

March
2016



THE MESSENGER

2016

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

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Pickin' 'n Grinnin'

We know that the Son of God has come and given us understanding so that we might know Him who is true, and we abide in Him who is true, in His Son Jesus Christ. He is the true God and eternal life.

I John 5:20

The other day I caught Quincy doing something I never expected. He was "channeling" my first Lhasa, Auggie. Quincy was not asking him what it is like to live with me or what makes me happiest. No. Nothing like that. They were talking basketball. March Madness, in particular.

You see, Auggie is regarded as a hero in the canine world. He is one of the few dogs to ever win a March Madness basketball pool. His 1995 NCAA picks garnered him the cherished Bernthal Trophy, an intense, highly regarded contest associated with pastors, professors, family and friends of Concordia Theological Seminary in Ft. Wayne, IN. This is Quincy's first entry and he is determined to make a good showing.

"Stop that," I told Quincy. "I don't think you're playing fair. You're just going to have to rely on regular earthly sources like the rest of us. If Joe Lunardi, Jay Bilas, Clark Kellogg and such are good enough for us humans, they're good enough for you."

Of course, I also warned him away, far away, from Dick Vitale who always picks Duke or North Carolina. This year he's going to be so very wrong. Quincy looked at me as if to say, "No problem. That guy hurts my ears anyway."

I'm not sure how well Quincy's "connection" with Auggie will work out, but I am sure we all have someone we can reliably connect to in our time of question, quandary and confusion. It's not a matter of "channeling" but of readily accessing someone who is already there—always there.

Jesus promises to be there for us in our time of need and in our time of plenty. He is always with us to share our joy and our sorrows. When our days are full of sunshine, Jesus walks with us. When clouds cover us with darkness and gloom, He remains.

Though I'm fairly sure Jesus is not caught up in March Madness with its NCAA picks; He is caught up in our lives. Jesus is there to help and guide us in our hour decision. He is with us as we make choices, and pick our way through the questions of life. Jesus' promises are promises that sure, true and realized each and every day.

So maybe it's time to "change the channel" and turn to Jesus. Pick a winner, the eternal Winner; the ultimate Bracketbuster over sin and death. After all, He's already picked you and He's sticking to it. Amen.


Senior Pastor Donald L. Rice Jr.

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Planning Council

**PLANNING
COUNCIL**

Next Meeting
March 8th, 2016
@ 6:45 PM



Facts and Figures

<p>Attendance January 2016*</p> <p>Weekly Average: 164 Difference: +8 (+5%)</p> <p><i>*January 2016 had five Sundays, while January 2015 had four.</i></p> <p>Offerings January 2016</p> <p>Total: \$16,176.50 Difference +4,308.50 Weekly Average: \$3235.30 Difference +268.30 (+9%)</p>	<p>Attendance January 2015</p> <p>Weekly Average: 156</p> <p>Offerings January 2015</p> <p>Total: \$11,868.00 Weekly Average: \$2967.00</p>
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Since You Asked

Since You Asked...

Pastor, during this year's Lenten series, you told some stories from Jesus' childhood telling how he made flying birds out of mud and turned mean boys into goats. Were these stories products of your imagination or are they real stories from some other source?

I've been said to have a fertile imagination, but I did not invent these stories. The story about the Jesus making real, live flying birds out of mud comes from the **Infancy Gospel of St. Thomas** which is not a true gospel or written by St. Thomas. The legend of Jesus turning annoying neighborhood boys into goats (and back to boys again after a gentle reprimand from his mother Mary) is found in the **Arabic Infancy Narratives**, a compendium of stories of Jesus' youth in Nazareth. Other similar sources include the **Pseudo-Gospel of Matthew**, the **Infancy Gospel of James** and, surprisingly enough, the **Qur'an**. None of these writings are included in the **Holy Scriptures** because they were deemed either unreliable or false. Only St. Matthew and St. Luke give us any true, reliable and Spirit-inspired stories of Jesus' birth in Bethlehem and Nazareth childhood.

Cross Country: Walking with Jesus to Calvary

Our Lenten theme this year is: *Cross Country: Walking with Jesus to Calvary*. Each **Wednesday at 6:45 p.m.**, a travel guide or an historical visitor will take us on a tour of a place where Jesus walked on his journey to the Cross. These guest presenters will share how each site shares an important vantage point in understanding Jesus and his great, saving love for us. Our **Cross Country** walk began in Bethlehem on Ash Wednesday and will lead us to Calvary by Good Friday.

Wednesday Evening services are preceded by a Soup and Sandwich Supper in Luther Hall at 5:30 p.m.

Lenten Tour Schedule

- Mar. 2: Jericho
- Mar. 9: Samaria
- Mar. 16: Bethany

Palm Sunday

March 20: Worship with Holy Communion at 8:00 and 10:30 a.m.

Palm Sunday Breakfast at 9:15 a.m. in Fellowship Hall

Holy Week Tour

- March 24: Maundy Thursday: Jerusalem (Holy Communion)
- March 25: Good Friday: Hill Country

Easter Sunday

March 27: Resurrection Celebration with Holy Communion at 8:00 and 10:30 a.m.



Announcements



A Special
THANK YOU



Thank you for all the cards I received for my 85th birthday. It was very much appreciated.
Howard Stein



What a wonderful family! We are so grateful to our Grace church family for supporting us during our recent surgeries. Your cards, visits, prayers and Pastor Rice's encouragement helped us through this difficult time.
God Bless you,
Dale Kreisher
Jill Hootman



Have you given any thought to the request for a "musical Lenten offering"?

The Gallery Choir would love to add your voice to it's seasonal gifts of song. Please prayerfully consider singing with us Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and/or Easter Sunday. Please contact Musical director Bobbie Myers by March 2nd at 330-343-3268.
Thank You.



Dear Scholarship Committee-
I want to thank you for awarding me the Hammerstrom Scholarship for the '15-'16 academic year. The funds have helped tremendously in paying my tuition at Kent-Tusc. I'm also grateful to the congregation for their support and words of encouragement. God willing I will be an RN this coming summer or fall.
Thank You!
John Wolfe

**The Children's Drama Club
Presents:
The Ransom of Prince Mal
Saturday, April 9 at 3:00 PM
At Grace Lutheran Church:
Fellowship Hall**

Come see the Children's Drama Club perform the Dover Public Library's first original play, The Ransom of Prince Mal. Everyone knows Prince Mal is the most rotten, annoying, terrible, no-good kid in the kingdom. Everyone, that is, except the gang of thieves who kidnap him for ransom. Featuring a cast of over twenty talented kids ages 5 – 12, this comedy is sure to delight friends and family of all ages. The Ransom of Prince Mal is based on the short story "The Ransom of Red Chief" by O. Henry. The play was written for the Children's Drama Club by Teen Librarian Liz and is directed by Miss Jen.

Announcements

Caring for God's House and Tending to Our Father's Business

Grace Planning Council and Property Ministries Board have completed several projects and are working on several more to improve our worship, learning and working environment to the glory of God.

Sanctuary and narthex lighting has been replaced with new LED lighting. The lighting in the narthex, baptistery area and chancel is dimmable. Sanctuary ceiling lighting is still a work in progress.

The Fellowship Hall stage curtain including rigging will be replaced by April 9 in time for a Dover Library

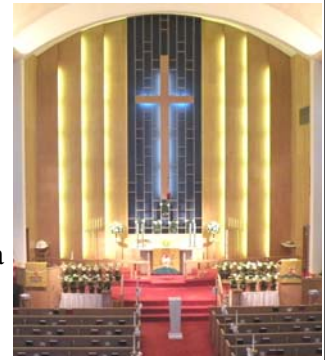
children's theater production. We look forward to using the stage for a variety of upcoming programs and activities.

Planning Council approved **renovations to the kitchen in Luther Hall**. This will include new countertops, backsplash and a kitchen sink.

Planning Council approved the purchase of **new Xerox copier**. The previous one was over 7 years old and had printed close to one million copies.

Pipe organ repairs and restoration is being pursued. Our situation is currently being assessed by two reputable companies with recommendations and estimates forthcoming soon. Preliminary tuning and repairs will be completed before Palm Sunday.

Property Board has approved the **repainting of the sanctuary** and has approved a bid from Murray Slabaugh Painters to complete the project. No date for the project has been set at this time. The project should take two weeks, during which time; the congregation will worship in Fellowship Hall. (Good thing we have our stage back and now with a new curtain!)



Word Up!

Word Up! God's Wonderful Words of Life is this year's Vacation Bible School theme. The event will be held June 20-June 24. Summer Suppers will be provided at 5:30 p.m. with Learning Activities offered from 6:00-8:15 p.m.

Last year, we had close to 60 children from our congregation and neighborhood attending our summer program. We offer learning activities for children three years old through completion of Grade 5. We receive comments from parents and children that ours is the best VBS in the area. This is largely due to fine, dedicated and caring volunteers to do their best to make our VBS such a great success.

Volunteers are needed again this year in all VBS ministry opportunities. Teachers and teaching assistants, kitchen crew, crafters and recreational leaders and helpers are needed to have another great year reaching our children in Jesus' name. A sign-up sheet is posted in the narthex or you may call Pastor Rice for more information.

Registration forms will be printed in the May and June **Messenger** newsletter.

Word Up! daily themes

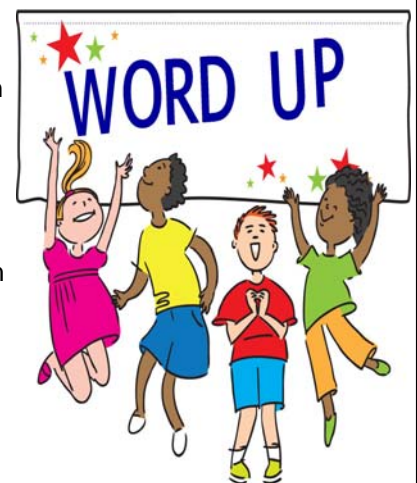
Monday: **All Fed-Up:** God Feeds His People in the Wilderness

Tuesday: **All Washed-Up:** God Cures Naaman in the Jordan River

Wednesday: **All Tied-Up:** God Saves Three Young Men in the Fiery Furnace

Thursday: **All Messed-Up:** God Converts Saul on the Road to Damascus

Friday: **All Fired-Up:** God Blesses Us Everywhere (Potluck Dinner & VBS Program)



Announcements

EASTER LILIES FOR EASTER SUNDAY

The flowers this year will be at a **cost of \$9.50 each**. Your order form and payment may be either placed in the offering plate, or given to the church office.

Orders and payment are **due by Monday, March 7th, 2016**

Your flowers may be taken home following the 10:30 a.m. Easter worship service on March 27th, 2016



THE EASTER FLOWERS ARE DEDICATED IN HONOR OR IN MEMORY OF PERSONS NOTED BELOW.

PLEASE CIRCLE:	INDICATE MESSAGE BELOW:
IN HONOR OF:	
IN MEMORY OF:	
FLOWERS GIVEN BY:	

Please make all checks payable to Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church, and write Easter Flowers in the memo line.

CHILDREN'S EASTER EGG HUNT

The annual Palm Sunday Easter Egg Hunt will be held March 20th following the 10:30 a.m. worship service. We will gather in the connecting room of Luther Hall after church. Children from 2-years thru 1st grade will hunt for eggs in the fenced in playground behind the church. The 2nd, 3rd, and 4th graders will hunt for eggs in the yard in front of the church. In case of inclement weather, we will hunt for eggs indoors.

The event is sponsored by the Christian Faith and Life Committee.



Easter Egg Hunt

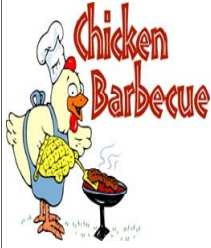


Join Us For Breakfast

**Palm Sunday, March 20th,
at 9:15 a.m. Fellowship Hall**

The Palm Sunday Breakfast will feature: scrambled eggs, French toast, bacon, sausage, biscuits, sweet rolls, fresh fruit and drinks. There will be sign-up sheets for food donations and reservations in the Narthex, beginning March 1st. The free will offering will support the youth mission to the YouthWorks site in Taylorsville, NC in July.

Announcements



CHICKEN BBQ
SUNDAY, April 3rd
11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
 for YOUTH MISSION TRIP

THERE will BE LOTS of CHICKEN BBQ for EVERYONE TO ENJOY on SUNDAY, April 3rd, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The High School Youth of Grace Lutheran Church will be serving ½ BBQ chicken, baked beans, roll and cookie.

TICKETS ARE \$10.00. You may “eat-in” at the **Outreach Center** where beverages will also be available. Drive-thru dinners can be picked up beginning at 11:00 a.m. All leftover chicken will be sold by 1:00 p.m.

All funds will be used for the Youth Mission Trip to Taylorsville, NC in July.

Sing With All Creation,
Alleluia!
Christ Is Risen!
Come Celebrate with us the Joys Of Easter

Calendar of Events
March 20 - 27

- + Palm Sunday Worship:
8:00 and 10:30 am
Breakfast at 9:15 am
- + Holy Thursday Service: 6:45 pm
- + Good Friday Service: 6:45 pm
- + Easter Sunday Worship:
8:00 and 10:30 am

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Sons of the Congregation

Ron Philabaum has been assigned to the North Carolina Synod for his First Call to an ELCA congregation following his graduation from Trinity Lutheran Seminary in Columbus. The Northeastern Ohio Synod had previously approved his candidacy and eligibility for ordained ministry. With Ron's First Call, we will not only lose a friendly face among us, but also a dedicated and excellent Sunday School teacher in his wife Esther. Her students will truly miss her.



Seminarian Evan Cameron will soon begin his first year of a two-year internship in an ELCA congregation. Trinity Lutheran Seminary is transitioning to a two-year program from a one-year experience. Once we know where Evan is headed, we'll announce it in the bulletin and newsletter.

We keep Ron Philabaum and his family and Evan Cameron in our thoughts and prayers. May God continue to bless them with strength, peace and joy as they continue ministries to Christ and the Church.



North Carolina Synod
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
 God's work. Our hands.

Hammerstrom Scholarship Application

Phillip Jr. and Marceil Hammerstrom Scholarship Fund Application

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

STUDENT NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE _____ E-MAIL _____

ARE YOU A MEMBER OF GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH IN DOVER _____

INTENDED COURSE OF STUDY _____

CAREER OR PROFESSIONAL GOALS _____

NAME, ADDRESS, AND PHONE OF SCHOOL _____

HAVE YOU BEEN ACCEPTED _____

EXPECTED DEGREE AND COMPLETION DATE _____

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



Lutheran World Relief
Projects for 2015



Quilts: 33
Personal Care Kits: 16
Layettes: 6
School Kits: 11



Tuesday, Mar. 15th 1:00 pm
Hostess: Dorothy Morrison



KNOTTERS

Tuesday,
Mar. 8th
9:00 am



WELCA Request

All women of Grace are members of WELCA, Women of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (WELCA). It is not a board, a circle or a club. It is women of the church working together as servants of our Lord.

The women of Grace combine their talents, resources and effort to do many things: suppers and dinners, Sunday School, music, school kits, knotters (quilting), meals for the homeless shelter and more. Grace WELCA also raises funds and complete projects for Salvation Army, Head Start children, T4C, Dress-a-Child and Lutheran World Relief.

Women volunteers are needed for ushering duties on the **FIFTH SUNDAY** of the MONTH during the 10:30 a.m. service. This usually occurs four times a year. If you would like to serve in this way, please contact Dorothy Morrison (330-343-5232), Esther Philabaum (330-447-4263) or the church office (330-343-6915). Thank you.

Cost of stocking the food pantry for one month.

This is the amount needed to stock the food pantry for 1 month. We thank the congregation for donating food items and cash contributions to keep the pantry stocked.

Product	Price / piece	Days in a month	Total
Peanut Butter	\$ 2.29	X 30	\$ 68.70
Fruit	\$ 0.89	X 30	\$ 26.70
Cereal	\$ 1.59	X 30	\$ 47.70
Meat	\$ 1.30	X 30	\$ 39.00
Chicken Soup	\$ 1.00	X 30	\$ 30.00
Tomato Soup	\$ 1.00	X 30	\$ 30.00
Potatoes	\$ 0.65	X 30	\$ 19.50
Corn	\$ 1.00	X 30	\$ 30.00
Green Beans	\$ 1.00	X 30	\$ 30.00
Pork/Beans	\$ 1.00	X 30	\$ 30.00
Peas	\$ 1.00	X 30	\$ 30.00
Mac-N-Cheese	\$ 0.45	X 30	\$ 13.50
Spaghetti	\$ 1.00	X 30	\$ 30.00
Spaghetti Sauce	\$ 1.00	X 30	\$ 30.00
			\$ 455.10

<u>ALDI</u>	<u>Buehlers</u>	<u>Wal Mart</u>	<u>Big Lots</u>
Peanut Butter	Vegetables-	Spaghetti Sauce	Soup-
Mac-N-Cheese	Corn		Chicken
Potatoes	Green Beans	<u>Dollar General</u>	Tomato
Fruit Cocktail	Peas	Spaghetti	
Cereal	Pork/Beans	Luncheon Meat	

Outreach

GROCERY BAG MINISTRY

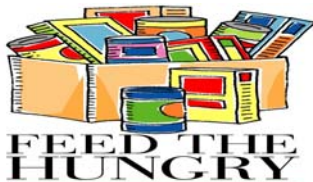
Thanks to all who have volunteered to be packers for the Grocery Bag Ministry this year.

Donations to the Food Pantry have increased in response to a greater need for our food bags. In January, we distributed 155 bags, and have already distributed 110 in February. We are seeing a greater demand for this outreach program. Monetary and food donations are very much appreciated.

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.

We welcome all packaged/canned donations. We will pack any kind of soup, fruit, vegetable, soap or toilet paper that is donated, as well as extra items not on the list. Grocery size paper bags are also needed.

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.



Please be Praying for...

All those serving in the armed forces, especially **Christopher Smith, Seth Erickson, Tim Case, Richard Martineau & Kent Philabaum.**

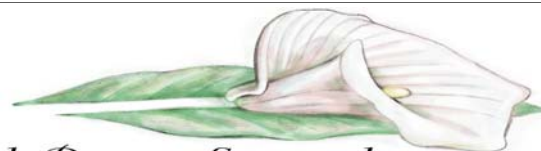
**Ella DeVore
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Melanie Roth
Richard Bleininger
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Wayne Page
Brandon Myers
Robert Vesco
Cathy Nardecchia
Art Wallace
Mary Lou Rinehart**

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 Rice 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 Juanita Page.

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

Outreach

OUTREACH 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 the April the bulletin board in the narthex.

PERSONAL CARE KITS

The power of a small package

Personal Care Kits especially help cleanliness and prevent disease outbreaks that can so frequently happen in foreign countries or right here in the United States after natural disasters. LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF is asking congregation participation to help restock their supply of personal care kits. Consider making a kit or dropping off one or more of the items listed below to the church office. Thanks for helping!

Personal care items that go into each kit are:

Personal Care Kits

- 1 light weight bath towel
- 20" X 40" to 52" X 27" (dark color)
- 2 bath size bars of soap
- 1 wide tooth comb
- 1 adult size toothbrush
- 1 nail clipper with file

Thank you to the volunteers who will prepare and deliver food for the **Homeless Shelter on February 28th.**

March's dinner at the Homeless Shelter is on Sunday, Mar. 27th, at 6:00 pm. The sign-up sheet is posted in the Narthex. We have cut down on the expense of the items needed (less meat, more casseroles) or have divided the donations into smaller units to make it financially easier for you to donate. Please check to see how you can help.

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.

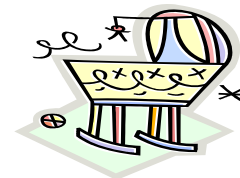
Altar Flowers are available for the following dates.



- March 13th - 1 vase
- March 20th - 2 vases
- March 27th - 2 vases
- April 10th - 1 vase
- April 17th - 2 vases
- April 24th - 1 vase

Nursery Care Available

Karla Burrier



CHILDREN'S CHURCH

- Mar. 6 - Deb Foust & Nicole Willey
- Mar. 13 - Jennifer Vaughan & Melissa Engstrom
- Mar. 20 - Sarah Wolfe, Ashley Eick, Deb Flood & Deb Foust (Palm Sunday)
- Mar. 27 - Easter - No Children's Church

Worship Readings

Altar Guild

Sat. Mar. 26th,
9:00 am
Tues. Mar. 29th,
9:00 am

Sunday, Mar. 6th

Joshua 5:9-12
Psalm 32
2 Corinthians 5:16-21
Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

Sunday, Mar. 13th

Isaiah 43:16-21
Psalm 126
Philippians 3:4b-14
John 12:1-8

Sunday, Mar. 20th

Isaiah 50:4-9a
Psalm 31:9-16
Philippians 2:5-11
Luke 22:54-62

Sunday, Mar. 27th

Acts 10:34-43
Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24
1 Corinthians 15:19-26
Luke 24:1-12

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 and crayons 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 bags 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	LAY READERS	DEACON/COMM. ASST.	USHERS
3/6	3/6 Nancy Wilson	3/6	Tim Keplinger
3/13 Katelyn Foust	3/13 Lynn Foust	3/13	Richard Elliott
3/20	3/20 Terry Miller	3/20	Steve Zimmerman
3/27	3/27 Gale Limron	3/27	Jim Heller
			Scott Ebert
			Edward Harper
			David Elliott

SUNDAY 10:30 AM WORSHIP

USHERS

Mar. 6 John Lorenz, Larry Wallick, Tom Margo, Ron Stahl

Mar. 13 Jim Gibb, Mike Sergeant, Jimm Morris, Butch Morris, Maguire Morris

Mar. 20 John Stahl, Robert McCulloch, Keith Lands

Mar. 27 William Page, Jeff Keller, Jeff Hootman, Joe Vanfossen, John Wolfe

ACOLYTES	LAY READERS	DEACON/COMM. ASST.
3/6	3/6 Betsy Morris	3/6 Deborah Horn
3/13	3/13 John Stahl	3/13
3/20	3/20 Jim Gibb	3/20
3/27 Need Two	3/27 Rick Homrighausen	3/27 Deborah Horn

ALTAR GUILD

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

April: Barbara Thompson, Melody Rader, Wendy Mady, Debbie Smith, Betsy Morris



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 12 pm Senior Crafters - ORC 4 pm TOPS - ORC 6:30 pm Cub Scouts	2 5:30 pm Lenten Supper 6:45 pm Lenten Service 7 pm Boy Scouts	3 12-1 pm Bible Study 6 pm Bell Choir 7 pm Gallery Choir	4	5
6 8 am Worship Communion 9:15 am SCS 10:30 am Worship Communion	7 2:30 pm Communion Park Village - South 6:30 pm Girl Scouts-LH 6:30 pm Property Board 7 pm Valley Voices	8 9 am Knotters 10 am Rejoice Women 4 pm TOPS - ORC 6:30 pm Cub Scouts 6:45 pm Planning Council	9 5:30 pm Lenten Supper 6:45 pm Lenten Service 7 pm Boy Scouts	10 12-1 pm Bible Study 6 pm Bell Choir 7 pm Gallery Choir	11	12 8 am Men's Breakfast
13 8 am Worship Communion 9:15 am SCS 10:30 am Worship Communion	14 10:30 am Communion Park Village - North 6:30 pm Girl Scouts-LH 7 pm Valley Voices	15 12 pm Senior Crafters - ORC 1 pm Ladies of Grace 4 pm TOPS - ORC 6:30 pm Cub Scouts	16 5:30 pm Lenten Supper 6:45 pm Lenten Service 7 pm Boy Scouts	17 12-1 pm Bible Study 6 pm Bell Choir 7 pm Gallery Choir	18 <u>Messenger Deadline</u>	19
20 7:30 am Gallery Reh. 8 am Worship Communion 9:15 am Palm Sunday Breakfast 10:30 am Worship Communion 	21 6:30 pm Girl Scouts-LH 7 pm Valley Voices	22 12 pm Senior Crafters -ORC 4 pm TOPS - ORC 6:30 pm Cub Scouts	23 7 pm Boy Scouts	24 6:15 pm Choir Rehearsal & Following Service 6:45 pm Maundy Thursday Service 	25 6:15 pm Choir Rehearsal 6:45 pm Good Friday Service 	26
27 7:15 am Gallery Reh. 7:30 am Handbells Reh. 8 am Worship Communion 9:15 am SCS 10:30 am Worship Communion 6 pm Meal to the Homeless Shelter 	28 6:30 pm Girl Scouts-LH 7 pm Valley Voices <u>Church Office Closed</u>	29 9 am Altar Guild 12 pm Senior Crafters - ORC 4 pm TOPS - ORC 6:30 pm Cub Scouts	30 7 pm Boy Scouts	31 6 pm Bell Choir 7 pm Gallery Choir <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content; margin: 10px auto;"> 9 am Messenger Assembly </div>		