

A watercolor illustration of Jesus Christ with long brown hair and a beard, wearing a white robe. His arms are raised in a gesture of welcome or blessing. The background is a mix of soft, blended colors including light blue, grey, and warm orange tones, suggesting a sky or a spiritual atmosphere.

you're welcome here

Jesus

Who is this Man?

WEST LAWN UMC

JANUARY 5, 2025

WOMEN'S BOOK CLUB

Wednesday, January 8 / 7PM
Community Center / Conf Rm
Donna Barnhart / 610-468-7551
dmbhart2@gmail.com

Women's Book Club will meet in January to discuss the book *Hello Beautiful* by Ann Napolitano. Come join the discussion! Contact Donna for more info.

WLW 1/8/2025

Shepherd's Pie, Vegetable
KIDS: Pizza

FOOD PANTRY

Friday, January 17 / 3-5PM
Raffauf Community Center
Register: 484-525-0980

The distribution day of the Wilson Area Food Pantry is upcoming. Pre-registration is preferred. Please call the number above to schedule your time slot. Donations are accepted weekdays in the church office. Thank you!

LOSS OF A SPOUSE

Wednesday, January 22 / 1:30PM
Educ Bldg / Room 109

Your life has changed forever and the daily emotions are hard to bear. Loss of A Spouse provides practical advice, coping skills, and support.

GRIEFSHARE SESSION

Wednesdays, Jan 29—Apr 30
1:30PM / Educ Bldg / Room 109
Register: [website](#) / [app](#) / [office](#)

Griefshare is a 13-week recovery support group designed to help you rebuild your life after losing a loved one. Here you'll find understanding, guidance, relief, and a safe place to navigate the challenges of grief. Come join us!

ADULT FELLOWSHIP

[Save the date: Friday, Jan. 24](#)

West Lawn is planning is a "Battle of the Sexes" Trivia



**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

Night for all adults in the Community Center. Join us for a night of fellowship, food and laughter as we determine which sex knows more!

COFFEE WITH THE PASTORS

Sunday, January 26 / 12:30 PM

HE-brews Café

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

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.

2025 PLAN FOR GIVING

If you have not already made your 2025 plan for giving commitment, we invite you to do so on our website. Scan the QR code to access the confidential Treasure Form.



WINTER FELLOWSHIP TIME

[Before or After Worship](#)

[HE-brews Café / Lower Level](#)

For these cold winter months, Sunday morning fellowship is back INSIDE! Enjoy fellowship and refreshments each Sunday.

MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT

Starting February 2025: West Lawn will offer a series of Marriage Enrichment classes for couples. Vow that 2025 be the year of improving your relationship with that person closest to you. More details coming soon.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Jan 12 Baptism/Join Sunday
- Jan 17 Wilson Area Food Pantry
- Jan 21 United Women in Faith
- Jan 22 Loss of a Spouse
- Jan 24 Battle of the Sexes Event
- Jan 26 Coffee with the Pastors
- Jan 29 NEW Griefshare Session

2024 SUMMARY as of 12/29/2024

In-Person Worship	292
Online Worship	123
Sunday School	83
Tithes & Offerings for week	\$43,393
Monthly Income To Date	\$108,831
Monthly Income Goal	\$134,105
Budget Income to Date	\$1,335,025
Budget Goal (12 months)	\$1,394,722



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@westlawnnumc.org.

VOLUNTEER

SIGN UP



Be the hands & feet of Jesus this month as you volunteer in any of these ministries & missions of WLUMC. Check the boxes & 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 _____

☐ **Friday, January 24** - While the adults are enjoying a "battle of the sexes" trivia night in the Community Center, we're seeking another group of adults and youth to entertain the kids in the Education Building. Activities and snacks provided! 6:30-9 PM

☐ **Sunday Night Childcare** - Beginning in February, West Lawn is offering a series of five marriage enrichment courses. While parents participate in this class, babysitters are needed for children age 7 and younger. 6-8 PM, 5 Sundays total, Feb.-May

☐ **Photographer** - West Lawn is seeking a skilled photographer to roam our campus and take pictures of worship, ministries, mission work, preschool and more. Choose a few days and times this winter to help build our photo library.

☐ **Indoor Fellowship Hosts** - Sunday morning fellowship has moved inside for the winter. Consider joining our Hospitality team one Sunday in the HeBrews Cafe to help serve coffee, replenish snacks and clean up the supplies. Any Sunday, 8:50-11:15 AM

☐ **Sunday Night Security** - The West Lawn campus is booming on Sunday nights with kids & youth. We're looking for a rotating team of adult "roamers" to help secure our campus while our group leaders and children deepen their faith and friendships through games, food and focused lessons. 6-8 PM, one Sunday a month

Battle of the Sexes

TRIVIA NIGHT

West Lawn's Men's & Women's Ministries invite all adults to the Community Center on Friday, January 24, for a lighthearted night of trivia game play. The evening will be a battle of the sexes, with the men competing against the women, in a game of wits and knowledge. Gather at 6:30 PM for some casual finger foods and refreshments, followed by a surprise, "who wears it best" runaway event," then the trivia game.

Admission to this event is a donation of new, unwrapped women's or men's underwear, which will then be donated to our local homeless shelters. The gender that donates the most undies wins bragging rights for a year!

FRIDAY, JANUARY 24



6:30 PM
Community Center



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:

- Rice & Gerhart family of the passing of Rob's father
- Family & friends of Larry Thomas, Sr. on his passing

PRAYERS OF HEALING:

- Healing from cancer; strength and courage for the fight
- Those waiting for: diagnosis, biopsy, treatment
- Recognition, commitment, recovery from addiction
- Peace and healing from mental and physical illness

PRAYERS OF ENCOURAGEMENT AND SUPPORT:

- Homeless, abused, hungry people and animals
- Healthy, pregnancies and deliveries
- Those struggling with anger, feelings of failure & lacking hope
- Discernment, resolution and healing in relationships
- Worldwide peace and civility; an end to wars and hatred
- Safe travel for all

PRAYERS OF PRAISE AND GRATITUDE

- For so many blessings
- For the church staff & my WLUMC church family

1/5/2025

HOSPITALIZED

David Cappuccio
Marilynne Wiederspahn

OUR MISSION PARTNERS

Opp House
Family Promise
Hope Rescue
New Journey

THE UMC

Bishop Cynthia
Moore Koikoi
Rev. Evelyn Kent-Clark
WLUMC Staff
Our Leadership Team

THE WORLD

The Leaders of the World
Our Armed Forces & their families

Jim & Sherri	Bill	Melissa	Emily Jentes & family	Joe	Tom S.	Jandrew family
Joe Boyle	Linda	Denise K.	Duffy family	Amy	MaryAnn	Maddie & Greg
Kris & family	Debra	Mark	Cindy, David, Teddy, Greg	Roy	Janine	Martin family
Bev & Eli	Drew	Ernie	Bill, Justine & baby Joy	Erika	Steven	Terry, Pat, Mike
Ashley	Lisa	Keith	father & daughter	son	Janet	Emily & Jon
Roxanne	Dave	Ronnie	Heather & Mitchell	Patty	Patricia	Coakley family
Nancy & Bill	Shana	Declan	Rauenzahn family		Hannah	Kathryn Wasser
Jim & Patty	Eloise	Billy H.	Dan, Chris, Angela, Sue	Ray	Megan	Richard Mextorf



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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www.westlawnumc.org
Office Hours: 9AM-4PM M-F

WORSHIP HIGHLIGHTS

MESSAGE

Pastor Tom Ebersole

"Jesus: Who is This Man? Remember Your Baptism"

WORSHIP LEADER

Charlotte Rismiller

SCRIPTURE

Mark 1:9-13 (NIV)

TRADITIONAL ORDER OF WORSHIP (8AM & 11AM)

PRELUDE

WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

HYMN

PRAYERS / THE LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN

OFFERING / OFFERTORY / DOXOLOGY

SCRIPTURE / MESSAGE

HYMN

COMMUNION

HYMN

DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

POSTLUDE

HYMNS

UMH #254 - *"We Three Kings"*

UMH #70 - *"Glory Be to the Father"*

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

UMH #2051 - *"I Was There to Hear Your Borne Cry"*

UMH #664 - *"Sent Forth by God's Blessing"*

OFFERTORY

Adult Choir, Christopher Rodgers, Director (8AM)

"Lord of the Dance" (John Rutter)

Christopher Rodgers, organ (11AM)

"Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart" (Joe Utterback)

SCRIPTURE READERS

Pam Berger (8AM)

Karen Garverich (11AM)

PRaise MUSIC (9:30AM)

Worship Team, Jayme Raffauf, Director

"Glorious Day" (Passion)

"Fill This Place" (Red Rocks Worship)

"Holy Spirit" (Francesca Battistelli)

"Fullness" (Elevation Worship)

"Another In The Fire" (Hillsong)