

WEST LAWN UMC

you're welcome here

O holy night! the stars are brightly shining; It is the night of the dear Savior's birth. Long lay the world in sin and error pining, Till He appeared and the soul felt its worth

A thrill of

Hope

the weary world rejoices, For yonder breaks a new & glorious morn! Fall on your knees! O hear the angel voices! O night divine, O night divine! When Christ was born! O night, O holy night, O night divine! Led by the light of faith serenely beaming, With glowing hearts by His cradle we stand. So led by light of a star sweetly gleaming, Here came the Wise Men from Orient land. The King of kings lay thus in lowly manger, In all our trials born to be our Friend: He knows

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November 30, 2025

COFFEE WITH THE PASTORS

TODAY! / 12:30 PM / HeBrews Café
Walk-ins Welcome!

If you would like to know more about West Lawn Church, the United Methodist Church, or are interested in becoming a member, plan to attend Coffee with the Pastors. *Last one for 2025!*

**LAST BAPTISM/NEW MEMBER
JOINING SERVICE FOR 2025 IS
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 21, 2025**

TREE OF BLESSING

Tags Available TODAY!

GIFTS DUE DECEMBER 14

Jayne Raffauf / 610-568-5098

jayne@westlawnumc.org

We are thrilled to share that a version of the Christmas Angel Tree tradition will continue this year! Thanks to the initiative of Jayne Raffauf, we will be offering a special "Tree of Blessing" opportunity for all West Lawn members to support local families in need this Christmas season. Tags are now available and displayed on the Blessing Tree in the Sanctuary lobby. The tree will be decorated with tags listing gift requests for both adults and children. We invite you to stop by, select a tag, shop for the requested items, wrap your gifts, and return them by the deadline.

WLW MEAL 12/3/2025

4:30-6:45PM / Raffauf Comm. Ctr.

Chicklen & Dumplings, Mashed Potatoes, Veg., Salad, Dessert

POINSETTIA ORDERS

Order forms at the Welcome Ctr

Choice of Red or White / \$10 each

ORDERS DUE BY DECEMBER 9

Would you like to help adorn our Sanctuary this Christmas season by ordering a poinsettia? Plants can be purchased in honor or memory of loved ones or to the Glory of God.

WOMEN'S BOOK CLUB

Wednesday, December 10 / 7PM

Community Center / Conf Rm

Donna Barnhart / 610-468-7551

dmbhart2@gmail.com

Women's Book Club will meet in December to discuss the book *Things I Wish I Told My Mother* by Susan Patterson and Susan Dilallo. New readers always welcome! Come join the discussion. Contact Donna for more info.

PARENTS NIGHT OUT

BABYSITTING!

Friday, December 12 / 6-8:30PM

Register online by 12/10

Do you have holiday shopping to do, or just need a night at home to wrap gifts and sip hot cocoa? We've got you covered! Enjoy a kid free

**FLOWERS MAY BE PLACED ON THE ALTAR IN HONOR OR MEMORY
OF LOVED ONES BY PLACING AN ORDER.**

(2 slots available per week)

To place an order for flowers, contact:

Acacia Flower Shop / 610-376-8767 / acaciaflowershop@gmail.com

evening during this busy season. Childcare for ages infant through 4th grade. Pizza and snacks included. Proceeds benefit the preschool.

INSIDE COFFEE & DONUTS

Enjoy good conversation over coffee, donuts, pancakes and sausage with our neighbors, members and friends of WLUMC between services.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Nov 30** Tree of Blessing
- Nov 30** Coffee with the Pastors
- Dec 4** Charge Conference-6PM
- Dec 9** Poinsettia Orders DUE
- Dec 12** Parent Night Out
- Dec 14** Cantata Srvs @ 9 & 11AM
- Dec 17** Clothing Closet
- Dec 19** Wilson Area Food Pantry
- Dec 21** Baptism/Joining Sunday



- Dec. 21 • 7 PM Longest Night
- Dec. 23 • 6 PM Family
- Dec. 24 • 11 AM Family
- Dec. 24 • 3 PM Traditional
- Dec. 24 • 5 PM Contemporary
- Dec. 24 • 7 PM Traditional
- Dec. 24 • 9 PM Traditional

2025 SUMMARY as of 11/23/2025

In-Person Worship	410
Online Worship	102
Sunday School	156
Tithes & Offerings for week	\$26,197
Monthly Income To Date	\$107,383
Monthly Income Goal	\$131,825
Budget Income to Date	\$1,164,495
Budget Goal (12 months)	\$1,371,000



DOWNLOAD
THE WLUMC
APP TODAY!



PASTORS

- Tom Ebersole, Lead Pastor
- Chris Hardy, Associate Pastor
- Pat Goshert, Congregational Care
- Terry Cooney, Visitation Pastor
- Nick Camacho, Latino Ministries

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.

VOLUNTEER

SIGN UP



Join us in celebrating the birth of Jesus this Christmas by volunteering in one or more of the ways listed below. Please check the boxes and return this form to the Welcome Center, Church Office, or Offering Plate.

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

NAME _____

PHONE _____

Welcome Center Hosts - Answer general questions, hand out information, arrive 40 minutes before services

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| <input type="checkbox"/> 12/24: 11:00 AM Service | <input type="checkbox"/> 12/24: 7:00 PM Service |
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Inside Greeters - Welcome worshippers, hand out bulletins and candles, arrive 40 minutes before services

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Parking Lot Greeters - Direct people to the sanctuary and nursery, arrive 40 minutes before services

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Ushers & Communion Servers - Collect the offering, light candles, help serve communion, arrive 30 minutes before services

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READ MORE



Facilities Support - After the service, vacuum, clean sanctuary pews, empty trash, refresh candles

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Safety Team - Be mindful of traffic and worshippers, assist with first aid and unexpected emergencies, arrive 40 minutes before services

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Nursery Team - Provide childcare for young children, arrive 30 minutes before services

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WLUMC PRAYER ROOM

HOW TO ENGAGE IN WLUMC PRAYER MINISTRIES:

1. WEBSITE: Under the WORSHIP/PRAYER REQUEST tab.
2. WLUMC APP: Under the GET CARE/PRAYER tab
3. CALL PRAYER CHAIN: Anna Bickhart / 610-670-1671
Mabel Reighley / 610-678-5141

** Notify a pastor or the office if you or a loved one is hospitalized or placed in rehab.*



PRAYERS OF SYMPATHY

- Pam Berger & family on the loss of her mother Audrey Brackman
- Amy Evans family on her passing
- Family & friends of Gabe on his passing

PRAYERS OF HEALING

- Peace & healing for those grieving the loss of a loved one
- Those waiting for: diagnosis, biopsy, treatment
- Safe, healthy pregnancies and deliveries
- Recognition, commitment, recovery from addiction
- Peace and healing from mental and physical illness
- Worldwide peace and civility; an end to wars and hatred

PRAYERS OF ENCOURAGEMENT AND SUPPORT

- Homeless, abused, hungry people and animals
- Food for the less fortunate to enjoy this holiday season
- Help us to start looking at life from God's viewpoint
- Job transitions and new beginnings
- Safe travel for all

PRAYERS OF PRAISE AND GRATITUDE

- Thanks for all your prayers for Rick Rhoades they sure are helping!
- For our many blessings

11/30/2025

HOSPITALIZED

Arlene Doerrman
Kim Hershman
Marcia Seifert
Linda Welsh

OUR MISSION PARTNERS

Opp House
Family Promise
Hope Rescue
New Journey

THE UMC

Bishop Cynthia
Moore Koikoi
Rev. Steve Pittman
WLUMC Staff
Our Leadership Team

THE WORLD

The Leaders of the World
Safety for our Armed
Forces & their families

Emily & baby	Ted	Angela	Bryce, Haley & Berger family	Sam	Cathy	Samantha
Linda & Al	Pap	Cory	Bertoti & Maloney families	John	Jeff & Dan	Ruthie & family
Christian	Dave	Susan	Victoria Graham	Bob	Russell	Jeff & Andrea
Carolyn O.	Laura	Mary	Lorna & Martin family	Mark	Danielle	Carolann & Kurt
Marybeth	Emma	Elyse	Hartman/Davis, Witmyer family	Amy	Debra H.	grandchildren
Jim & Patty	Laila	Linda M.	Rick & Patty Rhoades	Maya	Sandi H.	Declan & Eloise
Mitchell	Janice	Sue	Rauenzahn family	Kim	Megan	Dr. Dave Texter
Heather	Shana	Billy	Dan, Chris, Angela, Sue	Kate	Ashleigh	Travis & Mark
my family	Lisa	Greg H.	Kelsey, Michael & family	Maila	husband	Hannah & Patricia



New in the pew? If you are visiting West Lawn today, in person or virtually, let us know by texting "Hello" to 610-672-7347.

LOOKING FOR:

- A seat in worship
- Nursery
- Classrooms
- Prayer Room
- Restrooms
- Need a Listening Aid
- Guest WIFI Password

Rejoice!

Ushers & Greeters will be happy to help you.

At our **Welcome Center** you will find:

- Our Prayer Page
- Announcement Flyers
- Information on Classes and Groups
- **Visitors:** Bring your Visitor Card found in the pew racks to trade in for a gift!



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610-678-5611

office@westlawnumc.org
www.westlawnumc.org

Office Hours:

M-Th 9AM-4PM / F 9AM-1PM

WORSHIP HIGHLIGHTS

MESSAGE

Pastor Tom Ebersole

"Advent-A Season of Expectation: Bearers of HOPE"

WORSHIP LEADER

Pastor Chris Hardy

SCRIPTURE

Jeremiah 33:10–11,15 (NLT)

TRADITIONAL ORDER OF WORSHIP (8AM & 11AM)

PRELUDE

WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRESENTATION OF SCOUTING AWARDS (11AM)

Adelyn Noble & Nate VanCampen

CALL TO WORSHIP

HYMN

ADVENT WREATH LIGHTING

PRAYERS / THE LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN

OFFERING / OFFERTORY / DOXOLOGY

HYMN

SCRIPTURE / MESSAGE

HYMN

DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

POSTLUDE

SPECIAL PRELUDE (11AM)

Diane Soper, Bell Tree; Christopher Rodgers, piano

"People Look East, All Christians Sing" (arr. Linda Lamb)

HYMNS

UMH #203 - *"Hail to the Lord's Anointed"*

UMH #473 - *"Lead Me, Lord"*

UMH #95 - *"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"*

UMH #729 - *"O Day of Peace That Dimly Shines"*

UMH #718 - *"Lo, He Comes with Clouds Descending"*

OFFERTORY

Diane Soper, Bell Tree; Christopher Rodgers, piano (8AM)

"People Look East, All Christians Sing" (arr. Linda Lamb)

Adult Choir, Christopher Rodgers, Director (11AM)

"Advent Alleluia" (Keith Christopher)

SCRIPTURE READERS

Mason Weller (8AM)

Bob Calkins (11AM)

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP (9:30AM)

Worship Team, Jayme Raffauf, Director

"No Longer Slaves" (Bethel Music)

"Goodness of God:" (Bethel Music)

"Great I Am" (One: A Worship Collective)

"Hope of the World" (Red Rocks Worship)

"Living Hope" (Bethel Music)