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TOUGH ISSUES

SUICIDE

Biblical Answers to Life's Hard Questions

WEST LAWN UMC
AUGUST 30, 2026

WORSHIP HIGHLIGHTS

TRADITIONAL ORDER OF WORSHIP (8AM & 11AM)

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

HYMN (UMH #158 - "Come, Christians, Join to Sing")

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Apostles' Creed

PRAYERS & THE LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN (UMH #393 - "Spirit of the Living God")

OFFERTORY

Tom Denny - Piano (8AM)

"French Suite No.3 in B Minor, BWV 814: III. Sarabande"

(Johann Sebastian Bach)

Preston Knauer - Soloist; Cindy Knauer - Piano (11AM)

"Here I Am, Lord" (Daniel Schutte)

SCRIPTURE Psalm 13; Job 7:13-15 (NIV)

HYMN (UMH #88 - "Maker, in Whom We Live")

"Faith & Suicide" Pastor Tom Ebersole

HYMN (UMH #557 - "Blest be the Tie That Binds")

DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

POSTLUDE

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP (9:30AM)

Worship Team
Jayme Raffauf, Director

"I Am"

(Crowder)

"Hope Has A Name"

(River Valley Worship)

"Goodness of God"

(Bethel Music)

"You Say"

(Lauren Daigle)

"Great I Am"

(One-A Worship Collective)

WORSHIP LEADER:

Kelly Rismiller

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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Office Hours: M-F 9AM-3PM

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

The World

- Leaders of the World
- Safety & 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.

Mike, Amy, Welby, Diettinde, Craig, Kimm, Aaron, Noah, Frank, Debbie, Grace, Maddie, Hannah, David, Chris, Andy, Zoey, Hayley, Patricia, Wayne, Andrea, TIm, Jeff, Matthew, George, Ray, Betty, Maria

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.*

WEST LAWN UMC BIBLE STUDY GROUPS

Sunday

9:30AM Sunday School - HeBrews Cafe
Sherry Ricketts jefbup@gmail.com

9:30AM Sunday School - Community Center Conf. Room
Terrie Jenkins trinity7090@aol.com
*Beginning September 13 with 1 Kings

11AM NEW Disciple 1 - Room 109
John Magee jmagee3113@comcast.net
*Beginning in October **Disciple 1** is a comprehensive Bible study covering the whole of Scripture — Genesis to Revelation — over 24 weeks of 75-minute weekly sessions including videos, engaging presenters, and guided group discussion.

11AM Sunday School - Room 109
Laila Moore lmoore@boscovs.com

Monday

6:30PM Men's Study - Room 109
Alex Massengale alex.massengale@verizon.net

7PM Men's Study - Music Room
Richard Freeze lrfreeze@verizon.net
*Beginning September 14 with The Story of the Bible

Tuesday

9:30AM Women's Study - Room 110
Elyse Elliot lysey115@comcast.net
*Beginning September 15

9:30AM Women's Study - Room 112
Lisa Hoopes lhoopes@comcast.net
*Beginning September 8 with Revelation

7PM Book by Book - HeBrews Cafe
Sherry Ricketts jefbup@gmail.com
*Beginning September 22 with 1 Samuel

Wednesday

9:30AM Wednesday Morning with Pastor Tom - Room 109
Tom Ebersole tom@westlawnumc.org

7PM Wednesday Evening with Pastor Tom - 100 Woodside House
*Beginning September 9 with Fire on the Mountain

Thursday

6:30PM Men's Study - Room 110
Shane Paisley srpaisley@gmail.com
Charles Soper csoper58@gmail.com
*Beginning September 17

6:30PM Estudio Bíblico - 100 Woodside House
Cachy Camacho crqt@yahoo.com

**For more information on starting dates and how to join,
visit westlawnumc.org/adults**

SPLENDORS OF ITALY INFORMATIONAL MEETING

Sunday, September 20, 12:30PM
Room 109, Education Building
Pastor Chris Hardy
chris@westlawnumc.org

Explore Italy with Pastor Chris in 2027! Join Pastor Chris Hardy for the Splendors of Italy experience, a 10-day journey departing from Philadelphia on October 12, 2027. Join Pastor Chris for an informational meeting on Sunday, September 20.

GRIEFSHARE

Pat Goshert/610-858-4839
pgoshert@westlawnumc.org

A new Griefshare group will begin on September 2 at 1:30PM in room 109 with the first session – Loss of a Spouse. This will be followed by 13 weeks of Griefshare. To register, please go to Griefshare.org, or contact Pastor Pat.

ADULT CHOIR RESUMES SEPTEMBER 2

Wednesdays, 7-8:30PM
Music Room
Chris Rodgers/610-678-5611 ext. 601
christopher@westlawnumc.org

Adult Choir will resume on September 2 with weekly rehearsals. They will also have an alternate weekly rehearsal on Thursdays, beginning September 3, from 10-11:30AM for those unable to attend on Wednesday evenings. If you are interested in joining, please contact Chris Rodgers.

Flowers on the altar today are presented:

Celebrating Phyllis Guldner's Birthday!



Interested in placing flowers on the altar?
Contact the office for more information.

UPCOMING EVENTS



- Aug 30 Kids Choir Information Meeting
- Aug 30 Sunday School Step Up Sunday
- September 2 Adult Choir Resumes
- September 6 Belize Mission Meeting
- September 11-12 Help Build Hope
- September 13 Kids & Youth Kickoff Night
- September 20 Splendors of Italy Meeting

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 8/30/2026

In-Person Worship	375
Online Worship	113
Sunday School	100
Tithes & Offerings for week	\$23,250
Monthly Income to Date	\$102,052
Monthly Income Goal	\$135,705
Budget Income to Date	\$821,318
Budget Goal (12 months)	\$1,411,340

