



West Grove United Methodist Church

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West Grove, PA 19390
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Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost
October 15, 2023

11:00 a.m. Worship

Welcome and Ministry Opportunities

Pastor Tim

Prelude

“In the Garden”

arr. By Kevin McChesney

Memory Bells

***Call to Worship (in unison)**

Rev. Jim Mundell

Lord God, you are the one who brought us out of Egypt. The one we have followed into the desert and the one we wait for now in this holy place. Lord, we are an impatient people. If we sit here for long, we, too, might start collecting jewelry and casting objects to take our attention and devotion: smart phones, iPads, videogames, sports teams. At this moment our phones are off; we are not connected to the Internet and we are seeking an experience with the divine, the sacred, the awe-inspiring. Lord, do not give up on us, turn your wrath away from us and grace us with your Holy Spirit. Amen.

***Opening Hymn**

“Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord, God Almighty”

UMH No. 64

***Opening Prayer (in unison)**

Rev. Jim Mundell

Our gracious and loving Heavenly Father, Creator of all that exists, we come to You today in the name of Jesus, our Lord and Savior. We thank You for Your amazing grace that saved us, that changed our lives and brought us into Your eternal Kingdom. And all that’s wonderful, but we can’t live in the past. Yesterday Your fulfilling grace, mercy, and love was inspired, but this is today and we need Your amazing presence in our life each and every day. We need it today because we live in a fast-paced world and each day has its challenges and we don’t know what a new day will bring forth. But we do know that Your grace is always sufficient, and we rejoice in the blessings You give. By Your grace we can do things we never thought possible, and we can reach new heights we never thought we could achieve. So, today we give You thanks and we glorify Your matchless name. This we pray in the name of Jesus, Amen.

Moment With All God’s Children

Pastor Tim

The Morning Scripture

Psalms 106:1-6, 19-23

Exodus 32: 1—14

Cindy Haley

Rev. Jim Mundell

Meditation

“Prayer Changes Things”

Rev. Jim Mundell

Anthem

“Hear Our Prayer”

Chancel Choir

Words and Music by Richard Kingsmore and Kenn Mann

Affirmation of Faith:

"A Modern Affirmation"

UMH No. 885

Pastor: Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is the one true church, apostolic and universal, whose holy faith let us now declare:

Pastor and People: We believe in God the Father, infinite in wisdom, power, and love, whose mercy is over all his works, and whose will is ever directed to his children's good. We believe in Jesus Christ, Son of God and Son of man, the figt of the Father's unfailing grace, the ground of our hope, and the promise of our deliverance from sin and death. We believe in the Holy Spirit as the divine presence in our lives, whereby we are kept in perpetual remembrance of the truth of Christ, and find strength and help in time of need. We believe that this faith should manifest itself in the service of love as set forth in the example of our blessed Lord, to the end that the kingdom of God may come upon the Earth. Amen.

Joys and Concerns**Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer****Hymn of Response:**

"It Is Well With My Soul"

UMH No. 377

Invitation to the Offering**Offertory**

"The Solid Rock"

Memory Bells

Music by William B. Bradbury, arr. By Linda R. Lamb

Consecration of Offering**Closing Hymn**

"O Master Let Me Walk With Thee"

UMH No. 430

Benediction:**Postlude**

Betsy Smith

Please join us in the Lobby/Narthex for a time of fellowship.

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

CHURCH EMAIL: Taking effect immediately, we have separated our email addresses as follows: Anything **other** than billing, payroll and financial matters will be emailed to: **office@westgroveumc.org**. All billing, payroll and any other financial matters should be emailed to: **donna.fackler@westgroveumc.org**.

WGUMC WORK DAY: Mark your calendars! Saturday, November 11th WGUMC is having a church work day. Anyone willing and able to volunteer their services would be greatly appreciated. We will be doing grounds work, repairing our cross and flame on the church front, among other tasks. Give an afternoon, or an hour, you decide.

TRUSTEES MEETING: Our next Trustees meeting is will be Tuesday, November 7th at 7:00 pm.

8:30 a.m. Worship

Ministry Opportunities

Pastor Tim

*Call to Worship (in unison)

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Meditation

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Scripture Lesson: Psalm 106: 1—1, 19—23

Praise the LORD. Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his love endures forever. ² Who can proclaim the mighty acts of the LORD or fully declare his praise? ³ Blessed are those who act justly, who always do what is right. ⁴ Remember me, LORD, when you show favor to your people, come to my aid when you save them, ⁵ that I may enjoy the prosperity of your chosen ones, that I may share in the joy of your nation and join your inheritance in giving praise. ⁶ We have sinned, even as our ancestors did; we have done wrong and acted wickedly. ¹⁹ At Horeb they made a calf and worshiped an idol cast from metal. ²⁰ They exchanged their glorious God for an image of a bull, which eats grass. ²¹ They forgot the God who saved them, who had done great things in Egypt, ²² miracles in the land of Ham and awesome deeds by the Red Sea. ²³ So he said he would destroy them—had not Moses, his chosen one,

Scripture Lesson: Exodus 32: 1—14

³² When the people saw that Moses was so long in coming down from the mountain, they gathered around Aaron and said, “Come, make us gods who will go before us. As for this fellow Moses who brought us up out of Egypt, we don’t know what has happened to him.” ² Aaron answered them, “Take off the gold earrings that your wives, your sons and your daughters are wearing, and bring them to me.” ³ So all the people took off their earrings and brought them to Aaron. ⁴ He took what they handed him and made it into an idol cast in the shape of a calf, fashioning it with a tool. Then they said, “These are your gods, [Israel, who brought you up out of Egypt.” ⁵ When Aaron saw this, he built an altar in front of the calf and announced, “Tomorrow there will be a festival to the LORD.” ⁶ So the next day the people rose early and sacrificed burnt offerings and presented fellowship offerings. Afterward they sat down to eat and drink and got up to indulge in revelry. ⁷ Then the LORD said to Moses, “Go down, because your people, whom you brought up out of Egypt, have become corrupt. ⁸ They have been quick to turn away from what I commanded them and have made themselves an idol cast in the shape of a calf. They have bowed down to it and sacrificed to it and have said, ‘These are your gods, Israel, who brought you up out of Egypt.’” ⁹ “I have seen these people,” the LORD said to Moses, “and they are a stiff-necked people. ¹⁰ Now leave me alone so that my anger may burn against them and that I may destroy them. Then I will make you into a great nation.” ¹¹ But Moses sought the favor of the LORD his God. “LORD,” he said, “why should your anger burn against your people, whom you brought out of Egypt with great power and a mighty hand? ¹² Why should the Egyptians say, ‘It was with evil intent that he brought them out, to kill them in the mountains and to wipe them off the face of the earth’? Turn from your fierce anger; relent and do not bring disaster on your people. ¹³ Remember your servants Abraham, Isaac and Israel, to whom you swore by your own self: ‘I will make your descendants as numerous as the stars in the sky and I will give your descendants all this land I promised them, and it will be their inheritance forever.’” ¹⁴ Then the Lord and did not bring on his people the disaster he had threatened.

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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.

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.

TRUNK OR TREAT, Sunday, October 29th, 2 - 4 pm in the church parking lot. Trick or Treating at all the decorated and candy stocked cars. Children of all ages and their families are invited.

Trunk hosts & activity volunteers needed! A fun day for all involved, including volunteers! . Can you offer an afternoon to our church family and community? Contact the church office to sign up, or look for the sign up sheet in the church lobby.



GIFT CARD REQUEST FOR OXFORD FIRE VICTIMS: A recent fire in Oxford, left many families homeless. The Red Cross is asking us to please donate gift cards for the victims. Walmart, Dollar General, and Wawa are among the most useful card donations. Card donations can be either dropped off at the church office or mark your check "Oxford Fire" and make it part of your offering. They are also requesting an adult bicycle for someone's alternative to transportation. Thank you.

FOOD PANTRY NEWS: The church food pantry provides assistance every week to families in our community dealing with food insecurity. Food is provided by the Chester County Food Bank, Chester Food Cupboard, the Acme in Avondale and the Jennersville and New Garden Giants. We welcome monetary donations, food and household products. The most needed food items include corn tortillas, cooking oil and dry pinto beans. Household and personal items such as detergent, baby wipes, soap, toothpaste, toothbrushes, shampoo and conditioner. Thank you for your on-going support!

WGUMC SEEKS DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN AND YOUTH MINISTRIES:

Part-time position: 30 hours per week. Compensation commensurate with experience. For a full job description, please send your contact information to WGUMC at: office@westgroveumc.org.

*** Missionary Visit Today, October 15th ***

The Mission team is happy to announce that we will be receiving a visit from Umba and Ngoy Kalangwa from Tanzania on the 15th of October. Those of you that have been at WCUMC for a long time will recall that we have supported their mission in the past. We are planning to have fellowship time with them after the 11am service that will include viewing their slides and having some refreshments. Offerings supporting their mission will be welcome.

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.

Family of Murphy
Berkheimer (Kapp-
Benner)

Jim (J. Bischoff)

Dianne Bunch
(Stuhrke)

Helen Carlin

Beth Castaldi (K. Smith)

Courtney Castaldi (K. Smith)

Dan Castaldi (Castaldi)

Joann Coates

Katie Deeter (P. Bryan)

Dan and Liz DePaul (Jackson)

Irma Devom (Stryjewski)

Linda Eyster (Combs)

Bill Fili, Jr. (Bratton)

Joyce Flowers (Mullen)

Richard Heacock

Jennifer Hertzog (Jackson)

Karen Hruz

Lynn Jackson

Michele Johnson (Spencer)

Maria Kanno (Mullen)

Debbie Kennedy (Coates)

Tom Kuch (Kuchs)

Erica Lindell (Stryjewski)

Ted Lynam (Stuhrke)

Jim May (Mullen)



Lenny Marten (K.
Smith)

Richard Minnick

Betty Mundell

Peter Mullen

Tim Mullen

Doug Paine (Jackson)

Family of Dan DePaul
(Jackson)

Don Nixon (Mullen)

Brian Radcliffe (Hruz)

Michael Raineri

Rick Renzulli (McGinley)

Sam Reyburn (Shiplot)

Levi Schrum (Carmichael)

David Shaver (Hruz)

Linda Shiplot

Ian Smedley (Heist)

Rick Spencer (Kim Smith)

Flora Spiegel (Strewjewski)

Gail Stuhrke (Stuhrke)

Jeannie Sullivan

Josephine Tena

Maira Tena

Mary Weidman (Miller)

Jill Williams (Miller)

Kay Yates



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

Nathaniel Howard,
USA

Brian Kubo—Washington
(Mullen)

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 8, 2023

General Offering: \$2301.00

Building Maintenance Fund: \$20.00

Attendance: In-Person and You Tube

8:30: 13 11:00: 50 Live Stream: 18

**Food Pantry: ZZZ families on 10/11 &
10/12**

Food donations are appreciated.

SERVANTS IN MINISTRY ON SUNDAY MORNING

Sunday Morning Servants

Digital Audio: 8:30	Steve May (Trainee needed)
Live-Stream & Audio: 11:00	Michael Duvall
Sound Booth 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
Memory Bells Director:	Peggy Watkins
Moment For All Ages:	

Today: 10/15/23 **8:30 / 11:00**

Next Week: 10/22/23 **8:30 / 11:00**

Nursery Aide:	Open / Open	Open / Open
Children's Worship:	TBD	TBD
Roamers	Mary Anne Covington	Fran Miller
Counters:	Joan Leaman & Janice Bowers	Dave Talley & Vicki Owens
Lay Reader: 8:30	Volunteers Needed	Volunteers Needed
Lay Read 11:00	Cindy Haley	John McGinley
Ushers: 8:30	Amy & Mark Simmonds	Kim O'Neill & Fred Sullivan
Ushers: 11:00	Tom & Charlotte Adams	Linda & Virgil Brown
Greeter: 8:30	Karen Hruz	Karen Hruz
Greeter: 11:00	Nancy and Scott Renk-Wise	Esther Culbertson

Would you like to be a Sunday Morning Servant? We would welcome your participation as an usher, greeter, lay reader, acolyte (children grade 3 and above), nursery attendant, Children's Worship leader, or Sunday School teacher. If you have an interest in serving in any capacity on Sunday mornings, please contact Donna Fackler in the church office at 610-869-9334 or office@westgroveumc.org for more information.