

WEST LAWN UMC

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SEPTEMBER 8, 2024



KIDS CLUB & TWEEN GRP

TODAY / 6:30PM

Registration required

Kids' Club & Tween

Group resumes for all
2nd—5th grade students.

Join us for twice
monthly, Sunday evening time for
games, fellowship, snack, crafts,
and a mini lesson!



WOMEN'S BOOK CLUB

Wednesday, September 11 / 7PM

Community Center / Conf Rm

Donna Barnhart / 610-468-7551

dmhart2@gmail.com

Women's Book Club will meet in
September to discuss the book *The
Paris Daughter* by Kristin Harmel.
New readers always welcome!
Come join us! Contact Donna.

LOSS OF A SPOUSE

Wed. Sept. 11 / 1:30PM / Rm 109

Thurs., Sept. 12 / 7PM / CC Conf Rm

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

WLW MEALS 9/11/24

Chicken Parmesan & Pasta, Garlic
Bread / KIDS: Cheeseburger

**WLUMC Preschool still has
openings for 2s, 3s, & Pre-K!!**

**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

WM BREAKFAST/SPEAKER

Registrations still being accepted!

Saturday, September 14 / 8:30 AM

Raffauf Community Center

Women's Ministry is 
planning a breakfast event,
featuring guest speaker, 
Marie Monville. Marie will
speak about courageous faith and
determination, and how to uncover
God's plan for our lives and the
impact we can make in the world.
More details and registration
online.

WBSM FUNDRAISER

Ticket Required/pickup at Welcome Ctr

Wednesday, Sept. 18 / 11AM-close

Thursday, Sept. 19 / 11AM-close

Austin's Restaurant & Bar

OR Coastal Grille

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

NEW RINGERS WELCOME!

Diane Soper

handbells@westlawnumc.org

Interested in joining our handbell
ministry? Maybe you rang bells in
the past; maybe you never rang a
bell before but would like to learn.
All are welcome! Contact Diane.

FALL BLOOD DRIVE

Thursday, Sept. 26 / 1-7PM
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www.giveapint.org

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CRAFT BAZAAR TIME

Saturday, October 12 /9AM-2PM
Raffauf Community Center
Phyllis Moser /
phylmoser@gmail.com

Our annual WLUMC Craft/Vendor Bazaar will take place in October. We will have 30 unique vendors, bake sale and good food. Donations

of baked goods would be appreciated! All proceeds benefit the ministries and mission of West Lawn UMC. Questions: Contact Phyllis.

SAVE THE DATE

Help Build Hope
Fri. & Sat. October 18-19

PRISON MINISTRY

Mary Davis / 610-781-2012,
maryellendavis54@gmail.com

West Lawn has a team of volunteers who minister to incarcerated men and women in the Berks County Jail, offering hope to the inmates who are willing to explore the transforming love of Jesus. If you have any interest in being part of this team, reach out to Mary.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sep 08 Kidz Club/Tween Starts
Sep 08 Confirmation Info Mtg
Sep 11&12 Loss of a Spouse
Sep 14 WM Breakfast/Speaker
Sep 16 MM Football Night
Sep 18 Griefshare 1PM Begins
Sep 19 Griefshare 7PM Begins
Sep 18&19 WBSM Fundraiser

2024 SUMMARY as of 9/1/2024

In-Person Worship	309
Online Worship	111
Sunday School	75
Tithes & Offerings for week	\$36,135
Monthly Income To Date	\$36,135
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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 _____

- Saturday, September 14** - Prepare & serve breakfast to 115 women attending the *Courageous Faith* breakfast/speaker event in the Raffauf Community Center. 7:30-9:30 AM

- Saturday, September 21** - Be a greeter at West Lawn UMC to 250 clergy members from our conference as we host a *Service of Welcome* for Bishop Moore-KoiKoi. 9-10:30 AM

- Saturday, September 21** - Prepare & serve lunch to 250 clergy members from our conference as we host a lunch for Bishop Moore-KoiKoi and guests in the Raffauf Community Center. 9 AM-3 PM

- October 18-19** - Join a team of over 120 volunteers in the WLUMC parking lot to build the frame structure for a small house, that will then be given to a family in need. More details on our website. Friday: 5:30-8 PM; Saturday: 8-11 AM

- Tuesdays** - Provide childcare for moms while they meet in their small groups on campus. Choose one Tuesday a month, or every week. 6:30-8 PM



West Lawn is partnering with Help Build Hope and hosting a local mission project in our parking lot on **October 18-19, 2024**. During this event, we will build the frame structure for a small house, that will then be given to a family in need to achieve affordable home ownership. The walls we build will provide a way to reduce costs for Habitat for Humanity and Fuller Centers for Housing, and allow them to completely finish the home faster.

We invite everyone, regardless of age, experience or expertise, to help with the build. We are seeking 120 volunteers to serve over the course of the two days.

Cut Session Volunteers - Friday, October 18 - 5:30-8 PM

25-30 adults to assist with preparing the material for a one-house build event using power saws, measuring & cutting measurements, labeling cut lumber, carrying lumber to the appropriate areas, and attaching vinyl to plates.

Build Day Crew Leaders - Saturday, October 19 - 8-11 AM

Crew leaders that have framing experience or are trained by the Help Build Hope staff.

Build Day Crew Members - Saturday, October 19 - 8-11 AM

75 volunteers to assemble the walls.

Hospitality - Saturday, October 19 - 8-11 AM

Help our volunteers stay hydrated and fed throughout the morning.

**SIGN UP ON THE APP OR AT THE WELCOME CENTER
FOR ONE OF THESE POSITIONS.**



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

- Anna & family on the loss of their unborn child
- Santiago family on the loss of their daughter to cancer

PRAYERS OF HEALING:

- Healing from cancer; strength and courage for the fight
- Peace and healing from mental and physical illness
- Healthy, pregnancies and deliveries

PRAYERS OF ENCOURAGEMENT AND SUPPORT:

- Homeless, abused, hungry people and animals
- Those with declining health
- Financial & personal stability
- Easy transition into assisted living
- Discernment and healing in relationships
- Moving, job situations, changes and new opportunities
- Our country
- Safe travel for all

PRAYERS OF PRAISE AND GRATITUDE:

- For our many blessings

9/8/2024

HOSPITALIZED

Robert Haag
Joy Himmelmann
Bruce Hopkins
Donna Knauth
Harriett Ziegenfuss

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

Samantha	Mary	Keith	Kim's brother-in-law	Jenn	Janice	Anna & family
Gene & Barb	Sonny	John H.	Witmyer & Davis family	Don	Brooke	Bob & Audry
John & Linda	Libby	Lois P.	Jake & Chelsea	Ernie	Shana	Dara & Jeff
husband	Amy	Laura	Sharon & Stephanie	Kris	Clyde	Hampton
Dave & Cindy	Luke	Kimm	Gerald & Joan Cook	Bri	Susie	Kathryn Wasser
Kelly W.	Teddy	Greg	Heather & Mitchell	Kim	Patricia	Mark Weaver
Nancy & Bill	Eloise	Declan	Rauenzahn family	Ray	Hannah	Martin family
Jim & Patty	Bob J.	Billy H.	Dan, Chris, Angela & Sue	Dave	Megan	Richard Mextorf

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*Ephesians**2:8-10*

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

WORSHIP HIGHLIGHTS

MESSAGE

Pastor Tom Ebersole
Pastor Chris Hardy
Kelly Rismiller
"We Were Created for This"

WORSHIP LEADER

Pastor Chris Hardy

SCRIPTURE

Ephesians 2:8-10 (NRSV)

TRADITIONAL ORDER OF WORSHIP (8AM & 11AM)

PRELUDE
WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS
CALL TO WORSHIP
HYMN
AFFIRMATION OF FAITH
PRAYERS / THE LORD'S PRAYER
HYMN
OFFERING / OFFERTORY / DOXOLOGY
HYMN
SCRIPTURE / MESSAGE
HYMN
DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING
POSTLUDE

HYMNS

UMH #547 - *"O Church of God, United"*
UMH #178 - *"Hope of the World"* (VERSE 1 ONLY)
UMH #94 - *"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"*
UMH #584 - *"Lord, You Give the Great Commission"*
UMH #568 - *"Christ for the World We Sing"*

OFFERTORY

Adult Choir, John Coakley, Director (8AM)
"We Are Called" (Haas, Hayes)
John Coakley, soloist; Christopher Rodgers; piano (11AM)
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RAISE MUSIC (9:30AM)

Worship Team, Jayme Raffauf, Director
"Build Your Kingdom Here" (Rend Collective)
"Hope Has A Name" (River Valley Worship)
"Oceans (Where Feet May Fail)" (Hillsong)
"I've Witnessed It" (Passion)
"Good Plans" (Red Rocks Worship)