



West Grove United Methodist Church

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Your talent is
Gods gift to you
what you do
with it
is your gift
back to God

*Twenty Fourth Sunday after Pentecost
November 12, 2023*

11:00 a.m. Worship

Welcome and Ministry Opportunities

Pastor Tim

Prelude

*Call to Worship (Based on Joshua 24)

Pastor Tim

Leader: We have gathered like the tribes of old, and summoned all to come,
to present ourselves to God!

**People: God brought Father Abraham out of his native land and led him to
live closely with God in his journey of life in faith!**

Leader: Therefore, let us revere the Lord and serve Him in sincerity and
faithfulness, putting away the false, superficial gods and distractions
that keep us from His love!

**People: For in this and every day, we choose who it is we will serve first
and only!**

Leader: For we all make decisions of who and how to serve, either the fad, the
false and superficial, or the Living God!

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God! Far be it from us that we should ever forsake or betray God
and serve anyone or anything else!**

Leader: So then let us set God at the center of our lives to worship in all we do!
God has been faithful to us and our ancestors in faith!

**People: God is a Holy God! He alone deserves our attention! May our lives
bear witness to His grace and mercy in all we say and do!**

*Opening Song

“It’s All For You ”

PraiseWorks

*Opening Prayer (in unison)

Pastor Tim

(Based on God You Are, by We Are Messengers & Josh Baldwin)

**Lord, when I was young, You called my name. I tried to run, yet still You came.
And You stepped into the dark, because that is just the kind of God You are.
When heaven seems beyond our reach, You still see eternity in me. You are
turning ashes into art. It’s the empty tomb; it’s on the rugged cross, Your
death defying love. It’s written in Your scars, You will never quit on me; You
will always hold my heart, because that is just the kind of God You are. Thank
you Lord, for You are holy, sacred. Help us now to give and share Your great
love and serve You with our neighbors in all we do. Empower us Lord and may
we never let anyone keep or steal Your joy from us. In the name of Jesus we
pray. Amen.**

Moment for All Ages

Pastor Tim

Scripture

Matthew 25: 14—30

Pastor Tim

Meditation	“Sharing in Joy ”	Pastor Tim
Invitation to Offering Our Time & Talent & Weekly Offering		Pastor Tim
Anthem	“Well Done, My Faithful Servant” (Words and music by Pepper Choplin, based on Matthew 25: 14—21)	Chancel Choir
Hymn	“The Gift of Love”	UMH No. 408
Dedication of Offering		Pastor Tim
Scripture	“Psalm 78: 1—7”	Carol Stewart
Song	“I Give You Me”	PraiseWorks
Joys and Concerns		Pastor Tim
Pastoral Prayer		Pastor Tim
Closing Song	“Sacrifice”	Praise Works
Benediction		Pastor Tim
Postlude		

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

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

8:30 a.m. Worship

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*Opening Hymn

“Rejoice Ye Pure in Heart ”

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*Opening Prayer (Page 2)

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Dedication of Offering

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Joys and Concerns

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Pastoral Prayer

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*Closing Hymn

“He Leadeth Me”

UMH No. 128

Benediction

Pastor Tim

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Scripture Lesson Matthew 25: 14—30 (The Message)

The Story About Investment ¹⁴⁻¹⁸ “It’s also like a man going off on an extended trip. He called his servants together and delegated responsibilities. To one he gave five thousand dollars, to another two thousand, to a third one thousand, depending on their abilities. Then he left. Right off, the first servant went to work and doubled his master’s investment. The second did the same. But the man with the single thousand dug a hole and carefully buried his master’s money. ¹⁹⁻²¹ “After a long absence, the master of those three servants came back and settled up with them. The one given five thousand dollars showed him how he had doubled his investment. His master commended him: ‘Good work! You did your job well. From now on be my partner.’ ²²⁻²³ “The servant with the two thousand showed how he also had doubled his master’s investment. His master commended him: ‘Good work! You did your job well. From now on be my partner.’ ²⁴⁻²⁵ “The servant given one thousand said, ‘Master, I know you have high standards and hate careless ways, that you demand the best and make no allowances for error. I was afraid I might disappoint you, so I found a good hiding place and secured your money. Here it is, safe and sound down to the last cent.’ ²⁶⁻²⁷ “The master was furious. ‘That’s a terrible way to live! It’s criminal to live cautiously like that! If you knew I was after the best, why did you do less than the least? The least you could have done would have been to invest the sum with the bankers, where at least I would have gotten a little interest. ²⁸⁻³⁰ “Take the thousand and give it to the one who risked the most. And get rid of this “play-it-safe” who won’t go out on a limb. Throw him out into utter darkness.’

Psalm 78: 1—78

¹ Give ear, O my people, to my teaching; incline your ears to the words of my mouth. I will open my mouth in a parable; I will utter dark sayings from of old, ³ things that we have heard and known, that our ancestors have told us. ⁴ We will not hide them from their children; we will tell to the coming generation the glorious deeds of the Lord and his might and the wonders that he has done. ⁵ He established a decree in Jacob and appointed a law in Israel, which he commanded our ancestors to teach to their children, ⁶ that the next generation might know them, the children yet unborn, and rise up and tell them to their children, so that they should set their hope in God, and not forget the works of God, but keep his commandments;

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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.

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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.

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN are **collecting personal care items**, such as, toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant, shampoo, conditioners, to be distributed to our food pantry clients during the holidays. If you would like to help us collect these items, please bring them to the church anytime in November and place them in the black bin in the lobby marked for this collection. Nancy Howard will see that these items are distributed.

NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH

(November) In many places, there will be opportunities to learn about and celebrate the diverse cultures of Native Peoples that continue today and that many are working hard to protect and pass on to future generations.



ANNUAL CHRISTMAS MUSIC CELEBRATION: Sunday, December 3rd ~ 6:30 pm.

Welcome the Advent Season with music by the Chancel Choir, Memory Bells Handbell Choir, PraiseWorks Band, special musical numbers by our talented friends and, of course, a carol sing-along. Like to participate with a solo, duet, small group, instrumental, dance, etc., please let Betsy Smith know by Sunday, November 26th. musicmomva@aol.com

CMO PIZZA KITS FOR SALE: Order yours today, Kit includes: dough for two pizzas, sauce, cheese, pepperoni, smoked onions and basil. Order before November 15, sign up sheet on cart outside ladies room in CMO wing

RAP MEETS: Our December meeting is a covered dish, sign up sheet on Greeters table in the Narthex. We will also be needing volunteers to organize the arriving food and clean up following our program.

CHARGE CONFERENCE HOSTED BY WGUMC: Saturday, November 18th, 1:00 to 2:30 pm. All are invited and welcomed. All that is needed from you is a open heart and an open mind!

ALL SAINTS BULLETIN: There are corrected All Saints Bulletin Inserts available in the Narthex for all those who would like one. They are on the table with the bulletins, Newsletters and other WGUMC materials.

MAKE AN ADVENT WREATH: Save the date: Sunday, November 26 at 2:00 pm in the church narthex we are hosting a advent wreath making event. All supplies will be provided, including fresh greenery. Families of all ages are welcome to make a wreath and take it home. More details to follow.

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.

Renee Bergstrom
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)

Cindy (Karen Hruz Neighbor)

Joann Coates

Dante Danilshenko (Grace
Kennedy)

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)
Lenny Marten (K.
Smith)

Jim May (Mullen)

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 (Shiplet)

Levi Schrum (Carmichael)

Connie & Jobe Simcox

David Shaver (Hruz)

Linda Shiplet

Ian Smedley (Heist)

Reed Smith

Rick Spencer (Kim Smith)

Flora Spiegel (Strewjewski)

Gail Stuhrke (Stuhrke)

Jeannie Sullivan

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 November 5, 2023

General Offering: \$2,466.00

Building Maintenance Fund: \$125.00

Attendance: In-Person and You Tube

8:30: 28 11:00: 58 Live Stream: 4

**Food Pantry: ZZZ families on 11/08 &
11/09**

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: 11/12/23 **8:30 / 11:00**

Next Week: 11/19/23 **8:30 / 11:00**

Nursery Aide:	Open / Open	Open / Open
Children's Worship:	TBD	TBD
Roamers	Fran Miller	Maryanne Covington
Counters:	Nancy Renk Wise & Paulette Bryan	Joan Leaman & Janice Bowers

Lay Reader: 8:30 Volunteers Needed

Lay Reader 11:00	Carol Stewart
Ushers: 8:30	Kim O'Neill & Fred Sullivan

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Greeter: 8:30	Joan Saller
Greeter: 11:00	Nancy & Scott Renk-Wise

Volunteers Needed

Carol McGinley
Alison & Gene Aucott

Tom & Charlotte Adams

Kim O'Neill
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 April Spencer in the church office at 610-869-9334 or office@westgroveumc.org for more information.