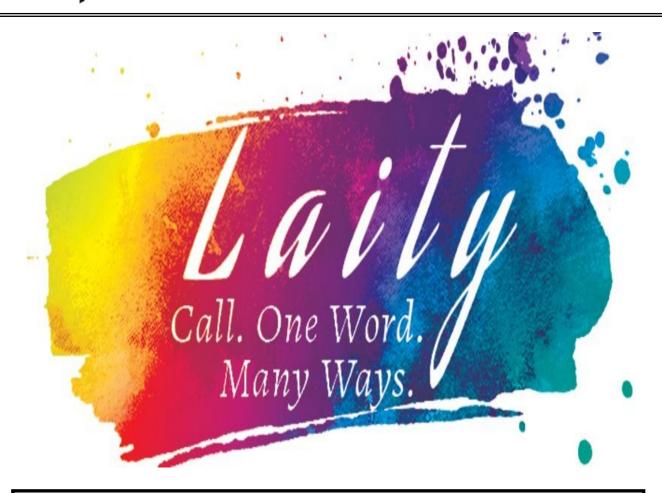


## **West Grove United Methodist Church**

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Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost Laity Sunday October 23, 2022

# 11:00 a.m. Blended Worship

#### **Prelude**

#### Welcome and Ministry Opportunities

Pastor Tim

\*Call to Worship (Based on the Hymn #529, "How Firm a Foundation")

Pastor Tim

Leader: How firm a foundation you saints of the Lord, is laid for your faith in

His excellent Word!

People: What more can God say than to us He has said, to us who for

refuge to Jesus have fled!

Leader: "Fear not, I am with you, O be not dismayed, for I am your God and

will still give you aid!

People: I'll strengthen and help you, and cause you to stand upheld by my

righteous, omnipotent hand!

Leader: When through deep waters I call you to go, the rivers of woe shall not

you overflow!

People: For I will be with you, your troubles to bless! And sanctify, refine

you in your deepest distress!

Leader: When through fiery trials your pathways shall lie, my grace, all

sufficient, shall be your supply!

People: The flame shall not hurt you, I only design your dross to consume

and your gold to refine!

Leader: The soul that on Jesus still leans for repose, I will not, I will not desert

to its foes!

People: That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake, I'll never, no

never, no never forsake!

\*Opening Hymn

"We Are The Church"

UMH No. 558, Vv. 1-4

Moment for All Ages

Melanie Hartley

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

#### **Opening Prayer**

Dick Stuhrke

God of grace and mercy,

we give thanks that you have truly come to earth to show us that you bear life with us, and magnify and multiply its blessings.

No matter where we are, you are close, breathing life into creation. As we take a heavenly perspective on our lives by having faith in you, may we also be very present in the here and now of life and friendships, and relationships of all kinds.

As you embodied grace and love,

so too may our lives be fully present in and with you, and freely share all you have entrusted to us.

Help us to help each other, with you at the center of all that we do. Help us to build each other up, our meager gifts to improve.

Increase our faith, confirm our hope, and refine us in your love.

In the name of Jesus we pray. Amen.

**Anthem** "United In His Love"

Chancel Choir
Words and Music by Cindy Berry

\*Gospel Lesson Matthew 5:13-16 Michael Duvall

Scripture Lesson 1 Peter 2:2-6, 9-12 Michael Duvall

**Meditation** "Clergy & Laity, Shared Leadership" Michael Duvall

\*Affirmation of Faith: The Apostles' Creed

Dick Stuhrke

I believe in God, the Father Almighty,

maker of heaven and earth;

And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,

born of the Virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate.

was crucified, dead, and buried;\*

the third day he rose from the dead;

he ascended into heaven,

and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic\*\* church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,

and the life everlasting. Amen.

\*Hymn of Response

"Here I Am, Lord"

UMH No. 593

Joys and Concerns

Pastor Tim

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Pastor Tim

Invitation to the Offering

**Offertory** "You Say" Duet, Vicki Owens

and Betsy Smith

Words and Music by Lauren Daigle, Jason Ingram and Paul Mabury

Consecration of the Offering

Pastor Tim

\*Closing Hymn "Where He Leads Me" UMH No. 338, Vv. 1, 2, 4

\*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.)

# Gospel Lesson: Matthew 5:13-16 (NRSVUE)

#### Salt and Light

- 13 "You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot.
- 14 "You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid.
- 15 No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house.
- 16 In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

# Scripture Lesson: 1 Peter 2:2-6, 9-12 (NRSVUE)

#### The Living Stone and a Chosen People

- 2 Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation— 3 if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good. 4 Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and 5 like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.
- 6 For it stands in scripture:
  - "See, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious; and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame."
- 9 But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. 10 Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

#### Live as Servants of God

11 Beloved, I urge you as aliens and exiles to abstain from the desires of the flesh that wage war against the soul. 12 Conduct yourselves honorably among the Gentiles, so that, though they malign you as evildoers, they may see your honorable deeds and glorify God when he comes to judge.

# **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

**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.

**CHRISTIAN PARENTING STUDY**: If you parent children under the age of 18, come try this new study group meeting during the Sunday School hour in room #14! New connections, new learning, hope and assurance. Come to Room #14. There is nursery care right across the hall. Please call Julie Anderman for more information at 484-720-8626 or email her at jwanderman111@gmail.com.

**CMO TWO TUESDAYS PIZZA FUNDRAISER:** CMO has partnered with Pasquale's Pizza in New London and is offering a Pizza Kit as a Fundraiser for Preschool. Included in the kit is: Dough for two 14" pizzas, pizza sauce, mozzarella, and oregano. You bake at your convenience. A portion of each sale will go directly to the Preschool! The kits are offered on the first and third Tuesdays of the month. You can place an order by giving your money (\$15.00 cash or check made out to WGUMC-CMO) by the Friday before the kit distribution (i.e. \$15 due by 10/28 for 11/01 pick up). Kits will be at school and ready to be handed out by NOON on those Tuesdays. Any kit not picked up on Tuesday will be promptly refrigerated until you are able to get it. Thank you in advance for supporting our Preschool. We appreciate you.

**DISCERNMENT PROCESS PRESENTATION:** Join us on **Saturday, October 29 at 9:00 a.m.** for a presentation to help us understand the discernment process for disaffiliation. All members who attend will be invited to vote about whether to go forward and learn more. All are invited to attend; only members may vote. Please keep our process and the UMC in your prayers. A full explanation as well as information on **"Courageous Dialogue"** and how to register can be found on the insert included in this bulletin.

**TRUNK OR TREAT, October 30th, 1:00-3:00 p.m.** Our annual Trunk or Treat is just around the corner! Trick or Treating at all the decorated and candy stocked cars will be outside along with activities like games and crafts that will be located in the lobby. Children of all ages and their families are invited to kick off their trick or treating a day early! Contact Melanie Hartley for more information or questions. **Trunk or Treat: Trunk hosts and activity volunteers needed!** Trunk or Treat is a fun day for all involved, including our volunteers! We want to make sure we have a variety of fun trunks for children to visit as well as adults to help kids with games and crafts. Can you offer an afternoon of fun to our church family and community? You can contact Melanie Hartley to sign up, or look for the sign up sheet in the church lobby. Need help with your trunk? Also contact Melanie for assistance and ideas!

ALL SAINTS SUNDAY: On All Saints' Day, November 6th, the church remembers those who have died in the previous year. This cherished tradition has been important in this congregation for many years. You may be remembering a loved one this year. We would like to give thanks to God for their life in our All Saints Day service. Please make sure that the office has the name of your loved one, a picture of your loved one, in addition to their date of birth and date of death, by October 30th. It is our privilege to remember those who moved onto the church triumphant, even as we hold the tenderness of loss.

#### THIS WEEK: October 23, 2022 through October 30, 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)

### Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost Laity Sunday

Sunday: 9:45 a.m.-10:45 a.m. Children and Adult Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Blended Service in the Sanctuary 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)

4:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m. GS Troop #4492 (12) **6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.** Youth Campfire

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

5:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m. GS Troop #41366

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)

7:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m. Cardio-Drumming Class (Sanc.)

**Wednesday:** 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. CMO Preschool (9, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16)

10:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. Full Staff Meeting

7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. GS Leaders Meeting (8, 10)

**Thursday:** 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. CMO Preschool (9, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16)

1:30 p.m.-3:00 p.m. CC Food Bank Meeting (1) 5:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m. Food Pantry (6, Lobby) GS Troop #4251 (8, 10)

5:00 p.m.-6:15 p.m. Handbell Choir Rehearsal (Sanc.)

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 Dist.

Saturday: 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Discernment Class (Sanc. & Lobby)

10:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m. Daily Reflections (Sanc.)

#### **Twenty-First Sunday After Pentecost**

**Sunday:** 9:45 a.m.-10:45 a.m. Children and Adult Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Blended Service in the Sanctuary

1:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m. Trunk or Treat (All Church)

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)

## 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) Family of Dee Crawford

Pat Crowl (Shiplet)

Dan and Liz DePaul (Jackson)

Irm Devom (Stryjewski)

Lena Douglas

Linda Eyster (Combs)

Bill Fili, Jr. (Bratton)

Joyce Flowers (Mullen)

Pat Gaughan (Fackler) Alysia Groves (McGinley)

Richard Heacock

Alan Herb (Shiplet)

Jennifer Hertzog (Jackson)

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 Shiplet

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)

Tyler Winters (Saller)

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 October 16, 2022

General Offering: \$ 3,597

Building Maintenance Fund: \$ 90

Attendance: 51 in-person and 18 on-line

as of 10-19-22

Food Pantry: 29 families on 10/20/2022

#### 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. Timothy Carl Anderman

Rev. S. James Mundell

Michael Duvall

Music Director: Betsy Smith

Moment for All Ages: Melanie Hartley

<u>Today: 10/23/22</u> <u>Next Week: 10/30/22</u>

Nursery Aide: OPEN OPEN

Children's Worship: Melanie Hartley Melanie Hartley

Roamers: Fran Miller TBD

Counters: Dave Talley and Janice Bowers and

Vicki Owens TBA

Lay Readers: Dick Stuhrke Sue Curtis

Ushers: Fran Miller and Amy and Mark Simonds

Priscilla Barkman

Greeter: Esther Culbertson Virgil Brown

Thank you to all of our Sunday Morning Servants.

<u>Please prayerfully consider serving on Sunday mornings.</u>

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