



West Grove United Methodist Church

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PALM SUNDAY

Blessed is He Who Comes In The Name of the Lord

Matthew 21:6-11

Palm Sunday
April 2, 2023

11:00 a.m. Worship

Welcome and Ministry Opportunities

Pastor Tim

Prelude

*Call to Worship (Based on Isaiah 50:4-8, The Message)

Pastor Tim

Leader: God has taught us well, taught us how to encourage tired people!

People: God inspires us to embrace life every morning, even when the day presents challenges!

Leader: God opens our ears, deepens our perceptions about what is most important!

People: So let us not hide! Let us face and live in the deepest truths about life thorough this Passion Week!

Leader: May we not pull the covers back over our heads, and may we hear what He has to share!

People: For God is right beside us, stays with us and helps us, and we are not disgraced!

Leader: So let us take our stand together with our Champion and not run from sharing the Truth!

People: Look! God our Master is right here! And we need no other to lead us!

*Opening Hymn

“All Glory, Laud, and Honor”

UMH No. 280

(The congregation is invited to wave their palms during the hymn)

Moment for All Ages

Melanie Jones

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

Opening Prayer

Pastor Tim

Lord there is an overabundance of tragedies around us.

Being wealthy, or powerful, or educated never seems to prevent them.

We don’t like to think about our sins and what they cause.

**May we not hide from your passion
and the truth about Holy Week we need to accept.**

Help us in our decisions, to learn from the past.

**As we come to know more about You,
may we accept your grace and Presence more deeply into our hearts.**

**You have done so much more than just share knowledge;
you have given us your heart on the Cross;**

**we know it has cost you dearly, and that only You could pay such a price.
This week, may we not rush too quickly through to Easter's celebration.
Instead, develop our empathy and wisdom, deep within us.
And may we be prepared to offer ourselves fully
as we share your grace with our world.
In the name of Jesus we pray. Amen.**

**Chancel Choir Cantata
“Amazing Love!”
Recalling Christ's Sacrifice
by Lloyd Larson and Joel Raney**

“Amazing Love!”

“Lift Up Your Voice And Sing, Hosanna!”

“As You Serve, Remember Me”

Sacrament of Communion ~ The Great Thanksgiving for Later in Lent
Please bring your Offering as you come forward to take Communion.

“Alone In The Garden He Prays”

“Behold The Lamb of God!”

“How Can It Be?”

“Amazing Love Demands My All!”
(Incorporating the Closing Hymn “When I Survey The Wondrous Cross”)

***Benediction**

Pastor Tim

Postlude

*Please join us for a time of hospitality and
passing of the peace of Christ following the service.*

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

8:30 a.m. Worship

Ministry Opportunities

- *Call to Worship** (Based on Isaiah 50:4-8, The Message) Pastor Tim
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People: Look! God our Master is right here! And we need no other to lead us!
- *Opening Hymn** UMH No. 280
"All Glory, Laud, and Honor"
(The congregation is invited to wave their palms during the hymn)
- *Opening Prayer** Pastor Tim
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- Scripture Lessons** Pastor Tim
Matthew 21:1-17 (NIV)
- Meditation** Pastor Tim
"Our Need For Real Leadership"
- Scripture Lesson** Pastor Jim
Philippians 2:5-11
- *Affirmation of Faith ~ The Apostles' Creed** Pastor Jim
UMH No. 881
- Communion ~ The Great Thanksgiving for Late in Lent**
As you come forward, please share your offering in the plate up front
- *Closing Hymn** UMH No. 301
"Jesus, Keep Me Near The Cross"
- *Benediction** Pastor Tim

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

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Scripture Lesson: Matthew 21:1-17 (NIV)

Jesus Comes to Jerusalem as King

21 As they approached Jerusalem and came to Bethphage on the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, ² saying to them, “Go to the village ahead of you, and at once you will find a donkey tied there, with her colt by her. Untie them and bring them to me.³ If anyone says anything to you, say that the Lord needs them, and he will send them right away.”⁴ This took place to fulfill what was spoken through the prophet:⁵ “Say to Daughter Zion, ‘See, your king comes to you, gentle and riding on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a donkey.’”

⁶ The disciples went and did as Jesus had instructed them. ⁷ They brought the donkey and the colt and placed their cloaks on them for Jesus to sit on. ⁸ A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, while others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. ⁹ The crowds that went ahead of him and those that followed shouted, “Hosanna to the Son of David!” “Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!” “Hosanna in the highest heaven!”

¹⁰ When Jesus entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred and asked, “Who is this?”¹¹ The crowds answered, “This is Jesus, the prophet from Nazareth in Galilee.”

Jesus at the Temple

12 Jesus entered the temple courts and drove out all who were buying and selling there. He overturned the tables of the money changers and the benches of those selling doves. 13 “It is written,” he said to them, “My house will be called a house of prayer, but you are making it ‘a den of robbers.’” 14 The blind and the lame came to him at the temple, and he healed them. 15 But when the chief priests and the teachers of the law saw the wonderful things he did and the children shouting in the temple courts, “Hosanna to the Son of David,” they were indignant. 16 “Do you hear what these children are saying?” they asked him. “Yes,” replied Jesus, “have you never read, “From the lips of children and infants you, Lord, have called forth your praise?” 17 And he left them and went out of the city to Bethany, where he spent the night.

Scripture Lesson: Philippians 2:5-11

5 In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus:

6 Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage; ⁷ rather, he made himself nothing by taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. ⁸ And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death— even death on a cross!

⁹ Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰ that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹ and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

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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.

NEW MEMBERS: Several people have expressed an interest in joining our church. If you are considering becoming part of our fellowship as a member, please let Pastor Tim know at pastor@westgroveumc.org or phone 484.720.8626. We hope to begin a time of preparation soon.

EASTER "EGGS" TRAVAGANZA: TODAY!! Sunday, April 2nd, 2:00-4:00 p.m. Children are invited to bring their Easter baskets and take part in crafts, games, prizes, and, of course, egg hunts! Activities will occur continuously throughout the afternoon. Our activities are geared for **toddlers through elementary school age children. Invite your friends and neighbors! The event is "rain or shine"!**

TODAY IS THE LAST DAY TO ORDER EASTER FLOWERS! Please see the insert in your bulletin for information on ordering a flower in Memory, Honor, or Celebration of a loved one. You can put your order in the offering plate.

HOLY THURSDAY SERVICE WITH COMMUNION AT 7:00 P.M. We will host worship at 7:00 p.m. sharing communion as we remember the Last Supper and consider what Jesus has done for us, and how we respond as disciples.

EASTER SUNDAY SUNRISE SERVICE AT 6:30 A.M. On this triumphant Easter morning, join us at our Sunrise Service outside in the Prayer Garden to proclaim Christ is alive!. **EASTER RESURRECTION CELEBRATION SERVICES AT 8:30 AND 11 A.M.** Join us as we celebrate the Risen Christ this day.

SPRING RUMMAGE SALE: Friday, April 28, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. and Saturday, April 29, 9 a.m.-12 p.m. Donations for the sale can begin being dropped off at the church on **Sunday, April 23 after worship.** Last year's sale was a huge success! We look forward to having another and your donations (and shopping) help! So, clean out your closets, basements and attics and bring your donations to the church. Saturday is the big sale day with \$3 a bag sale. Volunteers are always needed. Contact Fran Miller or Cindy Haley with your questions.

CHILDREN'S MORNING OUT AND PRESCHOOL ART SHOW, Monday, April 17th. The sanctuary will once again be filled with all of the children's art to view for your pleasure. **Each class has also made two special items for the Silent Auction.** The auctioned items are fabulous. You don't want to miss this!!

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
Family of Lynnea
Anderman (Pastor Tim)
Dianne Bunch
(Stuhrke)

Helen Carlin
Beth Castaldi (K. Smith)
Dick & Mildred Chambers
Joann Coates
Dan and Liz DePaul (Jackson)
Irma Devom (Stryjewski)
Lena Douglas
Nancy Duvall
Linda Eyster (Combs)
Bill Fili, Jr. (Bratton)
Joyce Flowers (Mullen)
Mike Hake (May)
Richard Heacock
Jennifer Hertzog (Jackson)
Lynn Jackson
Maria Kanno (Mullen)
Debbie Kennedy (Coates)
Tom Kuch (Kuchs)
Erica Lindell (Stryjewski)
Ted Lynam (Stuhrke)



Lenny Marten (K. Smith)
Jim May (Mullen)
Betty Mundell
Tim Mullen

Lola Nadolny (Hruz)
Brian Radcliffe (Hruz)
Michael Raineri
Rick Renzulli (McGinley)
Sam Reyburn (Shiplet)
Rich and Joan Saller
Levi Schrum (Carmichael)
Linda Shiplet
Ian Smedley (Heist)
Rick Spencer (Kim Smith)
Flora Spiegel (Strewjewski)
Jeannette Strewjewski
Gail Stuhrke (Stuhrke)
Jeannie Sullivan
Family of Bob Weer (Mundell)
Mary Weidman (Miller)
Jill Williams (Miller)
Ruth Wilson (May)
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 March 26, 2023

General Offering: \$ 10,569.79

Building Maintenance Fund: \$ 115

Attendance: In-Person and You Tube

8:30: 16 11:00: 52 & 16

Food Pantry: 122 families on March 29-30

Food donations appreciated.

SERVANTS IN MINISTRY ON SUNDAY MORNING

Sunday Morning Servants

Live-Stream: 8:30	Volunteers needed. Will train.
Digital Audio: 8:30	Steve May
Live-Stream: 11:00	Michael Duvall
Digital Audio: 11:00	Michael Duvall, Nate Robinson,
Soundbooth Rotating:	Will Stuhrke, Doyle Stuhrke, Maggie Stuhrke and Reed Smith
Audio/Visual/Live-Stream Tech	Mike Wiwel
Officiating:	Rev. Timothy C. Anderman
	Rev. S. James Mundell
Music Director:	Betsy Smith
Moment for All Ages:	Melanie Jones

	<u>Today: 04/02/23</u> 8:30 / 11:00	<u>Next Week: 04/09/23</u> 8:30 / 11:00
Nursery Aide:	Amy Castaldi / Open	Open / Open
Children's Worship:	Melanie Jones	Melanie Jones
SS Roamers:	Amy Castaldi	Fran Miller
Counters:	Dick Stuhrke and Caryl Stuhrke	Nancy Renk-Wise and Paulette Bryan
Lay Readers: 8:30	Volunteers Needed	Volunteers Needed
Lay Readers: 11:00	N/A	Volunteers Needed
Ushers: 8:30	K. O'Neill & F. Sullivan	Amy & Mark Simonds
Ushers: 11:00	Tom & Charlotte Adams	Linda & Virgil Brown
Greeter: 8:30	Joyce Lewis	Karen Hruz
Greeter: 11:00	Dick Stuhrke	Joyce Smith

We have a need for Lay Readers for the 8:30 and 11:00 a.m. services. With enough volunteers, your reading rotation would be once every 6 weeks or so. Substitution of dates is always available. Please contact Joyce Lewis to be on the Lay Readers list. Thank you.