



West Grove United Methodist Church

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Transfiguration Sunday
February 19, 2023

11:00 a.m. Worship

Welcome and Ministry Opportunities

Pastor Jim

Prelude

***Call to Worship**

Pastor Jim

Leader: Life, O God, is what you offer us.

People: In a world filled with sin and death, you offer life.

Leader: In a world overcome by sickness and disease, you offer life.

People: In a world consumed with people killing one another, you offer life.

Leader: In a world that is tired and weary, you offer life.

People: Transform our hearts, O God, to desire eternal life you so freely want to give us. Turn our minds from death toward your wonderful life. Amen.

***Opening Hymn**

“To God, Be The Glory”

UMH No. 98

Moment for All Ages

Melanie Jones

(Children are dismissed to room 12 for Children’s Worship Activities)

Opening Prayer

Pastor Jim

**Transport us, O God, to the mountaintop with you.
Let us leave behind in the valley
anything that would cause us not to hear your word.
Transform us with the dazzling truth of your glory, once again.
Let us hear the gospel reading of the Transfiguration of our Lord,
as if it is being heard for the first time,
through the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

***Gospel Lesson**

Matthew 17:1-9 (NIV)

Pastor Jim

Scripture Lesson

2 Peter 1:16-18 (NIV)

Pastor Jim

Message

“Mountain Grandeur”

Rev. S. James Mundell

Anthem

“Be Thou My Vision”

Chancel Choir

Words: Ancient Irish, Translation by Mary E. Byrne (1880-1931)
Tune: SLANE, Traditional Irish Melody, Arranged by Heather Sorenson

***Affirmation of Faith**

Paulette Bryan

FROM 1 CORINTHIANS 15:1-6 & COLOSSIANS 1:15-20 #888

Leader: This is the good news which we have received, in which we stand, and by which we are saved.

People: Christ died for our sins, was buried, was raised on the third day, and appeared first to the women, then to Peter and the Twelve, and then to many faithful witnesses. We believe Jesus is the Christ, the Anointed One of God, the firstborn of all creation, the firstborn from the dead, in whom all things hold together, in whom the fullness of God was pleased to dwell by the power of the Spirit. Christ is the head of the body, the church, and by the blood of the cross reconciles all things to God. Amen.

***Hymn of Response**

“Open My Eyes, That I May See”

UMH No. 454

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Pastor Jim

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord’s Prayer

Pastor Jim

Invitation to the Offering

Pastor Jim

Offertory

***Dedication of the Offering**

Pastor Jim

***Closing Hymn**

“I Love To Tell The Story”

UMH No. 156

***Benediction**

Pastor Jim

Postlude

Please join us for a time of Fellowship following the service.

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

8:30 a.m. Worship

Ministry Opportunities

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Gospel Lesson: Matthew 17:1-9 (NIV)

After six days Jesus took with him Peter, James and John the brother of James, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. ² There he was transfigured before them. His face shone like the sun, and his clothes became as white as the light. ³ Just then there appeared before them Moses and Elijah, talking with Jesus.

⁴ Peter said to Jesus, “Lord, it is good for us to be here. If you wish, I will put up three shelters—one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.”

⁵ While he was still speaking, a bright cloud covered them, and a voice from the cloud said, “This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased. Listen to him!”

⁶ When the disciples heard this, they fell facedown to the ground, terrified. ⁷ But Jesus came and touched them. “Get up,” he said. “Don’t be afraid.” ⁸ When they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus.

⁹ As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus instructed them, “Don’t tell anyone what you have seen, until the Son of Man has been raised from the dead.”

Scripture Lesson: 2 Peter 1:16-18 (NIV)

For we did not follow cleverly devised stories when we told you about the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ in power, but we were eyewitnesses of his majesty. ¹⁷ He received honor and glory from God the Father when the voice came to him from the Majestic Glory, saying, “This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased.”^[a] ¹⁸ We ourselves heard this voice that came from heaven when we were with him on the sacred mountain.

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.

ASH WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 22. We will offer a service at 7PM with the Chancel Choir. We hope everyone can join us as we begin the season of Lent, a time when we are very intentional in remembering how much we need God's mercy to live life fully. Traditionally, Lent has also been a time of preparation for joining our Christian fellowship, and so it has been a time to especially exercise great care in the ways we relate with others. We remember the journey of Jesus in the desert and his instructions to us as disciples to exercise care in the ways we live as we sacrifice and live humble lives together.

UMM BREAKFAST AND GATHERING: The monthly breakfast meeting of the men and youth of our church will be **Saturday, February 25, 2023, at 8:00 AM** at the church. There will be a light breakfast with dishes provided by our men. If you would like to provide a breakfast dish please speak with Pastor Jim or Mike DuVall. The objective of our gathering is to grow our spiritual life for the glory of God. We invite the men of the church to join us. If you plan on attending, please let us know so we can provide sufficiently for those coming. Pastor Jim and Mike DuVall.

SHOE DONATIONS: HELPING OUR COMMUNITY: Through information shared by the Mighty Writers, a need for shoes was initially discovered. There are many children who do not have sufficient shoes. As the discussion progressed, more needs arose and the following is a list of those needs. Donations can be put in the black bins in the lobby. Thank you in advance for your caring and generosity!

All sizes for children and adults are needed. They can be gently used or new:

Shoes, Boots, Socks, Underwear, Men's jeans

SAVE THE DATE! WGUMC CMO and Preschool Art Show with Silent Auction, Monday, April 17th, 5:35-7:00 pm. Every child will have art on display in the Sanctuary. Each class has also created two art projects. We will be auctioning off these class projects through a silent auction. The classes have worked really hard on creating these beautiful works of art and we hope that you will see the love and beauty in each of them.

Abbie Gruscavage, Director cmo@westgroveumc.org 610-806-5393

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.

Tom Adams
Lynnea Anderman
(Pastor Tim)
Dianne Bunch
(Stuhrke)
Helen Carlin
Dick & Mildred Chambers
Family of Marilyn Churchill
(Mundell)
Joann Coates
Pat Crawl (Shiplet)
Dan and Liz DePaul
(Jackson)
Irma Devom (Stryjewski)
Lena Douglas
Linda Eyster (Combs)
Bill Fili, Jr. (Bratton)
Joyce Flowers (Mullen)
Family of Robbie Fulton
(Saller)
Richard Heacock
Alan Herb (Shiplet)
Jennifer Hertzog (Jackson)
Lynn Jackson
Maria Kanno (Mullen)
Debbie Kennedy (Coates)
Erica Lindell (Stryjewski)
Jeff Luttmann (Miller)



Ted Lynam
(Stuhrke)
Family of Donald
Lytle (Lytle)
Jim May (Mullen)
Lenny Martin (K.
Smith)
Betty Mundell
Tim Mullen
Lola Nadolny (Hruz)
Brian Radcliffe (Hruz)
Michael Raineri
Rick Renzulli (McGinley)
Sam Reyburn (Shiplet)
Rich and Joan Saller
RoAnn Bates Schneider
Levi Schrum (Carmichael)
Linda Shiplet
Ian Smedley (Heist)
Rick Spencer (Kim Smith)
Flora Spiegel (Strewjewski)
Jeannette Strewjewski
Gail Stuhrke (Stuhrke)
Jeannie Sullivan
Stephen Syska (Mullen)
Mary Weidman (Miller)
Jill Williams (Miller)
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 February 12, 2023

General Offering: \$ 6,827

Building Maintenance Fund: \$ 175

Attendance: In-Person and You Tube

8:30: 20 11:00: 59 + 35

Food Pantry: 91 families on Feb. 15-16

SERVANTS IN MINISTRY ON SUNDAY MORNING

Sunday Morning Servants

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

	<u>Today: 02/19/23</u>	<u>Next Week: 02/26/23</u>
Nursery Aide:	Open/Chris Bruno	Open / Open
Children's Worship:	Melanie Jones	Melanie Jones
Roamers:	Maryanne Covington	Paulette Bryan
Counters:	Joan Leaman and Janice Bowers	Dave Talley and Vicki Owens
Lay Readers:	Paulette Bryan	Sandy Deckard
Ushers:	Tom Adams and Charlotte Adams	Tom Adams and Charlotte Adams
Greeter:	Fran Miller	Esther Culbertson

***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.***