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*you're welcome here*

WEST LAWN UMC

NOVEMBER 24, 2024



## **THANKSGIVING EVE SRVC**

**Wednesday, November 27**  
**7PM / Sanctuary**

Join us as we celebrate a "Potluck of Thankfulness" and all the blessings from God during this year at the Thanksgiving Eve Service. The United Women in Faith will dedicate the quilts that have been prepared for agencies serving women & children in our community as well as their World Thank Offerings. This is a potluck, not of food, but of our blessings/gifts. Join us to acknowledge how God continues to bless us.

## **SS PICKUP CHANGE DEC. 1**

**On December 1, Sunday School pick-up will occur in the Community Center!** We invite you to stick around following pick-up for a wonderful opportunity for families to come together in fellowship and collect Family Advent Resources. These specially designed resources will help your family joyfully embrace the holiday season. Take advantage of this chance to deepen your family's holiday experience!

## **WLW MEAL 11/27/24**

**NO MEAL—THANKSGIVING**

## **SING "MESSIAH"**

**Sunday, December 1 / 3PM**  
**Sanctuary / Open to the Public!**

Join in singing one of the great musical treasures, Handel's timeless *Messiah*. This uplifting and heartwarming tradition, filled with Handel's sublime music provided by the Berks Chamber Orchestra, will be held right here at West Lawn UMC. This event is sure to add some sparkle and glow to your holiday season!

## **ANGEL TREE PARTY**

**Saturday, December 7 / 10AM**  
**Raffauf Community Center**  
**Alice Moyer / 610-670-7633**  
**amoyer140@gmail.com**  
**GIFTS DUE DECEMBER 1**

The Angel Tree Party is a beautiful opportunity to give back this holiday season. Volunteers are needed for prep work and the day of the party (see insert) or contributions are being accepted towards purchasing bibles for each child. Your participation will make a meaningful impact on a child's Christmas and help bring joy to a family facing difficult circumstances.

**FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR TODAY ARE PRESENTED:**

*In loving memory of Pauline Wyrick  
and her parents, Stephen and Elizabeth Guresh  
by Galen and family*

**To place an order for flowers, contact:**

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

## PRESCHOOL FUNDRAISER

**ORDERS DUE BY DECEMBER 6**

Support the West Lawn Preschool by purchasing a gift from the *Meadow Farms Ultimate Gift Collection* catalog! Choose from hundreds of gifts, including jewelry, home décor, Yankee Candles, kitchen accessories, Gertrude Hawk snacks, holiday gift wrap/bags and more. Scan the QR code to see the online catalog.



## POINSETTIA ORDERS

Order forms at the Welcome Ctr  
Choice of Red or White / \$10 each  
**ORDERS DUE BY DECEMBER 9**

Would you like to help adorn our Sanctuary this Christmas season by ordering a poinsettia? Plants can be purchased in honor or memory of loved ones or to the Glory of God.

### **2024 SUMMARY as of 11/17/2024**

In-Person Worship	347
Online Worship	95
Sunday School	125
Tithes & Offerings for week	\$25,788
Monthly Income To Date	\$85,788
Monthly Income Goal	\$107,284
Budget Income to Date	\$1,125,436
Budget Goal (12 months)	\$1,394,722

## WOMEN'S BOOK CLUB

Wednesday, December 11 / 7PM  
Community Center / Conf Rm  
Donna Barnhart / 610-468-7551  
dmbhart2@gmail.com

Women's Book Club will meet in December to discuss the book *A Redbird Christmas* by Fannie Flag. New readers always welcome! Come join the discussion! Contact Donna for more info.

## NJCO FOOD COLLECTION

New Journey Community Outreach's food pantry is in immediate need of non-perishable food items to give away to those in need. Our collection continues through the end of November. Drop off donations at the church Welcome Center or office.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**Nov 24 Serve Meal @ HRM**

**Nov 27 Thanksgiving Eve Srv**

**Nov 28-29 OFFICE CLOSED**

**Dec 1 1st Sunday of Advent**

**Dec 1 Sing *Messiah* @ WLUMC**



**DOWNLOAD**



### 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](mailto: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](mailto:kelly@westlawnumc.org)

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

- ☐ **Touch Up Painting** - Each of West Lawn's restrooms are in need of some touch up painting as a result of newly installed soap dispensers. If you have the gift of painting small spaces neatly, we welcome your help with this project!
- ☐ **Friday, December 6** - In preparation for the Angel Tree party, help carry upstairs the many Christmas trees and decorations from our basement storage room. Strong backs & arms required! 6-8 PM, Community Center
- ☐ **Saturday, December 7** - Greet the Angel Tree party guests, help with traffic control, decorate gingerbread house and crafts with the families, and help clean-up. 9:30 AM-1 PM, Community Center
- ☐ **Christmas Greens** - Gather a truckload of real evergreen branches, holly and other festive greens for our annual fresh evergreen workshop/craft, taking place in the Community Center between the worship services. Deliver to the Community Center by December 14.
- ☐ **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

# WLUMC Preschool *fundraiser*

Help raise money to support the West Lawn Preschool by purchasing a gift from the Meadow Farms Ultimate Gift Collection catalog! Choose from hundreds of gifts, including jewelry, home décor, Yankee Candles, kitchen accessories, Gertrude Hawk snacks, holiday, gift wrap/bags and more. Scan the QR code to see the online catalog.



- **Jewelry**
- **Gift Wrap**
- **Home Décor**
- **Yankee Candles**
- **Kitchen Accessories**
- **Gertrude Hawk**  
**Chocolates & Snacks**



*Sale Open from  
November 11-December 6*



# 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:

- Family & friends of Luke Dundore on his passing
- Family of Jan Bertolet on her passing
- Family of Sharon Mullin on her passing
- Nelson family on the passing of Barry's mom

## PRAYERS OF HEALING:

- Healing from cancer; strength and courage for the fight
- Recognition, commitment, recovery from addiction
- For those who are lost may they return to the arms of God
- Peace and healing from mental and physical illness

## PRAYERS OF ENCOURAGEMENT AND SUPPORT:

- Homeless, abused, hungry people and animals
- Those grieving and unspoken prayers
- For bullying to stop in schools
- Patience for caregivers
- 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:

- Thanks to Chris Rodgers for a great job
- David Perez doing great thanks to God and prayers
- For our many blessings

**11/24/2024**

### HOSPITALIZED

Kim Hershman  
Harriett Ziegenfuss  
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

neighbors	Eric	Roy	Sue, Irene, Barbara	Kelly	Ernie	Scott & Debbie
Bev & Eli	Dan	Debra	James & Tracy	Irene	Merrill	my dad's friend
Bob & Janie	Kris	Keith	Aaron & Camryn	Scott	Kayla	Dennis & Mary
Trinidad	Drew	Tom S.	father & daughter	Vince	Louise	Martin family
Marsha	Teddy	Kimm	J. Zimmerman family	Scot	Betty K	Bob & April
James & Jen	Lois	Kathy T.	Heather & Mitchell	Shana	Patricia	Coakley family
Nancy & Bill	Joshua	Declan	Rauenzahn family	Ray	Hannah	Kathryn Wasser
Jim & Patty	Eloise	Billy H.	Dan, Chris, Angela & Sue	Joe	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  
www.westlawnumc.org  
Office Hours: 9AM-4PM M-F

## WORSHIP HIGHLIGHTS

### MESSAGE

Pastor Chris Hardy  
*"You Are Mine"*

### WORSHIP LEADER

Pastor Tom Ebersole

### SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 43:1-4 (NLT)

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

PRELUDE

WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

HYMN

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

PRAYERS / LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN

OFFERING / OFFERTORY / DOXOLOGY

HYMN

SCRIPTURE / MESSAGE

HYMN

DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

POSTLUDE

### HYMNS

FWS #2008 - *"Let All Things Now Living"*

UMH #174 - *"His Name Is Wonderful"*

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

UMH #110 - *"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"*

UMH #529 - *"How Firm a Foundation"*

### OFFERTORY

Adult Choir (8AM)

*"My Heart Is Inditing"* (George Frederic Handel)

Christopher Rodgers, organ (11AM)

*"Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us"* (Joe Utterback)

### SCRIPTURE READERS

James Ludwick (8AM)

Bev Connors (11AM)

### PRaise MUSIC (9:30AM)

Worship Team, Jayme Raffauf, Director

*"This Is Our God"* (Phil Wickham)

*"Great Are You Lord"* (All Sons and Daughters)

*"What A Beautiful Name"* (Hillsong)

*"Another In The Fire"* (Hillsong)

*"Not Afraid"* (Jesus Culture)