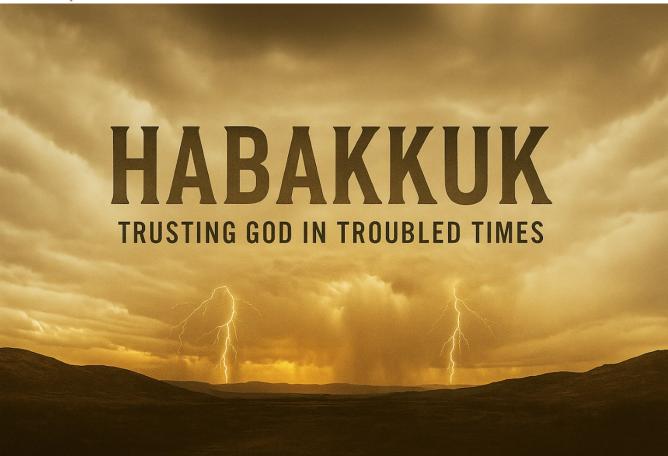


West Grove United Methodist Church

Our Vision:

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



Habakkuk: Trusting God in Troubled Times "Let the Wicked Keep Silent Before the Lord"

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

> > November 16th 2025

SUNDAY, November 16th, 9:27 AM. WORSHIP SERVICE

Betsy Smith PRELUDE

*PROCESSIONAL PRAISE "We Gather Together" UMH No. 131/ Together

Pastor DJ WELCOME

Pastor DJ **ENGAGE MINISTRY**

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

United Women in Faith - Shirley Daddario Community Group (Bible Study) - Pastor Jim

Praise Works - Bob Castaldi *PEACE Together

Pastor Jim PASTORAL PRAYER The Lord's Prayer

Pastor Jim INVITATION TO OFFERING

Betsy Smith OFFERTORY *PRESENTATION OF OUR OFFERING Together

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" UMH No. 95

Pastor Jim OFFERTORY PRAYER **TBA** Habakkuk 2: 2-8

SCRIPTURE READING (Pg. 3)

"Be Still and Know" **ANTHEM** Chancel Choir Words and Music by Victor C. Johnson. Words adapted from Psalm 45:10.

"Habakkuk: Trusting God in Troubled Times" Pastor DJ **MESSAGE** "Let the Wicked Keep Silent Before the Lord"

*PRAISE "O God of Every Nation" UMH No. 435/ Together

*MISSION Pastor DJ

"Go Now in Peace" *CHORAL BENEDICTION Chancel Choir Words and Music by Natalie Sleeth

POSTLUDE

STAND AS YOU ARE ABLE / BOLD PRINT = SAY IN UNISON. Please join us in the Lobby/Narthex for a time of fellowship.

Betsy Smith

SCRIPTURE READING: HABAKKUK 2: 2-8

"Write the vision; make it plain on tablets, so he may run who reads it.

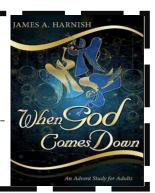
3 For still the vision awaits its appointed time; it hastens to the end—it will not lie. If it seems slow, wait for it; it will surely come; it will not delay. 4 "Behold, his soul is puffed up; it is not upright within him, but the righteous shall live by his faith. 5 "Moreover, wine is a traitor, an arrogant man who is never at rest. His greed is as wide as Sheol; like death he has never enough. He gathers for himself all nations and collects as his own all peoples." 6 Shall not all these take up their taunt against him, with scoffing and riddles for him, and say, "Woe to him who heaps up what is not his own—for how long?—and loads himself with pledges!" 7 Will not your debtors suddenly arise, and those awake who will make you tremble? Then you will be spoil for them. 8 Because you have plundered many nations, all the remnant of the peoples shall plunder you, for the blood of man and violence to the earth, to cities and all who dwell in them.

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

NEW TUESDAY AFTERNOON BIBLE STUDY

The Tuesday afternoon Bible Study will start an Advent Study on Tuesday, Nov. 18th in the church library and will use the booklet, "When God Comes Down" by James Harnish. It is a five week study, meeting November 18th, 25th,December 2nd, 9th and 16th. The group has changed the meeting time and will meet from 2:30-3:30 instead of the earlier time. Our sessions will no longer conflict with the yoga class. Please see Carol McGinley or Debbie Schneider for a book if you would like to participate in this Advent study.



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.





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. It is a part time position, 15—20 hours a week. Come be part of a loving church family that grows together in faith and service. Please contact the pastor thru the church office office@westgroveumc.org//610-869-9334

<u>Upcoming Dates to Remember</u>

November 17th - Pastor Jim's Bible Study

November 20th - Pastor DJ's Bible Study

November 22nd - **UMM Breakfast**

November 24th - Pastor Jim's Bible Study

November 25th - Yoga Class/Tuesday Bible Study

December 1st - Pastor Jim's Bible Study

December 7th - Christmas Music Celebration December 9th -

November 18th - Yoga Class/Tuesday Bible Study

 $\underline{November\ 21st}$ - Game Night Pot Luck

November 23rd - Stewardship Sunday//
Confirmation Class

November 27th - Thanksgiving Day

<u>December 2nd</u> - **Yoga Class** December 9th - **Yoga Class**

Friday November 21st

6:30 TO 8:30 PM @ WGUMC

GAME NIGHT POT LUCK

SIGN UP SHEET IN THE NARTHEX



Christmas Music Celebration

Sunday, December 7th at 6:30 pm.

If you sing, play an instrument, dance or a have a story to tell, contact Betsy Smith at musicmomva@aol.com

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 James 1:17**

"Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows."

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?

LUTHER HOUSE COOKIE DROP

Sunday, December 14th Collect and bag the cookies in the kitchen after Sunday's service.

- Leave for Luther House at 1:00 pm. m where we will knock on doors and deliver the goodies.
- Sign up sheet in the narthex. (Bring your packed lunch) Contact Joan Leaman @ | imleaman@comcast.net or Shirley Daddario @shirleydad@yerizon.net





November's Food Pantry Item of the Month: DOG AND CAT FOOD

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

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.

TWIN PINES CHRISTMAS GIFT COLLECTION

Look for the Christmas Tree decorated with gift tags for residents of Twin Pines, in the narthex. Gifts should be brought to the church by Tuesday, Dec. 16th.

MIGHTY WRITERS TREE RAFFLE

Thursday, Dec. 4, 6-8 pm. Must be 21 or older. Free admission, free drinks and refreshments. See the flyer on the ENGAGE bulletin board for QR code and more information.



*** 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.

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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 9th 2025

General Offering November 9th: \$6,435.00 Building Maintenance Fund: \$100.00 Attendance: 11/09 - 9:30: 83 Food Pantry: 127 on 11/12 & 11/13 food donations are appreciated.

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR AT WGUMC

November 16th Thru November 23rd

Sunday: Nov.16 th	8:30 - 9:15 am. 9:30 - 10:30 am.	Sunday School Worship Service
Monday: Nov. 17 th	9:00 am 12 pm. Noon - 1:00 pm. 6:00 - 7:30 pm. 6:30 - 8:00 pm.	CMO (Rooms 9,13,14,15,16) Lunch Bunch (Rooms 9,13,14,15,16) Girl Scout Troop #41043 (Room 8 & 10) Pastor Jim's Bible Study (Sanctuary)
Tuesday: Nov. 18 th	9:00 am 12 pm. Noon - 1:30 pm. 1:30 - 2:15 pm. 2:30 - 3:30 pm. 6:00 - 7:30 pm.	CMO (Rooms 9,13,14,15,16) CMO Smart Cookies Extended Day Yoga Class (Sanctuary) Tuesday Bible Study (Library) Girl Scout Troop #4189 (Room 8 & 10)
WEDNESDAY: Nov. 19 th	9:00 am 12 pm. Noon - 1:00 pm. 5:00 - 6:00 pm. 6:00 - 7:30 pm. 6:30 - 8:00 pm.	CMO (Rooms 9,13,14,15,16) Lunch Bunch (Rooms 9,13,14,15,16) Food Pantry Girl Scout Troop #427 (Room 8 & 10) Staff Parish Meeting (Conference Room)
Thursday: Nov. 20 th	9:00 am 12 pm. Noon - 1:30 pm. 1:00 - 2:00 pm. 3:00 - 4:00 pm. 4:30 - 6:00 pm. 6:00- 8:00 pm. 6:15 - 8:15 pm. 6:30 - 8:00 pm.	CMO (Rooms 9,13,14,15,16) CMO Smart Cookies Extended Day Food Pantry Stephen Ministry Meeting (Conference Room) Memory Bells Rehearsal Pastor DJ's Bible Study Girl Scouts Troop #4251 & 4567 (Room 8 & 10) Choir Practice
FRIDAY: Nov. 21st	9:00 am 12 pm. Noon-1:30 pm. 6:30 - 8:30 pm.	CMO (Rooms 9,13,14,15,16) CMO Mini Makers (Rms. 9,13,14,15,16) Pot Luck Game Night (Sanctuary, Narthex, Kitchen)
SATURDAY: Nov. 22 nd	8:00 - 9:30 pm. 8:00 - 11:00 am. 10:00 - 11:30 am.	United Methodist Men (Kitchen, Sanctuary) 4H Meeting (Library) Daily Reflections (Rm. 8)
November 23 rd		
Sunday: Nov. 23 rd	8:15 - 9:15 am. 8:30 - 9:15 am 9:30 - 10:30 am.	Confirmation Class Sunday School Worship Service Page 9

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

Today: 11/16/25

Next Sunday: 11/23/25

Counters: Len & Ruth Kuch Dave Talley & Vicki Owens

<u>Lay Reader</u>: Dave Talley Val Kapp-Benner

<u>Ushers:</u> Amy & Mark Simonds Joyce Lewis and Paulette Bryan

Greeters: Priscilla Barkman & Paulette Bryan Andrew Strode & Joan Saller

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.

