



THE MESSENGER

2020

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

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The Reverend Daniel J. Cammarn has been recommended by the synod to serve as an interim Pastor here at Grace. Pastor Dan received a BSEE degree from The Ohio State University, received a Master of Divinity degree and did post-graduate work at the Lutheran Theological Seminary at Gettysburg.

Pastor Dan has served at Ebenezer Lutheran Church in New Tripoli, PA, for five years; St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Tower City, PA, for ten years and Grace Lutheran Church in Wadsworth, OH, as senior pastor for fifteen years. In 2015 he decided to take his ministry in a new direction and was trained as an intentional interim pastor by the national church. Since then he has worked as an intentional interim minister at Faith Lutheran Church in Massillon, Abiding Savior Lutheran Church in Alliance, Saint Paul's Lutheran Church in Massillon, and Saint Paul Lutheran Church in Bellville.

Pastor Dan is married to Pastor Ann Cammarn who presently serves as the interim at Parma Lutheran Church in Parma. Previously she was the pastor at Zion Lutheran Church in Wooster. Pastors Dan and Ann previously worked together at Grace Lutheran Church in Wadsworth for twelve years. They have been happily married for 35 years

Pastors Dan and Ann have two children; Kathryn Maliskas who is a special education curriculum coach in Cypress, Texas; and Grace Katsaros who is a data analyst for Progressive Insurance, living in Shaker Heights. They spend as much time as possible visiting their grandchildren in Cypress: 3 year-old Teddy and 3 week-old Philip.

Pastors Dan and Ann are considered "retired" by the national church. They work fulltime nine months of the year and babysit their grandchildren in Texas during the winter months


Pastors Dan and Ann reside in Wooster.

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Planning Council

**PLANNING
COUNCIL**

**Next Meeting
Nov. 10th, 2020
@ 6:30 PM**



**Grace
Notes**

Facts and Figures

Worship Attendance and Offerings*

<p>Attendance August 2020*</p> <p>Weekly Average: 69 Difference: -55 (-44%)</p>	<p>Attendance August 2019</p> <p>Weekly Average: 124</p>
<p>Offerings August 2020</p> <p>Total Offerings: \$15,551.00 Difference: -\$4,772.25 Weekly Average: \$3110.20 Difference: -\$1970.61 (-36%)</p>	<p>Offerings August 2019</p> <p>Total Offerings: \$20,323.25** Weekly Average: \$5080.81</p>

2020-2021 BOARD MEMBERS AND OFFICERS

Ron Stahl - President Richard Elliott - Vice President
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Richard Elliott - Director
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Julie Vanfossen

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- Director
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Brad Wharmby

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- Director
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Deb Foust
(Cody Jerles, Coordinator YFM)

Hospitality

Sarah Wolfe - Director
Marcie Castricone
Melissa Engstrom
Cindy Jerles
Traci Smith
Bobbie Cox

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Nancy Wharmby - Director
Charles Castricone
Keith Lands
Craig Rader
Sarah Kneuss

Outreach

Joe Penrod - Director
Joe Erickson
Tanna Loveday
Judy Martin
Paul McFadden
John Wolfe
Scott Ebert (church sign)
David Elliott (church website)

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

Announcements

Thanks for the Memories and so much more!

Thank you for all the cards, notes, gifts and other expressions of congratulations and goodwill upon my retirement. They are all so greatly appreciated, and I'll cherish them as I move on to my next life adventures.

Thank you, most of all, for ten-plus years of support, encouragement, and Christian love. It has been a wonderful blessing to know and serve you. God has been so good to me through you.

May God's enduring peace be with you as you continue to love one another and serve your community in Jesus' name.

Your servant in Christ,



Still Growing in God's Grace

Two young people will be confirmed during the 10:30 a.m. worship service on Sunday, September 13.

These students have successfully completed two years of instruction covering a survey of the Holy Scriptures and basic Christian doctrine as set forth in *Luther's Small Catechism*. Pastor Rice and Mrs. Linda McFadden teach the classes.



This year's **Confirmation Graduates** include:


Isaac Roman-Willey, son of Chris Roman and Nicole Willey of New Philadelphia; and

Taylor Vaughan, daughter of Nathan and Jennifer Vaughan of Dover. Congratulations Confirmation Graduates! May God continue to bless you as you live and grow in His love and grace.

Announcements

Pizza! Pizza!

Our Grace Youth Mission Trip Team is selling Park Street Pizza tickets at the table in the narthex. This is a fundraising venture to finance their summer mission trip to Niagara Falls, NY this coming June. Pizza prices are \$12 for a cheese or pepperoni pizza. Chicken, Bacon, Ranch pizzas are \$15. Pizza pick-up will be November 1st behind the Outreach Center between 11 am - 1 pm.



Thank you for your support.

Baptismal Blessings

Nash Jameson Harshey was baptized by Pastor Rice on Saturday, August 29, 2020. He was born April 11, 2018 and is the son of Nicholas and Ciara (Thompson) Harshey. His big brothers are Nolan and Nicolai Harshey. Nash's grandparents are members Ron and Shelly Stahl and Bart Harshey, Troy Thompson, and Terri Tice.

May God bless Nash with the fulness of His loving grace and forever keep her in His tender care. Congratulations! Welcome to the family of God!



Thank You!

Dear Phillip Jr. & Marceil Hammerstrom Scholarship Committee & Congregation,
Thank you for selecting me as a recipient for this scholarship . I am very blessed and grateful for the support the church has shown me as I have pursued my undergraduate degree and now my doctorate. Thank you for helping me reach and pursue my goals. I truly am thankful to come from such a supportive and loving congregation and church.

Sincerely,
Madeline Bauer

Thank you!

Dear People of Grace,
(Endowment Board)

Thank you for your recent \$5000 gift and for your ongoing generous partnership support of ELCA World Hunger!

Your act of prayer, study and generosity are so needed as hunger rises here and across the globe! So needed and so appreciated.

Thank you and God Bless!

Until all are fed,
Robin Brown

Announcements

Stewardship
A way of living

We Give Because . . .
God Never Hesitates
To Give To Us!

Weekly offering needed \$4326.92
Total offerings needed by
the end of September \$168,749.88

Total 3-wk September offerings \$11,920.00
Year To Date Difference +\$1060.76

Thank You For Your
Continued Giving!!

Newborn News

Ryan and Stefanie Porter are the proud and happy parents of a new baby son. Reese Ryan Porter was born September 11, 2020 and entered the world weighing 9 lbs. 13 oz. and measuring 22 inches long. He is grandson of Jan and Ernie Kleski and the great-grandson of Doris Keener.

Congratulations! May God bless this young lad as he grows in God's love and grace.

It's a
Boy!

Cleaner! Safer!

Grace Lutheran has installed **ActiveAir Cold Plasma Bi-Polar Ionization Technology** for a cleaner and healthier air supply and ventilation. It was installed by a local distributor, installation and maintenance company, Henry Heating and Cooling. Units were attached to existing heating and cooling equipment and uses our current duct work.

The ionization technology removes up to 99.5% of active pathogens from the air and surfaces, including viruses, bacteria, and mold. It also works to eliminate dust, allergens, pollutants, odors, and other contaminants. Studies indicate the technology is effective in removing corona viruses, with a promising study of covid-19 still in progress.

A total of seven units were installed. These include three units for the sanctuary, narthex, and youth hall; two units for Lutheran Hall; and two units for the Grace Outreach Center. Each unit retails for \$1200.00 for a total of \$8400.00. Henry's gave us a 10% discount as a contracted customer for a savings of \$840.00. The projected was paid for through the Lewis Memorial Fund as a capital improvement.

With the installation of this new technology, we can be even more confident our "new normal" gathering for Sunday worship services. The new technology in no way curbs our need for:

- * Social distancing
- * Wearing a mask or facial covering (with "medical exceptions" understood)
- * Hand sanitizing and personal hygiene, and
- * No contact offering collection, Holy Communion, bulletins, etc.



Together Again in God's Grace

We began worshipping together again on Sunday, June 7 with services at 8:00 and 10:30 a.m. Everything is going smoothly and safely. The guidelines will remain in practice for the foreseeable future. Thank you for your care and cooperation.

Below you will find the *annotated* version of the poster displayed at all entrances. Please limit your entry to the doors on W. 3rd Street and near the corner green space. This will include the "limited accessibility entrance."

So that we may worship safely and comfortably together:

Please observe 6-foot "social distancing."

Facial coverings are **Required**. (*Love your neighbor as yourself. Protect them as you would want to be protected. If you forgot yours, there are some disposable facial coverings available. Exception is made for medical reasons only.*)

Hand sanitizer is available. Please retain for future use. (*Hand sanitizer is provided for all worshippers 12 years old and older. You may bring your own or use the one provided.*)

Please in designated pews only. (*If you see a sign that says, "Please do not Sit Here," please comply. Seats available are marked with blue tape at the end of the pew.*)

Hymnals, Bibles, and other materials have been removed from the pews.

(*If you wish to follow the Scripture readings, **BYOB**—Bring your own Bible.*)

We will observe "no contact" offering collection. (*If needed, pew envelopes are available on the table in the narthex. Collection plates are located near the sanctuary entrances.*)

Discard bulletins in recyclables baskets after use. (*Our worship service has been adapted for safety reasons. There will be no congregational singing. Spoken responses are kept to a minimum. The service will be significantly shorter.*)

Dispose of used "Communion Sets" in black trash bins. (*Each worshipper wishing to take Communion is supplied with a "No contact" Communion set. It contains a wafer and grape juice. We will partake of Holy Communion as a congregation following the Words of Institution.*)

Avoid "mingling" after the worship service and at all times maintain "social distancing."

If you have a fever or you are not feeling well, please return home.
(*Take care. Be safe. God bless you.*)

Thank you.

Outreach

GROCERY BAG MINISTRY

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

Grocery bag distribution is temporarily suspended. We expect when it resumes, the need will be great. We are still accepting food and monetary donations.

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.



FEED THE HUNGRY

Please be Praying for...

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

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| Ella DeVore | Holly Hillen |
| Keith Lands | Fred Grosse |
| Mildred Schauer | Judy Wells |
| Tim Clark | JoAnn Hammond |
| Glenn Siber | Rachelle Sensel |
| Dwayne Mann | Lisa Myers |
| Mark Donahoe | Buffy Gray |
| Jason Phillips | Norma Grywalski |
| Wayne Page | Carol Betche |
| Shirley Johnson | Edward King Sr. |
| Ethel King | Jane Rice |
| Molly Bauer | Louise Harris |
| Jane Buehler | Karen Page |
| Judy Arrington | Steve Strohl |
| Rob Strohl | Helen Rosenberry |
| Bob Sclater | Jim Lands |
| Brian Reidenbach | Jesse & Maryann Brothers |
| David Peoples | Jason Clinker |
| Florence Fenton | |

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

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.



Oct. 4th - 2 vases

Oct. 18th - 2 vases

Oct. 25th - 2 vases

Nov. 22nd - 1 vase

Dec. 6th - 1 vase

Dec. 13th - 1 vase



Worship Readings

Altar Guild

No meetings until further notice.

Sunday, Oct. 4th

Isaiah 5:1-7

Psalms 80:7-15

Philippians 3:4b-14

Matthew 21:33-46

Sunday, Oct. 11th

Isaiah 25:1-9

Psalms 23

Philippians 4:1-9

Matthew 22:1-14

Sunday, Oct. 18th

Isaiah 45:1-7

Psalms 96:1-9 [10-13]

1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

Matthew 22:15-22

Sunday, Oct. 25th

Jeremiah 31:31-34

Psalms 46

Romans 3:19-28

John 8:31-36

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
10/4	10/4 Terry Miller	10/4	Tim Keplinger
10/11	10/11 Kim Gray	10/11	Richard Elliott
10/18	10/18 Lynn Foust	10/18	Steve Zimmerman
10/25	10/25 Gale Limron	10/25	Jim Heller
			Scott Ebert
			Edward Harper

SUNDAY 10:30 AM WORSHIP

Oct. 4 John Lorenz, Larry Wallick, Tom Margo, Ron Stahl
Oct. 11 Jim Gibb, Mike Sergent, Jimm Morris, Karl Vitovic
Oct. 18 John Stahl, Robert McCulloch, Keith Lands, Paul McFadden
Oct. 25 Jeff Keller, Jeff Hootman, John Wolfe, Joe Vanfossen

ACOLYTES	LAY READERS	DEACON/COMM. ASST.
10/4	10/4 Sandy Gibb	10/4
10/11	10/11 Jan Ochsenbine	10/11
10/18	10/18 John Stahl	10/18
10/25	10/25 Rick Homrighausen	10/25

ALTAR GUILD

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

November: Melody Rader, Wendy Mady, Betsy Morris, Becky Lands



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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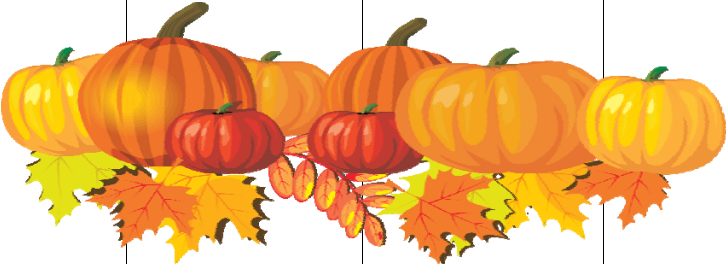

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October 2020

Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church

Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
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4 8 am Worship Communion 10:30 am Worship Communion	5 7 pm Valley Voices	6	7	8	9	10
11 8 am Worship Communion 10:30 am Worship Communion	12 7 pm Valley Voices  Columbus Day	13 9 am Knotters	14	15	16	17
18 8 am Worship Communion 10:30 am Worship Communion	19 7 pm Valley Voices	20	21	22	23	24
					<u>Messenger Deadline</u>	
25 8 am Worship Communion 10:30 am Worship Communion 6 pm Meal to the Homeless Shelter	26 7 pm Valley Voices	27	28	29	30	31
					<u>Messenger Assembly</u>	