



West Grove United Methodist Church

A STEPHEN MINISTRY CONGREGATION



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

What is **YOUR**
testimony?

PREACHING TODAY: PASTOR SHIRLEY DADDARIO

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SUNDAY, APRIL 12th, 9:27 AM. WORSHIP SERVICE

PRELUDE

***PROCESSIONAL PRAISE** “Easter People, Raise Your Voices ” UMH No. 304/Together

WELCOME

Pastor Shirley Daddario

ENGAGE MINISTRY

Pastor Shirley

***PEACE**

Together

***PRAISE**

“When I Remember”

PraiseWorks

PASTORAL PRAYER

The Lord’s Prayer

Pastor Shirley

INVITATION TO OFFERING

Pastor Shirley

OFFERTORY

“Amazing Grace (My Chains are Gone)”

PraiseWorks

***PRESENTATION OF OUR OFFERING**

Pastor Shirley

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow” UMH No. 95/ Together

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 28: 8-15

Joyce Lewis

ANTHEM

“Beyond the Cross”

Chancel Choir

Words by Mike Harland, music and arrangement by Jeff Lippencott

MESSAGE

“Cardboard Testimonies”

Pastor Shirley

TESTIMONIES

"Testimony" Duet: Vicki Owens & Betsy Smith

***PRAISE**

“My Redeemer Lives”

PraiseWorks

***BENEDICTION**

Pastor Shirley

***CHORAL BENEDICTION**

“God Be With You Till We Meet Again” Chancel Choir

POSTLUDE

Betsy Smith

Pastor DJ will be on vacation through today Sunday, April 12th, returning on Tuesday, April 14th.

For pastoral care please contact Pastor Shirley at 484-268-0497.

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 28: 8-15

⁸ So the women hurried away from the tomb, afraid, yet filled with joy, and ran to tell His disciples. ⁹ Suddenly Jesus met them. "Greetings," he said. They came to him, clasped his feet and worshiped him. ¹⁰ Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid. Go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me." ¹¹ While the women were on their way, some of the guards went into the city and reported to the chief priests everything that had happened. ¹² When the chief priests had met with the elders and devised a plan, they gave the soldiers a large sum of money, ¹³ telling them, "You are to say, 'His disciples came during the night and stole him away while we were asleep.' ¹⁴ If this report gets to the governor, we will satisfy him and keep you out of trouble." ¹⁵ So the soldiers took the money and did as they were instructed. And this story has been widely circulated among the Jews to this very day. This is the Word of God, for the People of God.

WGUMC HIKING CHALLENGE AND LUNCH

We will be hiking along the river for 5.5 miles from the White Clay Preserve in Landenberg, Pa. to Main street in Newark De., where we will have lunch at a local restaurant and then drive back to the starting point of our hike.

Saturday, April 18th, at 10:00 am at the White Clay Preserve Park Office on 405 Sharpless Road, Landenberg, Pa.

Contact Andrew Herman at hermanandrew@yahoo.com

PRAYING THE PSALMS BIBLE STUDY

It's not too late to join us for a 9-week Bible study that meets on Tuesday's at 2:15 pm. The group meets in the church's library and will follow a discussion centered format around the study booklet, "Praying the Psalms," by Juanita Ryan. The meetings will be led by Carol McGinley, Debbie & Jake Schneider. Please come join us! All are welcome! Contact Jake & Debbie at tbones7@comcast.net or Carol at cmcginley@zoominternet.net

NEW GATHERING - DIVORCE GROUP MEETING

WGUMC has started 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. Next meeting is May 6th.

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

HOOKS, NEEDLES AND KNOTS, OH MY!

Join our new UWF knitting/Crocheting Circle. The group meets every 1st & 3rd Friday, 9:30 am. in conference room. Next meeting is April 17th. Come join the fun. Contact Shirley Daddario for more information. shirleydad@verizon.net



RUMMAGE SALE IS SOON!! SAVE YOUR STUFF!

Get ready for UWF's upcoming **RUMMAGE SALE!** Now is the perfect time to start gathering any new or gently used items you no longer need. Hold on to your treasures and drop them off anytime beginning Sunday, April 26th, after worship service, until Thursday, April 30th during office hours. Tell your neighbors to save their treasures for the sale. Items such as books, gently used clothes, housewares, small furniture, purses, jewelry etc. are accepted.

Mark your calendar for the sale:

Friday, May 1st 9:00 to 2:00 and Saturday May 2nd. 9:00 to Noon.

Help make our sale a success and support our community!

APRIL'S FOOD PANTRY ITEM OF THE MONTH:

For the month of April, we are asking for donations of hand soap. Thank you for putting your donations in the labeled bin in the lobby, on the table in the food pantry room or on the blue rack outside the front door. Your generosity never goes unnoticed!



COMMUNITY GARDEN 2026

Spring is on the way and with it the wonder of nature unfolds. You are invited to join in our community garden. No commitment to heavy lifting or long hours required. Even if you only have time to volunteer a half hour a month, your help would be very much appreciated.

Contact Judy Gambill at 610-389-7242 or jlg456@epix.net

What do you love to eat fresh from the garden? Our community garden is for all to have access to fresh, healthy vegetables, so let us know what you would enjoy. Got a green thumb? Join with WGUMC to Grow, Cultivate and share vegetables for our Community.

For more information contact Pastor DJ Choi at pastor@westgroveumc.org

THANK YOU — THANK YOU — THANK YOU

I would like to express my gratitude to all those who gave their time and energy in decorating the sanctuary and narthex for the Easter Service. I couldn't have done it without **ALL** of you. Michael, Linda and Virgil Brown, Joyce Lewis, Nick Corby, Mark James, Priscilla Barkman, Dick Stuhrke, Pastor DJ Choi and April Spencer. **THANK YOU**— Sincerely, Linda Shiplet

UWF MEETS TO PLAN THE RUMMAGE SALE

The United Women in Faith is meeting in the library today, Sunday, April 12th after the service for a chat to hear your ideas and plans for the Rummage sale.

SUNDAY BRUNCH POTLUCK

Fellowship together on Sunday, May 3rd after the worship service by joining in on a Sunday Morning Brunch Potluck. Sign up sheet is located in the Narthex.

UWF WOMEN'S TEA

Saturday, May 16th at 3:00 pm is Tea Time! Let's gather! Bring your dear friend(s) and honor the women who mean so much to us! Enjoy tea, treats, and much more! Sign up in the narthex and contact Shirley Daddario with questions at shirleydad@verizon.net.

TALENT SHOW & DESSERT NIGHT

Dance, sing, or tell jokes! Would you like to share your talents with fellow WGUM church friends?

Join us on Sunday, May 17th for our **Talent Show and Dessert Night**. Contact Andrew Herman for more details: hermanandrew@yahoo.com

UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER

(SEE PAGE 6 FOR TIME AND LOCATION)

<u>TODAY</u>	<u>UWF Meets to Plan Rummage Sale</u>	<u>April 14th</u>	<u>Yoga Class/Tuesday Bible Study</u>
<u>April 17th</u>	<u>Hooks, Needles and Knots</u>	<u>April 18th</u>	<u>Church Hike/White Clay</u>
<u>April 19th</u>	<u>UWF Crafts and Chat Circle</u>	<u>April 21st</u>	<u>Yoga Class/Tuesday Bible Study</u>
<u>April 25th</u>	<u>United Methodist Men Breakfast</u>	<u>April 26th</u>	<u>Rummage Sale Collection/Set Up</u>
<u>April 28th</u>	<u>Yoga Class/Tuesday Bible Study</u>	<u>May 1st</u>	<u>RUMMAGE SALE</u>
<u>May 2nd</u>	<u>RUMMAGE SALE</u>		

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR AT WGUMC

APRIL 12th Thru APRIL 19th

<u>SUNDAY:</u>	8:15 - 9:15 am.	Confirmation Class
April 12 ⁿ	8:30 - 9:15 am.	Sunday School
	9:30 - 10:30 am.	Worship Service
	11:00 am-12:30 pm.	United Women of Faith Meeting (Narthex)
<u>MONDAY:</u>	9:00 am.- 12 pm.	CMO (Rooms 9,13,14,15,16)
April 13 th	12:00 - 1:00 pm.	CMO Lunch Bunch (9,13,14,15,16)
<u>TUESDAY:</u>	9:00 am.- 12 pm.	CMO (Rooms 9,13,14,15,16)
April 14 th	Noon - 1:30 pm.	CMO Smart Cookies Extended Day
	1:30 - 2:15 pm.	Yoga Class (Sanctuary)
	2:15 - 3:30 pm.	Praying the Psalms Bible Study (Library)
	6:00 - 7:30 pm.	Girl Scout Troop #4565 (Rooms 8 & 10)
<u>WEDNESDAY:</u>	9:00 am.- 12 pm.	CMO (Rooms 9,13,14,15,16)
April 15 th	Noon - 1:30 pm.	CMO Lunch Bunch (Rooms 9,13,14,15,16)
	5:00 - 6:00 pm.	Food Pantry (Admin. Wing)
	5:00 - 7:00 pm.	CMO Art Show (Sanctuary, Narthex)
	6:00 - 7:30 pm.	Girl Scout Meeting (Rooms 8 & 10)
	6:30 - 8:30 pm.	Staff Parish Meeting (Conference Room)
<u>THURSDAY:</u>	9:00 am.- 12 pm.	CMO (Rooms 9,13,14,15,16)
April 16 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 Scouts Troop #4251 & 4567 (Rooms 8 & 10)
	6:45 - 8:00 pm.	Choir Rehearsal
<u>FRIDAY:</u>	9:00 am. - Noon	CMO (Rooms 9,13,14,15,16)
April 17 th	9:30 - 11:30 am.	Hooks, Needles & Knots, Oh My (Conference Room)
	Noon - 1:15 pm.	CMO Mini Makers (Rooms 9,13,14,15,16)
	Noon - 4:00 pm.	Baby Shower (Sanctuary, Kitchen, Narthex)
<u>SATURDAY:</u>	8:00 - 11:00 am.	4-H Meeting (Library)
April 18 th	10:00 -11:30 am.	Daily Reflections (Rm. 8)
	10:00 am. - 12:30 pm.	Church Hike (Off Site)

APRIL 19th

<u>SUNDAY:</u>	8:30 - 9:15 am.	Sunday School
April 12 th	9:30 - 10:30 am.	Worship Service
	1:30 - 3:00 pm.	Crafts & Chat Circle (Narthex, Kitchen)

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 April 5th 2026

General Offering April 5th \$6,638.00

Building Maintenance Fund: \$130.00

Attendance: 4/5 - 9:30: 114

113 Food Pantry families: on 4/8 & 4/9
food donations are appreciated.

