



# THE MESSENGER

**2021**

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

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## A Note from the Pastor,

My friend, Dr. Bill Rock, helped the Ohio synods to review candidates for ministry for many years. Bill insisted that leaders of the church should have "Fire in the Belly." I think by this he meant, not heartburn, but visible enthusiasm and active passion for our Lord and His Church. I agree. If leaders have no eagerness, then how will they spread the Good News of Jesus for the long haul.

This month we will celebrate Pentecost. We sometimes refer to this very important holiday as the "Birthday of the Church." It marks the day when the gift of the Holy Spirit was poured out on the followers of Jesus and a miracle of understanding happened among people from around the world.

There was a great wind that and, strangely, tongues of flame that descended on the apostles. What was that about? Surely it had nothing to do with too much hairspray and carelessness with matches. Instead these tongues of flame seemed to be visible signs of the fervor that those early believers felt. They were passionate about their faith. It mattered. It changed them. It became the focus of their lives.

I have noticed that if I really put my heart into something, I am able to care about it all the more. This isn't just about my effort, but it is about removing anything that might distract me from that to which I am committing. This has been true for me as a parent, as a student, as a worker, and of course as a follower of Jesus.

As we celebrate Pentecost this month, consider what might be putting out the fire in you. Don't let the distractions of the world or a short attention span extinguish your passion for the One in whom we live and move and have our being.

Blessings,  
 Pastor Dan

**Interim Pastor**  
**Rev. Daniel J. Cammarn**

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# Planning Council

**PLANNING  
COUNCIL**

**Next Meeting  
May. 11th, 2021  
@ 6:30 PM**



Grace has now having in-person worship services! Services are at 8:00 and 10:30 AM on Sunday mornings. We are continuing our online services for those who do not yet feel comfortable returning to worship yet. We will still be practicing social distancing and the wearing of masks.

Please note that as of Easter Sunday we roped off every other pew. As long as families do not sit directly with other families, we can maintain our social distance and fit more people into the sanctuary.

## 2020-2021 BOARD MEMBERS AND OFFICERS

Ron Stahl - President                      Richard Elliott - Vice President  
Becky Lands - Secretary                Beverly Frantz - Treasurer

### Congregational Life

**Richard Elliott** - Director  
Susie Erickson  
Elaine Margo  
Liz Miller  
Melody Rader

### Property

- Director  
Audra Miceli  
Nathan Vaughan  
Larry Wallick  
Brad Wharmby

### Christian Faith and Life

- Director  
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Karla Burrier  
Debbie Flood  
Tiffany Shepherd  
Deb Foust  
(Cody Jerles, Coordinator YFM)

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Melissa Engstrom  
Cindy Jerles  
Traci Smith  
Bobbie Cox  
Julie Vanfossen

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### Outreach

**Paul McFadden** - Director  
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Tanna Loveday  
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John Wolfe  
Scott Ebert (church sign)  
David Elliott (church website)

*Coordinator of Youth & Family Ministries: Cody Jerles*  
*Director of Music/Organist: Linda Hanna*  
*Secretary: Lisa Morris*  
*Treasurer: Beverly Frantz*  
*Custodian: Ed Robinson*

## GERANIUMS FOR CONFIRMATION SUNDAY, MAY 23, 2021

Please make your check payable to Grace Lutheran Church and note “geranium” in the memo area of your check. The cost for one 6” pot geranium is \$9.00. This order form is due to the church office by Monday, May 10.



QUANTITY (\$6.25 EACH)	NAME & PHONE NUMBER
CIRCLE: YES / NO	I will take the geraniums home after the 10:30 worship service on May 23.
CIRCLE: YES / NO	I plan to leave the geraniums to be planted on the church grounds.

The first phase in the process of calling a new pastor has been completed. The Call Committee has completed the Ministry Site Profile. The Ministry Site Profile is the initial paperwork needed to call a new pastor. It includes detailed information about Grace and the community of Dover. It evaluates our strengths and weaknesses, as well as the primary gifts we would hope a pastor would bring to the congregation. That paperwork has been approved by both the Planning Council and the Bishop’s office.



The second phase is a waiting game. Periodically the Bishop’s office receives profiles of pastors seeking a call in Northeastern Ohio. When the office receives a profile of a pastor which aligns with our Ministry Site Profile, the pastor’s name is given to the Call Committee. The Call Committee conducts a series of interviews with the pastor to determine if he/she would be a good match with Grace. After completing the interviews, if the Call Committee feels that they have found the right pastor for Grace they release the pastor’s name and the congregation votes whether or not to call the pastor.

The second phase takes time. Sometimes the Call Committee may receive several candidates in just a few weeks; other times there may be several months without any candidates. It all depends on when the Bishop’s office receives a profile of a pastor whose gifts, skills, and experience align with Grace’s vision for the future. Unfortunately, many times either the pastoral candidate and/or the Call Committee will decide that a call here at Grace is not a good fit.

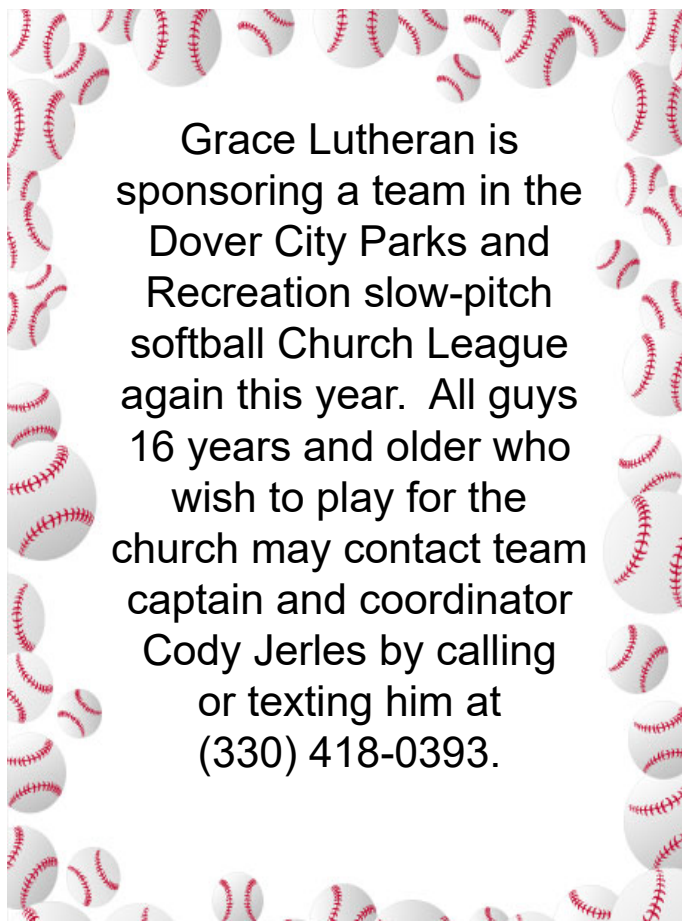
The system does work. The Bishop’s office is looking for potential pastors for Grace and does the pre-screening. The Call Committee determines who they believe would be the right pastor for Grace. The congregation has the opportunity to affirm the call committee’s recommendation.

The waiting game has begun....



CALL COMMITTEE

### Announcements




Grace Lutheran is sponsoring a team in the Dover City Parks and Recreation slow-pitch softball Church League again this year. All guys 16 years and older who wish to play for the church may contact team captain and coordinator Cody Jerles by calling or texting him at (330) 418-0393.



**Women's Bible Study**

The Women's Bible Study by Pastor Dan  
 Starting May 19th and continuing until Oct. 20th.  
 Reflections on  
 St Paul's Letter to the Church of Philippi; Saint Paul's Love Letter  
 The Congregation at Philippi  
 Rejoicing Even in the Midst of Suffering  
 "Whether I Live or Die..."  
 The Philippians Hymn  
 The Importance of Prayer  
 Running the Race




Mark your calendars! Our Vacation Church School program will be later than usual this year. It will be in the evenings, Monday, July 19, through Friday, July 23. More information and registrations will be in the June Newsletter. If you would like to help in the program please contact Pastor Dan.

Note - We will follow all the CDC guidelines in place at that time.

All Aboard!!

## Attention 2021 Graduates!

If you are graduating this year from high school, college, technical school or receiving an advanced degree, please inform the church office. Please include your name, your school and, if appropriate, your earned degree (BS, MA, PhD, etc.). Graduate recognition will be on June 6th.



## General Scholarship

# Grace General Scholarship Fund Application

This scholarship is available to Grace graduates for their **first year of study** at a college, university or trade school. Consideration will be given only to active, participating members of the congregation. Applicants eligible for the Hammerstrom or Grace Professional Ministry scholarships will not be considered. The scholarship is not renewable.

Please complete this application and return to the church office no later than **April 30<sup>th</sup> (Extended until May 31st, 2021)**. If awarded a scholarship, the check will be sent directly to your school. 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.**

(June 2018)

## Announcements

### Congratulations to our Confirmands

On Pentecost Sunday, May 23, we will be celebrating the confirmation of 5 young people here at Grace. They are:

**Natalie Bambeck**, Daughter of Douglas & Faith Bambeck

**Ella Engstrom**, Daughter of Melissa and Chad Engstrom

**Niall Hallman**, Son of James & Michelle Hallman

**Taylor Shalosky**, Daughter of Robert & Courtney Shalosky

**Jocelyn Steele**, Daughter of Clarissa Steele



## WORSHIP SERVICE

**Services at Park Village West**

Pastor Dan will begin leading Worship Services at Park Village West on the first Wednesday of the month starting May 5. The service for those Assisted Living will be at 2:00, followed by a service for those in the Nursing Facility at 3:00. When visitation restrictions become more relaxed members of Grace will be welcome to assist with the services

When a congregation goes through a vacancy, it is often good time for reflection. This summer we will spend some time reflecting on who we are and what we believe as Lutheran Christians. Starting Pentecost Sunday, May 23 through the end of August we will have a summer sermon series entitled "Lutherans Are..."

May 23	Lutherans Are Led by the Spirit
May 30	Lutherans Are Trinitarian
June 6	Lutherans Are Musical
June 13	Lutherans Are Forgiven
June 20	(Pastor Dan on Vacation)
June 27	Basic Principle #1 – Faith Only
July 4	Patriotic Service
July 11	Basic Principle #2 – Christ Only
July 18	Basic Principle #3 – Scripture Only
July 25	Lutherans Are Thankful
August 1	Lutherans Are Apostolic
August 8	Lutherans Are catholic (Small "c"!)
August 15	Lutherans Live in Two Kingdoms
August 22	Lutherans Are Sacramental
August 29	Lutherans Celebrate the Gift of Family



Come join us this summer as we reflect on who we are as Lutherans Christians: what unites us with our fellow Christians and what makes us distinct.

# Outreach



Our support of the Tuscarawas County Friends of the Homeless continues. We still offer meals one Sunday a month. Unfortunately during COVID-19 we are forced to help in a different manner. We are taking monetary donations to support the ministry rather than provide homecooked meals. Your financial support is always appreciated.

## GROCERY BAG MINISTRY

Grace Outreach Board continues their Drive-Thru Grocery Bag Ministry on the third Saturday of each month from 10AM to 2PM. This months Drive-Thru is May 15th. The Outreach Board is looking for both monetary gifts and gifts of kind to support this vital ministry.

What goes into a bag to feed the hungry? The basic food items are: peanut butter, canned meat, vegetables, fruit, cereal, soup, macaroni & cheese, canned white potatoes, spaghetti sauce and spaghetti noodles. We also pack a roll of toilet paper and a bar of soap when available.

**Grocery size paper bags are also needed.**



**FEED THE HUNGRY**



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

Ella DeVore  
 Fred Grosse  
 Mildred Schauer  
 Tim Clark  
 Glenn Siber  
 Dwayne Mann  
 Mark Donahoe  
 Jason Phillips  
 Wayne Page  
 Shirley Johnson  
 Ethel King  
 Louise Harris  
 Karen Page  
 Steve Strohl  
 Bob Sclater  
 Jason Clinker  
 David Peoples  
 Pauline Bergquist  
 Howard Smallwood  
 Dale & Judy Penrod

Holly Hillen  
 Florence Fenton  
 Judy Wells  
 Mary Smallwood  
 Rachelle Sensel  
 Ruth Stein  
 Buffy Gray  
 Norma Grywalski  
 Carol Betche  
 Roxanne Dunn  
 Molly Bauer  
 Jane Buehler  
 Judy Arrington  
 Rob Strohl  
 Alan Brooks  
 Maryann Brothers  
 Kay Bambeck  
 Lester Miller  
 Melody Rader

### IN OUR PRAYERS...

Please take a moment to review the names on our church prayer list. If you know the current recovery status, condition, or needs of any person listed, please advise Pastor Dan or the church office. We rejoice in God's healing and grace when someone is well enough to come off the list and we promise our prayers to all who are added. Thank You.



*With Deepest Sympathy*

Our deep and heartfelt sympathies are with the family and friends of Frances Moser and Beth Kneuss and Craig Rader.

May the Lord embrace these families with His love and bless them with peace.

# Worship

## **OPEN ALTAR FLOWERS**

If you would like to provide altar flowers in memory or in honor of loved ones, please either sign up on the list in the Narthex or call the church office at 330-343-6915.

The cost for one vase is \$19. You will be billed by Blossom's Florist

Altar Flowers are available for the following dates.



*Altar Flowers*

- May 2nd - 1 vase
- May 16th - 1 vase
- May 23rd - 1 vase
- May 30th - 2 vases
- June 6th - 1 vase
- June 13th, - 2 vases

## Sunday School News

In-Person Sunday School Classes continue in May. Classes begin at 9:30 AM on Sunday morning. Thanks to Deb Flood for providing on-line Sunday School while we could not offer in-person services.



## Memorial Day Weekend



One Service on Sunday, May 30

Grace will have a single service at 9:30 AM on Memorial Day Weekend as the Dover community celebrates Canal Days. Please note that Sunday School Classes will be canceled that Sunday as well.

## **Altar Guild**

**Saturday, May 15th**

9 am

Decorate for Confirmation

**Tuesday May 25th**

9 am Meeting

## **Worship Readings**

### **Sunday, May 2nd**

Acts 8:26-40

Psalm 22:25-31

1 John 4:7-21

John 15:1-8

### **Sunday, May 9th**

Acts 10:44-48

Psalm 98

1 John 5:1-6

John 15:9-17

### **Sunday, May 16th**

Acts 1:15-17, 21-26

Psalm 1

1 John 5:9-13

John 17:6-19

### **Sunday, May 23rd**

Acts 2:1-21

Psalm 104:24-34, 35b

Romans 8:22-27

John 20:19-23

### **Sunday, May 30th**

Genesis 1:1-5

Psalm 29

2 Corinthians 13:11-13

John 3:1-17



## **Yes, on-line services are here to stay!**

Once the pandemic is over we will continue to record our 10:30 service each week. You still will be able to attend worship at your leisure. Weekly on-line services will become part of our on-going ministry here at Grace. The service will be available at 10:30 am on Sundays.



## Worship Assistants

### SUNDAY 8:00 AM WORSHIP

ACOLYTES	LAY READERS	DEACON/COMM. ASST.	USHERS
5/2	5/2 Lynn Foust	5/2	Richard Elliott Steve Zimmerman Jim Heller Scott Ebert Edward Harper David Elliott
5/9	5/9 Terry Miller	5/9	
5/16	5/16 Gale Limron	5/16	
5/23	5/23 Kim Gray	5/23	
5/30	5/30 Lynn Foust	5/30	

### SUNDAY 10:30 AM WORSHIP

**May 2** John Lorenz, Larry Wallick, Tom Margo, Ron Stahl  
**May 9** Jim Gibb, Mike Sergent, Jimm Morris, Karl Vitovic  
**May 16** John Stahl, Robert McCulloch, Keith Lands, Paul McFadden  
**May 23** Jeff Keller, Jeff Hootman, John Wolfe, Joe Vanfossen  
**May 30** WELCA

ACOLYTES	LAY READERS	DEACON/COMM. ASST.
5/2	5/2 John Stahl	5/2
5/9	5/9 Betsy Morris	5/9
5/16	5/16 Jan Ochsenbine	5/16
5/23	5/23 Jim Gibb	5/23
5/30	5/30 Sandy Gibb	5/30

### ALTAR GUILD

**May:** Glenda Sclater, Marcie Castricone, Liz Miller, Paula Wolfe

**June:** Judy Martin, Pam Keller, Elaine Margo



### Get the Messenger By Email

If you'd like to receive the Messenger by email please send an email to [GraceHappens@GraceDover.org](mailto: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](http://www.GraceDover.org)



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30 9:30 am Worship Communion	31  <u>Church office closed</u>					