

September 4, 2022

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**WELCOME TO WORSHIP
AT WEST LAWN UMC!**
In-Person & Live-Stream



WELCOME

Welcome to worship at West Lawn United Methodist Church!


We are excited that you have joined us today!

Greeters and Ushers will be happy to assist you with finding:

- A place to sit in our worship space
- Nursery or Nursing Room
- Classrooms
- Prayer Room
- Restrooms
- Provide a Listening Aid

If you are a first, second or third time guest, please fill out a Connect slip to let us know you worshipped with us today. Also, visit our Welcome Center in the Narthex for more information about WLUMC and to exchange your connect slip for a special gift! Those worshipping with us by live stream, please complete the Connect Card found on the WLUMC app or on our website under the Worship tab.

Guest Wifi Password: Rejoice!



**HELLO,
We're glad
You're here
Today!**

SERVICES TODAY

- 8:00 AM—Traditional Worship Service / Sanctuary **
- 9:30 AM—Praise Worship Service / Sanctuary **
- 11:00 AM—Traditional Worship Service / Sanctuary
- 11:10 AM—Community Worship Service / Raffaaf Community Center **

** Worship Service is Live Streamed at:

www.westlawnumc.org, WLUMC App, Facebook, or on YouTube.

9:30 AM ~ SUNDAY SCHOOL

KEY: EB=Education Bldg. CC=Community Center SC=Sanctuary Bldg.

children

Infant & Toddlers	EB	Rm 104 (Nursery)
Age 3	EB	Rm 200
Age 4	EB	Rm 202
Age 5 / Kindergarten	EB	Rm 204
Grade 1	EB	Rm 206
Grade 2 / Grade 3	EB	Rm 208 & 210
Grade 4 / Grade 5	EB	Rm 207-209
Youth (Grades 6-7)	CC	Rm 202

adults

Barth Memorial Class: <i>On Summer Break.</i>	EB	Class will resume on 9/11 studying Numbers
Loyal Pairs & Spares: <i>FREEDOM: Rescue, Justice, Faithful Conversations</i>	EB	Rm 110
Table Talk: <i>Walking with God in the Desert</i>	EB	Rm 109/111



Flowers on the Altar in the Sanctuary today are presented:

*In loving memory of Alan Reighley
by Mabel and Family
For the celebration of Maria and Steve Grill's Wedding Anniversary*

To place an order for flowers, contact Acacia Flower Shop at
610-376-8767 / acaciaflowershop@gmail.com by noon on Tuesdays.

TODAY'S WORSHIP

8AM & 11AM

ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE

WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

HYMN

SCRIPTURE

MESSAGE

HYMN

PRAYER / LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING

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COMMUNION

HYMN

DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

POSTLUDE

WORSHIP HIGHLIGHTS

MESSAGE

Pastor Tom Ebersole

WORSHIP LEADER

Pastor Chris Hardy

SCRIPTURE READERS

Pam Berger (8AM)

Karen Garverich (11AM)

SCRIPTURE READING

Revelation 2:1-5 (NLT)

HYMNS

UMH #577 - "God of Grace and God of Glory"

UMH #540 - "I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord"

UMH #94— "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

UMH #547 - "O Church of God, United"

PRELUDE

Christopher Rodgers, organ

"Arioso" (Bach)

"The Gift of Love" (Carter)

"Spirit Song" (Carter)

OFFERTORY

Adult Choir, John Coakley Director (8AM)

"We Are the Church" (Dengler)

Christopher Rodgers, organ (11AM)

"As the Deer" (Carter)

POSTLUDE

Christopher Rodgers, organ

"Tuba Tune" (Lang)



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Revelation 2:4-5a

TODAY'S WORSHIP

9:30AM

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CLOSING SONG

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WORSHIP HIGHLIGHTS

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Pastor Tom Ebersole

WORSHIP LEADERS

Pastor Chris Hardy (9:30AM)

Pat Kenna (11:10AM)

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WORSHIP SONGS

"Breathe Miracles"

Artist: Red Rocks Worship

"Spirit Lead Me"

Artist: Influence Music

"Rest On Us"

Artist: UpperRoom

"Reckless Love"

Artist: Cory Asbury

"Jesus We Love You"

Artist: Bethel

11:10AM

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MEET & GREET YOUR NEIGHBOR

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GRACE SPACE:

During our 11:10 service, children are welcome to use our carpeted "Grace Space" to quietly play during worship.

WLUMC PRAYER ROOM

Contact the office or pastors if you or a loved one is hospitalized or placed in rehab.

HOSPITALIZED THIS WEEK: Ingeborg Janiszewski, Joyce Shell, Robert Myers

Please remember in your prayers:

- Mission Partners: Opp House, Family Promise, Hope Rescue
- Pat Vroman & family on the passing of her husband
- Healing from cancer; strength and courage for the fight
- Emotional/physical healing from anxiety, depression & chronic pain
- Recovery from addiction; recognition of the problem, commitment to change
- Brain injury, stroke, memory loss, confusion; dementia
- Care givers
- Suitable housing in Reading, our home to be built quickly
- Placement that meets the needs of the person
- Animals needing adoption
- Taiwan political situation
- Ukraine and it's people
- POW/MIAs
- May God guide the leaders of the world for peace
- All those serving in the Armed Forces and their loved ones at home

Prayers of Praise and Gratitude:

- Our many blessings

9/4/2022

Janet	Debbie	Kevin	Ivan & family	Lorna	Rick	Wynne
Ann	Albert	Ed	Bonnie	Art	Vince	Roxanne
Carolyn	Erika	Jim L.	Sallijean	Bette	Laura	Cindy & Dave
Annetta	Jodi	Inga	Brother-in-law's mom	Roy	Maritsa	Susan C.
Sumner	Bob	Jamie	Korin & Brayen	Molly	Christy	Anthony
Linda & Buz	John	Karen	Tom Bowersox	Tom	Michelle	Harvey & Jean
Julie & Tim	Colleen	Hilary	MaryJane	Ed	Mckenzie	Brian & Lucy
Bill & Teddy	Martin	Gerald	Family members	Theotis	Kathy M.	Jackson Hoffa
Jim & Patty	Anne	Bailey	Chris, Angela & Sue	Gene	Megan	Robert Griffith
Emma, Grace Heidi & Ian	Paul & Nancy	Lynn & Ed	LaManna, Mell & White Families	Teddy & Bill	Bishop John Schol	Rev. Evelyn Kent-Clark

How to engage the prayer ministries of our church :

- 1 Online via the church website or App under the WORSHIP tab.
- 2 Call in to: Anna Bickhart / 610-670-1671 ~ Mabel Reighley / 610-678-5141

Starts Sept 7

WEDNESDAY NIGHT LINEUP

FOOD: **West Lawn Wednesday / 4:30—6:45 PM**
CC Hall / Kickoff meal: Shepherd's Pie & Pizza for kids

YOUTH: **Youth Group (grades 6th-12th) / 6:00 — 7:30 PM**
Firehouse Youth Room & Community Center Room 201

ADULTS: **Mom's Small Group / 6:15 — 8:15 PM**
Education Building Rm 112 / Facilitator: Erin Schermerhorn

"WOW" Small Group / 6:15—7:45 PM
Education Building Rm 110 / Facilitator Marnell McCarthy

DivorceCare / 6:30—8:30 PM
Education Building Rm 109 / Facilitator Pastor Lisa Hoopes

Choir Rehearsal / 7:00-8:30 PM
Music Room / Director: John Coakley

Pastor Tom Bible Study / 7:00—8:30 PM
Woodside West / Facilitator: Pastor Tom

Men 35 to 55 / 7:00—8:30 PM
HE-brews Café / Facilitator: Dennis Wonderland

Young Family Small Group / 8:30—10:00 PM
on ZOOM / Facilitator: Trisha Rabold

KIDS STAY AND PLAY / 6:15—8:30 PM / Rooms 204-206
For children of adults participating in classes

PAINTING ON THE PORCH



**West Lawn families are invited to our VERY FIRST family event
on the porch of our newest property - 100 Woodside Avenue!**



Parents/Grandparents and children/grandchildren can join us on the porch as we create a family canvas painting masterpiece under the guidance of skilled artist and owner of “For Paint’s Sake,” Abby Entrekin. All materials and supplies will be provided. Registration is required so that we can prepare enough materials. This event is designed especially for families with children age 3-8; however, all are invited! Monetary contributions are welcome.

**Wednesday, September 14
6:00 PM @ 100 Woodside Avenue**



Yes, Sign Us Up For This Event!

Names: _____

Cell: _____

Email: _____

Questions? Contact Kelly Rismiller at 610-507-9141, kelly@westlawnmc.org



A LOCAL MISSION OPPORTUNITY

Join us on **Sunday, September 25**, as we harvest hundreds of pounds of potatoes for our neighbors in need! This unique, local mission project, called the **“Potato Project”** addresses local hunger issues by growing and producing free food for Berks County. Mission teams, like West Lawn UMC, come to the local farms, harvest the crops, and take the produce to local food pantries. West Lawn UMC will give its crop to New Journey Community Outreach, as well as to Hope Rescue Mission, and Opportunity House.

This is an multigenerational mission project; all are welcome, including children of all ages. Sign up today to join our harvest team. Carpool transportation to and from West Lawn UMC is available, or simply meet us on the fields in Kutztown. You and your family are welcome to harvest for an hour, or three hours! Snacks and beverages provided.

Sunday, September 25

Beginning at 1:00 PM

Kutztown University Heritage Center

22 Luckenbill Road, Kutztown, PA 19530

Questions? Contact Kelly Rismiller at 610-507-9141, kelly@westlawnumc.org



SUPPORT OUR FUNDRAISER

**OUR ORGANIZATION EARNS 15% ON ALL TAKEOUT,
ONLINE, CATERING OR GIFT CARD ORDERS***

Thursday, September 8, 2022

11:00 AM—8:00 PM

TO BENEFIT

Reading Berks CROP Hunger Walk

AT ISAAC'S

**Spring Ridge
94 Commerce Dr. Wyomissing**

ONLINE ORDERS - Enter "Fund" in the box on the payment page

TAKEOUT ORDERS - Let Isaac's team member know you're part of our fundraiser when placing your order.

*Sorry, we cannot accept coupons, discounts or Loyalty perks on Fundraising orders.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & EVENTS

BBQ & A BOOK

[Wednesday, September 7 / 6PM](#)

[Register on website or app](#)

Men of all ages are invited to join us for our men's book club, affectionately dubbed "BBQ and a Book." We'll gather at someone's house, enjoy good food and each other's company as we discuss our thoughts on Andy Stanley's newest book, *Not In It To Win It*. This time around we'll be ordering food from CC's Pizza. If you're interested, please read the book and register your attendance and then you'll be given the address for the BBQ gathering. All men are invited!

RELAY FOR LIFE

[Saturday, September 10 / noon](#)

[Reading Fairgrounds](#)

[Jayme Raffauf / 610-568-5098](#)

jaymeraffauf@gmail.com

Relay For Life of Berks is coming up! If you would like to participate in the event with our church team or would like to make a donation to support us, please contact Jayme. We look forward to another year of embracing our community one step at a time!

SUNDAY NIGHT KIDS GROUPS

[BEGINS Sunday, Sept. 11 / 6PM](#)

[Tween Group \(Grades 4-5\)](#)

[Kids Club \(Grades 2-3\)](#)

[Refer to the WLUMC App for details.](#)

WOW FUNDRAISER

[Sundays, September 4 & 11](#)

[Breezeway between services](#)

Women of Worth will be holding a Cookie Dough Fundraiser, taking orders in the breezeway on the first two Sundays in September. This fundraiser will benefit the upcoming WLUMC Women's Retreat held in November. All orders must be submitted by Sunday, September 11th. Delivery will be Sunday morning, September 25th, between worship services.

LOSS OF A SPOUSE SEMINAR

[Tuesday, September 13 / 1-3 PM](#)

[Reiner Education Bldg. / Room 109](#)

[Register: website / app / call office](#)

Loss of a Spouse seminar is an encouraging two hour seminar that provides practical advice after the death of a spouse when your life has changed forever. Our group can help you handle the daily emotions and challenges that seem too hard to bear.



ANNOUNCEMENTS & EVENTS

JUSTICE OR JUST US?

Friday, September 9 / 7PM / on Zoom
Faith In Action Team / Paul Dodge
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83076577143?pwd=Qm9iQ2c4cW1Yc2JHeVBZOWt4OFdJUT09>
Meeting ID: 83076577143
Passcode: 936011

Confronting racism is not just a social or political matter, but a theological one. It is the Bible that calls us to pursue justice, and the Bible that pleads for us to oppose racism. *Justice Or Just Us?* is a four week virtual video based study led by Rob Fuquay, Senior Pastor of St. Luke's United Methodist Church Indianapolis Indiana. Its goal is to help you acknowledge the reality of racism in today's world and our personal responsibility to oppose it individually and collectively as a church of dedicated Christian believers. It challenges us to make tangible anti-racism commitment.

UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH

Tuesday, September 20 / 11:30AM
HE-brews Café / bring your lunch

United Women in Faith will restart in September. Our theme this year is

"Mosaic of Faith: We Are All Part of God's Story." We will use parts of Luke 13 as Scripture foundation for seeing "Who can We Be together?" Putting our gifts to work, we will explore ways to make a difference in today's world. Opportunities for practical projects will be presented. Following lunch fellowship, Chris Rodgers, organist, will meet us in the sanctuary for an organ demonstration. If you have joined us last year, Chris has introduced us to early church music as well as global music. Now he will share his talents on our church's instrument. All are invited to join us.

WOMENS BOOK CLUB

Wednesday, September 14 / 7PM
Community Center / Room 201
Donna Barnhart / 610-678-7873
dmbhart2@gmail.com

Women's Book Club will meet in September to discuss *The Giver of Stars* by Jojo Moyes. New readers always welcome! Come join the discussion! To be added to the email list or for information please contact Donna.

THE FAITHFUL FRIENDS CONSIGNMENT SALE IS COMING:

October 6-8. <https://westlawnumc.com/faithfulfriendssale>

Sign up now to consign your gently used children's and maternity goods, and to volunteer to be part of the team!!!

Do you have an announcement to advertise or information that needs to be communicated to our church community? Email the details to announcements@westlawnumc.org and the communications team will help to determine a plan for spreading the word about your ministry.

WAYS TO FINANCIALLY SUPPORT OUR CHURCH & MINISTRIES

EFT - Electronic Funds Transfer

- Go to the West Lawn website www.westlawnumc.org and click on the GIVE tab. Follow the prompts to give or set-up recurring gifts.

WLUMC Smart Phone APP

- Go to your APP store and download the West Lawn UMC App. Click on the GIVING button and follow the prompts to setup.

Bill Pay

- An easy process offered by most banks to establish recurring or one-time gifts to be sent by check directly from your bank, without sharing any banking information with the church or a 3rd-party provider.

Mail in your contribution to the church office. Be sure to designate your name and what the contribution is for. Send to:

West Lawn United Methodist Church

15 Woodside Ave.

West Lawn, PA 19609-1664

Thank you for your financial support of WLUMC!



*Want to know more
about WLUMC?*

Contact a Pastor or the Church Office

West Lawn UMC

610-678-5611

INVITE - EMBRACE - EMPOWER

Attendance and Financial Report for August 28, 2022

	8:00	9:30	11:00	11:10	Total
Worship Leaders	6	9	13	7	35
In-Person Worship	105	148	76	19	348
Online Connections	80	57	—	18	155
Sunday School		102			
Tithes & Offerings for last week	\$19,342				
August Income (4 weeks)	\$93,498	2022 Budget Income To Date: \$900,514			
August Income Goal	\$142,839	2022 Budget Goal (12 months) \$1,560,934			

mark your Calendar

Sep 4 & 11	Women of Worth Cookie Dough Fundraiser
Sep 5	OFFICE CLOSED—LABOR DAY HOLIDAY
Sep 6-7	First Day of Preschool Classes
Sep 7	West Lawn Wednesday (<i>new season begins</i>)
Sep 7	Griefshare & DivorceCare
Sep 7	BBQ & A Book Men's Event
Sep 8	Crop Walk Fundraiser at Isaac's Restaurant
Sep 9	Justice Or Just Us? (<i>Zoom meeting</i>)
Sep 10	Relay for Life (<i>at Reading Fairgrounds</i>)
Sep 10	Men's Breakfast

MINISTRY STAFF

Rev. Tom Ebersole Lead Pastor Ext. 12 / tom@westlawnnumc.org	Rev. Chris Hardy Associate Pastor Ext. 13 / chris@westlawnnumc.org
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Preschool Donations for 2022/2023 School Year



Please consider picking up some of these items over the course of the next few weeks to help our preschool stock up for another fantastic school year where we will see over 71 students in class each week. Donations can be dropped off anytime in the box marked Preschool located in the church office stairwell in the Education Building. Questions, please email Elise Coakley at preschool@westlawnmc.org.

SUPPLIES

Glue Sticks
Crayola 24 Pack Crayons
Crayola 10 Pack Markers
Construction Paper-Single Color Packs (Red, Pink, Orange, Yellow, Green, Blue, Purple, Black, Brown, White)
Craft Pompoms- All Colors/sizes
Dry Erase Markers (All Colors)
Playdough (All Colors)
Scotch Tape, Clear Packing Tape & Duct Tape
Scotch Laminating Pouches (8 ½ x 11 size)
Gallon Zip Lock Bags
Sandwich Zip Lock Bags
Baby Wipes
Tri-Fold Paper towels
Latex Free Food Service Gloves

SNACKS

- MUST BE NUT FREE and NOT Processed in a peanut facility
Pepperidge Farm Goldfish
Snyder & Utz Brand Pretzels
Nabisco Gram Crackers
Nabisco Cheese-Its
Barnum's Animal Crackers
Nabisco Teddy Grams
Motts Fruit Snacks
Sensible Portions Garden Veggie Straws (Sea Salt)
GoGo Squeez Fruit Pouches
Kellogg's Rice Krispies Treats- (Original Flavor)
Kellogg's Nutri Grain Soft Baked Breakfast Bars

