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RELATIONSHIPS

THAT LAST A LIFETIME

WEST LAWN UMC
OCTOBER 25, 2026

WORSHIP HIGHLIGHTS

TRADITIONAL ORDER OF WORSHIP (8AM & 11AM)

PRELUDE
WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS
CALL TO WORSHIP
HYMN (UMH #549 - "Where Charity and Love Prevail")
AFFIRMATION OF FAITH
PRAYERS & THE LORD'S PRAYER
HYMN (TFWS #2150 - "Lord, Be Glorified")
OFFERTORY
Diane Soper - Bell Tree/Christopher Rodgers - Piano (8AM)
"Simple Gifts" (Anna Laura Page)
Adult Choir (11AM)
"A Gaelic Blessing" (John Rutter)
HYMN (UMH #643 - "When Love Is Found")
SCRIPTURE Genesis 2:18-24 (NIV)
Neal Lebo (8AM)/Debra Soule (11AM)
"Relationships That Last a Lifetime: Spouse" Pastor Tom Ebersole
HYMN (TFWS #2197 - "Lord of All Hopefulness")
DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING
POSTLUDE

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP (9:30AM)

Worship Team
Jayme Raffauf, Director

"This Is Amazing Grace"
(Phil Wickham)
"Faithful To The End"
(Bethel Music)
"Living Hope"
(Bethel Music)
"The Blessing"
(Kari Jobe)
"Overcome"
(Jeremy Camp)

WORSHIP LEADER:
Pastor Chris Hardy

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.

New Visitors: Bring your "Visitor Card" (found in the pew racks) to the Welcome Center to trade in for a gift!

At our Welcome Center:

- Prayer Page
- Monthly Newsletter
- Announcement Flyers
- Information on Classes and Groups

Looking For:

- A Seat in Worship
- Nursery
- Classrooms
- Mother's Nursing Room
- Prayer Room
- Restrooms

Greeters are happy to help you.

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OUR PRAYERS

Healing

- Healing from cancer; strength and courage for the fight
- Recognition, commitment, recovery from addiction
- Peace and healing from mental and physical illness
- Those impacted by accidents and falls
- Family members affected by death and illness

Encouragement & Support

- Safe, healthy pregnancies and deliveries
- Homeless, hungry, and abused people
- Those waiting for: diagnosis, biopsy, treatment, surgery
- For all to have a stronger and trusting connection with God
- Discernment and healing for broken family communication
- Those in need of guidance

Praise & Gratitude

- For our many blessings
- Good medical news
- Making progress in rehabilitation
- Family and life milestones

The World

- Leaders of the World
- Safety and peace for our armed forces and their families
- Safety for law enforcement officers and county and township leaders
- Those impacted by natural disasters

We Keep in Our Prayers

Names are updated weekly based on prayer cards, online submissions, and updates shared with our staff.

Jody, Linda, Mary, Ruthie, Laila, Hannah, Wendy, James, Andy, Dietlinde, Olivia, Patricia, Diane, Kathy, Harriet, Bob, Karen, Jenne, Dave

How to Engage with WLUMC Prayer Ministries:

WEBSITE	Under the WORSHIP/PRAYER REQUEST tab
APP	Under the GET CARE/PRAYER tab
CALL PRAYER CHAIN	Mabel Reighley/610-678-5141
TEXT PRAYER CHAIN	Dan Allan/610-804-7739

**Notify a pastor or the office if you or a loved one is hospitalized or entering rehab.*

MEN'S MISSION TRIP

February 28-March 5, 2027
Carolina Rebuilding Ministry
Pastor Chris Hardy
chris@westlawnumc.org

Join Pastor Chris and other men from West Lawn for a week of hands-on service with Carolina Rebuilding Ministry in North Carolina. Adult men of all skill levels are welcome, with those who have carpentry, construction, or handyman experience especially encouraged to participate. Learn more and register at **westlawnumc.org/mensmissiontrip**. Registration deadline: January 31, 2027.

WOMEN'S BOOK CLUB

Wednesday, November 11, 7PM
Community Center/Conf Rm
Donna Barnhart/610-468-1981
dmbhart2@gmail.com

Women's Book Club will meet on November 11 to discuss *Small Things Like These* by Claire Keegan. December's book is *The First Ladies* by Marie Benedict. Come join us; new readers always welcome! Contact Donna for info.

RECREATIONAL BOWLERS

Tuesdays, 6:20PM
Lucky Strike Bowling Lanes
Bruce Morton/484-794-0744

Starting Tuesday, November 3 at 6:20PM, join this small group of 'just-for-fun' bowlers at Lucky Strike Bowling Lanes for 3 games of bowling alongside Calvary Church for $16.50 (includes price of ball and shoes). They have 2 lanes and can accommodate up to 10 adult/older teen bowlers. This group runs weekly November-April (except for last week of December). If interested, contact Bruce.

MEN'S JUNK SWAP

Saturday, November 14, 8-10AM
Community Center
Pastor Chris Hardy
chris@westlawnumc.org

Got tools, fishing gear, camping equipment, sporting goods, or other stuff sitting around that you just don't use anymore? Bring it to our first Men's Junk Swap & Breakfast! Join us for a morning of good food, great company, and a chance to turn your unused stuff into something you might actually use. Bring items to swap, sell, or give away, and see what treasures other guys bring along.

PRESCHOOL PJS & FLASHLIGHTS

Thursday, October 29, 5PM
Rooms 207-209, Education Building

Please join us for a pop-up storytime! Feel free to wear your favorite snuggly PJs, and be sure to bring a flashlight. We'll read *Flashlight* by Lizi Boyd, and we'll use our flashlights to look for various woodland creatures. This will be a 30-minute sensory-friendly event.

OUR PRAYER TEAM

Pastor Pat Goshert
pgoshert@westlawnumc.org

The WLUMC Prayer Team is available for anyone who may be having an upcoming medical procedure. Our Prayer Team will meet with you personally to pray with you prior to the day of your procedure. We can pray with you at WLUMC or in the comfort of your home. Please reach out to WLUMC Prayer Team member, John Moyer, at 484-256-5045 to request an in-person prayer from our Prayer Team.

MEN'S MINISTRY HOCKEY NIGHT

Wednesday, October 28, 7PM
Santander Arena
Pastor Chris Hardy
chris@westlawnumc.org

Guys, head to the rink with Pastor Chris and other men from West Lawn as we cheer on the Reading Royals against the Trenton Ironhawks! The puck drops at 7:00 PM (doors at 6 PM) at Santander Arena. We've reserved a block of seats in Section 110, and tickets are just $15 per person! Grab a buddy and join us for a fun night of hockey, good company, and a chance to connect with other guys from West Lawn. Get your tickets through our website.

SUNDAY MORNING BREAKFASTS

Starting November 1, Every Sunday
8:30-11AM, Community Center
Kelly Rismiller/610-507-9141
kelly@westlawnumc.org

Join us in the Community Center for pancakes, sausage, and good company. We will also be adding scrambled eggs this year to the menu! Whether you're flipping flapjacks, serving sides, greeting guests, or simply enjoying a warm meal with your church family, everyone is welcome. To join this volunteer team, contact Kelly.

Interested in placing flowers on the altar?



Contact the office for more information.

UPCOMING EVENTS

October 28	Men's Hockey Night
October 29	Preschool Pjs & Flashlights
October 29	Blood Drive
November 1	Community Breakfasts Start
November 6-8	Girls' Getaway
November 14	Men's Junk Swap

PASTORS

Tom Ebersole - Lead Pastor
Chris Hardy - Associate Pastor
Pat Goshert - Congregational Care
Sherry Lantz - Visitation Pastor
Nick Camacho - Spanish Ministries

2026 SUMMARY as of 10/25/2026

In-Person Worship	401
Online Worship	101
Sunday School	148
Tithes & Offerings for week	$21,524
Monthly Income to Date	$80,459
Monthly Income Goal	$108,564
Budget Income to Date	$1,031,080
Budget Goal (12 months)	$1,411,340



What Called You to Help:

"Linda and I felt that it was the most worthwhile mission we were ever part of. When Pastor Sherry asked us to be our church's coordinators, we reluctantly accepted the job. We're so glad we did. In our 12 years, WLUMC and the other 9 churches did so much for families who recently became homeless. I truely believe we were a big part of keeping these families together."

- Wayne and Linda Weikel

Most Memorable Moment:

"My favorite part of Family Promise was when the families used to stay at our church. I enjoyed spending time with the families."

- Dennis Wonderland

What Called You to Help:

"When John and I joined WLUMC, we formed a small group with three other "fifty something" couples. We prayed about finding a place to serve as a group and were presented with the opportunity to serve as mentors with Hannahs Hope, a homeless shelter for single moms. We were blessed to be able to develop a relationship with this young mom and give her a sense of community and safety where she could depend on us as she was learning and growing into an independent mother. " - *Renee and John Donovan*



Most Memorable Moment:

"Overall the relationships we formed with the moms as we worked with them in both group and individual settings are most memorable. We were able to volunteer our time and talents to make a difference and for us it felt much more engaged, and we were grateful for that opportunity." - *Darrell and Jenni Denny*

"My very special moment(s) are to watch these Moms grow (flourish) and develop life skills they would NEVER HAVE GOTTEN elsewhere, during their time with us!!!"

- David Bosler

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 _____

☐ **Fuel The Getaway:** West Lawn's Girls' Getaway (Nov. 6–8) is even better with great food to share! We're looking for donations of snacks, appetizers, salads, side dishes, and sweets. Can we count on your tasty contribution? Let us know!

☐ **Trick-or-Treat with a Purpose!** Halloween night, Saturday, October 31, is a golden opportunity to be a friendly face for our neighbors! Join us at the 100 Woodside house to hand out candy, share smiles, and show our community that the church is a place of warmth and welcome. No experience needed, just a bag of candy and a big smile. Come for an hour or stay for the whole evening! 5:30-8:30 PM.

☐ **NEW: Stock the Closet, Share the Love!** Our free children and teen clothing closet is especially in need of clothing for teenage boys, including sweatpants, hoodies, shirts, jackets, and shoes. If you have gently used items to share, size 12 through Youth Extra Large, please drop them off in the church office or directly on the porch of the 100 Woodside house.

☐ **NEW: Men's Junk Swap Breakfast**: We are looking for a couple of guys who would be willing to help cook breakfast for our Men's Ministry Junk Swap on November 14 from 8-10AM. This will be a time for men of West Lawn to get together and exchange gear while enjoying a time of fellowship and good food!