

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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Time for What Truly Matters

Over my last eight years in ministry I continue to hear several phrases or variations of them over and over again. I thought I'd share some of them with you, especially as we enter the summer season when the temptation to step back and pull away from our commitments, even to the church, tends to run high. Here's some of what I've heard most often.

"I'd love to go deeper in my faith, but I never seem to find the time."

"I'd really like to get involved with service to those in need in our community, but my time is just too scarce right now."

"I'd be willing to help someone with the project but I'm not ready to lead it."

"I'd like to see more youth and young families involved in our church programs, but I don't have time to lead them."

"I think we need to address some of the ascetics and facilities at the church, but I can't commit any funds to it with the economy being the way it is."

"We really need to see more people attending worship and Sunday School weekly, how can you work at that?"

As you can see, there's one common element that runs through all these statements, people want things to improve but are reluctant to commit themselves to making it happen. We want the outcome, updated facilities, attractive ministries, individuals and families engaged with faith, youth and adults connected to one another around the truth and promise of the Gospel, but none of that happens without one key ingredient - YOU. Even more accurately, YOU COMMITTED TO LIVING WITH AND FOR JESUS CHRIST EVERY DAY. The apostle Paul in his letter to Timothy a young man he mentored in faith and leadership said it this way, "For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands; for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline. Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, relying on the power of God, who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace. This grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began." (2 Timothy 1:6-9)

If you are tired of talking and ready to pursue a bold, relational, and real course of ministry, faith, and service to the world, I invite you to join me for Faith in Motion on Tuesday, June 16 at 6:45 PM in Luther Hall, or at 9:15 AM on Sunday, June 28 in Fellowship Hall to start moving with the Spirit beyond our tired and wishful thoughts to connected, committed, and purposeful steps.

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

Thank You's & Announcements

On June 7th, Trinity Sunday, the Gallery Choir directed by Roberta (Bobbie) Myers and accompanied by Joe Palmer will finish their 2008-2009 season. We thank you for your continued support and look forward to our 2009-2010 season which will begin Thursday, September 10th at 7:00 pm in the choir room. Why not circle this date on your calendar and join us for our first rehearsal?

Members of the Gallery Choir (in alphabetical order) are:

Tina Bartholomew, Eric Beu, Darlene Bonta, Jim Bonta, Randy Case, Carolyn Delphia, Pastor Marlin Drake, Darin Gibb, Sandy Gibb, Melody Liberatore, Karol Lindow, Wendy Mady, Candice McMath, Bob Sclater, Glenda Sclater, Katherine Stahl & Tracey Viereck.

Thank you for your sacrifice of time to attend rehearsals. You all give above and beyond.



Thank You

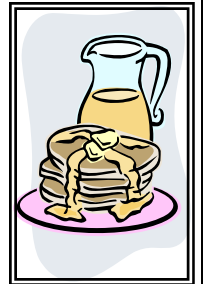
God's steadfast love, poured out upon us by so many friends and acquaintances during the illness and death of our beloved husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather was a great comfort. We would especially like to thank all you for your prayers on his and our behalf. To those who called, visited, sent cards, food, gifts and memorials, God bless you for your thoughtfulness. To the Funeral Dinner Committee, your hard work and dedication in providing a delicious meal for a very large group is deeply appreciated and made a difficult day easier to bear.

To Pastor Jim, your visits and your comforting words and prayers helped ease our sorrow.

With sincere thanks,
The Family of Al Moser

Thank You!

Cub Scout Pack 87's Pancake Breakfast was very successful. The pack served 166 people and made a profit of \$633, half of which came from donations. Thank you to everyone who helped us promote it and purchased tickets. We look forward to seeing you next year at our 2nd annual breakfast!



Welcome

The Netawatwes District recently conducted a spring Cub Scout recruitment night at the YMCA. Pack 87 would like to welcome the 6 new Cub Scouts (representing 3 families) to our pack. That brings the pack's membership to 22 Cub Scouts representing 15 families.

Mark Your Calendar!



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

WELCOME

To our church family:
**HAILEY RENEE
DOMER**
Born May 19th , 2009
Parents: Brittany & Justin

Online Directory Available

Lifetouch Directories contacted us a couple months ago and made available to us an online copy of our church directory. The online directory allows you and us to make changes to address and contact information immediately, to request a new photo opportunity, and to add new members to the directory. It is password protected and allows you to determine what information is listed online. Currently we have set the directory to show only names and photos - no addresses or phone numbers are able to be viewed. We will be contacting you over the summer with your personal password and instructions on how you can utilize the site to keep us and the members of Grace up to date on your contact information.

Synod Assembly

Leadership That's Faithful, Focused & Fervent Report of Assembly of the Northeastern Ohio Synod, ELCA

Under the theme "Leadership That's Faithful, Focused and Fervent," more than 500 voting members and guests met in a one-day assembly May 16, in the John S. Knight Center in downtown Akron, the site of many previous assemblies.

In her sermon, Bishop Elizabeth Eaton quoted the late church historian Jaroslav Pelikan: "If Jesus Christ is raised from the dead, nothing else matters; if he is not raised from the dead, nothing else matters."

"That should be our passion", she said of Jesus' resurrection, urging congregations to unburden themselves of wanting things to be as they used to be. "How can we sit in the past as though our glory days are behind us? Those aren't our glory days. They are (eternally) ahead of us." Citing ministry efforts in various corners of God's creation, she told congregations, "We are called by God to give our lives away, and not just to each other, but to the neighborhoods we are in."

Elected to three-year terms on synod council were Robert P. Nagle (Holy Trinity, Akron), Akron-Wooster lay; Amy Hooser (St Paul, Minerva), Canton-Massillon lay; Joe F. Matthew (Calvary, East Cleveland),

Cleveland East lay; the Rev. Doug Gunkelman (Divinity, Parma Hts.), Cleveland West clergy; the Rev. Paul W. Heine (Martin Luther, Youngstown), Eastern clergy; Marilyn R. Baker (St Paul, Bellville),

Richland-Ashland lay; the Rev. Terry Mohr (Grace, Steubenville), Southern clergy; Paul M Schanz

(First, Barberton) at-large lay. Janet Galbreath-Smith was re-elected as synod vice-president.

Elected to six-year terms on the synod consultation committee were the Rev. Lee D. Penvose (Good Shepherd, Brooklyn), and Daralynn Constant (Covenant, Maple Hts.).

The proposed 2010-2011 budget totaling \$2,116,000, showing no increase over the current year, was passed by a large majority.

A resolution was passed affirming an ELCA Church Council action, expressing "strong opposition to all forms of verbal harassment or assault of persons because of their sexual orientation." Also receiving

approval from the assembly was a resolution committing us to continue to pray together and continue

discussion while respecting the diversity of opinion in matters of sexual orientation and gender identity.

The synod celebrated the anniversaries of these rostered clergy and associates in ministry:

25 years of ordination - The Revs. Marilou Brook, James R. Kulma, Nicholas Moskovites, and Glenn J. Zimbelman

55 years - The Revs. Harold F. Dicke, James B. Metzger, Richard Rintala and Charles J. Lundquist

60 years - The Revs. Paul W. F. Harms and David L. Scharf

70 years - The Rev. Robert A. Boettger

25 years consecrated - Louise Manke, associate in ministry

Planning Council

PLANNING COUNCIL

Next Meeting

June 2 @ 6:45 PM

MINISTRY NIGHT

Next Meeting

June 9 @ 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.

2008-2009 BOARD MEMBERS AND OFFICERS

Nathan Vaughan - President

Dave Haverfield - Vice President

Pam Keller - Secretary

Beverly Frantz - Treasurer

Lay Ministry

Larry Lloyd - Director

Carolyn Delphia

Jim Gibb

Evan Cameron

Dale Weaver

Glenda Sclater

Michelle Haverfield

Personnel

Dave Haverfield - Director

Mike Sergent

Bob Sclater

Darlene Bonta

Ron Stahl

Jeff Hootman

Christian Education

Terry Miller - Director

Betsy Morris

Dana Lewis

Dorothy Huff

Susan Seifert

Linda McFadden

Public Relations

Keith Lands - Director

Sue Hartz

David Elliott

Scott Ebert

Stewardship

Michael Thomas-Moore - Director

Tom Hardin

Richard Homrighausen

Young People's

Jaclyn Sergent - Director

Chris Sergent

Ashley Eick

John Wolfe

Brendan Hardin

Shane Porter

Evangelism

Wendy Mady - Director

Liz Miller

Dorothy Morrison

Janice Weber

Melody Rader

Fellowship

Denise Carpenter

Deb Foust

Marcie Tinlin

Frances Moser

Property

Howard Stein - Director

Richard Elliott

Ruth Stein

John Stahl

Tim Keplinger

Moser Mission News



Word of Life El Salvador
 Steve & Tina Moser May 15, 2009

Preparing for Children's Camps

Upon returning home, we got right back to work on the planning and promotion of the first official **Palabra de Vida Campamento de Niñas** here in El Salvador. We have divided the week of November 22 into two camps of three days each. We have done this for three reasons:

- 1) it will be easier on the parents to allow their precious little ones to go for just three days instead of five or six
- 2) we will be able to minister to twice as many children this way
- 3) it will be more manageable for us (the staff) as we do this for the first time

Please pray for the many details we need to complete between now and November. And pray that the churches and parents will continue to be excited about these camps. During the past week have had three meetings with pastors and/or children's directors, and all of them have been very receptive and enthusiastic.



God is giving us great ideas for the program and the theme of camp this year. We will be teaching the life of Joseph. It will be called "Joseph... a life of many colors" and we will use the five colors of the "wordless book" to share the Gospel and then we will relate those colors, and their meanings, to each part of Joseph's life, and in turn, to their own lives. Our goal is to help each child know that God has a special plan (dream) for their life, and even though things do not always go as they hope or plan, God is in control and He will work things out according to His perfect will. **Romans 8:28**



Here is a picture of the beautiful Palabra de Vida camp property located about one hour from the capital city, San Salvador. It has the capacity for about 150 young people each week. We are planning for about 75-100 children each camp, but the weeks of youth camps may have more than 150!



After camp season, we will be able to send you lots of pictures of this pool filled with young people. But right now, this is the only picture we have. Please pray God will bring just the right number of children and youth, and just the right ones... children and youth ready to hear and receive His Word.

Women of the ELCA

GLOBAL MISSIONS

Our global missions are coming along!

Quilts: 32 Soap: 48

Health Kits: 3 Layettes: 4

School Kits: 0

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

Dr. Mary Baer Circle:

June 24 @ 7:30 PM

Hostesses:

Helen Rosenberry ,

Donna Fox

Presenter: Dorothy Morrison



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!



“Once Upon A Cure” is the theme for this years 14th Annual Relay For Life at Dover. Last year our team raised over \$3300. Our goal for 2009 is \$3300.

Relay For Life represents our hope that those lost to cancer will never be forgotten, that those who face cancer will be honored, and that one day cancer will be eliminated.

TEAMS...TEAMS....TEAMS....

Relay For Life is a team event to fight cancer. Without you, we will not be able to achieve our mission free world.

This is our team: **GRACE HAPPENS**

These are our walkers:

Karen Marlowe	Joe Palmer	Ron Philabaum
Hannah Marlowe	Donna Fox	Esther Philabaum
Barb White	Toni Ferritto	Aaron Philabaum
Harry Thompson	Glenda Sclater	Pastor Jim Lewis
Barb Thompson	James Hallman	Dana Lewis
Randy Case	Michelle Hallman	Gretchen Grosse
Sue Case	Bobbie Myers	Tina Bartholomew
Art Siber	Shirley Grafe	Paul Flickinger
Dorothy Morrison	Karol Lindow	

Donations can be given to any of these walkers. Checks should be made payable to Relay For Life. You may use a Relay For Life envelope for your donation and put it in the offering.

SOUTHERN CLUSTER FALL RETREAT AT TUSCORA PARK

Thursday, October 8

More Information to Follow.

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!

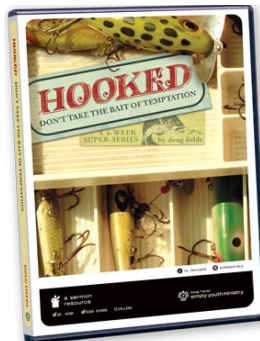
Summer Youth Class

Sundays in June we will be viewing and discussing the movie "Pay It Forward" The movie starring, Kevin Spacey, Helen Hunt, and Haley Joel Osment tells the story of a teacher's assignment and a student who accepts the challenge and discovers that one person really can change the world.



In July we'll shift gears to talk 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: _____

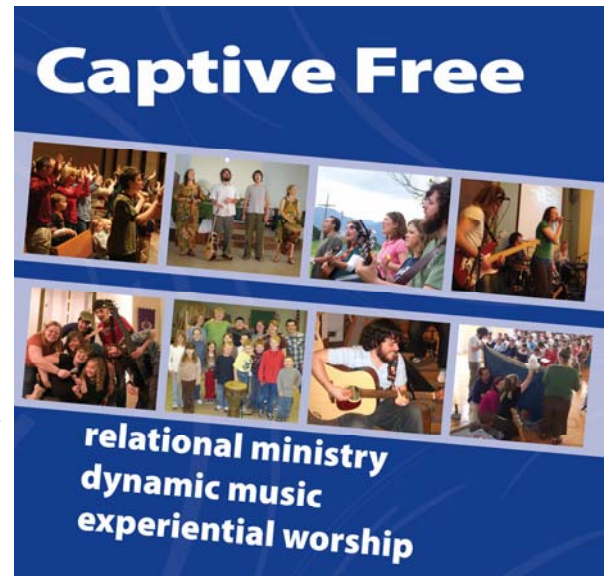
Please fill out and return to First Presbyterian Church, by July 13th, with \$5.00 for supplies. For more information call: 330-343-7114, 330-364-7571 or 330-339-6411. The camp site is First Presbyterian Church.

Young People's Ministry

Youth Encounter Music Ministry Team Coming Father's Day Weekend

A special night for families with children up to 6th grade, including a meal, games, craft, and music with a Youth Encounter- Captive Free music ministry team will be held on June 20th from 5-8 PM in Fellowship Hall. Children of all ages are encouraged to bring their parents to attend this sure to be enjoyable evening. You'll even have a chance to make a gift for (or with) Dad for Father's Day on Sunday. The dinner will consist of Spaghetti casserole, salad, Italian bread, Texas sheet cake and drinks.

Captive Free will also be providing special music and a puppet show children's message at both worship services on Sunday, June 21st. We hope you will be able to join in the fun with Covenant this Father's Day weekend.



Housing for Youth Encounter Team is Needed - Saturday, June 20

The Captive Free team joining us on Father's Day weekend will need lodging while they are here with us. They will be arriving on Saturday, June 20 in the afternoon and will be at the church until the Family Night event scheduled for that Saturday finishes up at 8 PM. Host families should plan to either join us for the event which includes dinner or come to the church before 8 PM so that you can help transport or guide the team participants you will be hosting to your home that evening. The team will be participating in both of our worship services on Sunday and then traveling to their next destination on Sunday afternoon.

As a host family you are responsible for providing them a place to sleep on Saturday, breakfast and lunch on Sunday.

There are two male and two female members of the team. They can be housed together or separately. If you are able to provide housing for one or more of the team members please contact Chris Sergent at 330-364-3037.



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

ELCA National Youth Gathering

Upcoming National Youth Gathering Meeting

Our next meeting to prepare for the National Youth Gathering is at First Lutheran in Strasburg on Sunday, June 7 at 3:30 PM.

Please be sure to attend this important gathering as we will need to make some decisions about our schedule and activities while we are at the gathering at this meeting. We will also be updating everyone on fundraising, transportation, and housing information at this meeting.



Pink Flamingo Fundraiser

Flamingos are Flocking and a Pink Flamingo may visit your family!

The Flamingos take flight on Saturday, June 6 and will be visiting yards throughout our congregation each day until July 11. We have two lovely pink flamingos, one of which may end up on your front lawn. If a flamingo lands in your yard it will have a card hung around its neck containing contact information for sending the flamingo flocking to another home. Please fill out the information on the card and call the contact person to let him/her know the flamingo is ready to fly again.



All proceeds help to support the youth and adults traveling to the ELCA National Youth Gathering this July in New Orleans. **Suggested donation amounts are \$10 to remove the flamingo, \$15 to choose the next lawn and \$20 to choose another yard and make sure it does not come back to you again.** The flamingo will move to a new yard each day.

Car Washes

June 13 & 27

9 AM - 1 PM

at Grace Lutheran Church

The ELCA Youth Gathering group will be washing cars on Saturday, June 13, and Saturday, June 27, from 9 AM - 1 PM to raise money for our trip to the ELCA National Youth Gathering in New Orleans, July 22-26. There is no set cost for the car wash, love offerings will be accepted.

Eight youth from Grace are traveling with 8 youth from St. Paul, Bolivar, St. Peter Oldtown, and First Lutheran in Strasburg. There will be 37,000 youth at the gathering in New Orleans participating in worship and service to the community .



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!!!!

SONROCK KIDS CAMP SUPPLIES NEEDED!

The following items are needed to help make this year's VBS a success:

large styrofoam pieces

burlap

light gray spray paint

white or tan king size sheet

fake fire flame with fan

(will be returned after VBS)

dark green oblong tablecloths

artificial Christmas Trees

(if you are willing to donate a tree please give your name to Dana Lewis,

Chris Sergent or the church office)

(trees will be returned after VBS)

green/brown/yellow/white felt

wiggle eyes

fabric markers

mosaic tiles/glass pebbles

8 inch pie pans

paint sticks

craft foam sheets/craft foam shapes

yarn

tongue depressors

craft sticks

card stock

fine tip permanent markers

nature items (pinecones, stones, seed pods, pine needles, leaves, twigs, bark, feathers, etc.)

If you are willing to donate any of these items please put them in Youth Hall. If you would like to make a monetary donation for the purchase of these items please make your check out to Grace Lutheran Church and put VBS Supplies in the memo line.

Thank you!

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, June 17th.**

Leader: Barbara Thompson

**Volunteers: Irene Nelson, Carol Betche,
Susan Zimmerman, Ruth Halter**

Volunteers for the Free Lunch should deliver their food donations to the church to the Luther Hall kitchen on **Tuesday, June 16th.**

2 - 3# Sloppy Jo

Frances Moser

3 dozen hamburger buns

Bonnie Richardson

Macaroni Salad for 10

2 Needed

2 Bags of Chips

Kelly Fishley

Donna Fox

2 Quarts of Strawberries

Jill Hootman

Barb Thompson

3 - 2 pkgs. individual sponge cakes

Reba Snyder Andrea Lloyd

2 - large containers of Cool Whip

2 Needed

2 - loaves of bread

Linda Bertle Louise Keplinger

New sign up sheets are posted for July's free lunch.
Please sign up in the narthex.

Serving
THIS MONTH



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 July'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 June 28th.**

Chicken (approx. 10 pieces)

4 Needed

Baked Beans for 25

Jen McCulloch
1 Needed

Coleslaw for 15

3 Needed

Fruit Pie

Francis Moser
4 Needed



2 cans of Coffee

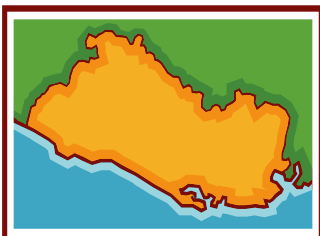
2 Needed

2 Gallons of Milk

2 Needed

24 Cans of Pop

Susan Reidenbach
Connie Lahr



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!



- June 21- One available
- July 5 - One available
- July 12 - One available
- July 19 - Two available
- August 9 - Two available

Nursery

- June 7 Molly Bauer & Olivia Bauer
- June 14 Chris Sergent & Jaclyn Sergent
- June 21 Barbara Marshall & Connie Lahr
- June 28 Marcie Castricone & Jen Vaughan

Children's Church will resume in September.



Order of St. Luke
Tuesday, June 23
7:00 pm

Altar Guild
Tuesday, June 30
9:00 am

Placing People on the Prayer List

If you know someone who is in need of prayer, or you have a praise you'd like to share with the congregation please use one of the new request cards in the pew racks, and place it in the offering or turn it in to the office. We will be happy to add the person to our weekly list of people we are praying for.

Also if you know someone who'd like to receive a prayer shawl a request form for shawls is on the back of the prayer request cards in the pew racks.



Worship Readings

Sunday, June 7th

Isaiah 6:1-8
Psalm 29
Romans 8:12-17
John 3:1-17

Sunday, June 14

Ezekiel 17:22-24
Psalm 92:1-4, 12-15
2 Corinthians 5:6-10,
14-17
Mark 4:26-34

Sunday, June 21

Job 38:1-11
Psalm 107:1-3, 23-32
2 Corinthians 6:1-13
Mark 4:35-41

Sunday, June 28

Lamentations 3:22-33
Psalm 30
2 Corinthians 8:7-15
Mark 5:21-43

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
June 7 Katie Cameron
June 14 Kristin Miceli
June 21 Hunter Stein
June 28 Hannah Marlowe

LAY READERS
June 7 Larry Lloyd
June 14 Larry Lloyd
June 21 Lynn Foust
June 28 Terry Miller

DEACONS
June 7 Sue Grafe
June 14 None
June 21 Gail Limron
June 28 None

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

SUNDAY 10:30 AM WORSHIP

USHERS
June 7 John Lorenz, Larry Wallick, Tom Margo, Art Siber
June 14 Jack Marshall, Ron Philabaum, Jim Gibb, Kent Philabaum, Mike Sergent
June 21 John Stahl, Robert McCulloch, Keith Lands, Howard Stein
June 28 Art Keener, William Page, Jeff Keller, Jeff Hootman, Joe VanFossen

ACOLYTES
June 7 Aaronn Sergent
June 14 Ashley Jerles
June 21 Anthony Miceli
June 28 Madeline Bauer

LAY READERS
June 7 R. Homrighausen
June 14 Jim Gibb
June 21 Nathan Vaughan
June 28 John Stahl

DEACONS
June 7 None
June 14 Ron Philabaum
June 21 None
June 28 Pastor Fred Grosse



ALTAR GUILD

June: Donna Fox, Katherine Stahl, Jill Hootman, Dorothy Morrison
July: JoAnn Hammond, Norma Buehler, Jean Geyer, Sue Case, Holly Vesco

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
	<p>1</p> <p>3 pm Communion Park Village</p> <p>6:30 pm Girl Scouts</p> <p>7 pm Valley Voices</p> <p>7 pm Property Board meeting</p>	<p>2</p> <p>6:30 pm Cub Scouts</p> <p>6:45 pm Planning Council</p> <p>7 pm-10 pm VBS decorating</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4</p> <p>12-1 pm Bible study</p> <p>12 pm Sr. Fun Day</p> <p>7 pm Gallery Choir</p> 	<p>5</p>	<p>6</p> <p>4:30 Wedding of Dustin Jones & Danielle Zeigler</p>  
<p>7</p> <p>8 am Worship Communion</p> <p>9:15 am SCS</p> <p>10:30 am Worship Communion</p> <p>3:30 pm ELCA National Youth Gathering meeting</p>	<p>8</p> <p>10:30am Communion Park Village</p> <p>6:30 pm Girl Scouts</p> <p>7 pm Valley Voices</p> <p>7 pm VBS Meeting</p>	<p>9</p> <p>9 am Knotters</p> <p>10-4 pm Rejoice Women ORC</p> <p>6:30 pm Cub Scouts</p> <p>6:45 pm Ministry Night</p> <p>7 pm-10 pm VBS decorating</p>	<p>10</p>	<p>11</p> <p>12-1 pm Bible study</p> <p>12 pm Sr. Fun Day</p> 	<p>12</p> <p>7 pm Scrapbookers</p> 	<p>13</p> <p>9 am - 1 pm Car Wash</p>
<p>14</p> <p>8 am Worship Communion</p>  <p>9:15 am SCS</p> <p>10:30 am Worship Communion</p>	<p>15</p> <p>6:30 pm Girl Scouts</p> <p>7 pm Valley Voices</p>	<p>16</p> <p>9:30 am Staff Meeting</p> <p>6:30 pm Cub Scouts</p> <p>6:45 pm Ministry Night (Faith in Motion Night)</p> <p>7 pm-10 pm VBS decorating</p>	<p>17</p> <p>11-1 pm Free Lunch ORC</p> 	<p>18</p> <p>12 pm Sr. Fun Day</p> <p>12-1 pm Bible study</p>	<p>19</p> <p>Messenger Newsletter Deadline</p> 	<p>20</p> <p>5:00 pm Family Night with Captive Free</p>
<p>21</p> <p><i>Father's Day</i></p>  <p>8 am Worship Communion</p> <p>9:15 am SCS</p> <p>10:30 am Worship Communion</p>	<p>22</p> <p>6:30 pm Girl Scouts</p> <p>7 pm Valley Voices</p>	<p>23</p> <p>6:30 Cub Scouts</p> <p>7 pm-10 pm VBS decorating</p> <p>7 pm Order of St. Luke</p>	<p>24</p> <p>7:30 pm Dr. Mary Baer</p>	<p>25</p> <p>12 pm Sr. Fun Day</p> <p>12-1 pm Bible study</p>	<p>26</p> <p>9 am newsletter assembly. Luther Hall</p> 	<p>27</p> <p>9 am - 1 pm Car Wash</p> <p>4:30 Wedding of Bobbie Evans & Brittany Douglas</p> 
<p>28</p> <p>8 am Worship Communion</p> <p>9:15 am SCS</p> <p>9:15 am Faith in Motion Day</p> <p>10:30 am Worship Communion</p> <p>6:00 pm Meal to Homeless Shelter</p>	<p>29</p> <p>6:30 pm Girl Scouts</p> <p>7 pm Valley Voices</p>	<p>30</p> <p>9 am Altar Guild</p> <p>6:30 pm Cub Scouts</p> <p>7 pm-10 pm VBS decorating</p>				