

THE MESSENGER



2009

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

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Where God is Leading, Good is Found

I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work among you will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ. Philippians 1:6

By now you have likely heard about the move my family and I will be making from Grace Lutheran in Dover, to Advent Lutheran in Solon, OH. This move opens up new possibilities for Dana and I as we look forward to serving together as pastor and part-time family minister within the same congregation. We have no doubt that God directed and led us to this opportunity and has been preparing us for the ministry we will do in this new place. Many of you have already expressed your congratulations and excitement for the opportunity that is ahead of us and I want to say thank you for your continuing support of Dana and I and our family as we continue to follow God's leadership in our life and serve in His Kingdom.

While it seems clear that there are exciting changes ahead for myself and my family, I want to assure you that there are also exciting and promising opportunities ahead for you the people of Grace as you enter into this time of Spirit-led listening, learning, leading, and living. You have begun to live more and more in step with the Spirit of God over the past four years as together we have begun to serve the homeless and the poor, as together we have traveled to meet the needs of others through mission work and compassionate relationships. You have delved into the word of God in deeper ways and wondered together about what God is saying to you as a community of faith in the larger community we live within and serve. You have begun to reach out to neighbors everywhere calling them to enjoy a cup of ice cream, enjoy a hot meal, experience or taste a little bit of Bethlehem as it was on the night Jesus the savior was born. You have taught Sunday School, participated in Bible studies, served communion to shut-ins, and welcomed children, youth, and adults to special events and worship-filled experiences all along the way. Now as I move on to other challenges and opportunities, I want to encourage you to continue in what has been begun in you, not by me as your pastor, but by God who calls you to be light for the world.

I have been honored to serve with you over the last four years. I look forward to seeing God continue to work through you to bless the community of Dover & New Philadelphia. I pray that God will lead you to the right leader for the next step in fulfilling God's mission and call for you as a community of faith. I thank you for your prayers for myself and my family and I assure you we will keep you all in our prayers as well. Let us each embrace the call God has placed on our lives and celebrate the growth of the Kingdom in, around, and through us all in every time and every place.

Peace and Prayers,

Pastor Jim

Pastor Jim Lewis, Senior Pastor
Pastor Marlin Drake, Visitation Pastor

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Summer Worship Themes



For many decades the assumption within our churches was simple: if we can change the way people think, they will change how they act. The past twenty years or more psychologists have discovered this to be faulty thinking. We behave our way into new thinking, not the other way around. In the Bible God spends more time on changing the behaviors of people than on their attitudes. We do not want to overstate this, but it is true. This series will begin with our new understanding of human behavior and thinking.

Throughout this summer you will be invited to explore the behaviors that are called for in the words of the Bible we will be studying. Always the underlying question will be, "What would

your life look like to others, and feel like for you if you lived as if what you believed really were true? We will be offering suggestions for behaviors both within worship as well as in our daily lives.

Each week also features a key verse listed in () that you are encouraged to memorize as a doorway into the text .

Date	Preaching Text (Key Verse)	Theme
June 7	Romans 8:12-17 (vs.15a)	Faith Overcomes Fear
June 14	2 Corinthians 5:1-17 (vs. 7)	We Walk by Faith, Not by Sight
June 21	2 Corinthians 6:1-13 (vs. 2b)	God is at Work Right Now
June 28	2 Corinthians 8:7-15 (vs. 9)	There is Joy in Generosity
July 5	2 Corinthians 12:2-10 (vs. 9)	God's Grace Is Sufficient
July 12	Ephesians 1:3-14 (vs. 11)	We Can Live for God's Purpose
July 19	Ephesians 2:11-22 (vs 13)	There is Peace in Jesus
July 26	Ephesians 3:14-21 (vs. 20-21)	We Live in God's Abundance
August 2	Ephesians 4:1-16 (vs. 4-6)	We Can Live as One
August 9	Ephesians 4:25--5:2 (Eph. 5:1-2)	We Can Imitate the Character of Jesus
August 16	Ephesians 5:15-21 (vs. 15-16)	We Can Live in God's Wisdom
August 23	Ephesians 6:10-20 (vs. 10-11)	We Are Able to Stand Against the Devil

Announcements

Grace Endowment Fund was established to help fund Christian endeavors within our congregation, community, and the world. The trustees meet four times per year to gift most of the earnings from the Endowment. Gifts in the past have included funding for missionary work, disaster aid for Katrina and the tsunami, the purchase of two AEDs for the Red Cross AED program, plus many more. This year gifts will exceed \$40,000.

- **To request a gift**, requisitions are available in the church office or you can request one by emailing john.nelson@natplan.com to receive it via a pdf. Requisitions must be in good order and turned into the church office two weeks prior to the trustee meetings.
- Please consider a charitable donation or bequest to the endowment fund.

Trustees are appointed for a three year term and can serve two consecutive terms. Trustees are Enos "Cork" Loader, Linda McFadden, John Nelson, Helen Rosenberry, and Jim Gibb.

Happy Summer!!!

Summer is finally here and we all have so much to do...vacations, picnics, ball games, lawn projects...the list is endless. However, the Church NEVER goes on vacation! Please remember your offerings during the summer months. If you cannot attend the services you can mail in your offering or drop it off at the Church Office during the week.



THANK YOU for your continued support!
Only with YOUR HELP can GRACE HAPPEN!

Have A GREAT Summer!

Beverly Frantz

Beverly Frantz
Treasurer

Mark Your Calendar!

Men's Corn Roast
Wednesday, August 12th,
2009
6:00 pm
Deis Hill, Shelter 3



I wish to thank the members of Grace Lutheran Church who sent birthday cards to celebrate my 95th birthday.

Thank You,
Elizabeth Barr

Too hot to go outside?

Pick up some yarn at church so you can stay cool crocheting or knitting prayer shawls to be distributed to those struggling with illness.



Requests for prayer shawls can be made using the cards in the pew racks which also contain prayer requests. Fill out either side and place it in the offering on Sunday.

A special thank you to all who have donated money for the purchase of yarn.



On behalf of Tuscarawas County Job & Family Services we want to say thank you for the generosity and support of Grace Lutheran Church, for allowing us the use of the Outreach Center for our Daily Living Skills class.

We did successfully reach out to people in need, thanks for being a big part of this success.

Barb, Joyce & Kathy

ELCA - God's Work Our Hands

Food for today, seed for tomorrow

ZIMBABWE– Last year was a difficult year for Zimbabweans caught in a complex humanitarian crisis resulting from a collapsed economy, an intimidating political atmosphere, and severe droughts. Food security and health care jeopardize the stability of local communities. An estimated 5.1 million people continue to struggle to feed themselves; 30 percent of those who suffer most are children under five.

The Evangelical Lutheran Church in Zimbabwe (ELCZ) organized a response to help the greater community of Zimbabwe to survive the instabilities of life in crisis. ELCA World Hunger and Disaster Response contributions enabled the ELCZ to provide immediate food supplies and seed for days ahead.

Bongiwe Mabuwa greeted the coming of seed with joy and great eagerness to restore stability to her family. Her husband, a local school teacher, has not worked for some time since the collapse of the economy and social institutions. The family's farm suffered, like many others, from recent droughts. Even amidst the suffering, Bongiwe has hope that her family will again prosper and her four children will have the nutrition they need to learn and grow.

As the crowds gathered in song and dance to receive food and seed delivered by the ELCZ, Bongiwe stood proud with a smile on her face looking towards what may be. "When we are ready to harvest, I will save some seed for the next crop," she said in explanation of her family's future. When bags of seed were delivered, even the seeds that fell to the ground were gathered. Not one was left behind.

Your gifts to ELCA International Disaster Response and ELCA World Hunger not only provide relief to those struggling in times of crisis, but they also bring hope of prosperous futures and empowered communities.

Grace Lutheran Serves Ice Cream on the Square

The Pit Stop Creamery Homemade Ice Cream was a BIG HIT!!

We have some supplies left, so we are currently planning to have Ice Cream stands at the Dover Car Show, August 1st and the American Italian Festival, August 8th.

Volunteer Worker sign-up sheets will be available closer to the events. Please look for your opportunity to continue sharing the good news of Grace with our community as we help people "taste and see that the Lord is good," and so is the ice cream we serve.

Here's a breakdown of the costs and proceeds from the Ice Cream stand at Canal Days.

218 Servings Sold @ \$2.00 **\$436.00**

Expenses:

Bowls, Napkins, Topping Containers, Gloves	(\$69.43)
Six @ \$17.00 - 3 Gal Containers Vanilla Ice Cream	(\$102.00)
One 3 Gal Container No Sugar Added Cherry/Van	(\$23.45)
1 Chocolate Container Syrup	(\$6.70)
1 Caramel Container Syrup	(\$5.00)
1 Container Strawberries	(\$7.16)
Misc Supplies - Foam Board, Spray Adhesive, Hanging Rings, Oversize Matte Photo Paper, Gloss Adhesive Paper, Ink Cartridges, Tickets, Misc. \$150.00 - (66% Discount)	(\$50.00)

Canal Days Total Amount Profit **\$352.26**

Planning Council

PLANNING COUNCIL

Next Meeting

July 28 @ 6:45 PM

MINISTRY NIGHT

Next Meeting

August 11 @ 6:45 PM

Fellowship Board Opportunity

If you enjoy creating opportunities for people to get together, strengthen relationships, and usually enjoy good food, please consider being a part of the Fellowship board. The board is responsible for creating opportunities for people in the congregation and throughout the community to form relationships through a variety of events like the church picnic, fellowship dinners, outings and activities, and special programs that foster Christian relationships and conversation. The goal is to have up to four events each year, two of which would be designed to encourage participation from the larger community. The board would meet monthly on the second Tuesday of the month at 6:45 PM and the director would also serve on the Planning Council which meets at 6:45 PM on the first Tuesday of the month. If you have a desire to be a part of this exciting and important ministry or you know someone who has gifts suited to this ministry please contact Nathan Vaughan-Council President or Pastor Jim.

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Moser Mission News

FAMILY NEWS

Friday, May 27th was Kearstin's graduation/going away party. We invited the staff and other friends to come and share this special time with her. Tina (and Kearstin) worked hard at preparing food and decorations (see pictures below), and many others brought a little something to share. I (Steve) shared a short message/challenge for Kearstin and then we asked others to share how Kearstin had impacted their lives. Finally, we prayed for her, and then enjoyed the great food and fellowship.



Then, on Tuesday, June 2nd, we took Kearstin to the airport to catch a flight to Ohio. She, along with her brother, is visiting spending time with family, and then they both will head to Schroon Lake, NY on the 16th to begin working for the summer at the *Word of Life Inn and Conference Center*... just as they did last summer. Next fall, Kearstin will be attending the Bible Institute, and we are praying that Stuart will decide to return for his second year. Please continue to pray for our kids... and for us! It is strange having to adjust to life without kids in the house!

HUGE PRAISE...

and PRAYER REQUEST

Word of Life El Salvador has recently been able to purchase a wonderful van at a tremendous price.

I am sending a separate email with information about how this will help the ministry be more effective, and how you can help. Please take the time to read that email when you receive it.

Dios le bendiga... God bless you!



Moser Mission News



The staff of *Word of Life El Salvador* is asking that you rejoice with us in God's provision. As you can tell by the photo's, *Word of Life El Salvador* has been blessed by God with a beautiful van. This will be a huge help in transporting the staff to events and presentations. Especially as we travel across El Salvador proclaiming the Gospel using both the "*Born Again*" and "*Colors of Life*" dramas. We are praying and planning for a trip to three other departamentos (states) next month. These will be new areas of ministry for *Word of Life* here in the country of El Salvador.



Roy, Glenda, Aaron, and Samuel (in the photos) are asking for your prayers for the long journey from the States to El Salvador. They will be leaving June 20th to drive the van all the way home. Please pray for safe and uneventful travel, and for easy passage through the borders in Mexico, Guatemala, and El Salvador.

And please be praying about the import tax for the van. It is true that God provided the van at an miraculous price, but now we need to pay more than \$5000 to bring the van into El Salvador. The duties are based on the value of the vehicle, therefore, the nicer the vehicle, the higher the duty.

If God puts it on your heart to help us with these costs, please send your gift to the following address, and make your check payable to *Word of Life El Salvador* with *El Salvador national support* on the memo line.

Word of Life Fellowship, Inc.
International Ministries Division
 PO Box 600
 Schroon Lake, NY 12870

Christian Education

Summer Sunday School

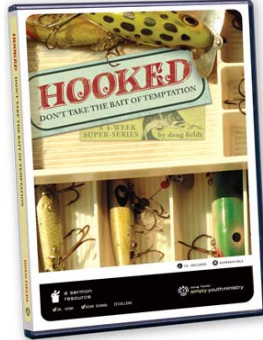
We will again offer a special Summer session of Sunday School beginning in June. The 3-year-olds through second graders will be meeting as one group during the summer months and will explore the themes of Worship, In the Holy City, and Favorite Bible Passages. These three units use stories, songs, games, and activities to help children of all ages understand worship, discover the importance of Jerusalem, the Holy City, in the Bible, and uncover the treasure of some of the most well known and loved passages in the Bible. Our 3rd-5th graders will also use stories, games, and activities to journey through the big picture of the Bible by highlighting some of the most important people and stories in the Old and New Testament. Middle School and High School youth will continue to discover the power of the Holy Spirit dwelling within us in Christian Community. Don't miss a week of learning and growing this summer!

Summer Sunday School Offering Supports Lutheran Memorial Camp

This summer's Sunday School offerings will go to support the SunRock Kid's Camp VBS Mission Project. This year's mission project is to purchase 30 deck chairs at \$15 a piece to be used on the new deck being built on Spring Run at LMC. The total cost of the chairs will be \$450. Show your support for LMC and for the kids at VBS by supporting this mission project with your giving!

Summer Youth Class

In July we'll be talking about resisting temptation as we dive into a four week series called "Hooked." Money. Sex. Pride. Drugs. Glory. The lure of temptation is strong, and all it takes is one bite to get hooked—sometimes for life. Temptation is everywhere! Even if you're not experiencing temptation at this moment, it will be knocking at your door in no time.



Help your students get a big-picture perspective on how God wants to help them deal with temptation. And then follow up with some very practical steps they can take to prepare them to deal with tomorrow's temptations and protect them for years to come.

This four-week series covers:

- Identifying and dealing with temptation
- The importance of positive friendships
- God's plan to help us break the cycle of temptation
- How Jesus is the model for us to follow.



Summer Music Camp



SUMMER MUSIC CAMP

Three New Philadelphia churches are sponsoring the annual *Summer Music Camp* for children. Each day the children will experience Christian songs and hymns by playing various percussion instruments (drums, maracas, etc.) as they sing. They will also learn a Christian musical. Other activities will include crafts; games; snack; and playing Orff instruments (xylophones), and choir chimes.

Summer Music Camp is for children entering 1st-6th grade this fall.

It is July 27th-July 31st

9:00 a.m.-noon

at First Presbyterian Church, 217 East High Ave., New Phila.

Cost is \$5.00 per child. (Scholarships are available)

Registration forms and information are available at: First United Methodist (330-339-6411), First Presbyterian (330-343-7114) and Emmanuel Lutheran Churches (330-364-7571).

Registration deadline is July 13th.

Enrollment is limited, so children are encouraged to register early.

Summer Music Camp Registration

July 27-31, 2009 9:00 a.m.-noon
for children entering 1st-6th grades

NAME: _____ PARENTS NAME _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____ ENTERING GRADE: _____ DATE OF BIRTH: _____

CHURCH AFFILIATION (optional): _____

e-mail address: _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT PERSON & PHONE : _____

FOOD ALLERGIES and/or SPECIAL NEEDS: _____

Please fill out and return to First Presbyterian Church, by July 13th, with \$5.00 for supplies. For more information call: 330-343-7114, 330-364-7571 or 330-339-6411. The camp site is First Presbyterian Church.

Young People's Ministry

Upcoming National Youth Gathering Meeting

Our next meeting to prepare for the National Youth Gathering is at Grace Lutheran in Dover on Sunday, July 12 at 7:30 PM.

This is our last meeting before we leave for New Orleans on July 21st. We will be going over itinerary, costs, covenant, rooming arrangements, and pick-up and return times and location. We will also be making a banner to hang in the Superdome during worship.

More content is being added every day on the gathering website about events, groups, and other excitement at the gathering. Be sure to check it all out, go to www.elca.org/gathering.



Video Scavenger Hunt Coming August 2

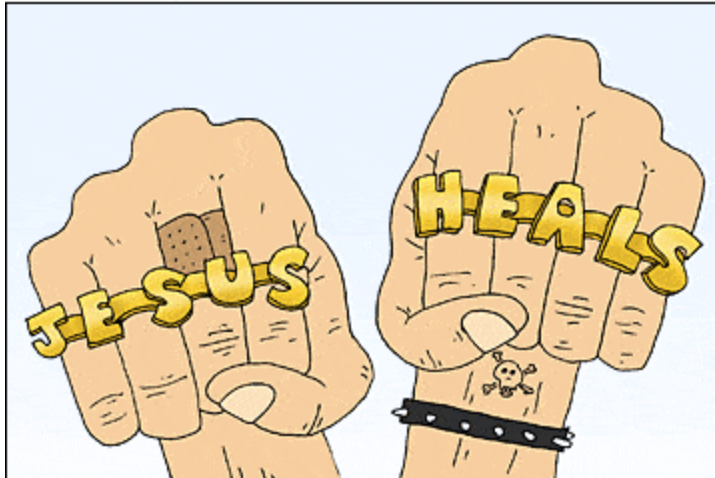
Two years ago we held a one-night only Video Scavenger Hunt that many of you missed. Those that were part of that crazy night of adventure, laughter, and fellowship are still talking about it. So... We thought it was time to offer another Video Scavenger Hunt for you to invite your friends to join in the fun and get ready for the challenge.

Each team will be given a video camera to use and a list of activities to accomplish as a team and capture on video. A team consists of one carload of participants and a driver. We will be watching the videos together after all the teams return. Points are awarded for each correctly performed activity that is captured on video. Prizes will be awarded to the team with the most points and various other categories.

Sign up in Youth Hall to be a part of this awesome event. Also if you have a video camera we can use for this event and the cables to connect it to a TV please contact Pastor Jim at 330-343-6915. If you are able to drive for the event please contact Chris Sergent at 330-364-3037



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AFTER SPIKE FOUND RELIGION



GLOBAL MISSIONS

Our global missions are coming along!

Quilts: 34 Soap: 75

Health Kits: 6 Layettes: 4

School Kits: 3

We are continuing to collect bath size bars of soap in its original wrapping. Place in basket in the Narthex.

We are still busy on our projects for Global Missions. We have changed our knotting day to July 21st, the third Tuesday, just for July only. Then we will go back to the second Tuesday in August. We will still have time to get things to send in October.

If you are interested in putting together any of these projects ask Lisa in the office for a booklet.



HEALTH KITS AND LAYETTES

Two of our Lutheran World Relief Projects are making Health Kits and Layettes. These kits provide much needed supplies to many people around the world. Items that go into each kit are:

Health Kits

- 1 hand towel (dark color)
- 1 wash cloth (dark color)
- 1 bath size bar of soap
- 1 adult size toothbrush
- 1 nail clipper with file
- 1 wide tooth comb
- 6 band-aids

Layettes

- 2 shirts
 - 2 sleepers
 - 2 receiving blankets
 - 4 cloth diapers
 - 1 sweater or sweatshirt
 - 2 wash cloths
 - 1 bath size bar of soap
 - 2 diaper pins
- (sizes up to 24 months)*

If you would like to provide any of the items used in these kits please drop them off at the church office and we will assemble them.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP!

DRESS A CHILD

Dress A Child will be here July 14th in the Outreach Center 10 am to 1 pm and 5 pm to 7 pm!! Thanks to your donations from last year, our kits will be assembled and ready to be passed out to the children on that day. Envelopes can be found in your bulletin for donations to help us get ready for next year. We have put together 150 kits and had 172 children last year. If you would like to put together a kit, you can find a plastic bag in the Narthex with a supply list included. **School supplies go on sale July 4th.**



**Dr. Mary Baer Circle:
July 29 @ 7:30 pm
Eat Out**

THANK YOU

The Grace Happens Relay For Life team led by Dorothy Morrison would like to thank the congregation for their contributions. We raised \$2267.00.

**SOUTHERN CLUSTER FALL RETREAT
AT TUSCORA PARK**

Thursday, October 8

More Information to Follow.

SON ROCK KIDS CAMP VBS REGISTRATION

It's time to pack your bags, load up the family van and head on out to camp...SonRock Kids Camp! From game playing and craft making to campfires and tree climbing, SonRock Kids Camp Vacation Bible School has it all. Kids ages 3 years to 5th grade will love the outdoor theme and back to nature fun as they get to experience what it means to be *accepted, protected, saved, forgiven and begin living for Jesus*. As your camper hikes through the lush forest, observes fascinating animals, and hears the babbling brooks they will discover that their true identities are not formed by where they go, what they can do, or what others think. Like the apostle Peter they will explore who they are in Christ - the most important relationship of all.



During their time at SonRock Kids Camp, kids will have a camp like dinner in the Mess Hall from 5:30-6:00, learn songs at Campfire at 6:00 in the Sanctuary, and rotate through centers of the Craft Cabin, Field Games, and Critters Corner Bible Time. It will be a week of fun and excitement sure to make a hit with kids of all ages. SonRock Kids Camp is for kids ages 3 to 5th grade. **Camp starts each day at 5:30PM and ends at 8:30PM the week of July 13-17.**

So grab your hiking boots, practice your marshmallow roasting, and invite your friends to SonRock Kids Camp. It promises to be a mountaintop experience you'll never forget!

Fill out the Vacation Bible School Registration below and return it to the church office at Grace Lutheran Church, 216 N Wooster Ave, Dover. If you have any questions call the church office at 330-343-6915.

Please bring a plain white t-shirt with your child's name written on the tag the first night of VBS.

SonRock Kids Camp VBS Registration
July 13-17

Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church
216 N Wooster Ave, Dover OH
330-343-6916 www.GraceDover.org

Child's Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Parent(s) name(s): _____

Parent(s) work phone: _____

In case of emergency, contact _____ Phone: _____

Allergies or other medical conditions: _____

Child's age: _____ School grade just completed: _____

Name of Home Church if any: _____

Vacation Bible School

SUNROCK KIDS CAMP VBS MISSION PROJECT

This year's VBS has a church camp theme so what better mission project is there than to support Lutheran Memorial Camp in Fulton, Ohio! Our daily offerings will be going towards the purchase of deck chairs for the new deck being built on Spring Run. Each deck chair will cost \$15. Our goal is to purchase 30 deck chairs for a total of \$450. Our daily in kind offerings will be items the camp can use in various areas of their ministry. Below is a list of what can be brought each day of VBS.

Monday - dry erase markers

Tuesday - frisbees

Wednesday - pool noodles

Thursday - paper towels

Friday - embroidery floss

Let's show how thankful we are for the wonderful camping ministry LMC gives us and churches in Northwest Ohio by supporting the VBS Mission Project when VBS begins July 13th!!!!

DECORATING ITEMS NEEDED FOR SONROCK KIDS CAMP!

It's time to turn the halls and rooms of Grace into the great outdoors for a VBS camping adventure and we need your help. If you have any of the following items and you would be willing to lend them to our VBS decorating crew please bring them to Youth Hall before July 10th or talk to Chris Sergent or Dana Lewis.

camp stools or chairs

lanterns

pop up tents (that do not need to be staked)

sleeping bags

oblong dark green or red and white checkered tablecloths

stuffed forest animals

hockey stick

animal framed art

snowshoes

paddles

canoe

fishing equipment

Be sure to write your name on anything you bring in so we are able to return it to you. THANK YOU for helping make VBS a great time in the great outdoors!

CRAFT SUPPLIES NEEDED FOR VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

The following items are needed for VBS crafts:

fabric paints

fabric pens

permanent markers

card stock

craft foam

craft foam shapes

yarn

tongue depressors

craft sticks

masking tape

fine-tip markers

glue

felt (blue, green, brown, yellow, white)

wiggle eyes (different sizes)

quick dry mortar

mosaic tiles or glass pebbles

aluminum pie pan

feathers

air dry clay

Please drop off items in the box marked VBS supplies in the narthex!

Dinner Items Needed...There are still a few food items needed for the light dinner we serve at Vacation Bible School. If you would like to donate something towards the meals please call the church office during the week or look at the sign up in the narthex. If you would like to donate money towards Thursday nights pizza dinner please mark you donation with "VBS meals". Thanks for your support of VBS!!!

Evangelism Board

GROCERY BAG MINISTRY

Thanks to all who have volunteered to be packers for the Grocery Bag Ministry this year. We have the year filled!

Because of the difficult economic times, we are seeing a great increase in the number of people benefiting from this ministry. We are giving out over 30 bags a month. It is very important that we continue to keep the pantry stocked. If every family attending church would bring in 1 or 2 items weekly, the pantry would be overflowing.

So, what goes into a bag to feed the hungry? The food items are peanut butter, canned meat, vegetables, fruit, cereal, soup, macaroni & cheese, spaghetti sauce and spaghetti noodles.

Thank you to all who bring food in for the grocery bags that are filled each month. Look in the Sunday bulletins to see which items are most urgently needed.



FEED THE HUNGRY

Thank you to the following volunteers who will help serve our free lunch on **Wednesday, July 15th.**

Leader: Carol Betche

Volunteers: Helen Sherman, Sue Hartz & Norma Grywalski

The Dover-Phila Salvation Army now serves free lunches daily at their new facility. Our church has been asked if we are willing to provide and serve one lunch each month. We would provide the main course (soup & sandwich or casserole), and they would provide everything else. The Board decided to try this once in July on a trial basis. In the future, we need to evaluate our own Free Lunch program and decide if there is a need for two services, or if we should consolidate with their community program. Your input is needed! Let someone from the Evangelism Board know if you have any ideas.



We will still host our Free Lunch on Wednesday July 15th. The menu has changed from the one posted earlier. There is frozen leftover pasta from a previous church banquet which will be used as the main course. The Board will provide the salad for this meal.

GRACE CHURCH POSTCARDS

Are you missing someone who has not been here for awhile? Postcards are available on the narthex table for you to send to someone you have missed. Stop by and take a few home to send.

Evangelism Board

EVANGELISM NEWS... HERE'S YOUR CHANCE TO BE A BLESSING TO OTHERS

We at Grace have volunteered to provide one meal per month — the 4th Sunday of each month — and need volunteers to provide the meal and to deliver it to the *Friends of the Homeless of Tuscarawas County* which is a group of



concerned citizens from various churches and social service agencies in the county who have recognized the need to assist persons experiencing homelessness. The residents eat dinner at 6:00 each evening. All tableware is provided by the shelter, and they ask that if we are just dropping the food off to bring it in disposable pans.

If you are unable to deliver your portion of the meal, please contact someone else who has signed up to deliver food.

Let's continue to work together as the body of Christ and serve our brothers and sisters in need.

New sign up sheets are posted for August's meals to the homeless shelter. Please sign up in the narthex.

Thank you to the following volunteers who will prepare and deliver food for the **Homeless Shelter on July 26th.**

4- Scalloped Potatoes with Ham (9X13)
4 Needed

2 doz. Rolls w/butter
Gale Limron
1 Needed

3- Tossed Salad for 12 w/ 1 bottle of dressing
3 Needed



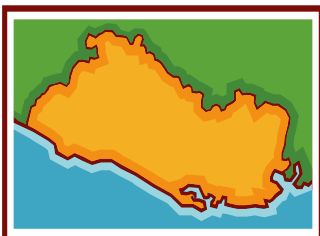
3- Cupcakes 2 Doz.
Jan Weber
2 Needed

3 Large jars of Applesauce
3 Needed

2 - 2 lb. 2.5 oz. cans of regular Coffee
2 Needed

2 Gallons of Milk
2 Needed

3 - 24 Cans of Pop
Susan Reidenbach
Grace Beller
1 Needed



MOSER FAMILY

Please continue to support the Moser Family Mission. Envelopes are located in the pews. Steve, Tina, and daughter Kearstin arrived in El Salvador in early January. Please pray for them as they share God's word with the children of Latin America.

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 \$18. You will be billed by Blossom's Florist.

Altar Flowers are available for the following dates and many more throughout 2009!



- July 12 - One available
- July 19 - Two available
- August 9 - One available
- August 23 - One available

Nursery

- July 5 Paula Wolfe & Karla Burrier
- July 12 Bonnie Richardson & Tracy Hochstetler
- July 19 Jennifer Gigax & Esther Philabaum
- July 26 Toni Ferritto & Katie Cameron

Children's Church will resume in September.



Order of St. Luke
Tuesday, July 28
7:00 pm

Altar Guild
Monday, July 27
7:00 pm
Tuesday, July 28
9:00 am

SPECIAL MUSIC FOR JULY

- July 12 — The Trumpet Singers return to fill our sanctuary with their vocal selections.
- July 19 — 8 am -- Noah Hallman, the son of James and Michelle Hallman will provide offertory music.
- 10:30 am — Our VBS participants will share their music of the week. The piano offertory will be provided by Michelle Haverfield and her son Will.
- July 26 — Our offertory solo will be by Grant Morris, Tenor



Worship Readings

Sunday, July 5th

Psalm 123
2 Corinthians 12:2-10
Mark 6:1-13

Sunday, July 12

Psalm 85:8-13
Ephesians 1:3-14
Mark 6:14-29

Sunday, July 19

Psalm 23
Ephesians 2:11-22
Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

Sunday, July 26

Psalm 145:10-18
Ephesians 3:14-21
John 6:1-21

Replenishing the Children's Worship Bags

Our worship bag continues to be a blessing to children and parents in our worship each week! Most of the 10 bags are used every Sunday. The bags serve as a way for parents to have their young children in worship with them while they get a chance to worship. We will be purchasing new books, toys, crayons and snacks for the bags soon. If you would be interested in providing money for the purchase of these items you may make a donation by placing it in a special offering envelope with worship snacks written on it. If paying by check please remember to write Children's Worship Bags in the memo line. Thank you for continuing to support this ministry.

Worship Assistants

SUNDAY 8:00 AM WORSHIP

ACOLYTES
July 5 Aaronn Sergent
July 12 Ashley Jerles
July 19 Anthony Miceli
July 26 Madeline Bauer

LAY READERS
July 5 Larry Lloyd
July 12 Terry Miller
July 19 Lynn Foust
July 26 Steve Zimmerman

DEACONS
July 5 none
July 12 none
July 19 Sue Grafe
July 26 none

USHERS
Michael Thomas-Moore
Tom Patton
Tim Keplinger
Richard Elliott
Steve Zimmerman
Jim Heller
Scott Ebert

SUNDAY 10:30 AM WORSHIP

USHERS
July 5 John Lorenz, Larry Wallick, Tom Margo, Art Siber
July 12 Jack Marshall, Ron Philabaum, Jim Gibb, Kent Philabaum, Mike Sergent
July 19 John Stahl, Robert McCulloch, Keith Lands, Howard Stein
July 26 Art Keener, William Page, Jeff Keller, Jeff Hootman, Joe VanFossen

ACOLYTES
July 5 Katie Cameron
July 12 Kristin Miceli
July 19 Hunter Stein
July 26 Hannah Marlowe

LAY READERS
July 5 R. Homrighausen
July 12 Jim Gibb
July 19 Nathan Vaughan
July 26 Fred Grosse

DEACONS
July 5 none
July 12 none
July 19 none
July 26 John Stahl



ALTAR GUILD

July: JoAnn Hammond, Norma Buehler, Jean Geyer, Sue Case, Holly Vesco
August: Barbara Thompson, Glenda Sclater, Wendy Mady, Debbie Smith, Betsy Morris

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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July 2009

Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2 12-1 pm Bible study 12 pm Sr. Fun Day 	3	4 
5 8 am Worship Communion 9:15 am SCS 10:30 am Worship Communion	6 3 pm Communion Park Village 6:30 pm Girl Scouts 7 pm Valley Voices 7 pm VBS Meeting	7 6:30 pm Cub Scouts	8	9 12-1 pm Bible study 12 pm Sr. Fun Day	10	11
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19 8 am Worship Communion 9:15 am SCS 10:30 am Worship Communion	20 6:30 pm Girl Scouts 7 pm Valley Voices <i>Church Office Closed</i>	21 9 am Knotters 6:30 Cub Scouts  <small>WCA National Youth Gathering New Orleans, LA July 22-26, 2009</small> <i>Church Office Closed</i>	22 National Youth Gathering <i>Church Office Closed</i>	23 12 pm Sr. Fun Day National Youth Gathering <i>Church Office Closed</i>	24 National Youth Gathering <i>Church Office Closed</i>	25 National Youth Gathering
26 8 am Worship Communion 9:15 am SCS 10:30 am Worship Communion 6 pm Meal to Homeless Shelter National Youth Gathering	27 6:30 pm Girl Scouts 7 pm Valley Voices 7 pm Altar Guild National Youth Gathering	28 9 am Altar Guild 11 am Endowment Trustee Meeting 6:30 pm Cub Scouts 6:45 pm Planning Council Meeting 7 pm Order of St. Luke	29 7:30 pm Dr. Mary Baer	30 12 pm Sr. Fun Day 12-1 pm Bible study	31 <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content; margin: 10px auto;">9 am Newsletter assembly. Luther Hall</div>	