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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!



## WEEKLY WORSHIP

Sunday / 8 AM / Traditional Service / Sanctuary \*
Sunday / 9:30 AM / Contemporary Service / Sanctuary \*
Sunday / 11 AM / Traditional Services / Sanctuary \*
Tuesday / 7 PM / Young Adults / Raffauf Community Center \*

\* Live streamed on: www.westlawnumc / WLUMC App / 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                | ЕВ | Rm 200           |
| Age 4                | EB | Rm 202           |
| Age 5 / Kindergarten | ЕВ | Rm 204           |
| Grade 1              | ЕВ | Rm 206           |
| Grade 2              | EB | Rm 208           |
| Grade 3              | ЕВ | Rm 210           |
| Grade 4 / Grade 5    | EB | Rm 207-209       |
| Youth (Grades 6-7)   | СС | Rm 202           |
| Confirmation         | СС | Firehouse Café   |

# adults

| Barth Memorial Class:<br>Studying Numbers.                                   | EB | Rm 112     |
|--|----|------------|
| Loyal Pairs & Spares:<br>Power and Love: Vulnera-<br>bility, Belonging, Love | ЕВ | Rm 110     |
| Table Talk: <i>The Thrill of Hope</i> by Andy Stanley                        | EB | Rm 109/111 |

Flowers on the altar today are presented:

## TO THE GLORY OF GOD!

<u>To place an order for flowers, contact:</u>
Acacia Flower Shop / 610-376-8767 / acaciaflowershop@gmail.com

#### TRADITIONAL WORSHIP



## 8AM & 11AM ORDER OF WORSHIP

**PRELUDE** 

WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

**CALL TO WORSHIP** 

HYMN

LIGHTING OF ADVENT WREATH

NEW MEMBER RECEPTION (8AM)

PASSING OF THE PEACE (11AM)

ACT OF PRAISE

**SCRIPTURE** 

MESSAGE

HYMN

PRAYER / LORD'S PRAYER

**OFFERING** 

OFFERTORY / ANTHEM

DOXOLOGY

HYMN

DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

**POSTLUDE** 



who has believed

that the Lord would fulfill His

promises to her!"



#### **WORSHIP HIGHLIGHTS**

#### MESSAGE

Pastor Tom Ebersole

#### WORSHIP LEADERS

Pastor Chris Hardy (8AM) Pastor Lisa Hoopes (11AM)

#### **SCRIPTURE READERS**

Brenda Grant (8AM) Bob Fleck (11AM)

#### **SCRIPTURE READING**

Luke 1:39-48 (NIV)

#### **HYMNS**

UMH #196 - "Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus"

(Screens) - "Love's Pure Light"

UMH #204 - "Emmanuel, Emmanuel"

UMH #644 - "Jesus, Joy of Our Desiring"

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

UMH #188 - "Christ Is the World's Light"

#### **PRELUDE**

Christopher Rodgers, organ

"Aria" (Carter)

"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" (Near)

"Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus" (Philips)

#### **OFFERTORY / ANTHEM**

John Coakley, soloist; Christopher Rodgers, piano (8AM)
"Ev'ry Valley Shall Be Exalted" from Messiah (Handel)
Adult Choir, John Coakley, Director (11AM)
"Call His Name Jesus" (Wood, Robertson, Lapointe,
arr., Duren)

#### **POSTLUDE**

Christopher Rodgers, organ
"Prelude in Classic Style" (Young)



### CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

## 9:30AM ORDER OF WORSHIP

**WELCOME** 

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** 

**SONGS** 

**PRAYERS** 

**OFFERING** 

**MUSICAL OFFERING** 

**BAPTISM** 

**SCRIPTURE** 

**MESSAGE** 

**DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING** 

**CLOSING SONG** 



#### **WORSHIP HIGHLIGHTS**

#### **MESSAGE**

Pastor Tom Ebersole

#### **WORSHIP LEADER**

**Pastor Chris Hardy** 

#### **BAPTISM**

Connor DeLee Gass
Katharine Suzanne Koch

#### SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 1:39-48 (NIV)

#### **WORSHIP SONGS**

"Death Was Arrested"

Artist: Aaron Shust

"God With Us" (All Sons & Daughters)

Artist: All Sons & Daughters

"Reckless Love"

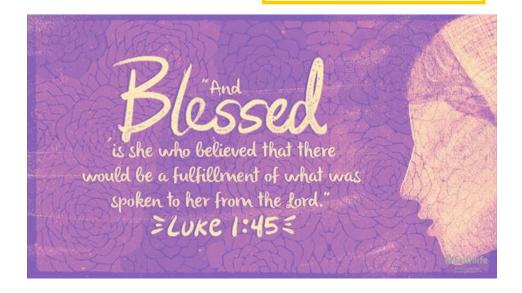
Artist: Cory Asbury

"Living Hope"

Artist: Phil Wickham

"Great Are You Lord"

Artist: All Sons & Daughters



#### WLUMC PRAYER ROOM

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

HOSPITALIZED THIS WEEK: Lois Bahner, Claude Davis, Vivian Reitz

#### <u>Please remember in your prayers:</u>

- Mission Partners: Opp House, Family Promise, Hope Rescue, New Journey
- Those experiencing loss during the holiday season
- Brain injury, stroke, memory loss, confusion; dementia
- Healing and guidance for family relationships
- Those homeless, abused, hungry
- Peaceful resolution to custody issues
- Guidance and discernment for upcoming decisions
- Placement that meets the needs of the person
- Safe travels for all
- Change, closure and new beginnings
- 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:**

• He kept us safe in the fire, thankful for the volunteer firefighters the Magees

#### 12/11/2022

| Claude          | Tina   | David        | Laura &family                   | Sue             | Jim & Emily          | Brett & Brooke            |
|-----------------|--------|--------------|---------------------------------|-----------------|----------------------|---------------------------|
| Karen           | Eric   | Scott        | Bodak family                    | Ben             | Cheryl               | Miller family             |
| Colleen         | Alexis | Carol        | Tabitha & Justin                | Mike            | Betty                | Vicy & Mike               |
| Lorraine        | Joe    | Jay          | Josh & family                   | Mary            | Steve                | Justin & Jeff             |
| Barbara         | Laura  | Dennis       | Kelly & Kevin                   | Jenn            | Karen & Ed           | Shipe family              |
| Tabitha         | David  | Jerry S.     | Jordan & Jacky                  | Abby            | Mckenzie             | Betty Kurtz               |
| Patricia        | Sandy  | Angel        | Donna & Norman                  | Amy             | Patricia             | Jackson Hoffa             |
| Jim & Patty     | Brooke | Kelly        | Chris, Angela & Sue             | Ray             | Megan                | Robert Griffith           |
| Nancy &<br>Rick | Gina   | Lynn &<br>Ed | Michelle, Ted, Lynn<br>& Sharon | Teddy<br>& Bill | Bishop<br>John Schol | Rev. Evelyn<br>Kent-Clark |

#### How to engage the prayer ministries of our church:

- 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

## Christmas Eve Food Pantry Collection

Last year we filled up West Lawn UMC's bus, van, and pickup truck with food for New Journey Community Outreach's food pantry... and we're going to do it again this Christmas Eve! We're showing our love for our sisters and brothers in Reading by purchasing any quantity of the following items and bringing them to WLUMC on Christmas Eve.

Any GOYA products, such as, but not limited to: Harina de Maiz (corn meal), Gandules Verdes (green pigeon peas), Dried Beans (pinto, black, red kidney), Sofrito, Adobo Seasoning, Rice, Sardines, Olives, Cooking Oil

"kid-friendly" cereals like Fruit Loops, Lucky Charms, Cap'n Crunch, Cinnamon Toast Crunch, Cheerios, Frosted Flakes, Reese's Puffs



## ANNOUNCEMENTS & EVENTS

#### SUNDAY AM FAMILY EVENT

TODAY / 10:30AM Raffauf Community Center

TODAY at 10:30AM. Meet children in the Community Center meet the needs of all of the students this family workshop event! materials and supplies provided.

#### **POINSETTIA ORDERS**

TODAY IS ORDER DEADLINE \$9.50 each

If you would like to sponsor one or more poinsettias that will adorn our sanctuary for Christmas Eve, the order envelopes are now available at the Welcome Center, Each 6+ bloom plant is \$9.50. in red or white. Make checks payable to "West Lawn UMC."

#### **NEW TABLE TALK CLASS**

Sundays in December / 11AM Education Bldg. / Room 109

A new Sunday morning 11AM Table Talk class has begun. We will show a video or a series of videos and then have discussion. We are starting with the very popular DVD series called The Christmas Experience. It's a very personal view of the Mary & Joseph story and the birth of Jesus. Grab your coffee and donut holes and join us!

#### POWER PACK COLLECTION

Due TODAY, December 11 Drop at the office

West Lawn families are invited to Power Packs for Governor Mifflin are make a fresh Christmas porch planter back and we need your help. We have your partnered with other churches to following the Sunday School hour for who appreciate this food over long All breaks. The next Power Pack will be distributed the week of December 20th. West Lawn has been asked to donate individual bags of snacks as well as Ramen noodles. Please have your donations to the church office by Sunday, December 11th. Thank you for your generosity.

#### KIDS GROUPS TONIGHT!

TONIGHT—Sunday, Dec. 11 / 6PM

Tween Group (Grades 4-5) Kids Club (Grades 2-3) Refer to the WLUMC App for details.

#### LOST AND FOUND

Missing a glove, hat, earring, or glasses, etc? Check the Lost & Found box in the Narthex or with the office.



## ANNOUNCEMENTS & EVENTS

#### **WOMEN'S BOOK CLUB**

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

Women's Book Club will meet in December to discuss *The Last Bookshop in London* by Madeline Martin. January's book is *Ordinary Grace* by William Kent Krueger. New readers always welcome! Come join the discussion! To be added to the email list or for information please contact Donna.

#### **ADVENT SEASON BOOKLETS**

Both the *Christmas Light* and *Daily Advent Prayers* booklets are available on our website and app or pickup a copy at the Narthex Welcome Center. The *Christmas Light* booklet focuses on a deeper dive into the Christmas Light Advent sermon series. The *Daily Advent Prayers* booklet provides prayer readings for each day leading up to Christmas written and compiled by our Prayer Ministry Team.

#### **CARING SOULS NEEDED**

Lisa Hoopes / Ext. 14 lhoopes@comcast.net

If you have a heart for helping others that are suffering and would like to get involved in one of the caring ministries at West Lawn, please contact Pastor Lisa. New training classes for DivorceCare, Griefshare, and Stephen Ministry are beginning in early January.

#### **COFFEE & DONUTS**

Kelly Rismiller / 610-507-9141 Kelly@westlawnumc.org

Our Sunday AM Fellowship team is looking for additional servants to help prepare and serve coffee and donuts in the He Brews Cafe from 8:30-9:30 AM on Sunday mornings. If this is a ministry where you would like to serve, please contact Kelly.

#### **BREAD MINISTRY HELPERS**

Kathy Ballick / 484-721-2901 Kathy@westlawnumc.org

Our WLUMC Bread Ministry team is looking for additional volunteers to help deliver bread bags to the homes of first time visitors to our church. Team members rotate on a schedule making a delivery or two every 1-3 months, depending on the number of visitors and volunteers on the team. For more information, please contact Kathy.

Do you have an announcement to advertise or information that needs to be communicated to our church community? Email the details to <a href="mailto:announcements@westlawnumc.org">announcements@westlawnumc.org</a> 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 <u>www.westlawnumc.org</u> 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 <u>West Lawn UMC App</u>. 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:

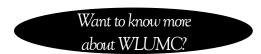
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Thank you for your financial support of WLUMC!





Contact a Pastor or the Church Office
West Lawn UMC
610-678-5611

| Attendance and Financial Report for December 4, 2022 |           |  |             |           |             |
|--|-----------|--|-------------|-----------|-------------|
|  | 8:00      | 9:30   | 11:00       | WLYA      | Total       |
| Worship Leaders                                      | 7         | 9  | 18          | 1         | 35          |
| In-Person Worship                                    | 98        | 171  | 105         | 20        | 394         |
| Online Connections                                   | _         | _  | 38          | 1         | 39          |
| Sunday School  |           | 147  |             |           |             |
| Tithes & Offerings for last week                     | \$34,355  |  |             |           |             |
| December Income (1 week)                             | \$34,355  | <b>2022</b> Budget Income To Date: \$1,229,405 |             |           |             |
| December Income Goal                                 | \$186,116 | 2022 Bud                                       | get Goal (1 | 2 months) | \$1,560,934 |

## mark

## your Calendar

| Dec 11 | 3rd Sunday of Advent                              |
|--------|---|
| Dec 11 | Baptism / New Member Joining Sunday               |
| Dec 11 | Family Event—Porch Planters (10:30AM)             |
| Dec 14 | Women's Book Club                                 |
| Dec 16 | Food Pantry                                       |
| Dec 18 | 4th Sunday of Advent                              |
| Dec 21 | Longest Night Service (7PM)                       |
| Dec 24 | Christmas Eve Services (11AM, 3PM, 5PM, 7PM, 9PM) |
| Dec 25 | Christmas Day Service (10AM)                      |
| Dec 26 | OFFICE CLOSED—HOLIDAY                             |
|        |   |

#### MINISTRY STAFF

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|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Rev. Tom Ebersole<br>Lead Pastor<br>Ext. 12 / tom@westlawnumc.org                          | Rev. Chris Hardy Associate Pastor Ext. 13 / chris@westlawnumc.org  |  |  |  |  |
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| Elise Coakley Preschool Director Ext. 18 / elise@westlawnumc.org                           | OFFICE HOURS 9AM—4PM M-F<br>610-678-5611 / 610-927-1225 fax<br>office@westlawnumc.org<br>www.westlawnumc.org |  |  |  |  |



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