

A watercolor illustration of Jesus 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 greys, blues, and warm oranges, suggesting a sky or a spiritual atmosphere. The style is painterly and expressive.

*you're welcome here*

# Jesus

## WHO IS THIS MAN?

**WEST LAWN UMC**

FEBRUARY 2, 2025

## **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!

## **WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY**

Thursday, February 6 / 6:30PM  
Community Center  
Kelly Rismiller / 610-507-9141  
[kelly@westlawnumc.org](mailto:kelly@westlawnumc.org)

West Lawn's women's Thursday night Bible Study, fellowship and mission work nights are starting again on Thursday nights. The next discussion topic will be centered around Laura Tremaine's book, *Share Your Stuff. I'll Go First*. While talking about the current topic, this group also coordinates the monthly post-Baptism follow-up mailings for West Lawn's Children and Family ministry. All are welcome to attend. For more info contact Kelly.

## **LOST A RING?**

A ring was found on 12/29/24.  
Please check with the office.

## **WLW 2/5/2025**

**Superbowl Kickoff:** Bacon  
Cheeseburgers, Hot Dogs, BBQ,  
Mac & Cheese, Corn, Coleslaw

## **SOUPERBOWL OF CARING**

**Sunday, February 9 / All Services**

Our WLUMC Youth will be collecting food and monetary donations at all worship services as part of the Souper Bowl of Caring inspired by the Superbowl. What if every person watching the Big Game donates just \$1 or one can of food? All donations will stay local and go to New Journey Community Outreach.

## **WOMEN'S BOOK CLUB**

Wednesday, February 12 / 7PM  
Community Center / Conf Rm  
Donna Barnhart / 610-468-7551  
[dmbhart2@gmail.com](mailto:dmbhart2@gmail.com)

Women's Book Club will meet in February to discuss the book *Our Missing Hearts* by Celeste Ng. New readers always welcome! Come join the discussion. Contact Donna for more info.

## **CARD SHOWER**

Please consider sending a card of encouragement and care to Eric Jentes, as he recovers from multiple surgeries: c/o Melsons,

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR TODAY ARE PRESENTED:

*In honor of Cindy and Ronan Knauer's Birthday*

From your Family

To place an order for flowers, contact:

Acacia Flower Shop / 610-376-8767 / [acaciaflowershop@gmail.com](mailto:acaciaflowershop@gmail.com)

161 Grant Avenue, Cherry Hill,  
NJ 08002.

**PRESCHOOL ENROLLMENT  
NOW OPEN**

Elise Coakley, Director  
[preschool@westlawnumc.org](mailto:preschool@westlawnumc.org)

Enrollment is open for the 25/26 school year. Please register on our website or by filling out a registration form available in the main office. Interested in setting up a tour? Contact Elise.

**MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT**

Starting March 16, 2025:

West Lawn will be offering Marriage Enrichment classes for couples. Vow that 2025 will be the year of improving your relationship. For more information or to register, go to our website or app.



**WBSM FUNDRAISER**

**Ticket Coupon Required**  
**Pickup at the Welcome Center**  
Wednesday, Feb 12 / 11AM-close  
Thursday, Feb 13 / 11AM-close  
Austin's Restaurant & Bar  
OR Coastal Grille

A dining fundraiser for Western-Berks Shepherding Ministries is being held in February at the above restaurants. A percentage of your order supports WBSM.

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

- Feb 7-9 Youth Winter Retreat
- Feb 9 Baptism/Join Sunday
- Feb 9 Souperbowl of Caring
- Feb 9 Kids Club / Tween Grp
- Feb 11 Holy Smokes
- Feb 12 Women's Book Club
- Feb 12-13 WBSM Fundraiser
- Feb 17 OFFICE CLOSED-Holiday
- Feb 18 United Women in Faith
- Feb 21 Wilson Area Food Pantry
- Feb 23 Kids Club / Tween Grp
- Feb 23 Serve Meal @ HRM

**2025 SUMMARY as of 1/26/2025**

In-Person Worship	341
Online Worship	105
Sunday School	121
Tithes & Offerings for week	\$26,635
Monthly Income To Date	\$80,427
Monthly Income Goal	\$105,460
Budget Income to Date	\$80,427
Budget Goal (12 months)	\$1,371,000





**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](mailto:announcements@westlawnumc.org).

# VOLUNTEER

## SIGN UP

Be the hands and feet of Jesus this month as you volunteer in any of these ministries and missions of WLUMC. 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](mailto:kelly@westlawnumc.org)

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### **Musical Talent -**

If you have a musical talent, such as playing an instrument or singing, consider sharing it with the congregation on a Sunday morning at any of our worship services. We welcome adult, children and youth musicians.

**Any Sunday, 8, 9:30 or 11 AM**

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### **Lunch Driver & Server -**

We're seeking a committed person who, once a month, can physically load the church van with hot and cold food, drive the food and team to and from New Journey, and help serve the lunch meal. Does this fit your abilities and availability?

**10:30 AM-1 PM**

**First Thursday of Each Month**

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### **Fellowship Clean Up -**

Our HeBrews Cafe is a busy and popular place on Sunday mornings during fellowship time. In order to provide refreshments until at least 11 AM, another helping hand from 11-11:30 AM would allow us to extend the gathering time, and make clean quick and easy. This could be you!

**Sundays, 11-11:30 AM**

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### **Souper Bowl of Caring Pack Up & Delivery -**

Following the BIG GAME, our sanctuary will be filled with non-perishable food items. The West Lawn staff could use help bagging the groceries and driving them in to New Journey Community Outreach.

**Monday, February 10 OR**

**Tuesday, February 11**

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### **Instagram Assistance -**

Oh no - the West Lawn Kids Instagram account is not linking to the West Lawn Children's Ministry Facebook page! Do you know the social media secrets to connecting these two platforms? If so, we'd love your tech help!

**Any Day, Any Time**

**NAME**

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**PHONE**

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# **FEBRUARY 9th 2025**

**Join our Youth and instead of just watching the Big Game, help provide food items for our neighbors at New Journey CO. Non-perishable food & monetary donations will be collected at ALL SERVICES.**

NJCO is in particular need of these items to restock their shelves;  
(Regular sized containers/No Large containers please)

**Vegetable Oil**

**Ketchup**

**Mustard**

**Mayonnaise**

**Sugar (boxes best)**

**Jelly (we have peanut butter)**

**Beans; black, pink, pigeon peas, red beans**

**Canned mixed vegetables, Canned corn**

**Hearty Soups (not condensed)**

**Pasta**

**Ramen Noodles**

**Cup of noodles**

**Kid Friendly cereals**

**Questions- Contact Trisha Rabold**

# 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

- Janiszewski family on the loss of James
- Strausser family on Jim's fatal heart attack while shoveling snow
- William Strakn family 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
- Parents needing patience and grace dealing with their children
- Resolution and healing in relationships
- Safe travel for all
- Patience & guidance as we seek peace throughout the world

## PRAYERS OF PRAISE AND GRATITUDE

- Kamma Giare for successful event to help underprivileged girls in the community
- For Annie & Ernie coming thru an accident (that totaled their car) without injuries
- For memories of loved ones gone ahead

**2/2/2025**

### HOSPITALIZED

Eric Jentes  
Richard Keenan  
Jeff Zimmerman

### 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

Gretchen	Doug	friend	Marilynne Wiederspahn	Julie	Hampton	grandchildren
Dee & family	James	nieces	Jeff, brother & friends	Lisa	Ralph	Martin family
Elizabeth	Ruth	Clyde	Andrea & family	Philip	Paige	Mick & Mike
Maria & Matt	Lorna	Amber	Janiszewski family	Bev	my family	Jentes family
Judy & Roy	Debra	Rich K.	Samantha & family	Janet	Winnie	Dave & Roxanne
son-in-law	Drew	Yovanna	father & daughter	Susie	Janine	Cindy & David
Phil's mom	Edna	Marilynne	Heather & Mitchell	Amy	Patricia	Emily & Jon
Nancy & Bill	Shana	Declan	Rauenzahn family	Bill	Hannah	Coakley family
Jim & Patty	Eloise	Billy H.	Dan, Chris, Angela, Sue	Ray	Megan	Richard Mextorf

**Welcome**  
We're Glad You're Here!

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  
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## WORSHIP HIGHLIGHTS

**MESSAGE**

Pastor Tom Ebersole

*"Jesus: Who is This Man? Tell Me a Story"*

**WORSHIP LEADER**

Pastor Chris Hardy

**SCRIPTURE**

Mark 4:1-20 (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 #64 - *"Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty"*

UMH #641 - *"Fill My Cup, Lord"*

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

UMH #618 - *"Let Us Break Bread Together"*

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

**OFFERTORY**

Adult Choir, Christopher Rodgers, Director (8AM)

*"Jesus, Word of God Incarnate"* (Edward Elgar)

Susan Dorman, soloist; Chris Rodgers, piano (11AM)

*"No Man Is An Island"* (Joan Whitney and Alex Kramer)

**SCRIPTURE READERS**

Debbie Davis (8AM)

Richard Houser (11AM)

**PRaise MUSIC** (9:30AM)

Worship Team, Jayme Raffauf, Director

*"Breakthrough"* (Red Rocks Worship)

*"Yes I Will"* (Vertical Worship)

*"Do It Again"* (Elevation Worship)

*"The Commission"* (CAIN)

*"Remembrance"* (Hillsong Worship)