

WEST LAWN UMC  
*you're welcome here*

# THE HYMNS OF EASTER



MARCH 9, 2025

## WLW 3/12/2025

Meatloaf, Au Gratin Potatoes, Veg

## EASTER FESTIVAL CHOIR

Chris Rodgers / 484-338-5751

wlumcmusic@gmail.com

The Festival Choir will begin rehearsals for Easter, which is on April 20th this year, on **Wednesday March 12th from 7:30 to 8:00PM**. Please consider joining us if you would like to sing at one or both traditional services on Easter Sunday! Questions, contact Chris.

## WOMEN'S BOOK CLUB

**Wednesday, March 12 / 7PM**

Community Center / Conf Rm

Donna Barnhart / 610-468-7551

dmbhart2@gmail.com

Women's Book Club will meet in March to discuss the book *The Storied Life of A. J. Fikrey* by Gabrielle Zevin. New readers always welcome! Come join the discussion! Contact Donna.

## SOFTBALL REGISTRATION

[SoftballforJesus.org](http://SoftballforJesus.org)

**Sign-up Deadline is March 15**

Registration is now open for the 2025 Christian Recreational Softball League, a Ministry of WLUMC. Coed participants 13 years old plus of all abilities are encouraged to join us!

## MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT

Sunday's, March 16, 2025; and continuing on additional Sundays: 3/30-4/13-4/27-5/4

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.



## FOOD PANTRY

**Friday, March 21 / 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!

## PRESCHOOL ENROLLMENT

Elise Coakley, Director

[preschool@westlawnmc.org](mailto:preschool@westlawnmc.org)

Enrollment is open for the 2025/2026 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.

**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](mailto:acaciaflowershop@gmail.com)**

## YOUNG ADULTS

Javier Romero / 610-741-8613.  
2021romjava@gmail.com

If you are a young adult (age 18-25) and interested in getting together with other Christian young adults to maybe expand your social circle, find others with similar hobbies, or simply want a reason to leave the house, contact Javier.

## UWiF COLLECTION

March 9, 16, 23, 30  
Collection box in the Narthex

United Women in Faith are collecting feminine hygiene products to be shared with girls and women in shelters in the Reading area. Please place your contributions in the box in the Narthex during the month of March. This is a way each of us can be supportive of our sisters as they rebuild their lives.

## WM AFTERNOON TEA

Save the Date – Saturday, May 10. A Women's Ministry afternoon tea event is being planned to be held in the Community Center. Plan to make this part of your Mother's Day weekend celebrations with the special ladies in your life.

## GOLF TOURNAMENT

West Lawn is hosting a special Gratitude Golf Tournament on Sunday, June 1 at Manor Golf Club. Registration is now open on our website for players and sponsors. All are welcome.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Mar 16	Kids Club/Tween Grp
Mar 16	Marriage Enrichment
Mar 21	Wilson Area Food Shelf
Mar 28	Lifeline Screening
Mar 30	Coffee w/the Pastor
Mar 30	Marriage Enrichment
Apr 13	Marriage Enrichment

## 2025 SUMMARY as of 3/2/2025

In-Person Worship	392
Online Worship	102
Sunday School	116
Tithes & Offerings for week	\$24,294
Monthly Income To Date	\$24,294
Monthly Income Goal	\$131,825
Budget Income to Date	\$190,651
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)

**Retirement Home Visitors -**

A number of West Lawn members reside in nursing/retirement homes and are unable to come to church. Consider sharing some of your time on occasion visiting with these individuals. Personal visits are very welcomed and appreciated by these members.

**As Your Schedule Permits**

**Golf Tournament Help -**

Onsite volunteers will be needed at Manor Golf Club during the WLUMC Golf Tournament on June 1. Helpers will supervise the hole-in-one contest, set up prizes, serve beverages, and more. If you would like to help in these ways, sign up today.

**Sunday, June 1, Starting at 12 PM**

**Kids & Teen Clothing -**

WLUMC is setting up a kids & teen clothing ministry in the 100 Woodside house for children in need. Free clothing and shoes will be accessible once a month. Would you like to greet and assist our guests when they come to shop?

**4-7 PM**

**Third Wednesday of Each Month**

**Easter Candy Donations -**

In preparation for the Children's Ministry parking lot Easter event, we are seeking donations of candy to fill the many plastic eggs. All donations can be dropped off at the Welcome Center or Ed. Building between now and April 13.

**Anytime before April 13**

**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**

**NAME**

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**PHONE**

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# WEST LAWN UMC GRATITUDE GOLF TOURNAMENT



**SUNDAY, JUNE 1, 2025  
MANOR GOLF CLUB**

- **4-PERSON SCRAMBLE**
- **SHOTGUN START AT 1:00 PM**
- **SNACKS, DINNER, PRIZES**
- **\$75 PER GOLFER /  
\$300 PER FOURSOME**

*Includes: Cart,  
Soda & Water,  
Contests -  
Closest to the Pin,  
Longest Drive,  
Hole-In-One*

## **REGISTER BY MAY 10**

*For questions regarding registration or sponsorship opportunities,  
contact Bruce Morton at 484-794-0744, [bkmmem@comcast.net](mailto:bkmmem@comcast.net).*

*West Lawn's Gratitude Golf Tournament benefits an individual or family that recently faced an unexpected hardship. As a congregation, we would like to show our gratitude to God for keeping these individuals/families in His care. In addition to prayers and support, West Lawn UMC hosts this tournament to ease the financial burden that affects them.*

***This year, the proceeds will benefit the Eric Jentes Family.***



# 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

- Lisa Mochan on the loss of her father Robert
- Family & friends of Howard Flichman 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 ENCOURGEMENT AND SUPPORT:

- Homeless, abused, hungry people and animals
- For everyone to find the love of Jesus
- Families with disabled children
- Healthy, pregnancies and deliveries
- Those dealing with loved ones diagnosed with dementia
- Discernment & healing in relationships
- Safe travel for all

## PRAYERS OF PRAISE AND GRATITUDE

- For so many blessings
- Great test results after Melissa's surgery

**3/9/2025**

### HOSPITALIZED

Kim Hershman  
Eric Jentes  
Al Wicks

### 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

Dennis	Mary	John	Rich Kennan & wife	Kara	Karen	Martin family
Ginny	Judy	Bob H.	Marilynne & Chris	Bill D.	Linda	Pope Francis
Tracy	Janel	Cheryl	Eric Jentes & family	Debra	Claude	Irene & Pat
Sandy	DC	MaryAnn	Alycia K. & family	Elyse	Jennifer	Greg & Donna
Al & Linda	Terry	Nancy	Mineyshalee Mercado	David	Bev & Eli	Cora & family
Bill & Ruth	Lydia	Joanne	Samantha & family	Lisa	Andrea	Jeff & Roberta
Patti B.	Rachel	Howard	father & daughter	Erik R.	Janine	Manga family
Judy & Roy	Drew	Charles	Heather & Mitchell	Jane	Patricia	Emily & Jon
Nancy & Bill	Shana	Declan	Rauenzahn family	Amy	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!



15 Woodside Avenue  
West Lawn, PA 19609-1664  
610-678-5611  
[office@westlawnumc.org](mailto:office@westlawnumc.org)  
[www.westlawnumc.org](http://www.westlawnumc.org)  
Office Hours: 9AM-4PM M-F

## MESSAGE

Pastor Tom Ebersole

*"The Hymns of Easter: Christ the Lord is Risen Today"*

## WORSHIP LEADER

Pastor Chris Hardy

## SCRIPTURE

John 11:30-43 (NRSV)

## BAPTISM / JOINING

Amanda G. Shocket—Joining (9:30AM)

Bonnie A. Cambria—Joining (11AM)

Pat A. Jones—Joining (11AM)

## TRADITIONAL ORDER OF WORSHIP (8AM & 11AM)

### PRELUDE

### WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS

### CALL TO WORSHIP

### HYMN

### AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (8AM)

### PRAYERS / THE LORD'S PRAYER

### HYMN

### RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS (11AM)

### OFFERING / OFFERTORY / DOXOLOGY

### HYMN

### SCRIPTURE / MESSAGE

### HYMN

### DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

### POSTLUDE

## HYMNS

UMH #61 - *"Come, Thou Almighty King"*

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

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

UMH #347 - *"Spirit Song"*

UMH #302 - *"Christ, the Lord Is Risen Today"*

## OFFERTORY

Christopher Rodgers, piano (8AM)

*"Seek Ye First"* (Yohan Kim)

Adult Choir, Christopher Rodgers, Director (11AM)

*"God Leads Us Along"* (Jay Rouse)

## SCRIPTURE READERS

Dave Bosler (8AM)

Maria Grill (11AM)

## PRAISE MUSIC (9:30AM)

Worship Team, Jayme Raffauf, Director

*"Fill This Place"* (Red Rocks Worship)

*"Who You Say I Am"* (Hillsong)

*"Forever"* (Kari Jobe)

*"Christ Is Risen"* (Matt Maher)

*"Christ The Lord Is Risen Today"* (UMH #302, vs.1 only)

*"Great I Am"* (ONE A Worship Collective)