




West Grove United Methodist Church

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We are the clay
You are the potter
We are all the work of Your hands

Isaiah 64:8

*Fourteenth Sunday After Pentecost
September 11, 2022*

9:30 a.m. Blended Worship

Prelude

Betsy Smith

Welcome and Ministry Opportunities

Pastor Tim

***Call to Worship** (Based on “Whom Shall I Fear,” by Chris Tomlin)

Pastor Jim

Leader: You hear me when I call! You are my morning song!

People: Though darkness fills the night, It cannot hide the Light

Leader: I know who goes before me! I know who stands behind!

People: The God of angel armies is always by my side!

Leader: Whom shall I fear! You hold the whole world in your hands!

People: You hold the whole world in your hands

Leader: The One who reigns forever, He is a Friend of mine!

People: We are holding on to your promises! You are faithful!

Our strength is in your name, for you alone can save!

***Opening Hymn**

“Marching To Zion”

UMH No. 733, Vv. 1, 2, 4

Opening Prayer (Based on the song, “It’s Good (Love’s Not Safe, by Sidewalk Prophets)

Pastor Tim

**Lord, as dark clouds gather around,
there seems every reason to back down,
and our excuses are running out,
but now is no time to leave.**

**Just trying to walk the line is not enough to get by,
for all it does it keep us blind.**

**So help us truly see, and turn and face the Wind.
Let the storms begin, for Love is not safe at all.
In Love we might fall.**

**While Love is often not easy, Love is good.
May Love take our time even as it feels unkind,
may Love break us and remold and shape us.
For with You it is OK to start again.
Help us to lose to win, and where the end begins,
may we find ourselves in You, always.
In the name of Jesus we pray. Amen.**

Moment for All Ages

Melanie Hartley

(The children are invited to go with the Children’s Worship leader to Room 12 for their activities.)

Scripture Lesson

Jeremiah 18:1-11

Pastor Tim

Meditation

“We’ve Never Done This Before”

Pastor Tim

***Song of Response** "The Potter's Hand" PraiseWorks Band

***Gospel Lesson** *Luke 15:1-10* David Frame

***Affirmation of Faith** David Frame

Creed Affirmation Statement of Faith United Church of Canada, #883

**We are not alone, we live in God's world.
We believe in God:
Who has created and is creating
Who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh,
To reconcile and make new,
Who works in us and others by the Spirit.
We trust God.
We are called to be the church:
To celebrate God's presence,
To love and serve others,
To seek justice and resist evil,
To proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,
Our judge and our hope.
In life, in death, in life beyond death,
God is with us!
We are not alone!
Thanks be to God! Amen!**

Hymn (Sung as a Prayer, seated) "Have Thine Own Way" UMH No. 382

Joys and Concerns Pastor Tim

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer Pastor Tim

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory "Amazing Grace" Chancel Choir
Text: John Newton, 1725-1807 (verse 4, John Rees, 19th Century)
Music: NEW BRITAIN from Virginia Harmony
Arranged by Robert Sterling

Consecration of the Offering Pastor Tim

***Closing Song** "Made New" PraiseWorks Band

***Benediction** Pastor Tim

Postlude

Passing of the Peace, Time of Hospitality

(Please join us for a time of Fellowship and Sunday School following the service.)

Scripture Lesson: *Jeremiah 18:1-11 (NRSVUE)*

The Potter and the Clay

18 The word that came to Jeremiah from the Lord: 2 “Come, go down to the potter’s house, and there I will let you hear my words.” 3 So I went down to the potter’s house, and there he was working at his wheel. 4 The vessel he was making of clay was spoiled in the potter’s hand, and he reworked it into another vessel, as seemed good to him.

5 Then the word of the Lord came to me: 6 Can I not do with you, O house of Israel, just as this potter has done? says the Lord. Just like the clay in the potter’s hand, so are you in my hand, O house of Israel. 7 At one moment I may declare concerning a nation or a kingdom that I will pluck up and break down and destroy it, 8 but if that nation, concerning which I have spoken, turns from its evil, I will change my mind about the disaster that I intended to bring on it. 9 And at another moment I may declare concerning a nation or a kingdom that I will build and plant it, 10 but if it does evil in my sight, not listening to my voice, then I will change my mind about the good that I had intended to do to it. 11 Now, therefore, say to the people of Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem: Thus says the Lord: Look, I am a potter shaping evil against you and devising a plan against you. Turn now, all of you, from your evil way, and amend your ways and your doings.

Gospel Reading: *Luke 15:1-10 (NRSVUE)*

The Parable of the Lost Sheep

15 Now all the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to him. ² And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, “This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them.”

³ So he told them this parable: ⁴ “Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? ⁵ And when he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. ⁶ And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, ‘Rejoice with me, for I have found my lost sheep.’ ⁷ Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

The Parable of the Lost Coin

⁸ “Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? ⁹ And when she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, ‘Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.’ ¹⁰ Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents.”

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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

WELCOME, ONE AND ALL! Faith, hope and love are gifts of God. May you find them here. 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.

PASTOR JIM'S MONDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY Pastor Jim will offer a new Bible Study on the Holy Spirit. It will be held on **Monday nights beginning September 12, 2022, at 6:30 PM** in the sanctuary. To many Christians the Holy Spirit may seem to be a mystery. Our objective is to explore the key Bible passages about the Holy Spirit, from Genesis to Revelation. It is designed to help us grow in our relationship with the Spirit, and to understand what a believer needs to know about the Spirit to learn to walk with Him. This study is for all people, whether you are a new Christian or a long-time believer, or one who wants to know more about the Holy Spirit. We trust you will join us for this study; bring your Bible and note taking material. Contact Pastor Jim if you have any questions.

R.A.P. (Retired Active People) Please join us for a time of fun, food, and fellowship. Our celebration "kick-off" will be September 9, 2022, in the WGUMC sanctuary. RAP will begin at noon! Bring your lunch! Hot and cold beverages and delicious desserts will be provided. Ray McKay will present the program "Traditional Country Music for Beginners". Invite your friends! Hope to see you there! RSVP to Sara Ann Ramberger at sar57ver@verizon.net or 610-869-3863.

UNITED METHODIST MEN'S BREAKFAST: All men and teenage lads are invited to a United Methodist Men's breakfast gathering at the church on **Saturday, September 24, 2022, at 8 AM**. Our objective is to have a time for men to gather to deepen their faith and fellowship together and to identify and pursue ways of serving our church. Our hope is to have a monthly gathering for the benefit of the men of our church and their friends. Look for more information about our gathering and if you have any questions please contact Pastor Jim Mundell or Mike DuVall.

ICE CREAM SOCIAL: Sunday, September 18 ~ 5-7 p.m. Pastor Tim and Julie are looking forward to hosting their Ice Cream Social again this year! Everyone is invited. They did a great job last year of coming up with the flavors requested. Of course, there will be lots of syrup and toppings to help enhance the experience. Last year they offered at least 22 flavors, and they look forward to sharing most of them again this year too. Please remember, it is not just about the ice cream, it is all about the fellowship with many great people. Please join us as you are able, and share your heart with others.

Annual Charge Conference, Saturday, October 1st, 8:00 a.m. Hosted by WGUMC ~ All Are Welcome! This year our annual Charge Conference will be held in our church, with our district superintendent, Rev Evelyn Kent-Clark presiding. Several other United Methodist churches in the area will join us and together we will host the Conference on Saturday morning, October 1st beginning at 8:00 a.m. A continental breakfast will be available, as we worship and lift up our service to God in Christ. All members and friends of our church are welcome to be present; Ad Board members have voting rights and responsibilities. We hope you will join us.

THIS WEEK: September 11, 2022 through September 18, 2022

**~~ 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)**

Fourteenth Sunday After Pentecost

Sunday:	9:30 a.m.	Blended Service in the Sanctuary
	10:45 a.m.	Adult Sunday School
	11:00 a.m.	Jenner's Pond Worship (Alison Theater)
	4:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.	GS Troop 4492 (8,10)
Monday:	9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.	CMO Preschool (9, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16)
	6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m.	Holy Spirit Bible Study (Sanc.)
Tuesday:	9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.	CMO Preschool (9, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16)
Wednesday:	9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.	CMO Preschool (9, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16)
Thursday:	9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.	CMO Preschool (9, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16)
	5:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.	Food Pantry (Lobby)
	5:15 p.m.-7:30 p.m.	GS Troop 4567 (8, 10)
	6:45 p.m.-8:00 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal (Sanc.)
Friday:	9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.	CMO Preschool (9, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16)
	1:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.	Mighty Writers Food Distribution
Saturday:	10:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m.	Daily Reflections (Sanc.)

Fifteenth Sunday After Pentecost

Sunday School Kick-Off!

Sunday:	9:30 a.m.	Blended Service in the Sanctuary
	10:45 a.m.	Children and Adult Sunday School
	3:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.	Middle School Youth Group (8, 10)
	4:15 p.m.-5:30 p.m.	High School Youth Group (8, 10)
	5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.	ICE CREAM SOCIAL



Altar Flowers

The beautiful altar flowers today are in
Celebration of Pastor Tim's Birthday!



PRAYERS OF THE COMMUNITY

NEED PRAYER?

Prayer Requests: Please do not leave prayer requests on the prayer chain email. It is not monitored. Email Donna Fackler at office@westgroveumc.org or 610-869-9334 or Email Susan Paisley at sbrintonpais1@verizon.net or call 610-268-3305. Your request will be shared with the prayer chain, and if you would like, it will be noted below in the bulletin Prayer List.

Dianne Bunch
(Stuhrke)
Helen Carlin
Dick & Mildred
Chambers
Joann Coates

Denise Cordavano (Saller)
Dee Crawford
Pat Crawl (Shiplot)
Dan and Liz DePaul (Jackson)
Irm Devom (Stryjewski)
Lena Douglas
Linda Eyster (Combs)
Bill Fili, Jr. (Bratton)
Joyce Flowers (Mullen)
Richard Heacock
Alan Herb (Shiplot)
Jennifer Hertzog (Jackson)
Cindy Hoover
Lynn Jackson
Debbie Kennedy (Coates)
Erica Lindell (Stryjewski)
Ted Lynam (Stuhrke)
Jim May (Mullen)
Lenny Martin (K. Smith)
Maxine Miller (Mullen)



Betty Mundell
Tim Mullen
Darlene Murphy
Lola Nadolny (Hruz)
Brian Radcliffe
(Hruz)

Michael Raineri
Rick Renzulli (McGinley)
Rich and Joan Saller
RoAnn Bates Schneider
Levi Schrum (Carmichael)
Linda Shiplot
Ian Smedley (Heist)
Sandy Smith (Mundell)
Rick Spencer (Kim Smith)
Flora Spiegel (Strewjewski)
Jeannette Strewjewski
Jeannie Sullivan
Stephen Syska (Mullen)
Carol Sweet
Mary Weidman (Miller)
Linda and Ken Woodward
(Mullen)
Kay Yates



Anderson S. Camp
Navy, Norfolk, VA (Shaub)

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 September 4, 2022

General Offering: \$ 2,348

Building Maintenance Fund: \$ 135

Attendance: 50 in-person and 31 on-line as
of 09-08-22

Food Pantry: 22 families on 09/01/2022

SERVANTS IN MINISTRY ON SUNDAY MORNING

Sunday Morning Servants

Live-Stream	Michael Duvall
Digital Audio, Camera	Nate Robinson, Will Stuhrke, Doyle Stuhrke, Maggie Stuhrke and Reed Smith
Audio/Visual/Live-Stream Tech	Mike Wiwel
Officiating:	Rev. Tim Anderman Rev. Jim Mundell
Music Director:	Betsy Smith
Moment for All Ages:	Melanie Hartley

	<u>Today: 09/11/22</u>	<u>Next Week: 09/18/22</u>
Nursery Aide:	OPEN	OPEN
Children's Worship:	Melanie Hartley	Melanie Hartley
Roamers:	Fran Miller	Paulette Bryan
Counters:	TBD	TBD
Lay Readers:	David Frame	Dick Stuhrke
Ushers:	Ralph Curtiss and Joan Saller	Gene Aucott and Alison Aucott
Greeter:	Ray Leonardo	Joan Saller

***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.***