



February

THE MESSENGER

2021

Worship Schedule
Sunday: 8 AM and 10:30 AM
Sunday Church School for all ages:
9:15 AM

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A Note from the Pastor,

I write this from Houston, Texas. My wife, Ann, and I are spending the winter babysitting our two grandchildren, Teddy (age - 3) and Philip (age – 4 months). We have divvied up the responsibilities. Ann is taking care of Teddy and I am taking care of Philip. That gives me more free time, but more diapers and managing feedings.

As I rock Philip to sleep, I am reminded of God's promise of new life. Even when life seems topsy turvy...even when I spend so much time thinking about the changes in my life over the last year and I spend so much time reflecting on what I would like to do, but cannot, I have the privilege of rocking a young child to sleep in a quiet room. What a blessing that is for me.

The Book of Lamentations reminds us that God sends his blessings to us even in dark times. The gift of a new-born child is a sign of God's promise of new life. After the devastation of a forest fire there is new growth. Nature has new life! Even after the end of this life, there is the promise of new life for us all through Jesus Christ. That is God's way. Evil and tragedy never have the last word. God always has the last word and it is a word of life!

As I sit rocking that little one to sleep one of my favorite scripture passages often run through my mind...

"The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases, His mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. 'The LORD is my portion,' says my soul, 'therefore I will hope in Him.'" Lamentations 3:22-25

Looking forward to seeing you all (in person???) at the end of March.

Blessings, Pastor Dan

Interim Pastor
Rev. Daniel J. Cammarn

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Lenten Midweek Services

7:30 pm on line

Due to the pandemic Grace will be offering Ash Wednesday and Lenten services on line. The services will be posted on our website and Facebook site Wednesdays at 7:30 PM. The services will begin with Ash Wednesday, February 17, and continue through Wednesday, March 24.

The theme of the Lenten series is "Preparing for the Celebration of the Resurrection" The services will be led by the Reverend David Wing.



Please join us in welcoming Reverend David W. Wing as he leads us in our Lenten Midweek Services. Reverend Wing served as Senior Pastor at Dover Foursquare Church, Dover from 1986-2013 and Supervisor over 26 Foursquare Churches 2004-2009. When he retired he became an associate at Toland Herzig Funeral Home, Dover.

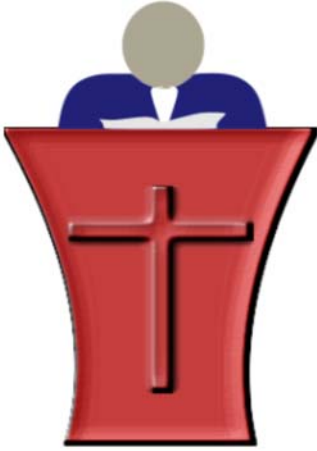
Reverend Wing and his wife, Joyce of 51 years have two children, Andrew (Missi) Wing, Amber (Jason) Klar and are have 6 grandchildren.

Planning Council

**PLANNING
COUNCIL**
Next Meeting
Mar. 9th, 2021
@ 6:30 PM

Supply Pastor Schedule

2/7	Pastor Robarge
2/14	Pastor Weaver
2/21	Pastor Robarge
2/28	Pastor Weaver
3/7	Pastor Robarge
3/14	Pastor Weaver
3/21	Pastor Robarge
3/28	Pastor Cammarn



2020-2021 BOARD MEMBERS AND OFFICERS

Ron Stahl - President

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Becky Lands - Secretary

Beverly Frantz - Treasurer

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Richard Elliott - Director
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 Keith Lands
 Craig Rader
 Sarah Kneuss

Outreach

Paul McFadden - Director
 Joe Erickson
 Tanna Loveday
 Judy Martin
 Joe Penrod
 John Wolfe
 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: Beverly Frantz
Custodian: Ed Robinson

Announcements

End Of Year Final 2020 Total Offering Received

Total envelope and plate offerings needed by the end of December 2020 \$225,000.00

**Total 2020 Year's Offering
\$216,160.00**

Year End Difference -\$8840.00

PPP Loan Received \$29,800.00

Thank You for your weekly, monthly and annual general offerings. A HUGE Thank You for your generous "extra" general offerings during the past difficult year. It made a difference!



Dear Friends at Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church,

Thank you for your gift of \$147.62 to Lutheran Outdoor Ministries in Ohio. Your faithful giving allows us to share **Emmanuel-God with us** among youth and families through LOMO camps and ministries.

We are thrilled to share with you the exciting news that LMC and Camp Luther are open on a limited basis for families, retreat groups, environmental education, volunteers, and day use. We are in full planning mode for 2021!

Inspirational, exciting, Christ centered, awesome, terrific, and fun are just a few words on camper used to describe camp. Each camper will have their own unique words to express their encounter with **Emmanuel-God with us** at LMC and Camp Luther.

Sincerely, In Christ,
Penny Christenson
Executive Director

On-Line Church Schedule

Confirmation Class –
Sunday Mornings at 9:15

Sunday School - Pre-K - 4th Grade
at 9:15 am

Worship - Sunday Mornings at 10:30 -
on YouTube & Facebook

Bible Study - Monday Evenings - 7:00
Thursday Morning Devotions – 10:00

Note - Grace will resume its regular weekly schedule the Sunday after the county turns orange or yellow.



OhioGuidestone
WHERE NEW PATHS BEGIN

Dear Church Members,

On behalf of the individuals we serve, the Board of Directors and staff, thank you for your recent donation of \$431 to OhioGuidestone's Domestic Violence Shelter .

Your generous gift is much more than a charitable contribution. With it, we are able to provide hope and empowerment to those who need it most, allowing them to reset their paths, reclaim their autonomy and restore their purpose.

With Gratitude,
Cindy Naegele
Vice President of Advancement and Communications

2020 Year End Treasurer's Report

TREASURER REPORT - January 1 thru December 31, 2020 - End Of Year

Operating Income:	Actual 2020 Income	Projected 2020 Income
Envelope and Plate Offering	\$ 216,160.00	\$ 225,000.00
Tusc. County Community Fund	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 25,000.00
Grace Endowment Interest (Gen Fund)	\$ 10,721.33	\$ 11,500.00
Headstart Rent	\$ 17,287.00	\$ 15,870.00
Initial Offering	\$ 507.00	\$ -
Seasonal Usuable Offerings	\$ 6,295.00	\$ 12,000.00
Ash Wednesday	\$ 635.00	
Lent	\$ 1,351.00	
Maundy Thursday	\$ 125.00	
Good Friday	\$ 180.00	
Easter	\$ 1,204.00	
Thanksgiving	\$ 510.00	
Christmas	\$ 2,290.00	
Thrivent Choice Dollars Program	\$ 1,515.00	\$ 2,000.00
2019 Carryover Balance In General Fund	<u>\$ 6,841.82</u>	<u>\$ 5,730.00</u>
Operating Income Totals	\$ 284,327.15	\$ 297,100.00
• 2020 Government PPP Loan Received	<u>\$ 29,800.00</u>	
• Total Income and Loan	\$ 314,127.15	

Additional Designated Income:

Designated Offerings / Donations

Building Fund	\$ 780.00
Food Pantry	\$ 7,416.19
Gen Scholarship Fund	\$ 500.00
Memorials	\$ 7,170.00
Mission Outreach Drive	\$ 1,292.00
Music Fund	\$ 426.00
Organ Fund	\$ 72.00
Synod Support	\$ 150.00
Worship Bags	<u>\$ 110.00</u>
Designated Total	\$ 17,916.19

Grace Endowment Grants:

VBS	\$ 3,000.00
2nd VBS	\$ 3,000.00
Mission Trip	\$ 2,000.00
Homeless Shelter Meals	\$ 1,500.00
Gen Scholarship Fund	\$ 6,944.19

Grace Endowment Interest (Building Fund) \$ 10,721.33

2020 Usuable Income vs. Expense

\$ 284,327.15	Total Income As Of 12/31/2020
<u>\$ 29,800.00</u>	Plus 2020 PPP Loan
\$ 314,127.15	Total Operating 2020 Income
<u>\$ 281,001.77</u>	Total Expense As Of 12/31/2020
\$ 33,125.38	Cash Balance Carryover To Start 2021

2020 Year End Treasurer's Report

TREASURER REPORT Continued - January 1 thru December 31, 2020

Operating Expense:

Congregational Life Board	Altar Supplies, Flowers, Candle Oil	\$	1,577.42	\$	4,578.29
	Communion Cards, Wafers, Wine	\$	939.06		
	Devotional Materials	\$	775.20		
	Misc Expense	\$	1,286.61		
Outreach Board	Activity and Program Expense	\$	193.80	\$	2,047.92
	Misc Expense	\$	285.00		
	Publicity / Advertising	\$	1,569.12		
Christian Faith And Life Board	Confirmation Expense	\$	193.29	\$	1,861.31
	Misc Program and Activity Expense	\$	764.51		
	Sunday School Expense	\$	903.51		
Hospitality Board				\$	98.10
Stewardship Development Board				\$	197,871.51
Payroll Expense	Custodian	\$	28,813.95		
	Interim Pastor	\$	23,493.73		
	Office Secretary	\$	20,139.60		
	Organist, Gallery Choir & Handbell Dir	\$	26,856.18		
	Senior Pastor Salary	\$	40,601.89		
	Pastor Pension, Health, Housing, etc	\$	35,579.01		
	Treasurer	\$	5,490.94		
	Youth / Family Coordinator	\$	8,400.08		
	Payroll Expense SS & Medicare Tax	\$	6,253.25		
	Misc Payroll Expense	\$	1,054.00		
Stewardship Expense	Member Offering Envelopes	\$	788.88		
	Misc Stewardship Expense	\$	400.00		
Property Board	Commercial Insurance	\$	8,795.00	\$	54,304.86
	Custodial Supplies, Maintenance	\$	4,243.86		
	Electric, Natural Gas, Water, etc.	\$	29,525.11		
	Equipment / Building Repairs	\$	3,138.22		
	Heating System Maintenance	\$	2,355.57		
	Misc Expense	\$	72.00		
	Roof Maintenance	\$	844.30		
	Snow Removal	\$	3,256.38		
	Telephone Equipment & Service	\$	2,074.42		
Church Office / Treasurer	Copier Expense, Paper	\$	3,365.93	\$	9,659.78
	Office Supplies, Computer Expense, Misc	\$	3,625.15		
	Postage, Bulk Mail Expense	\$	1,990.00		
	Treasurer Checks, Supplies	\$	678.70		
	Boards/Office Total Expenses			\$	270,421.77

Benevolence Designated Expense (5% Of General / Plate Offering)

World Hunger, Disaster Response, Lutheran World Relief, LOMO

\$ 10,580.00

2020 General Operating Expense Total

\$ 281,001.77

Special Account Expense:

06-Building Fund Expense \$ 8,957.79

06-Lewis Memorial Expense \$ 10,494.20

Respectfully Submitted, *Beverly Frantz, Treasurer*



Corrected Zoom Instructions

Meeting ID – 9738937488

Password - 0300

There are two ways to participate in Zoom events at Grace.

Using your computer or tablet. Before you log on for the first time log on to <https://zoom.us/download> and download “Zoom Client for Meetings.” Tablet users should download the app.

Then to participate in an event:

1. Paste: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/9738937488?pwd=RU0yYjdJOVpRYmE5YXV0cmdZSDh2dz09> into your browser, OR
2. Log on to www.zoom.us. Enter the Meeting ID and Password, OR
3. Click on the Camera Icon on your home page . Enter the Meeting ID and Password.

Respond “yes” when asked if you would like to use video and your computer/tablet’s audio. It might be a few moments before you can participate as I have to “let you in”.

Using any phone. Call 646.558.8656 - at the prompt enter the Meeting ID and Password.

***THEY WERE MISSING...
But Our Offering Envelopes Are Starting To Be Delivered In Our Mailboxes!***



Your Offering Will Be Recorded With or Without Normal Offering Envelopes!

Member Giving Statements Were Mailed January 14th
It may take longer than normal to be delivered with the backlog at the Post Office.

They were mailed via 1st Class, hopefully that speeds up delivery!



Online Bible Study

Pastor Dan is continuing an online Bible Study on Mondays at 7 PM. We are studying the Gospel According to Mark. You are welcome to join us. We would be happy to catch you up!
Log on using the Zoom instructions.

Online Thursday Morning Devotions

Grace will be offering at time of devotions each Thursday at 10:00 am. This will be an informal service based upon Luther’s Morning Prayer Service. There will be a time for sharing and prayer requests.
Join us at 9:30 if you would like an opportunity simply to visit. Log on using Zoom Instructions.



Outreach



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 plans to continue their Drive-Thru Grocery Bag Ministry on the third Saturday of each month from 10AM to 2PM. This months Drive-Thru is February 20th. 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.



All those serving in the armed forces, especially Christopher Smith, Seth Erickson, Gerald Case, Gary Dean Morrison.

Ella DeVore
 Fred Grosse
 Mildred Schauer
 Tim Clark
 Glenn Siber
 Dwayne Mann
 Mark Donahoe
 Jason Phillips
 Wayne Page
 Shirley Johnson
 Ethel King
 Louise Harris
 Karen Page
 Steve Strohl
 Bob Sclater
 Jason Clinker
 David Peoples
 Kay Bambeck
 Ruth Stein

Holly Hillen
 Florence Fenton
 Judy Wells
 Alan Brooks
 Rachelle Sensel
 Lisa Myers
 Buffy Gray
 Norma Grywalski
 Carol Betche
 Edward King Sr.
 Molly Bauer
 Jane Buehler
 Judy Arrington
 Rob Strohl
 Alan Brooks
 Maryann Brothers
 Donna Fox
 David Hawk

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 Dan 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 Geneva Sue Bauer (mother of Erick Bauer),

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



Deb Flood will continue teaching a Sunday school class for Pre-K thru 4th grade at 9:15 am Sunday mornings. Please see our Facebook page for the login information on Zoom.



Worship Readings

Sunday, Feb. 7th

Isaiah 40:21-31
Psalm 147:1-11, 20c
1 Corinthians 9:16-23
Mark 1:29-39

Sunday, Feb. 14th

2 Kings 2:1-12
Psalm 50:1-6
2 Corinthians 4:3-6
Mark 9:2-9

Altar Guild

No meetings until further notice.

Sunday, Feb. 21st

Genesis 9:8-17
Psalm 25:1-10
1 Peter 3:18-22
Mark 1:9-15

Thursday, Feb. 28th

Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16
Psalm 22:23-31
Romans 4:13-25
Mark 8:31-38



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. We are not able to record the service live so we will need some time to post them on the internet.

Worship Assistants

SUNDAY 8:00 AM WORSHIP

ACOLYTES	LAY READERS	DEACON/COMM. ASST.	USHERS
2/7	2/7 Nancy Wilson	2/7	Richard Elliott Steve Zimmerman Jim Heller Scott Ebert Edward Harper David Elliott
2/14	2/14 Terry Miller	2/14	
2/21	2/21 Lynn Foust	2/21	
2/28	2/28 Gale Limron	2/28	

SUNDAY 10:30 AM WORSHIP

Feb. 7 John Lorenz, Larry Wallick, Tom Margo, Ron Stahl
Feb. 14 Jim Gibb, Mike Sergent, Jimm Morris, Karl Vitovic
Feb. 21 John Stahl, Robert McCulloch, Keith Lands, Paul McFadden
Feb. 28 Jeff Keller, Jeff Hootman, John Wolfe, Joe Vanfossen

ACOLYTES	LAY READERS	DEACON/COMM. ASST.
2/7	2/7 Jan Ochsenbine	2/7
2/14	2/14 John Stahl	2/14
2/21	2/21 Sandy Gibb	2/21 Jim Gibb
2/28	2/28 Jim Gibb	2/28

ALTAR GUILD

February: Donna Fox, Katherine Stahl, Ashley Eick, Shirley Grafe, Jan Ochsenbine

March: Sue Case, Holly Vesco, Susan Zimmerman, Chris Randles



Get the Messenger By Email

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



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	1 7 pm Zoom Bible Study	2 	3	4 10 am Zoom Devotionals	5	6
7 9:15 am SCS -Zoom 10:30 am Online Worship	8 7 pm Zoom Bible Study	9 10 am Congregational Life Board Mtg. - LH	10	11 10 am Zoom Devotionals	12	13
14 9:15 am SCS- Zoom 10:30 am Online Worship 	15 7 pm Zoom Bible Study 	16	17 7:30 pm Ash Wednesday Service YouTube/Facebook 	18 10 am Zoom Devotionals	19 <u>Messenger Deadline</u>	20 10 am Drive-Thru Grocery Bag Distribution
21 9:15 am SCS - Zoom 10:30 am Online Worship	22 7 pm Zoom Bible Study	23	24 7:30 pm Lenten Service - YouTube/Facebook	25 10 am Zoom Devotionals	26 <u>Messenger Assembly</u>	27
28 9:15 am SCS - Zoom 10:30 am Online Worship 6 pm Meal to the Homeless Shelter	 <p style="text-align: center;">Lenten Midweek Services</p> <p style="text-align: center; background-color: #4b0082; color: white; padding: 10px;">7:30 pm Online</p>					