted in team-work and see their role as developing and empowering others to accomplish the mission of the church. Superintendents work with and through others. Superintendents have healthy egos, emotional intelligence, listen to understand, are warm and assertive, and see others and their objectives and ideas as important as their own. They are not conflict avoiders but have the confidence to engage well in conflict.

Skills

Superintendents have strong skills in the areas of leading, planning, communication, listening, motivating, coaching and mentoring leadership, supervision, understanding and interpreting the discipline and polity of the church and administration. They are creative and innovative thinkers and have the ability to spot and evaluate leadership.

Experience

A superintendent must have a proven track record of excellence in serving the church, growing the health and vitality of a congregation and/or extension ministry, developing other leaders, timely and accurate administration, leading through conflict, coaching and mentoring others to grow and improve in their leadership.

Commitments

Superintendents are committed to serving God and growing faith through Jesus Christ and growing the diversity of the church, ending the sins of racism and sexism, and leading the church through difference. Superintendents are also committed to serve as a team in fulfilling the mission of the church.

EPA has a strong history of superintending and with your prayers and help we will continue this tradition. If you would like to lift one or two names and identify the qualities of the individuals, please select Reply and provide the names of two ordained elders and your reasons for recommending them.

Keep the faith!

John

Bishop John Schol

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~ 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 His name.

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Melanie Hartley - Children's Ministry Team Contact
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Pastor Tim - Committee on Lay Leadership
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