

December 18, 2022

Christmas Light



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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 / Raffaaf Community Center *

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

adults

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

Flowers on the altar today are presented:

In Celebration of Aaron Grill's Birthday

By the Grill Family

In memory of Catharine Phillipson Jessup

By Richard Jessup

To place an order for flowers, contact:

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

PASSING OF THE PEACE

SPECIAL MUSIC

SCRIPTURE

MESSAGE

HYMN

PRAYER / LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING

ANTHEM / OFFERTORY

DOXOLOGY

HYMN

DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

POSTLUDE

"Don't be afraid, Mary," the angel told her,
"for you have found favor with God!
You will conceive and give birth to a son, and
you will name him Jesus.
He will be very great
and will be called the Son of the Most High.
The Lord God will give him
the throne of his ancestor David.
And he will reign over Israel forever;
his kingdom will never end!"

-- Luke 1:30-33 (NLT)

WORSHIP HIGHLIGHTS

MESSAGE

Pastor Tom Ebersole

WORSHIP LEADERS

Pastor Chris Hardy

SCRIPTURE READERS

Anna Bickhart (8AM)

Don Faughner (11AM)

SCRIPTURE READING

2 Samuel 7:8,16 & Luke 1:30-33 (NIV)

HYMNS

UMH #202 - *"People Look East"*

(Screens) - *"Love's Pure Light"*

UMH #203 - *"Hail To The Lord's Anointed"*

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

UMH #206 - *"I Want to Walk As A Child of the Light"*

PRELUDE

Judith Alvarez, piano; Christopher Rodgers, organ (8AM)

"Shepherd Carols" (arr., Smith)

Christopher Rodgers, organ

"What Child Is This?" (Purvis) (8AM & 11AM)

"Once In Royal David's City" (Farlee) (11AM)

Handbell Choir, Judith Alvarez, Director (8AM)

"Once in Royal David's City" (arr., Edwards)

SPECIAL MUSIC

Handbell Choir, Judith Alvarez, Director (8AM)

"One Small Child" (Meece, arr., Larson)

Children's Choir, Elise Coakley, Director (11AM)

"The Friendly Beasts" (French Traditional)

OFFERTORY / ANTHEM

Adult Choir, John Coakley, Director (8AM)

"Born To Us A King" (McDonald)

John Coakley, soloist; Christopher Rodgers, piano
(11AM)

"Every Valley Shall Be Exalted" (Handel)

POSTLUDE

Christopher Rodgers, organ

"Terpsichore, Dance No. 183: Courante" (Praetorius)

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

9:30AM

ORDER OF WORSHIP

WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SONGS

PRAYERS

OFFERING

MUSICAL OFFERING

SCRIPTURE

MESSAGE

DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

CLOSING SONG



WORSHIP HIGHLIGHTS

MESSAGE

Pastor Tom Ebersole

WORSHIP LEADER

Pastor Lisa Hoopes

SCRIPTURE READING

2 Samuel 7:8,16 & Luke 1:30-33 (NIV)

WORSHIP SONGS

"See A Victory"

Artist: Elevation Worship

"Reign Above It All"

Artist: Bethel

"Simple Kingdom"

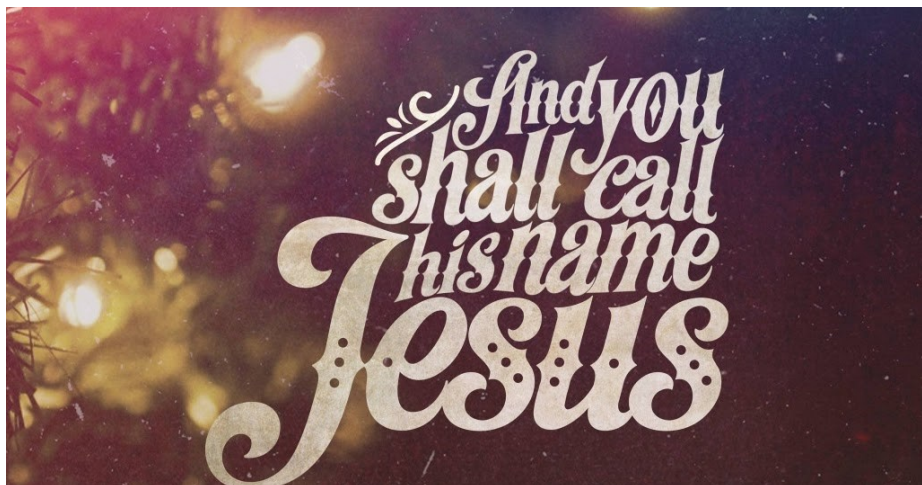
Artist: Cody Carnes

"King Of Kings"

Artist: Hillsong

*"Come Lord Jesus (Even So Come)/
Love Makes Us Strong"*

Artist: Passion



WLUMC PRAYER ROOM

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

HOSPITALIZED THIS WEEK: Claude Davis, Vivian Reitz

Please remember in your prayers:

- Mission Partners: Opp House, Family Promise, Hope Rescue, New Journey
- Paul's family on his passing
- Gary Shuman family on his passing
- Family of Rev. Kenneth Dearstyne on his passing
- Families of New Tripoli Firefighters Zachary Paris & Marvin Gruber killed in the line of duty
- Those experiencing loss during the holiday season
- Brain injury, stroke, memory loss, confusion; dementia
- All with addictions and their families
- 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
- Those unable to come home for Christmas
- Those that are incarcerated during the holiday season
- Moving 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:

- Son's promotion

12/18/2022

Shirley	Nancy	Cheryl	Nichelle	Lynn	Autumn	Darwin Jr.
Colleen	Claude	Erika	Brett & Brooke	Ann	Alexis	Miller Family
Lorraine	Curren	Emily	Roxanne & Mom	Edna	Sharon	Boday Family
Brenda	Jerry S.	Kevin	Joanne's parents	Abby	Mckenzie	Agnes Klein
Stephen	Jenn	Marci	Sandy & Josette	Gina	Patricia	Jackson Hoffa
Jim & Patty	Brooke	Gerald	Chris, Angela & Sue	Ray	Megan	Robert Griffith
Nancy & Rick	Ted	Lynn & Ed	Stephanie, Hunter & 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

ANNOUNCEMENTS & EVENTS

NJCO FOOD COLLECTION

[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 are showing our love for our sisters and brothers in Reading by purchasing any quantity of the food supplies listed on the yellow flyer found at the Narthex Welcome Center.

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!

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 Café 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.



ANNOUNCEMENTS & EVENTS

LOSS OF A SPOUSE

Tuesday, January 10 / Education Bldg.
1-3PM, Rm 109 **OR** 6:30-8:30PM Rm 110
[Register website / app / office](#)

Grieving the Loss of a Spouse or know someone who is? Life has changed and the daily emotion can seem hard to bear. Find help at the one day Loss of a Spouse Seminar.

WOMEN'S BOOK CLUB

Wednesday, January 11 / 7PM
Community Center / Room 201
Donna Barnhart / 610-678-7873
dmbhart2@gmail.com

Women's Book Club will meet in January to discuss the book *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.

NEW DIVORCECARE STARTS

Wednesday, Jan 11—Apr 5 / 6:30 PM
Education Bldg. / Room 109
[Register website / app / office](#)

DivorceCare is a weekly seminar/support group that will help you heal from the hurt. It's a warm, caring environment led by people who understand what you are going through. Gain hope for your future!



MEN'S BREAKFAST & A BOOK

Saturday, January 14 / 8AM
Community Center / Firehouse Café
FREE to attend but registration preferred
[Register on website / app/ office](#)

Men of all ages are invited to join Pastor Chris for Breakfast & a Book. Come ready for a hearty breakfast followed by some discussion based on Craig Groeschel's book *The Christian Atheist*. Get your copy wherever books are sold.

KIDS GROUPS TONIGHT!

TONIGHT—Sunday, Dec 18 / 6PM

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

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 December 11, 2022

	8:00	9:30	11:00	WLYA	Total
Worship Leaders	6	8	21	1	36
In-Person Worship	94	203	73	23	393
Online Connections	—	—	—	—	—
Sunday School		137			
Tithes & Offerings for last week	\$29,529				
December Income (2 weeks)	\$63,884	2022 Budget Income To Date: \$1,258,934			
December Income Goal	\$186,116	2022 Budget Goal (12 months) \$1,560,934			

mark your Calendar

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
Dec 28	NO West Lawn Wednesday Meal
Jan 1	Sunday Worship Services (8AM, 9:30AM, 11AM)
Jan 1	Pork & Sauerkraut Dinner (12 noon to 3PM)
Jan 2	OFFICE CLOSED—HOLIDAY
Jan 10	Loss of a Spouse Seminar (2 time slots)

MINISTRY STAFF

Rev. Tom Ebersole Lead Pastor Ext. 12 / tom@westlawnumc.org	Rev. Chris Hardy Associate Pastor Ext. 13 / chris@westlawnumc.org
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LONGEST NIGHT SERVICE

Dec. 21 7 PM

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES

Young Family 11 AM

Contemporary 3 PM

Traditional with Special Music 5 PM

Traditional with Special Music 7 PM

Traditional with Communion 9 PM

CHRISTMAS DAY SERVICE

10 AM



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