

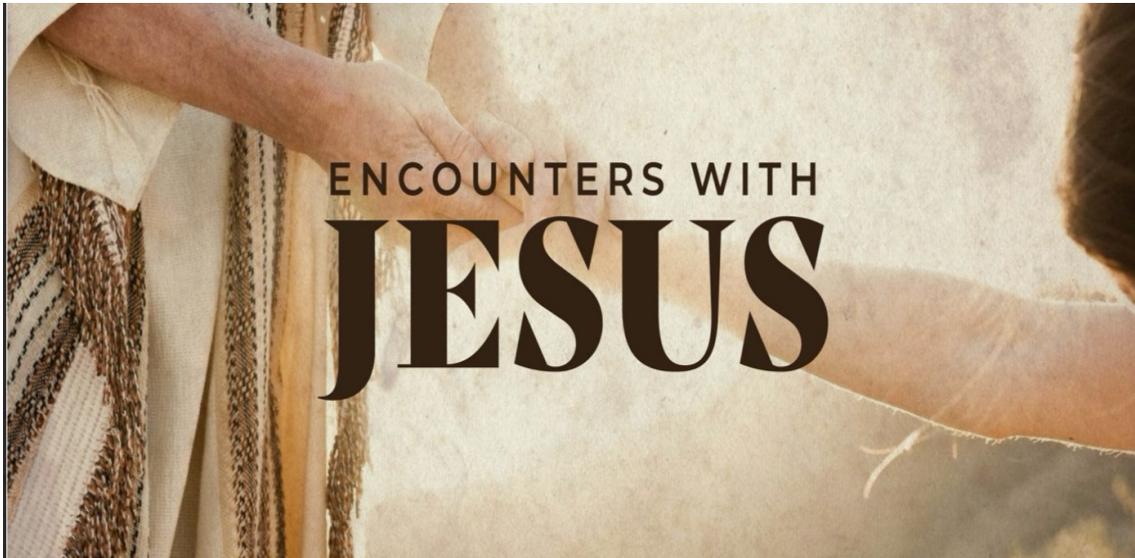


West Grove United Methodist Church

A STEPHEN MINISTRY CONGREGATION



Our Vision : ENCOUNTER, EMPOWER AND ENGAGE
Our community to be followers of Christ.



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SUNDAY, March 1st, 9:27 AM. WORSHIP SERVICE

<u>PRELUDE</u>	“The Shadow of His Cross”	Memory Bells Arr. By Michael E. Akers
*<u>PROCESSIONAL PRAISE</u>	“When Morning Guilds the Skies”	(Vs. 1,2,4) UMH No. 185 Together
<u>WELCOME</u>		Pastor DJ
<u>ENGAGE MINISTRY</u>		Pastor DJ
<u>STEWARDSHIP MOMENT</u>		Dick Stuhrke
*<u>PEACE</u>		Together
<u>PASTORAL PRAYER</u>	The Lord’s Prayer	Pastor Jim
<u>INVITATION TO OFFERING</u>		Pastor Jim
<u>OFFERTORY</u>	“O Sacred Head Now Wounded”	Memory Bells Arr. Bill Ingram
*<u>PRESENTATION OF OUR OFFERING</u>	“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”	Together UMH No. 95
<u>SCRIPTURE READING</u> (Pg. 3)	Acts 1:6-11	Shirley Daddario
<u>ANTHEM</u>	“Look Away to the Skies”	Chancel Choir Words-Roger Thornhill, text inspired by Charles Wesley, Tune-Middlebury Southern Harmony, arr. By Joel Raney
<u>MESSAGE</u>	Encounters with Jesus: Unexpected Answers to Life’s Biggest Questions “The Right Hand of the Father”	Pastor DJ
<u>HOLY COMMUNION</u>		Pastor DJ and Pastor Jim
<u>PRAISE</u>	“It is Well with My Soul”	UMH No. 377
*<u>MISSION</u>		Pastor DJ
*<u>CHORAL BENEDICTION</u>	“In the Shadow of the Cross” Words by Barbara Furman, music by David Angerman	Chancel Choir
<u>POSTLUDE</u>		Betsy Smith

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STAND AS YOU ARE ABLE / BOLD PRINT = SAY IN UNISON.

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

SCRIPTURE READING: ACTS 1:6-11

⁶ So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, will you at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?" ⁷ He said to them, "It is not for you to know times or seasons that the Father has fixed by his own authority. ⁸ But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth." ⁹ And when he had said these things, as they were looking on, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. ¹⁰ And while they were gazing into heaven as he went, behold two men stood by them in white robes, ¹¹ and said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking into heaven? This Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven."

Youth Ministry News:

Starting on Sunday, March 1st the youth will have several meeting opportunities on Sundays! Of course youth are encouraged to attend the service at 9:27 am every Sunday. In addition we will have a sermon discussion/bible study at 11:00 am, following the service. **On Sunday evenings we will have a youth group meeting at 5:00 pm.** The event/meeting is a time for fellowship and fun. Come out to one or all of the events on Sundays starting this Sunday, March 1st!

Contact Mark Rome, youth director at: youthdirector@westgroveumc.org

WEEKLY MEDITATIVE SCRIPTURE Below is this week's scripture and some suggestions on how to study and learn the verse. **Verses of the Week is Isaiah 54:10 "Though the mountains be shaken and the hills be removed, yet my unfailing love for you will not be shaken nor my covenant of peace be removed," says the Lord, who has compassion on you."**

Questions on the scripture:

1. Where do you see God in this passage?
2. Where do you see yourself in this passage?

CHECK OUT OUR "ENGAGE" & "EMPOWER" BULLETIN BOARDS

Take a long look at our "ENGAGE" and "EMPOWER" bulletin boards in the narthex. Peruse the many ways to get involved at WGUMC. Then, if you wish, sign up on the sign up boards on the wall by the entry doors.

NEW GATHERING - DIVORCE GROUP MEETING

WGUMC is starting a new group for those divorced or separated.

"Divorce Care" will meet in the church library the first

Wednesday of every month at 6:30 pm., beginning March 4th.

**Please contact MaryAlice Miller at maryalicekmiller@gmail.com,
for further information.**

UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER

(SEE PAGE 6 FOR TIME AND LOCATION)

<u>March 2nd</u>	Pastor Jim's Bible Study	<u>March 3rd</u>	Yoga Class/Tuesday Bible Study
<u>March 4th</u>	Divorce Group Meeting	<u>March 5th</u>	Pastor DJ's Bible Study
<u>March 8th</u>	Daylight Savings Time	<u>March 9th</u>	Pastor Jim's Bible Study
<u>March 10th</u>	Yoga Class	<u>March 12th</u>	Pastor DJ's Bible Study
<u>March 13th</u>	RAP	<u>March 16th</u>	Pastor Jim's Bible Study
<u>March 17th</u>	Yoga Class	<u>March 19th</u>	Pastor DJ's Bible Study
<u>March 22nd</u>	United Women of Faith Craft Group	<u>March 23rd</u>	Pastor Jim's Bible Study
<u>March 24th</u>	Yoga Class	<u>March 26th</u>	Pastor DJ's Bible Study
<u>March 28th</u>	United Methodist Men's Breakfast	<u>March 29th</u>	Palm Sunday Cantata
<u>March 30th</u>	Pastor Jim's Bible Study	<u>March 31st</u>	Yoga Class

March's Food Pantry Item of the Month:

For the month of March, we are asking for donations of dish detergent. Thank you for putting your donations in the labeled bin in the lobby, on the table in the food pantry room or in the grocery cart outside the front door. Your generosity never goes unnoticed!



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED - FOOD PANTRY - FOOD PICKUP

The food pantry has been offered rescued food from the Giant grocery store in Longwood. They will have about 4 large boxes full of deli and frozen items for us each Thursday morning. I am looking for a team of 4 or 5 volunteers who would each be willing to pick-up once a month. A car the size of a regular SUV would be sufficient. They have asked us to pick-up around 9:30. If you think you might be able to help, please contact Joan Leaman (484-643-2181).

WANTED - FINANCE SECRETARY WGUMC is still looking for an individual interested in becoming our Finance Secretary. Interested? Get the details from either: Dan Elliott: danelliott766@gmail.com or Pastor DJ: pastor@westgroveumc.org



We are looking to create a new logo for WGUM Church. We invite those with a background or expertise in graphic design to join us in this project.

If you are interested, please contact Pastor DJ at:
pastor@westgroveumc.org

EASTER FLOWERS

Order your Easter lilies, daffodils or tulips to adorn the Sanctuary until after our 9:30 Easter Service. Order forms are now available at the Welcome Center.



HEARTFELT THANK YOU

The staff at WGUMC would like to **THANK ALL OF YOU** for your generous gift during the holidays. Pastor DJ, Pastor Jim, Betsy Smith, April Spencer, Bill Pardoe, Abbie Gruscavage and Maira Tena are truly appreciative of your thoughtfulness and generosity.

RECRUITING PROJECT C.U.R.E. VOLUNTEERS

Project Cure volunteers; please keep any eye out for an email from Paulette. It will be a link you **MUST** use to sign in as a volunteer prior to March 21st. See Paulette for questions! Or contact Paulette at gigibryan16@gmail.com with questions. (See the link below).

<https://projectcure.volunteerhub.com/vv2/lp/PHIWestGroveMethodist#>

UWF CRAFT GROUP

Our newly created “Craft Group” will meet for the first time on **Sunday, March 22nd**. We would love to have you join us. If you haven’t already signed up, the sign up sheet is located on the magnetic boards next to the front entry doors.

WINTER MUSIC JAM

Christian music at it’s best! Come enjoy today’s popular Christian musicians.

Event is on Saturday, March 28th at Penn State’s Bryce Jordan Center.

Doors open at 5:00 pm and the event begins at 6:00 pm.

A \$15.00 donation gets you in the door. No tickets involved.

Help Us Create Our New Church Logo!

We are looking for a new face for our church—a new logo! To help us capture our identity, please write down keywords that describe the image and character our church strives for.

Please post your keywords on the board with a “Post-It” note, in the lobby, on the board provided or share them with Pastor DJ via email. (pastor@westgroveumc.org)

Your input will be a great help in designing our new logo!

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR AT WGUMC

March 1st Thru March 8th

<u>SUNDAY:</u>	8:30 - 9:15 am.	Sunday School
March 1 st	9:30 - 10:30 am.	Worship Service
<u>MONDAY:</u>	9:00 am.- 12 pm.	CMO (Rooms 9,13,14,15,16)
March 2 nd	Noon - 1:30 pm.	Lunch Bunch (Rooms 9,13,14,15.16)
	6:00 - 7:00 pm.	Girl Scout Troop #41043 (Rooms 8 & 10)
	6:30 - 8:00 pm.	Pastor Jim's Bible Study
<u>TUESDAY:</u>	9:00 am.- 12 pm.	CMO (Rooms 9,13,14,15,16)
March 3 rd	Noon - 1:30 pm.	CMO Smart Cookies Extended Day
	1:30 - 2:15 pm.	Yoga Class (Sanctuary)
	2:15 - 3:15 pm.	Tuesday Afternoon Bible Study (Library)
	6:00 - 7:30 pm.	Girl Scout Troop #4189 (Room 8 & 10)
	6:30 - 8:00 pm.	Trustee Meeting (Conference Room)
<u>WEDNESDAY:</u>	9:00 am.- 12 pm.	CMO (Rooms 9,13,14,15,16)
March 4 th	Noon - 1:30 pm.	Lunch Bunch (Rooms 9,13,14,15.16)
	12:30 - 1:30 pm.	Full Staff Meeting
	5:00 - 6:00 pm.	Food Pantry (Admin. Wing)
	6:00 - 7:30 pm.	Girl Scout Troop #427 (Rooms 8 & 10)
	6:30 - 8:00 pm.	Divorce Care Meeting (Library)
<u>THURSDAY:</u>	9:00 am.- 12 pm.	CMO (Rooms 9,13,14,15,16)
March 5 th	Noon - 1:30 pm.	CMO Smart Cookies Extended Day
	1:00 - 2:00 pm.	Food Pantry (Admin. Wing)
	4:30 - 6:00 pm.	Memory Bells Rehearsal
	5:45 - 7:45 pm.	Girl Scout Troops #4251 & 45676
	6:00 - 8:00 pm.	Pastor DJ's Ephesians Bible Study (Library)
	6:30 - 8:00 pm.	Choir Rehearsal
<u>FRIDAY:</u>	9:00 am.- 12 pm.	CMO (Rooms 9,13,14,15,16)
March 6 th		
<u>SATURDAY:</u>	8:00 - 11:00am	4H Meeting (Youth Room)
March 7 th	10:00 - 11:30 am.	Daily Reflections (Rm. 8)

March 8th

<u>SUNDAY:</u>	<u>Daylight Saving Time Begins</u>	
March 8 th	8:15 - 9:15 am.	Confirmation Class (Youth Room)
	8:30 - 9:15 am.	Sunday School
	9:30 - 10:30 am.	Worship Service

IN NEED OF PRAYER:

The names of those in need of prayer can be found in the bulletin given out on Sunday mornings or by calling April Spencer whose contact information is listed below.

DO YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW NEED PRAYER?

****A member of the Prayer Ministry team will be available in the Prayer Room for anyone desiring prayer after the service. * ***

Prayer Requests: Please do not leave requests on the prayer chain email. It is not monitored.

Email: April Spencer at office@westgroveumc.org or 610-869-9334. Your request will be shared with the prayer chain, and if you would like, it will be noted in the bulletin Prayer List. Requests will remain on the prayer chain for 4 weeks unless otherwise requested or updated.

Prayer Team Members: Susan Paisley, Sandi Hampton, Pam Howard, Carol McGinley.



God's Faithfulness ~ Your Stewardship

*It is your tithes, offerings,
and gifts that impact and
change lives for Christ!*

Report from February 22nd 2026

General Offering February 22nd: \$3,350.00

Building Maintenance Fund: \$80.00

Attendance: 2/22 - 9:30: 64

116 Food Pantry families: on 2/25 & 2/26
food donations are appreciated.

SERVANTS IN MINISTRY ON SUNDAY MORNING

Sound Booth: Bill Pardoe / Aiden Steltzer / Mike DuVall
Projection: Bill Pardoe / Aiden Steltzer / Mike DuVall
Officiating: Rev. DJ Choi/Rev. Jim Mundell
Music Director: Betsy Smith

Today: 3/1/26

Counters: Dick and Caryl Stuhrke
Lay Reader: Shirley Daddario
Ushers: Amy & Mark Simonds
Greeters: Joyce Lewis & Esther Culbertson
March Communion Servers: Dan Elliott and Joan Leaman

Next Sunday: 3/8/26

Joan Leaman & Paulette Bryan
Sheila D'Antonio
Tom & Charlotte Adams
Fran Miller & April Spencer

Prayer Team members are always available to hear your prayer request.

Contact any **Team Member:** Susan Paisley, Carol McGinley, Pam Howard & Sandi Hampton.
Our Prayer Team is always in need of volunteers, please contact Susan Paisley if you are interested
sbrintonpais1@verizon.net

The Prayer ministry is always in need of and welcomes new team members.

**** * Would you like to be a Sunday Morning Servant? * ****

We would welcome your participation as an usher, greeter, lay reader, or an Adult 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.

*** NEW WAY TO GIVE TO WGUMC AND OUR MINISTRIES ***

1. Click on QR code
2. Click ServantKeeper.com, choose one time gift or reoccurring.
3. Select building fund or Mission in Ministry.
4. Plug in your amount. Hit Continue.
5. Set up an account or skip and donate as a guest.
6. Follow prompts to finish.

