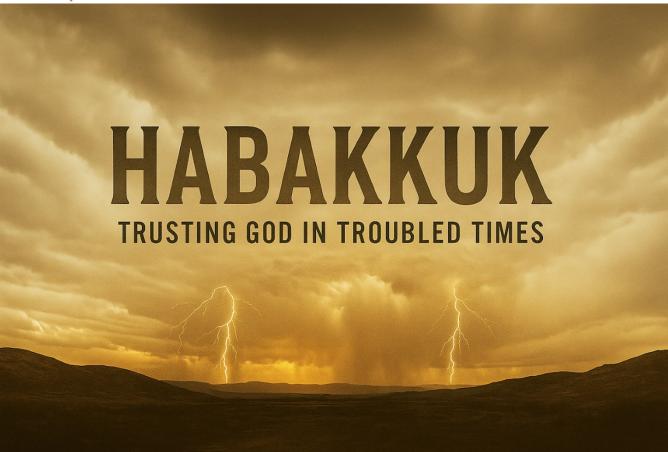


# **West Grove United Methodist Church**

Our Vision:

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



Habakuk: Trusting God in Troubled Times "Troubled World, the Wicked Prosper"

> Preaching today: Pastor DJ Choi, (215-776-9684) 300 North Guernsey Road, West Grove, PA 19390 www.westgroveumc.org, (office@wgumc.org) 610-869-9334

> > November 9th 2025

# SUNDAY, November 9th, 9:27 AM. WORSHIP SERVICE

PRELUDE

WELCOME

The Lord's Prayer

"Trust in God"

Habakkuk 1:1-11

"Fear Not"

"Go Now in Peace"

FAREWELL XAVIER

\*PROCESSIONAL PRIASE

**ENGAGE MINISTRY** 

'Why do I give....." **COMMITMENT STORIES** 

**MISSION MOMENT** (Xtra Mile Giving) "Project C.U.R.E."

\*PEACE

"Let the Praises Ring" \*PRAISE

PASTORAL PRAYER

INVITATION TO OFFERING

**OFFERTORY** 

\*PRESENTATION OF OUR OFFERING

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" OFFERTORY PRAYER

**SCRIPTURE READING** (Pg. 3) ANTHEM

**MESSAGE** 

\*PRAISE

\*MISSION

\*CHORAL BENEDICTION

**POSTLUDE** 

\*STAND AS YOU ARE ABLE/ Please join us in the Lobby/Narthex to celebrate Xavier.

Altar Flowers: The beautiful altar flowers today are in memory of: Bob Herb, Linda Shiplet's brother.

Betsy Smith "To God Be the Glory"

UMH No. 98/Together

Pastor DJ

Pastor DJ

Jenna Sanzo

Together **PraiseWorks** Pastor Mel

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> UMH No. 95 Pastor Mel Dick Stuhrke

"Waitin' for the Mornin"" Chancel Choir Words and Music by Pepper Choplin "Habakkuk: Trusting God in Troubled Times" Pastor DJ "Troubled World, the Wicked Prosper"

**PraiseWorks** 

Pastor DJ Chancel Choir

Words and Music by Natalie Sleeth Betsy Smith

# SCRIPTURE READING: Habakkuk 1:1-11

The oracle that Habakkuk the prophet saw. 2 O Lord, how long shall I cry for help, and you will not hear? Or cry to you "Violence!" and you will not save? 3 Why do you make me see iniquity, and why do you idly look at wrong? Destruction and violence are before me; strife and contention arise. 4 So the law is paralyzed, and justice never goes forth. For the wicked surround the righteous; so justice goes forth perverted. 5 "Look among the nations, and see; wonder and be astounded. For I am doing a work in your days that you would not believe if told. <sup>6</sup> For behold, I am raising up the Chaldeans, that bitter and hasty nation, who march through the breadth of the earth, to seize dwellings not their own. 7 They are dreaded and fearsome; their justice and dignity go forth from themselves. 8 Their horses are swifter than leopards, more fierce than the evening wolves; their horsemen press proudly on. Their horsemen come from afar; they fly like an eagle swift to devour. 9 They all come for violence, all their faces forward. They gather captives like sand. <sup>10</sup> At kings they scoff, and at rulers they laugh. They laugh at every fortress, for they pile up earth and take it. 11 Then they sweep by like the wind and go on, guilty men, whose own might is their god!"

# **Prayer Ministry**

Prayer ministry is looking for a few new members. Please contact Susan Paisley, Carol McGinley, Sandi Hampton or Pam Howard as you feel led to serve and if you have any questions. Susan: sbrintonpaisl@verizon.net/Carol: cmcginley@zoominternet.net Sandi: sandihampton6@gmail.com/Pam: phoward40@comcast.net

#### EVENING AT THE WEST GROVE HISTORY CENTER



Join us for an informative evening led by Scott Steele, a local historian and former member of WGUMC. The evening begins at 6:30 on November 11th, at the West Grove History Center, 513 Prospect Avenue, West Grove, Pa. Learn about the history of West Grove and how West Grove United Methodist Church fits into that history. A Sign up sheet is located in the Narthex.

# 2025 HOLIDAY TOY, GIFT & GIFT CARD DRIVE SPONSORED BY METHODIST SERVICES YOUR GENEROSITY MAKES HOLIDAY WISHES COME TRUE

Information sheets on what will be collected and for whom listed by age and grade is available at the welcome center.

Coming soon: Look for the Christmas Box in the Narthex to place your donations in.



RAP meets on 11/14/25 starting at Noon. Dick Stuhrke will be telling us about his trip to Portugal and Spain.



West Grove UMC is seeking a Director of Youth Ministry—a dedicated follower of Christ with a heart for young people. This role includes facilitating youth programs, leading weekly youth group gatherings, guiding spiritual growth, and helping students discover their identity in Christ. Come be part of a loving church family that grows together in faith and service. **Director Youth Ministry** \*15 - 20 hours a week/Facilitate youth programs/ Weekly youth group meetings/Fellowship activities/Plan, organize and lead opportunities for youth in worship, service, and fellowship. Please contact the pastor thru the church office office@westgroveumc.org//610-869-9334

# **Upcoming Dates to Remember**

November 9th - Confirmation Class// United Women of Faith Gathering

November 10th - Pastor Jim's Bible Study November 11th - Yoga Class//Evening

at the West Grove History Center

November 13th - Pastor DJ's Bible Study November 14th - RAP

November 17th - Pastor Jim's Bible Study November 18th - Yoga Class

November 20th - Pastor DJ's Bible Study November 21st - Game Night Pot Luck

November 23rd - Stewardship Sunday// November 22<sup>nd</sup> - **UMM Breakfast** 

November 24th - Pastor Jim's Bible Study **Confirmation Class** 

November 25th - Yoga Class November 27th - Thanksgiving Day

# Game Night Pot Luck

Coming November 21st, 6:30 -8:30 pm. More details to follow. Look for the flyer and sign up sheet in the Narthex.

#### Thank you so much from the bottom of our hearts.

Your thoughts, prayers, visits to the hospital, cards, and the meals that were brought to us have certainly been appreciated. We truly appreciate our church family and the love you have shown to us. Every day Bill is a little stronger and is well on his way to recovery. We truly are so blessed by your continued prayers, support, and love. Thanks again. Bill and Sandy Pardoe

**WEEKLY MEDITATIVE SCRIPTURE** Join us in memorizing and meditating on scripture. Each week a different scripture will be listed in the bulletin as well as Saturday's Constant Contact. Below is this weeks scripture and some suggestions on how to study and learn the verse. **Verse of the Week is Joel 2:13** 

"Rend your heart and not your garments. Return to the Lord your God, for he is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and abounding in love, and he relents from sending calamity."

#### Questions to be asked about the scripture:

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

# United Women of Faith Today, November 9, 2025 1:30pm.

Our special guest and author, Ann Yeager, will grace the United Women in Faith and all ladies, to talk about, "Finding Peace In The Golden Years Or Any Age." She'll talk about lies we believe, our fears, our identity, and purpose in life. Ann Yeager, is a worship assistant, leads an active

- women's ministry, mentors women and has a prophetic, healing, prayer ministry.
- Her passion is to share the Father's heart and to help others deal with the day-to-day stressors of life.

**UNITED WOMEN OF FAITH** Julissa Sanchez, a certified yoga instructor, is holding a yoga class on Tuesdays at 1:30 to 2:15, in the Sanctuary. Don Comfortable clothes and bring your water. Donations (\$5.00 minimum) appreciated. Contact Shirley Daddario /484-268-0497.



# November's Food Pantry Item of the Month: DOGAND CATFOOD

Cans or bags are fine. If we receive a large bag of dog food we will open it and bag it into smaller quantities.

# \*\*\* Food delivery person needed\*\*\*

There is a woman living with a disability in Parkesburg. She is in need of food but has no transportation to come to the church food pantry. We are looking for one or more individuals who would be willing to drive food to her house every other week. Please let Joan Leaman (484-643-2181) know if you might be able to help out.

New and Unwrapped Xmas Gift Drive - Methodist Services and Pastor Jim have teamed up to collect toys, arts and craft supplies, books, board games, the list is extensive and posted on the collection box in the Narthex. Donations must be dropped off by December 7<sup>th</sup>.

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# 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?

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

**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 November 2nd 2025

General Offering November 2<sup>nd</sup>: \$3,680.00 Building Maintenance Fund: \$210.00 Attendance: 11/02 - 9:30: 71 Food Pantry: 120 on 11/5 & 11/6 food donations are appreciated.

# THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR AT WGUMC

November	9th	Thru	November	16th
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Sunday: Nov.9 <sup>th</sup>	8:15 - 9:15 am. 8:30 - 9:15 am. 9:30 - 10:30 am. 1:30 - 3:30 pm.	Confirmation Class Sunday School Worship Service United Women of Faith (Sanctuary, Kitchen, Lobby)	
Monday: Nov. 10 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 am 12 pm. Noon - 1:00 pm. 6:30 - 8:00 pm.	CMO (Rooms 9,13,14,15,16) Lunch Bunch (Rooms 9,13,14,15,16) Pastor Jim's Bible Study (Sanctuary)	
Tuesday: Nov. 11 <sup>th</sup>	Veterns Day 9:00 am 12 pm. Noon - 1:30 pm. 1:30 - 2:15 pm. 6:00 - 7:30 pm. 6:30 - 8:00 pm.	CMO (Rooms 9,13,14,15,16) CMO Smart Cookies Extended Day Yoga Class (Sanctuary) Girl Scout Troop #4565 (Room 8 & 10) Evening at the West Grove History Center	
WEDNESDAY: Nov. 12 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 am 12 pm. Noon - 1:00 pm. 2:00 - 3:30 pm. 5:00 - 6:00 pm. 6:30 - 8:00 pm.	CMO (Rooms 9,13,14,15,16) Lunch Bunch (Rooms 9,13,14,15,16) Missions Team Meeting (Conference Room) Food Pantry Finance Meeting (Conference Room)	
Thursday: Nov. 13 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 am 12 pm. Noon - 1:30 pm. 1:00 - 2:00 pm. 4:30 - 6:00 pm. 6:00- 8:00 pm. 6:30 - 8:00 pm.	CMO (Rooms 9,13,14,15,16) CMO Smart Cookies Extended Day Food Pantry Memory Bells Rehearsal Pastor DJ's Bible Study Choir Practice	
FRIDAY: Nov. 14 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 am 12 pm. Noon-1:30 pm. Noon - 3:00 pm.	CMO (Rooms 9,13,14,15,16) CMO Mini Makers (Rms. 9,13,14,15,16) RAP (Sanctuary, Kitchen, Narthex)	
SATURDAY: Nov. 8 <sup>th</sup>	10:00 - 11:30 am. 1:00 - 3:00 am.	Daily Reflections (Rm. 8) Girl Scout "Tea Party" (Sanctuary, Kitchen Lobby)	
November 16 <sup>th</sup>			

**SUNDAY:** 8:30 - 9:15 am Sunday School 9:30 - 10:30 am. Worship Service

Nov. 9th

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# 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. James Mundell

Music Director: Betsy Smith
Memory Bells Director: Lavenia Civitella
Youth Director: Xavier Feliciano

Today: 11/9/25 Next Sunday: 11/16/25

Counters:Joan Leaman & Paulette BryanLen & Ruth KuchLay Reader:Dick StuhrkeSusan Paisley

**<u>Ushers:</u>** Tom & Cindy Hoover Amy & Mark Simonds

**Greeters:** Joyce Smith & Esther Culbertson Priscilla Barkman & 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.

#### 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.

