



WEST GROVE

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

**Our Vision:
ENCOUNTER,
EMPOWER,
ENGAGE**

**Our Community to be
followers of Christ**

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SUNDAY, August 30th 9:27 AM. WORSHIP SERVICE

PRELUDE

Betsy Smith

WELCOME

Pastor Dong Jin Choi

ENGAGE MINISTRY

Pastor Dong Jin Choi

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

Dick Stuhrke

HYMN SING

Together

*PEACE

Together

PASTORAL PRAYER

The Lord's Prayer

Pastor Dong Jin Choi

INVITATION TO OFFERING

Pastor Dong Jin Choi

OFFERTORY

*PRESENTATION OF OUR OFFERING

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

Pastor Dong Jin Choi

UMH No. 95/ Together

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 6:19-34

Jace Hepler

MESSAGE

" The Sermon on the Mount 2026"
"Seek Ye First"

Pastor Dong Jin Choi

*PRAISE

"Seek Ye First"

UMH No. 405

*MISSION

Pastor Dong Jin Choi

POSTLUDE

Betsy Smith

*** * COLLECTION FOR UMCOR IS TODAY, SUNDAY, AUGUST 30th. * ***

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

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

SCRIPTURE READING: MATTHEW 6:19-34

¹⁹ “Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal, ²⁰ but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. ²¹ For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. ²² “The eye is the lamp of the body. So, if your eye is healthy, your whole body will be full of light, ²³ but if your eye is bad, your whole body will be full of darkness. If then the light in you is darkness, how great is the darkness! ²⁴ “No one can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money. ²⁵ “Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, nor about your body, what you will put on. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? ²⁶ Look at the birds of the air: they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? ²⁷ And which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life? ²⁸ And why are you anxious about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin, ²⁹ yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. ³⁰ But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which today is alive and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you, O you of little faith? ³¹ Therefore do not be anxious, saying, ‘What shall we eat?’ or ‘What shall we drink?’ or ‘What shall we wear?’ ³² For the Gentiles seek after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them all. ³³ But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you. ³⁴ “Therefore do not be anxious about tomorrow, for tomorrow will be anxious for itself. Sufficient for the day is its own trouble.

SUNDAY MORNING POT LUCK BRUNCH Join us after worship today, **Sunday, August 30th** for a Pot Luck Brunch filled with fun, food and fellowship.

FOOD PANTRY ITEM OF THE MONTH: - COOKING OIL Put your donations in the labeled bin in the lobby, on the table in the food pantry, or on the blue rack by the front door.

ATTENTION YOGA STUDENTS! Classes will resume on **September 1st**. Tuesdays 1:30 to 2:15 in the sanctuary.

DIVORCE CARE **September. 2nd**. 630 pm. Please contact MaryAlice Miller at maryalicekmiller@gmail.com, for further information.

CHOIR REHEARSAL RESUMES: Tone up those vocal cords and come join us in joyful praise. Rehearsals are every Thursday evening at 6:45 beginning on **September 3rd**. Contact Betsy Smith for details at: musicmomva@aol.com.



HOOKS, NEEDLES AND KNOTS, OH MY! It is never too late to join the UWF Knitting/ Crocheting Circle which meets every 1st & 3rd Friday of the month, 9:30 am. in the conference room. Join us on **September 4th**. Contact Shirley Daddario for details. shirleydad@verizon.net

CALLING ALL SELF-PROCLAIMED “OFF-KEY” SINGERS Join us on **Monday, September 14th at 10:30 am.** in the lobby for a joyful gathering of singers who believe enthusiasm is more important than perfect notes. No auditions, no judgment! No need to know whether you are a soprano, alto, tenor, bass, or just “loud and hopeful.” Come make a joyful noise! Bring your friends, let’s sing off-key!

HUNGER WALK IN HONOR OF ROGER BATES Honor our dear friend Roger Bates by joining us on **Sunday, October 11th at 1:00 pm.** for a 1 to 3 mile walk at the Glen Roy Preserve, 50 West Christine Road, Nottingham, Pa. To walk or to sponsor a walker contact Roann Schneider at schneiderroann@gmail.com or 302-540-4434.

UWF WOMEN’S TEA: **Sunday, September 13th at 3:00 pm** Put the tea kettle on and mark your calendar. United Women in Faith is delighted to welcome a special speaker from the Chester County History Center for a program on the history of tea—just in time to help us celebrate our country’s 250th birthday. Bring a friend. Our sign-up is in the lobby, (head count is very important) Contact Shirley D. if you have any questions. shirleydad@verizon.net

NEW TUESDAY AFTERNOON BIBLE STUDY: An 8-week Bible study will begin on **Tuesday, September 8th** at 2:15 pm. The group will meet in the church library and will follow a discussion centered format around the study booklet, “Following Jesus,” by Douglas Connelly. meetings will be led by Carol McGinley & Debbie & Jake Schneider. If you’re interested, please sign the sheet on the wall in the lobby or contact Jake & Debbie at tbones7@comcast.net or Carol at cmcginley@zoominternet.net. Please come join us! All are welcome!

THURSDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY: Begins Thursday, **September 10th** at 6:30 pm. in the library. The study will be led by Pastor DJ and center on the book of Genesis. Please sign up on the sheet in the lobby and contact DJ with any questions at: pastor@westgroveumc.org

UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER/ (SEE PAGE 6 FOR TIME AND LOCATION)

September 1 st	Yoga Class resumes	September 2 nd	Divorce Care Resumes
September 4 th	Hooks, Needles and Knot / Stephen Ministry		
September 8 th	Yoga Class / Tuesday Bible Study	September 10 th	Thursday Night Bible Study
September 11 th	RAP (Sanctuary, Kitchen) / Stephen Ministry		
September 13 th	UWF Tea (Sanctuary, Kitchen)	September 14 th	Just Sing
September 15 th	Yoga Class / Tuesday Bible Study	September 17 th	Thursday Night Bible Study

RAP SEPTEMBER PROGRAM Welcome back to RAP. Our first meeting of the year is **Friday, September 11th**. Join storyteller Diane Albertson as she shares her fascinating tale about Queen Esther. The story is told from the perspective of the woman who came in second to Queen Esther in the Miss Persia Beauty Contest! Bring your brown-bag lunch and join us at 12:00 noon for an entertaining afternoon. Spend time with old friends and make new ones. Coffee, iced tea, and water will be provided. Please RSVP to Sandy Pardoe at sandytrul@yahoo.com.

CRAFT AND CHAT CIRCLE: Our next Craft & Chat Circle gathering will be held on Sunday, **September 20th** at 1:30, in the Narthex. We will be making a beautiful fall rope wreath. The cost for supplies is \$7.00. Contact Sandy Pardoe at sandytrul@yahoo.com for details.

LAST HIKE AND ICE CREAM OF THE SEASON: Join us on **Monday, September 21st** at Goddard Park for our last Hike of the season followed by treating ourselves to an ice cream in West Grove. Hike begins at 6:30. Contact Andrew Herman for more details: hermanandrew@yahoo.com

RUMMAGE SALE: **October 2nd 9:00 am to 2:00 pm. and October, 3rd, 9:00 am. till noon.**

Oct. 2nd and 3rd will be here before we know it. So - please, mark your calendars and set aside some time to help with set up, September 28th thru October 1st, or help with the sale, October 2nd and 3rd, or cleanup on October 3rd, or all the above. The more help we have the smoother the sale will go. We will start collecting items on September 27th after worship service. As mentioned above there are SOOOO many ways to contribute including contributing your home made goodies for the bake sale which runs during the entire Rummage Sale.

Please sign up for however you would like to participate, on the sign up sheet in the narthex. Contact Fran Miller at jmille8698@verizon.net for more details or questions.

Fall Rummage



WORD & PRAYER MEETING: HAS BEEN RESCHEDULED TO BEGIN **WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 14TH, AT 2:00 PM. WATCH FOR MORE DETAILS IN FUTURE BULLETINS.**

UWF'S COLLEGE STUDENT PRAYER CARE: If you have a child or grandchild who will be attending college, please send their name and college mailing address to Cindy Weyant at: cweyant1@gmail.com. We want to keep UWF's tradition by sending them cards and letting them know that they are covered in prayer as they navigate their college journey.

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR AT WGUMC

August 30 through September 6, 2026

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<u>SUNDAY:</u>	9:30 - 10:30 am.	Worship Service
August 30 th	10:30 - 11:30 am.	Youth Ministry Meeting (Sanctuary)
	11:30 - 1:30 pm.	Sunday Morning Potluck Brunch (Sanctuary, Kitchen, Narthex)
<u>MONDAY:</u>	6:30 - 8:00 pm.	Girl Scout Troop #41043 (Rooms 8 & 10)
August 31 st		
<u>TUESDAY:</u>	1:30 - 2:15 pm.	Yoga Class (Sanctuary)
September 1 st		
<u>WEDNESDAY:</u>	12:30 am.	Full Staff Meeting (Conference Room)
September 2 nd	5:00 - 6:00 pm.	Food Pantry (Admin. Wing)
	6:00 - 7:30 pm.	Girl Scout (Daisy) Troop #427 (Rooms 8 & 10)
	6:30 - 8:00 pm.	Divorce Care (Library)
<u>THURSDAY:</u>	9:00 am. - Noon	CMO-Meet the Teachers (9,13,14,15,16, Sanctuary)
September 3 rd	1:00 - 2:00 pm.	Food Pantry (Admin. Wing)
	5:30 - 7:30 pm.	Girl Scouts Troop #4251 & 4567 (Rooms 8 & 10)
	6:45 - 8:00 pm.	Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)
<u>FRIDAY:</u>	9:00 - 11:30 am.	CMO Teachers get ready (9,13,14,15,16)
September 4 th	9:30 - 11:30 am.	Hooks, Needles & Knots (Conference Room)
	10:00 am. - 12:30 pm.	Stephen Ministry (Library)
<u>SATURDAY:</u>	10:00 - 11:30 am.	Daily Reflections (Rm. 8 & 10)
September 5 th		

September 6th

<u>SUNDAY:</u>	9:30 - 10:30 am.	Worship Service
September 6 th		

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: 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 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 August 23rd 2026

General Offering August 23rd \$3005.00

Building Maintenance Fund: \$310.00

Attendance: 8/23 - 9:30: 61

117 Food Pantry families: on 8/26 & 8/27 food
donations are appreciated.

SERVANTS IN MINISTRY ON SUNDAY MORNING

Today: 8/30/26

Next Sunday: 9/6/26

Officiating: Pastor DongJin Choi

Music Director: Betsy Smith

Audio/Visual: Bill Pardoe

Scripture Reader: Jace Hepler

Joan Leaman

Greeters: Fran Miller & Andrew Strode

Fran Miller & Paulette Bryan

Counters: John Gambill & Dan Elliott

Dick & Caryl Stuhrke

September Communion Servers: Jake & Debbie Schneider

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

We welcome your participation as an usher, greeter, lay reader, or Adult Sunday School teacher. If you are interested in serving in any capacity Sunday mornings, please contact the church office at 610-869-9334 or office@westgroveumc.org for more information.

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.



**WEST GROVE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH IS
A STEPHEN MINISTRY CONGREGATION**



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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.

