



West Grove United Methodist Church

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NO TIME IS WASTED

When we don't know where we are going, we often feel like we are "wasting time." But in our wandering, God offers us an opportunity to explore new possibilities through acts of creativity, wonder, and play.

ON PURPOSE

June 23, 2024
5th Sunday After Pentecost

11:00 AM. WORSHIP SERVICE

WELCOME AND GREETING

Pastor Janice

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

Pastor Janice

CHILDREN & YOUTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Xavier Feliciano

PRELUDE

Betsy Smith

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Paulette Bryan

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L: You are our God above any other god, and we thank you for your grace.

All: Open our spiritual eyes and ears to hear more from you and act as the children you created us to be.

OPENING SONG

“Come, Now is the Time to Worship”

PraiseWorks

*PASSING THE PEACE

Pastor Janice

MORNING PRAYER (In Unison)

Paulette Bryan

Holy One who always leads, we thank you for leading us in every moment. We forget quickly that following you doesn't always mean we are doing something active; it may mean we need to sit, ponder, reflect, and wait. Help us to focus on being with you right now and resting in your leadership. We offer this prayer in Jesus' name. Amen.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Pastor Janice

Holy God, hear our prayer. There is pain and there is sorrow, there are broken relationships and broken hearts. Sometimes we are the cause of those things. We have caused pain. We have broken the relationship. Sometimes we are simply a part of them – we are the ones who suffer, we are the ones who are broken. So we ask for your forgiveness, and we ask for your healing. Beyond that, we ask that you would help us turn from our former selves to the persons you have created us to be, full of mercy and grace and love. Through Christ, who is our example, we pray. Amen.

MOMENTS FOR ALL AGES

“In the Wilderness”

Xavier Feliciano

(The children may exit the service to Room 12 following Moments for all ages))

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING (pg. 6)

Proverbs 8:22-31

Paulette Bryan

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON (pg. 6)

2 Corinthians 6:1-13

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HYMN

“Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us”

UMH No. 381

*GOSPEL LESSON (pg. 6)	Mark 4:35-41	Pastor Janice
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<u>MESSAGE</u>	“No Time is Wasted”	Pastor Janice
<u>HYMN OF RESPONSE</u>	“He Leadeth Me: O Blessed Thought”	UMH No. 128
<u>MOMENT OF IMPACT</u>	“Missions”	Pastor Janice
<u>CELEBRATIONS & CONCERNS</u>		Pastor Jim
<u>PASTORAL PRAYER</u>		Pastor Jim
<u>MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR THOSE THINGS ON OUR HEARTS</u>		
<u>LORD’S PRAYER</u>		Pastor Jim
Our Father, who art in Heaven Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, On earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever, AMEN		
<u>INVITATION TO OFFERING</u>		Pastor Jim
<u>OFFERTORY</u>	“What If”	Betsy Smith
<u>OFFERTORY PRAYER</u>		Pastor Jim
<u>CLOSING SONG</u>	“Where Do I Go?”	PraiseWorks
<u>*BENEDICTION</u>		Pastor Janice
<u>POSTLUDE</u>		Betsy Smith

*** STAND AS YOU ARE ABLE.**

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

Please stand as you are able* **BOLD PRINT = SAY IN UNISON.

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BENEDICTION

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON: PROVERBS 8:22-31

²² The LORD created me at the beginning of his work, the first of his acts of long ago. ²³ Ages ago I was set up, at the first, before the beginning of the earth. ²⁴ When there were no depths I was brought forth, when there were no springs abounding with water. ²⁵ Before the mountains had been shaped, before the hills, I was brought forth—²⁶ when he had not yet made earth and fields, or the world's first bits of soil. ²⁷ When he established the heavens, I was there, when he drew a circle on the face of the deep, ²⁸ when he made firm the skies above, when he established the fountains of the deep, ²⁹ when he assigned to the sea its limit, so that the waters might not transgress his command, when he marked out the foundations of the earth, ³⁰ then I was beside him, like a master worker; and I was daily his delight, rejoicing before him always, ³¹ rejoicing in his inhabited world and delighting in the human race.

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON: 2 CORINTHIANS 6:1-13

As we work together with him, we urge you also not to accept the grace of God in vain. ² For he says, “At an acceptable time I have listened to you, and on a day of salvation I have helped you.” See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation! ³ We are putting no obstacle in anyone's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, ⁴ but as servants of God we have commended ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, ⁵ beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; ⁶ by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, holiness of spirit, genuine love, ⁷ truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; ⁸ in honor and dishonor, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; ⁹ as unknown, and yet are well known; as dying, and see—we are alive; as punished, and yet not killed; ¹⁰ as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything. ¹¹ We have spoken frankly to you Corinthians; our heart is wide open to you. ¹² There is no restriction in our affections, but only in yours. ¹³ In return—I speak as to children—open wide your hearts also.

GOSPEL SCRIPTURE: MARK 4: 35—41

³⁵ On that day, when evening had come, he said to them, “Let us go across to the other side.” ³⁶ And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. ³⁷ A great windstorm arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. ³⁸ But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him up and said to him, “Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?” ³⁹ He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, “Peace! Be still!” Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. ⁴⁰ He said to them, “Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?” ⁴¹ And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, “Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?”

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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 from 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. Please honor us by signing the Friendship Pad and we encourage you to join us again. For those who need them, there are hearing aids available at the sound booth. Please feel free to ask for them.

WGUMC NAME TAGS: Starting next Sunday, June 30th WGUMC will start wearing name tags to help us all get to know each other as we combine services, as well as help Pastor DJ get to know us! The tags will be located on a table as you enter the narthex. They will be in alphabetical order so they are easily located. The ushers and/or greeters will remind you to pick up your name tag if you forget. After the service, there will be a basket on the side of the name tag holders, to drop your tags back into.

9:30 BLENDED SERVICE: Our Summer schedule of blending our 7:30 and 11:00 services into one service at 9:30 will begin July 7th. We will be discussing the future of two services verses one over the summer. Speak with Pastor DJ or a member of SPRC, (Listed on page 12) or a member of the worship team, if you want to express your opinions on this topic.

PASTOR DJ'S FIRST SERVICE AT WGUMC: July 7th will be Pastor DJ Choi's first service as pastor of WGUMC. Join us in welcoming him. A reception will follow the service. If you have not met DJ yet, this would be a perfect time.

PLANT WATERING: Have you signed up to help WGUMC 's building look beautiful through the summer months by watering our flowers in the front of the building? We could use your help. Sign up sheet is in the narthex.

COLLECTION FOR DOMESTIC VIOLENCE CENTER: Time is running out to help out Girl Scout Troop 427, who meets here at WGUMC, as they are collecting toothbrushes, toothpaste, lotion, tissue packets, makeup wipes, gum, mints and feminine products for the DVC. This opportunity ends next Sunday, June 30th. Out of these donations, care packages will be made and delivered to the center. Look for the bin in the narthex. Questions should be directed to Melissa the leader of the troop at daisyleader2019@gmail.com.

YOUTH GROUP: Join Xavier on Thursday nights between 6:00 and 7:00 pm. for a "youthful" good time.

JULY 15th-19th AND VBS IS APPROACHING FAST. We have **94** children signed up thus far for **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL** and we still need lots of volunteers to give them the experience we have in store for them. If you haven't signed up to volunteer for this extremely worth while event, there is still time. Call Xavier for all the details at 610-612-7377, or call him at 610-869-9334 or email him at Childyouthdirector@westgroveumc.org, or email us at office@westgroveumc.org.

PRAYERS OF THE COMMUNITY

DO YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW NEED PRAYER?



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

Email **Susan Paisley** at sbrintonpais1@verizon.net or call 610-529-8699. Or 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 below in the bulletin Prayer List. Requests will remain on the prayer chain for 4 weeks unless otherwise requested or updated.

IN NEED OF PRAYER:

Bob Beck, Linda Shiplet
Renee Bergstrom
Santee C (Jim Mundell)
Donna Fackler
Family of Pat Heist
Brody Howard
Zoe Jane (Bowers)
Tom Kuch (Kuchs)
Jay Miller, Fran Miller
Tim Mullen
Betty Mundell
Jack Plale, (Spencer)
Levi Schrum (Carmichael)

Connie & Jobe Simcox
Linda Shiplet
Jeannie Sullivan
Josephine Tena
Kay Yates



Nathaniel Howard,
Philippines
(Wayne & Pam)
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 June 16 2024
General Offering: \$4665.00
Building Maintenance Fund: \$90.00
Attendance:
7:30: 7 & 11:00: 62
Food Pantry: families on 6/20
(No pantry on Juneteenth)
Food donations are appreciated.



**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY
VIRGIL AND LINDA BROWN
60 YEARS!!!!**

**Hours for the Church Office: Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
The office is also open before and after the posted times. Call April for an appointment.
(office@westgroveumc.org or 610-869-9334)**

5th Sunday After Pentecost

Sunday:	7:30 am.	Worship Service
	9:45—10:45 am.	Sunday School for all ages
	11:00 am.	Worship Service
Monday:	9:00 am. — 3:00 pm.	Mighty Writers Summer Camp
Tuesday:	9:00 am. — 3:00 pm.	Mighty Writers Summer Camp
	1:00—3:00 pm.	Contemplating Jesus (Library)
Wednesday:	9:00 am. —3:30 pm.	Mighty Writers Summer Camp
	5:00-6:00 pm.	Food Pantry
Thursday:	9:00 am. — 3:00 pm.	Mighty Writers Summer Camp
	1:00—2:00 pm.	Food Pantry
	5:45—7:30 pm.	Girl Scouts Trp. #4251 (Rms. 8 & 10)
	6:00—7:00 pm.	Youth Group
	6:30—8:30 pm	Contemplating Jesus (Library)
Friday:	9:00 am. — 3:00 pm.	Mighty Writers Summer Camp
Saturday:	10:00 am.-11:30 am.	Daily Reflections (Rm. # 8- 10)

6th Sunday After Pentecost

Sunday:	7:30 am.	Worship Service
	9:45—10:45 am.	Sunday School for all Ages
	11:00 am.	Worship Service



**Next Sunday, June 30th, is the last Sunday this summer for 7:30 and 11:00 services.
Sunday, July 7th through August 25th will be one service at 9:30.**

SERVANTS IN MINISTRY ON SUNDAY MORNING

Sunday Morning Servants

Sound Booth :	Joan Leaman & Judy Gambill
Projection:	Kaiti Beauchamp
Officiating:	Rev. Janice Bowers, Rev. James Mundell
Music Director:	Betsy Smith
Memory Bells Director:	Lavenia Civitella
Moment For All Ages/Youth Director:	Xavier Feliciano

Today: 06/23/24

Next Week: 06/30/24

Nursery Aide:	Open / Open	Open / Open
Roamers	No Roamer	No Roamer
Counters:	Dave Talley & Vicki Owens	Janice Bowers & Paulette Bryan
Lay Reader:	Paulette Bryan	John McGinley
Ushers:	Linda & Virgil Brown	Priscilla Barkman & Paulette Bryan
Greeter:	Joyce Smith	Joan Saller

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.

STAFF PARISH RELATIONS COMMITTEE:

<u>SPRC MEMBER</u>	<u>TERM END</u>	<u>STAFF MEMBER</u>
Richard Sturhke (Chair)	12/24	Janice Bowers and Jim Mundell
Andrew Herman	12/25	Xavier Feliciano
Cindy Hoover	12/26	Abbie Gruscavage (CMO)
Priscilla Barkman	12/25	Maira Tena
Susan Paisley	12/25	Betsy Smith
Dan Elliott	12/26	April Spencer
Judy Gambill	12/26	Xavier Feliciano
Cindy Haley (serves as Christ Servant)	N/A	Lavenia Civitella