



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,

It's August! We are all looking forward to Rally Day, where we begin a new church year by coming back together in mind, body, and spirit in a big way after summer when many have been away on vacation.

Let's rally our minds in learning the teachings of Jesus in our Grace Sunday School, worship, and bible studies, changing our mindsets to fit his gospel!

Let's rally our bodies in being physically present in the gatherings of Grace, serving in Grace ministries as often as we are able!

Let's rally our spirits in our generosity and hospitality, joyfully sharing what we have in our Grace offerings and gifts, welcoming others with open, caring, hearts!

I am grateful to be here at Grace for a third year as your pastor! Every meeting and group I work with at Grace without exception, genuinely enjoys what they do. And it shows!

Blessings,
 Pastor Bonnie

Pastor
Rev. Bonnie L. Grimaldi

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Planning Council

**PLANNING
COUNCIL**

Next Meeting
Tuesday,
Sept. 19th 2023
@ 6:30 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
Betsy Morris
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 : Jeff Beshore
Secretary: Lisa Morris
Treasurer: John Wolfe
Custodian: Ed Robinson


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

Announcements

Men's Corn Roast
Thursday,
August 10th,
6:00 pm
Deis Hill
Shelter #3





The Hammerstrom Scholarship Committee,
 Thank you very much for granting me this scholarship. I appreciate it very much! I will use this money to help me pay for my nursing classes at Kent State University Tuscarawas.
 Katelyn Foust



A giant thank you to the Hammerstrom Scholarship Committee for allowing me to use this scholarship for another year. It's an amazing feeling knowing that such a great church is there to always support me and help me in any form possible.
 Thank you so much,
 Brody Morris

Dear Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church,




I fell incredibly blessed to have received the Hammerstrom Scholarship for medical studies this year. I want to thank you for your consideration and generosity as this fund will help support not only my educational endeavors, but also my service to God and the community. It has always been my dream to serve others and I am confident that God has led me to the medical field which is why it is such an honor to have the support of the church to guide me along my journey. Again, thank you so much! Olivia Wellman

Dear Grace Endowment Board,

Thank you so much for your contribution to the Tuscarawas County YMCA playground project. It is a wonderful addition to our community! And will be used by the youth of our area for years to come.

Thank you for supporting the Kiwanis Club and the youth of Tuscarawas County.

Sincerely, Brenda Cameron
 Dover-New Phila Kiwanis Club




Grace Lutheran Church,

Thank you so much for your kind gift that will financially aid me in succeeding my goal of becoming a nurse. I appreciate it very much.

Love,
 Katelyn Foust

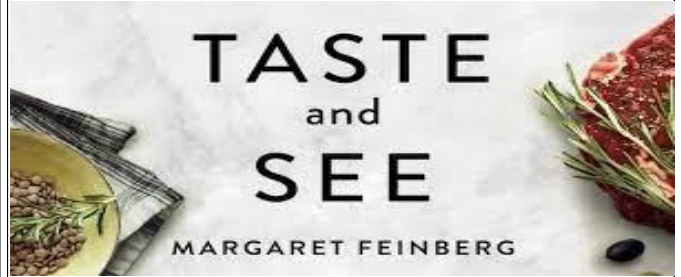
P.S. This gift will encourage me to spend less on tumblers!



Announcements



Join us for Rally Day on August 20 from 9:15 to 10:15 as we kick off a new school year at Grace Lutheran with a light breakfast, Blessing Backpacks (or other items), teacher introductions, classroom visits and a family activity. We hope to see you there! Questions? Contact Ashley at 330-407-0823.



New Women's Bible Study Started in May!

Pastor Bonnie is leading a new Women's Bible Study, "Taste and See" by Margaret Feinberg starting Wednesday May 17th at 7pm in the Outreach Center, and meeting on the 3rd Wednesday of the month ending in October. Join Margaret in this deeply nourishing video Bible study sprinkled with step-by-step recipes and biblical insights. After all, it's at the table where we learn to taste and see the goodness of God. Pastor Bonnie will be serving tasty treats to go along with the study!

Grace Happens May worship service with music leader McKenzie Radloff and Off the Wall band. This is a monthly community event with light refreshments on the 2nd Saturday at 5pm. We welcome everyone and are recruiting musicians and singers!



We welcome Jeff Beshore as our new Organist/Music Director to Grace! We are so excited he is here! He has been Organist/Music Director at Minerva UMC for 8 years and Organist/Choir Director at Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church in Sandyville for 7 years before that while sharing a position with Trinity Lutheran Church in Magnolia. Jeff is currently also Music Educator at St. Sebastian Catholic School in Akron. We are grateful that God has provided us with Jeff's gift of music and look forward to working side by side with him in Christ's ministry at Grace.

Announcements



Are you an 8 am service regular and would be willing to be a reader and communion assisting minister? We need you! You will get a robe and cross, and also get to wear a nice stole. Training is provided. Please contact Lisa in the office 330-343-6915 if you can serve on a regular basis.

Reception for Jeff Beshore!

Please join us in welcoming Jeff Beshore to our Grace Lutheran staff as Organist/Music Director on Sunday, August 6th at 9:15 am in the Fellowship Hall! There will be light refreshments. We are so happy Jeff is here with us and look forward to his music ministry here at Grace.



Hero Hotline VBS 2023 is a success! Pastor Bonnie thanks all children, families, volunteers and staff who made it a fun learning experience for everyone. Jamey Wolfe won our puppet Super Meer by bringing in the most food items for our Grace Food Pantry Mission Project! Special thanks to adult volunteers and staff: Julie Brothers, Ashley Eick, Deb Foust, Donna Fox, Dave Grimaldi, Cody Jerles, Betty Kaser, Becky and Keith Lands, Gale Limron, Elaine Margo, Lisa Morris, Jenna Penrod, Tiffany Shepherd, Sarah Wolfe, Julie and Joe Vanfossen. Thanks to the many youths who mainly helped with games, but also helped wherever needed. Here are a few memorable moments:





Our support of the Tuscarawas County Friends of the Homeless continues. We still offer meals one Sunday a month. Unfortunately during COVID-19 we were 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 the 1st and 3rd Fridays of the month 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.



Please be Praying for...

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

Ella DeVore
Dottie Shott
Rita Young
Hopewood Outdoors

Matt Gibb
Norma Grywalski
Glenn Siber

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 Harry Thompson.

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.



- Aug. 6th - 2 vases
- Aug. 20th - 1 vase
- Aug. 27th - 1 vase
- Sept. 3rd - 1 vase
- Sept. 10th - 1 vase
- Sept. 17th - 1 vase



Worship Readings

Sunday, Aug. 6th

Isaiah 55:1-5
 Psalm 145:8-9, 14-21
 Romans 9:1-5
 Matthew 14:13-21

Sunday, Aug. 13th

1 Kings 19:9-18
 Psalm 85:8-13
 Romans 10:5-15
 Matthew 14:22-33

Sunday, Aug. 20th

Isaiah 56:1, 6-8
 Psalm 67
 Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32
 Matthew 15:[10-20] 21-28

Sunday, Aug. 27th

Isaiah 51:1-6
 Psalm 138
 Romans 12:1-8
 Matthew 16:13-20

Altar Guild

Tues., Aug. 29th
9 am



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
7/2	7/2 Kim Gray	7/2	Richard Elliott Jim Heller Scott Ebert Edward Harper David Elliott
7/9	7/9 Lynn Foust	7/9	
7/16	7/16 Gale Limron	7/16	
7/23	7/23 Kim Gray	7/23	
7/30	7/30 Lynn Foust	7/30	

SUNDAY 10:30 AM WORSHIP

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

ACOLYTES	LAY READERS	DEACON/COMM. ASST.
7/2	7/2 Jan Ochsenbine	7/2
7/9	7/9 John Stahl	7/9
7/16	7/16 Jim Gibb	7/16
7/23	7/23 Betsy Morris	7/23 Deborah Horn
7/30	7/30 Sandy Gibb	7/30 Jim Gibb

ALTAR GUILD

July: Judy Martin, Pam Keller, Elaine Margo, Jan Ochsenbine
August: Donna Fox, Betty Kaser, Shirley Grafe



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



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		1 12 pm Senior Crafters - ORC 6:30 pm Cub Scouts	2 7 pm Boy Scouts	3 12pm Bible Study	4 0 am Grocery Bag Drive Thru	5
6 8 am Worship Communion 9:15 am Welcome Reception 10:30 am Worship Communion	7 7 pm Valley Voices	8 6:30 pm Cub Scouts	9 2 pm & 2:30 pm Communion Park Village 7 pm Boy Scouts	10 12pm Bible Study 6 pm Men's Corn Roast - Deis Hill #3	11	12 5 pm Contemporary Service
13 8 am Worship Communion 10:30 am Worship Communion	14 9 am - 10 am Harcatus - LH 3 pm -Harcatus - LH 7 pm Valley Voices	15 12 pm Senior Crafters - ORC 3 pm Harcatus - LH 6:30 pm Cub Scouts	16 8 am - 9 am Harcatus - LH 4 pm - Harcatus - LH 7 pm Boy Scouts 7 pm Women's Bible Study - ORC	17 12pm Bible Study 7 pm Beekeeper Assoc. - ORC	18 10 am Grocery Bag Drive Thru	19
8 am -4 pm Harcatus—FH					<u>Messenger Deadline</u>	
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					<u>Messenger Assembly</u>	
27 8 am Worship Communion 9:15 am SCS 10:30 am Worship Communion 6 pm Meal to the Homeless Shelter	28 7 pm Valley Voices	29 9 am Altar Guild 12 pm Senior Crafters - ORC 6:30 pm Cub Scouts	30 7 pm Boy Scouts	31 12pm Bible Study		