



THE MESSENGER

2023

Worship Schedule
Sunday: 8 AM and 10:30 AM
Sunday Church School for all ages: 9:15 AM
Second Saturday of the month at 5:00 PM

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Dear Friends in Christ,

April is when Easter comes this year! I look forward to the fragrant lilies, beautiful music and joyful Alleluias after our 40 day journey through Lent.

Towards the end of one of his poems, Gerald Manley Hopkins speaks of his hope that Christ will enter our lives. "Let him easter in us, be a dayspring to the dimness of us." Hopkins understands and uses Easter as a verb rather than a noun. It's a reminder that Easter is something that happens to us. Easter is about living, about action, about transformation. Christ easters in us. He shares his risen life with us. As Paul says, "It is no longer I who live, but it is Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me". (Gal. 2:19-20)

Christ eastering within us means we have a new core and center from which we live. We now live Christ's life. Easter is more than an event, a day, a remembrance. It is a way of life.

Blessings,
 Pastor Bonnie

Pastor
Rev. Bonnie L. Grimaldi

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Planning Council

**PLANNING
COUNCIL**

Next Meeting
Tuesday,
May 16th, 2023
@ 6:30 PM



Tues., April 25th - Endowment Board Mtg.
7:00 pm

2020-2021 BOARD MEMBERS AND OFFICERS

Richard Elliott - President Julie Brothers - Vice President
Becky Lands - Secretary John Wolfe - Treasurer

Congregational Life

Julie Brothers - Director
Susie Erickson
Elaine Margo
Melody Rader
Jim Heller

Property

Jim Gibb- Director
Audra Miceli
Nathan Vaughan
Larry Wallick
Brad Wharmby

Christian Faith and Life

Ashley Eick - Director
Karla Burrier
Debbie Flood
Tiffany Shepherd
Deb Foust
(Cody Jerles, Coordinator YFM)

Hospitality

Still Needed - Director
Marcie Castricone
Melissa Engstrom
Cindy Jerles
Traci Smith
Bobbie Cox
Julie Vanfossen

Stewardship Development

Ron Stahl - Director
Charles Castricone
Keith Lands
Sarah Kneuss

Outreach

Paul McFadden– Director
Joe Erickson
Tanna Loveday
Judy Martin
Joe Penrod
Scott Ebert (church sign)
David Elliott (church website)

Coordinator of Youth & Family Ministries: Cody Jerles
Director of Music;/Organist Linda Hanna
Secretary: Lisa Morris
Treasurer: John Wolfe
Custodian: Ed Robinson

To Know Christ, To Live Christ, To Share Christ, and To Be One in Christ

Hammerstrom Scholarship

Phillip Jr. and Marceil Hammerstrom Scholarship Fund Application

This scholarship was setup by Phillip Jr. in memory of his wife, Marceil, who was in the medical field. Also, in memory of his father, Phillip Sr, who was a machinist. If your field of study is in the **MEDICAL/HEALTH** area, or the **TRADE/INDUSTRY/ENGINEERING** area, you will be considered for this scholarship. Preference is given to active, participating members of Grace Lutheran Church, Dover. Please complete this application and return to the church office no later than April 30th. If awarded a scholarship, the check will be sent directly to your school. Also, the scholarship can be applied for in subsequent years. Any age may apply.

STUDENT NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE _____ E-MAIL _____

ARE YOU A MEMBER OF GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH IN DOVER _____

INTENDED COURSE OF STUDY _____

CAREER OR PROFESSIONAL GOALS _____

NAME, ADDRESS, AND PHONE OF SCHOOL _____

HAVE YOU BEEN ACCEPTED _____

EXPECTED DEGREE AND COMPLETION DATE _____

ON A SEPARATE SHEET OF PAPER, COMPOSE A BRIEF 250-WORD ESSAY THAT DESCRIBES HOW YOUR EDUCATIONAL PLAN AND CAREER/ PROFESSIONAL GOALS SERVE GOD AND BENEFIT YOUR COMMUNITY.

Announcements



CHICKEN BBQ

SUNDAY, April 16th
11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

THERE will BE LOTS of CHICKEN BBQ for EVERYONE TO ENJOY on SUNDAY, April 16th, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The High School Youth of Grace Lutheran Church will be serving ½ BBQ chicken, baked beans, roll and cookie.

TICKETS ARE \$12.00. Drive-thru dinners can be picked up beginning at 11:00 a.m. All leftover chicken will be sold by 1:00 p.m.

Tickets will be available before and after both services and also in the church office.



If you are graduating this year from high school, college, technical school or receiving an advanced degree, please inform the church office. Please include your name, your school and, if appropriate, your earned degree (BS, MA, PhD, etc.).

Our 2023 graduates and their families are invited to a special breakfast for them on Sunday, May 14 at 9:15 a.m. in Fellowship Hall. The graduates will be honored during our worship service. High school graduates will receive a gift from the congregation.

May God bless all our graduates as they begin a new chapter in their lives. God be with you on your journey and forever keep you in His grace.

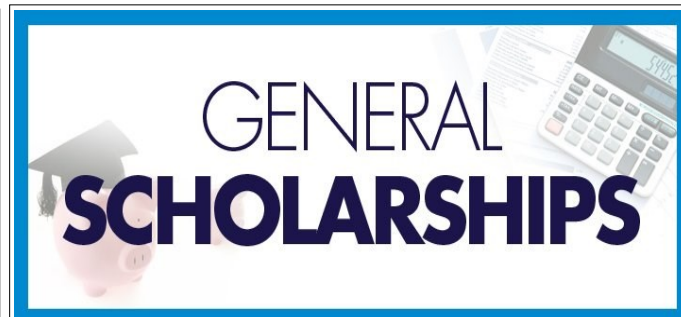
Thank You

Dear members of Grace Lutheran Church,

Paul and I would like to thank you for the wonderful gift bag you graciously delivered at Christmas time. It was so much appreciated.

God bless all of you.

**Sincerely,
Paul & Mildred Schauer**



The Grace General Scholarship is available to Grace graduates for their **first year of study** at a college, university or trade school. Consideration will be given only to active, participating members of the congregation. Applicants eligible for the Hammerstrom scholarship will not be considered. This scholarship is non renewable.

Applications are available in the office and need to be returned to the office no later than **April 30th.**

Announcements

April Cleaning Supplies

**To Benefit Friends of the Homeless of Tuscarawas
County**

Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church Confirmation Class is collecting:

- **Tide laundry detergent**
- **30 gallon trash bags**
- **Clorox pop-up wipes**
- **All purpose liquid floor cleaner**
- **Paper towels**

Drop Off Location:

Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church, 216 N. Wooster Ave. Dover, Ohio
44622

Drop Off Times:

Mondays-Fridays: 9 am – 3 pm at Office (N. Wooster Ave. door)

Sundays: 8 am – 12 pm at Narthex (3rd St. door)



Our support of the Tuscarawas County Friends of the Homeless continues. We still offer meals one Sunday a month. Unfortunately during COVID-19 we are forced to help in a different manner. We are taking monetary donations to support the ministry rather than provide homecooked meals. Your financial support is always appreciated.

GROCERY BAG MINISTRY

Grace Outreach Board continues their Drive-Thru Grocery Bag Ministry every Friday from 10 AM to 2 PM. The Outreach Board is looking for both monetary gifts and gifts of kind to support this vital ministry.

What goes into a bag to feed the hungry? The basic food items are: peanut butter, canned meat, vegetables, fruit, cereal, soup, macaroni & cheese, canned white potatoes, spaghetti sauce and spaghetti noodles. We also pack a roll of toilet paper and a bar of soap when available.

Grocery size paper bags are also needed.



FEED THE HUNGRY

Please be Praying for...

All those serving in the armed forces, especially Christopher Smith, Seth Erickson, and Jeffrey Huff.

Ella DeVore
April Range
Kerri Jones
Jason Phillips
Norma Grywalski
Bill Ankney

Leslie Keith
Sandy Gibb
Rick Vesco
Dottie Shott
Rita Young

IN OUR PRAYERS...

Please take a moment to review the names on our church prayer list. If you know the current recovery status, condition, or needs of any person listed, please advise Pastor Bonnie or the church office. We rejoice in God's healing and grace when someone is well enough to come off the list and we promise our prayers to all who are added. Thank You.



With Deepest Sympathy

Our deep and heartfelt sympathies are with the family and friends of Judy Wells.

May the Lord embrace this family with His love and bless them with peace.

Worship

OPEN ALTAR FLOWERS

If you would like to provide altar flowers in memory or in honor of loved ones, please either sign up on the list in the Narthex or call the church office at 330-343-6915.

The cost for one vase is \$19.
You will be billed by Blossom's Florist.

Altar Flowers are available for the following dates.



Altar Flowers

- April 2nd - 1 vase
- April 16th - 1 vase
- April 30th - 1 vase
- May 7th - 2 vases
- May 21st - 2 vases
- May 28th - 2 vases



- April 2nd - Julie Vanfossen
- April 9th - Easter - No Children's Church
- April 16th - Nanette McFadden
- April 23rd - Jen & Taylor Vaughan
- April 30th - Faith & Natalie Bambeck

Altar Guild

Sat., Apr. 8th
9 am
Decorate (Lilies)

Tues., Apr. 25th
9 am

Worship Readings

Sunday, Apr. 2nd

Isaiah 50:4-9a
Psalm 31:9-16
Philippians 2:5-11
Matthew 27:11-54

Sunday, Apr. 9th

Acts 10:34-43
Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24
Colossians 3:1-4
Matthew 28:1-10

Sunday, Apr. 16th

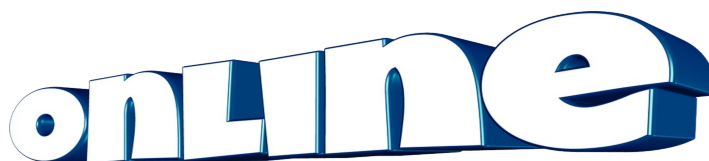
Acts 2:14a, 22-32
Psalm 16
1 Peter 1:3-9
John 20:19-31

Saturday, Apr. 23rd

Acts 2:14a, 36-41
Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19
1 Peter 1:17-23
Luke 24:13-35

Saturday, Apr. 30th

Acts 2:42-47
Psalm 23
1 Peter 2:19-25
John 10:1-10



Yes, on-line services are here to stay!

Once the pandemic is over we will continue to record our 10:30 service each week. You still will be able to attend worship at your leisure. Weekly on-line services will become part of our on-going ministry here at Grace. The service will be available at 10:30 am on Sundays.

Worship Assistants

SUNDAY 8:00 AM WORSHIP

ACOLYTES	LAY READERS	DEACON/COMM. ASST.	USHERS
4/2	4/2 Lynn Foust	4/2	Richard Elliott Jim Heller Scott Ebert Edward Harper David Elliott
4/9	4/9 Lynn Foust	4/9	
4/16	4/16 Gale Limron	4/16	
4/23	4/23 Kim Gray	4/23	
4/30	4/30 Lynn Foust	4/30	

SUNDAY 10:30 AM WORSHIP

Apr. 2 John Lorenz, Larry Wallick, Tom Margo, Ron Stahl
Apr. 9 Jim Gibb, Mike Sergent
Apr. 16 John Stahl, Keith Lands, Paul McFadden
Apr. 23 Jeff Keller, Jeff Hootman, John Wolfe, Joe Vanfossen
Apr. 30 - WELCA

ACOLYTES	LAY READERS	DEACON/COMM. ASST.
4/2	4/2 John Stahl	4/2
4/9	4/9 Jim Gibb	4/9
4/16	4/16 Sandy Gibb	4/16 Jim Gibb
4/23	4/23 Jan Ochsenbine	4/23
4/30	4/30 Betsy Morris	4/30 Deborah Horn

ALTAR GUILD

April: Sue Case, Holly Vesco, Susan Zimmerman, Chris Randles, Janie Huffman

May: Melody Rader, Betsy Morris, Becky Lands, Ashley Eick



Get the Messenger By Email

If you'd like to receive the Messenger by email please send an email to Gracehappens@gracedover.org with the words "Email Messenger" in the subject heading.

Remember you can also view the current and archived Messengers online at www.GraceDover.org









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Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
						1 8 am Men's Breakfast
2 8 am Worship Communion 9:30 am SCS 10:30 am Worship Communion  <i>Palm Sunday</i>	3 7 pm Valley Voices	4 12 pm Senior Crafters - ORC 6:30 pm Cub Scouts	5 2 pm & 2:30 pm Communion Park Village 7 pm Boy Scouts	6 12 pm Bible Study - LH 6:30 pm Maundy Thursday Service 	7 6:30 pm Good Friday Service  Church Office Closed	8 9 am Altar Guild Decorate 5 pm Contemporary Service
9 8 am Worship Communion 9:15 am SCS 10:30 am Worship Communion 	10 7 pm Valley Voices Church Office Closed	11 6:30 pm Cub Scouts	12 7 pm Boy Scouts	13 12 pm Bible Study - LH 6 pm Handbell Choir 7 pm Gallery Choir 7 pm Beekeeper Assoc. - ORC	14 10 am Grocery Bag Drive Thru	15
16 8 am Worship Communion 9:30 am SCS 10:30 am Worship Communion Chicken BBQ	17 7 pm Valley Voices	18 12 pm Senior Crafters - ORC 6:30 pm Cub Scouts	19 7 pm Boy Scouts	20 12 pm Bible Study - LH	21 10 am Grocery Bag Drive Thru Messenger Deadline	22
23 8 am Worship Communion 9:30 am SCS 10:30 am Worship Communion 6 pm Meal to the Homeless Shelter	24 7 pm Valley Voices	25 9 am Altar Guild 12 pm Senior Crafters - ORC 6:30 pm Cub Scouts	26 7 pm Boy Scouts	27 12 pm Bible Study - LH 6 pm Handbell Choir 7 pm Gallery Choir	28 10 am Grocery Bag Drive Thru Messenger Assembly	29
30 8 am Worship Communion 9:30 am SCS 10:30 am Worship Communion	