

April 2007 THE MESSENGER

One Week that Changed the World

This year April begins with Holy Week. The journey of Jesus Christ from his triumphant entry into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday to the Cross of Calvary on Good Friday and then to the triumphant Resurrection on Easter Sunday is the most important week in the history of the world. As we go through week after week and wonder at times, will anything really change, will all this effort ever really amount to anything, the truth of Holy Week tells us that one week is truly enough to change the world. Think of some of the things that changed in just those seven days.

Death was the end for all things and the world was headed toward it.

Now death is not the end but life everlasting is given freely through Jesus Christ.

Sin separated the world God created from our creator God.

Now sin has been cancelled and the world restored to a right relationship with God through faith.

The cross was an image of torture, humiliation and death.

Now the cross is a symbol of love, compassionate sacrifice, and the promise of life without end.

Religion was a practice of following societal rules that maintained order and kept everything in its proper place.

Now religion is a relationship of trust with the one who gives us life, freedom, purpose, hope, and joy that has no end.

Not bad for a week's work. And it begs the question, what are you working toward this week? Is there anything more important to do this week than help someone else see for themselves the truth of the Good News - That in Christ We Are a New Creation. Everything Old has passed away - Behold Everything has been made New. What will you do this week to change the world? What will you do this week to live like Christ?

Peace and prayers,

Pastor Jim

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

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"MINISTRY NIGHT" FOR ALL OFFICERS, BOARD DIRECTORS & BOARD MEMBERS

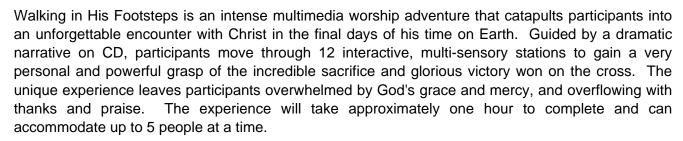
Tuesday, April 10th-6:30 p.m.

PLANNING COUNCIL FOR ALL OFFICERS & BOARD DIRECTORS Tuesday, April 17th—6:30 p.m. Luther Hall



Walk in His Footsteps this Holy Week

This Holy Week you will have a new opportunity to experience the story of Jesus' last days and the journey to the cross through a creative and transforming experience that will be available in Youth Hall all week.



| DATE | TIME | | | |
|--|-------------------|--|--|--|
| April 2, 3, 4 & 5 | 9:00 AM—4:00 PM | | | |
| Thursday April 5 | 8:00 PM—10:00 PM | | | |
| Friday, April 6 | 8:00 PM—10:00 PM | | | |
| Saturday, April 7 | 9:00 AM—12:00 PM | | | |
| MAUNDY | GOOD | | | |
| THURSDAY | FRIDAY | | | |
| SERVICE | SERVICE | | | |
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| April 5—7:00 p.m. | April 6—7:00 p.m. | | | |
| April 5—7:00 p.m. Exodus 12:1–4[5–10] 11–14 | ,52201202 | | | |
| | April 6—7:00 p.m. | | | |





PALM SUNDAY—APRIL 1ST

All children up to Grade 5 are invited to an **Easter Egg Hunt** which will be held after the **10:30 a.m.** service on **April 1st**. Please bring a basket or bag.



John 13:1–17, 31b–35

EASTER BREAKFAST—APRIL 8TH—9:15

During Sunday School, you are invited to breakfast consisting of scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage gravy & biscuits, sweet rolls, fresh fruit, toast, orange juice, coffee, tea, and milk. Cost is by donation which will benefit our summer church camp scholarships. Thrivent will provide matching funds.

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EASTER: LIFE IN FULL BLOOM

This Easter we will be beginning a special preaching series called Life in full BLOOM. The series will begin on Easter Sunday as we hear the resurrection story and celebrate the great gift of new life in Christ that is promised to all who believe allowing us to Begin Again. The series will continue for 5 weeks as we unpack the life we are given in Christ and how we can make sure we are in full BLOOM. BLOOM

stands for Begin again - Listen for His call - Open your heart - Obey the call - Make it count. Please invite your friends who do not have a church home to join us on Easter Sunday for this exciting series.

Easter Sunday, April 8th—Begin Again

The resurrection tells us to hit the reset button everything has changed, death is dead, now you can really live.

Sunday, April 15th—Listen for His Call

Not only is Jesus alive, he wants you to live for him to tell others about the one who calls you by name to see him face-to-face.

Sunday, April 22nd—Open your Heart

Our hearts burn to walk with Jesus, to open our lives to His truth.

Sunday, April 29th—Obey the Call

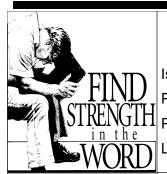
Loving God takes more than words.

Sunday, May 6th—Make it Count

Jesus has given you a new life, He's given you a mission,

now listen to His plan for how to make it count.

The series will also unfold visually each week as more color and more blossoms are added to the sanctuary. We have grown accustomed to donating Easter Lilies to adorn the sanctuary for Easter day. This year we invite you to make the sanctuary blossom and grow each week as more flowers are added, more color is brought in and the picture of lives in full BLOOM is clearly seen. You may use the order form in the newsletter or one from the Narthex. **Orders and payment are due by Sunday, April 1st.**



Sunday, April 1st

Palm Sunday Isaiah 50:4-9a Psalm 31:9-16 Philippians 2:5-11 Luke 22:14-23:56

Sunday, April 8th

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

Sunday, April 15th Sur

2nd Sunday of Easter
Acts 5:27-32
Psalm 150
Revelation 1:4-8

Revelation 1:4-8 John 20:10:18

Sunday, April 22nd

3rd Sunday of Easter Acts 9:1-6 Psalm 30 Revelation 5:11-14

Luke 24:13-32

Sunday, April 29th

4th Sunday of Easter
Acts 9:36-43
Psalm 23
Revelation 7:9-17
John 21:15-18a



Pack Your Lunch With Grace

You are invited to join Pastor Jim for a time of fellowship and Bible Study on **Thursdays**. Pack your lunch and meet with friends at Luther Hall at **12:00 p.m.** where you can eat together, share stories, and then spend a half-hour in Bible study as we look together at one of the lessons for the upcoming week.

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PROPERTY BOARD

We are still accepting donations for the Door Fund. There are special envelopes on the Narthex table for those wishing to donate. The doors should be installed in late April or early May.



Saturday, April 14th
8:00 a.m.
Luther Hall
Come join us for
some good food and

ENDOWMENT FUND COMMITTEE

The Grace Evangelical Endowment Fund Committee is scheduled to meet on **Tuesday**, **April 24th** at 11:00 a.m. in Luther Hall.

All requests for grants must be submitted by Tuesday, April 10th on the form provided and completed.



Worship Assistants Needed

We are looking for some more individuals or families that would be interested in assisting with our weekly worship services. We could use additional ushers, readers, and deacons (communion assistants) for either service. Anyone interested in these positions should talk to Pastor Jim.

If you are interested in helping to run the sound board for either worship service, please contact Richard Elliott.

PHILLIP JR. AND MARCEIL HAMMERSTROM SCHOLAR-SHIP FUND

This scholarship was set up 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 HEALTH area or in the TRADE/INDUSTRY area, you may apply for this scholarship which must be completed and returned no later than **April 30th**. *Any age may apply*. Application forms are available in the Narthex.

JENNIFER GRAFE CAMP MOWANA SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship is for anyone in Grades 3 through 12 who has a disability or cannot afford to go to camp. All information is kept confidential. Application forms will be available in the church office and in the Narthex. Applications are due by **Sunday, May 6, 2007**. If you have any questions, please call Sue Grafe at 330-364-4184, Beckie Grafe at 330-364-4096, or Cindy Jerles at 330-364-2313.

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CALLING ALL SCRAP BOOKERS, STAM-PERS, AND CRAF-TERS!!

We are looking for anyone interested in meeting once a month from 7:00 p.m. to midnight to get together to work on your scrapbooks, stamping, or whatever your craft may be. We are trying to figure out how many people would be interested in a social crafting evening. It would be a non-formal, come when you are able kind of get together and a chance for us to get to know each other better.

We will meet in the Outreach Center on **April 27th** and each bring one or two canned food items for the food pantry that is provided by our church.

Please call Gretchen Grosse at 330-364-1089. Thank you! And happy crafting!

Live, Love, LAUGH!



2nd Annual
Women's Comedy Concert
to benefit P.A.L. Mission
Featuring . . .



THURSDAY
April 19th, 7pm

River Tree Christian Church 7373 Portage St NW, Massillon

COST: \$15 General Admission \$20 Artist Row
Tickets on Sale Monday March 5th
Berean Book Store in Canton &
DaySpring in New Philadelphia
GROUP ORDERS & ARTIST ROW

call 330-339-3515

P.A.L. Mission (Preparation for Adult Living)
PAL Mission is a private, non-profit, faith based
organization servicing foster girls ages 16-18 &
homeless young adult women in our community.

www.PALMISSION.org

Habitat for Humanity of Tuscarawas Valley, Inc.

Annual Dinner Meeting—Tuesday, April 17th

You are invited to attend our Annual Dinner meeting. We will gather at the McDonald Marlite Conference Center at 6 PM for a reception followed by dinner at 6:30 PM. The buffet menu includes: chicken, roast beef, potato, salad, vegetable, rolls, dessert, coffee and soft drinks. Cost is \$15 per person.

HFHTV is excited to share their successes over the past five years and will discuss plans for continued growth and provide building plans for 2007. We will also recognize past volunteers and donors who have given generously of their time and resources. Please join us for this fun and informational event. Please RSVP by April 9th. Checks should be payable to HFHTV, PO Box 2216, Dover OH 44622 (330-343-3282) E-mail habitat@tusco.net.

SYNOD GATHERING

Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church will be hosting an area ministry meeting, sometimes known as the Bishop's Gathering, which will be held on **Tuesday, April 24th in our Fellowship Hall**. This event begins with dinner at 5:30 p.m. followed by a Bible Study which will be led by Bishop Eaton, various presentations and conversations, and closing devotions at 7:45 p.m. All clergy and church leaders from the Southern Conference of the ELCA Northeastern Ohio Synod are invited to attend.

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EVANGELISM BOARD

Dear Church Family,

Thank you for your continued support to the Homeless Shelter Meals and the Wednesday Free Lunch. The two areas of outreach have been so blessed with your giving and are greatly appreciated by those who have received. Your volunteering of food for these less fortunate are a sign of God's Holy Spirit moving through us to do God's great work.

As we continue to do this outreach, we are going to try something different. We will have the menus on a poster located in the narthex so you can sign up as you enter or leave church. This will give all of us the opportunity to take part in this outreach together.

We will have Homeless Shelter and Wednesday Free Lunch there so you can sign up at your convenience as to what months you would like to help.

We will have these posted for two months and if they don't get filled we will have to pass the clipboard.

May God continue to use us in the caring of others and in doing his work. Remember we are never too young or too old to do God's work!

Evangelism Board

volunteers:

Volunteers providing food for Free Lunch should deliver their food donations to the church to the Luther Hall kitchen on Tuesday, April 17th. Thank you to the following

Jen McCulloch, Marcie Tinlin, Dana Lewis, Audra Miceli, Juanita Page, Liz Nelson, Linda Bertle, Louise Keplinger, Jan Porter, Kelly Fishley & Bobbie Myers.



FREE LUNCH FOR THE NEEDY

The Evangelism Board will be sponsoring a free lunch for those in need on Wednesday, April 18th from 11:00 to 1:00 in our Outreach Center.

We will be serving creamed chicken sandwiches, macaroni salad, chips and mixed fruit. We will also prepare take home bags with peanut butter & jelly sandwiches, bananas, apples and cookies.

How can YOU help? Donate food, drinks or money. Help serve/cook/clean up on that day (9:30 to 1:30).

Questions? Call Jen McCulloch at 330-364-5426.

Peanut butter is desperately needed for Your donations will be our food pantry. greatly appreciated!

> Thank you to the following volunteers who will help serve our free lunch on:

Wednesday, April 18th

Liz Nelson, Leader

Tonva Wilkins

Janice Weber

Holly Vesco

Reba Snyder

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 SERVING MEALS off to bring it in disposable pans.

If you, your family or your group or board would like to participate, please call Jen McCulloch at 330-364-5426 for more information. Also, there is an opportunity for anyone interested in leading a Bible study at the shelter.

Thank you to the following volunteers who will prepare and deliver a meal of Ham Loaf, Potato Casserole, Baked Beans, Salad, Dinner Rolls, Dessert, Coffee & Milk on April 22nd:

Dianne Coulter Linda McFadden **Dottie Huff Liz Miller** Janice Weber **Babs Thomas-Moore Toni Ferritto Faith Bambeck Barb Kimble Dale Weaver** Jen McCulloch **Dana Lewis Marcie Castricone** Norma Grywalski **Kelly Fishley** Audra Miceli

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 those of our brothers and sisters in need.



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PARISH FELLOWSHIP BOARD







Come one, come all to the Parish Fellowship Spring Luncheon! Sunday, <u>April 1st</u> after the 10:30 service in Fellowship Hall. Cost will be \$2.00 per person. If you thought the Valentine's Dinner was good, wait until you join us for this lunch!! Picnic style lunch will be served.

Coffee of the month: Tanzanian Jubilee

Full-bodied and flavorful, this fairly traded coffee is grown by small farmers on the slopes of Mt. Kilimanjaro in Tanzania, East Africa. Spread the call for Jubilee while helping small farmers in indebted countries build a better future for themselves and their families.



Thank you to the following volunteers who have signed up to bring a treat for the coffee table for Sunday mornings on the following dates:



April 1st—Katherine Stahl, Dorothy Morrison

April 8th—Karen Marlowe, Brenda Wallick

April 15th—Dottie Huff, Carrie Yeager

April 22nd—Bobbie Myers, Molly Bauer

April 29th—Audra Miceli, Susan Herman

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Grace Point Planning Nights Wednesday April 18 and May 2 @ 6:30 PM

This Spring we invite you to join us for two important evenings that will help us get prepared for another even better year of Grace Point this Fall.

If you are interested in helping prepare meals, providing nursery care, working with kids of all ages, participating in an adult small group, or being involved in arts, drama, puppets or music groups that can enhance our worship at Grace, we have a place for you.

In case that wasn't clear enough - Grace Point has something to offer and to involve everyone. Grace Point is not a children's ministry; it is a family ministry, it brings the people of God's family regardless of their age together to learn from each other, to celebrate God's blessings, and to find new ways to grow in our relationships with God and one another.

April 18 will be an informational meeting to help you understand and experience all that Grace Point has to offer. **May 2** will be a training meeting to help you get started in developing your unique role in this exciting ministry. See you there.

Confirmation Retreat 2007—RE:formed



Thank you to Liz Nelson, Toni Ferritto, Larry Wallick, Beckie Grafe, and all the parents who contributed food, rides, and prayers to make this year's retreat possible. 11 of the 13 Confirmation students were joined by 6 friends and 5 high school youth, Pastor Jim, and the four adult leaders listed above for a weekend of learning, eating, swimming, playing, and worship that challenged us to learn about the Reformation Luther led, examine God's desire for us to Reform our relationships, and think about how we might Reform our lives to allow God to speak into them and through them.

The retreat even managed to Reform the 10:30 worship service as the youth led the congregation in singing, prayers, and helped our children understand the Gospel. Thanks again to everyone who made the retreat happen.



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YOUNG PEOPLES' MINISTRY LASER QUEST



College & Military Care Packages

The Young Peoples Board will once again be sending "Care packages" to college students and military personnel. We are asking you for donations of food and other items to be included Some suggestions are single in the boxes. serving foods (soups, ravioli, Ramen noodles, Mac & Cheese, etc.), gum, candy, Pop Tarts and other breakfast type bars, popcorn, hot chocolate, powdered drink mixes, snack size chips, pretzels, peanuts, crackers, raisins, pudding, jello, cookies as well as post-it notes or pencils. Be creative and think of items that would be fun to open up by those far from home. Your donations may be placed in the baskets in the Narthex.

Hey High Schoolers, What Are We Aiming For?

We want to hear from you, our high school youth about what you are looking for in our new youth ministry format. So we've planned an evening you will definitely want to be a part of.

On **Sunday, April 15**, we will travel to Canton to play some games at **Laser Quest** followed by a conversation over Pizza about the kinds of events, ongoing ministry, times, and topics you want to be a part of our youth ministry. Come share your ideas, set your sights high, and let's see if together we can really aim at something great for youth ministry at Grace. All 8th-12th grade youth are invited to attend, please sign up by April 8.

Renovare Café'

WE NEED YOU!

Renovare Café (the new youth center at 206 W. Third Street in downtown Dover) is looking for a few good men and women. We would like to offer a safe and friendly atmosphere for the area teens to "hang out," "drop in to" and "just be" after school. This is where you come in—we would like some volunteer adults to be with the kids and to be able to offer them some help with school subjects that they may be having some problem with. Remember those days when your algebra did not make one ounce of sense or Spanish never seemed to sound the way the teacher wanted it to? We are at a place with this new facility where we could offer this help to the young people in town or out of town, for that matter. Do you need to be a teacher or a former teacher? Not at all. If you feel like you could help a young person in this way, call the Café at (330) 602-HOPE (4673) and ask for Mike (Spies) or email him at mike@renovarecafe.com, and let him know that you are interested and the area in which you could offer tutoring. Or, just drop in any day of the week to see what all the excitement is all about. Thanks for all your help.

Captive Free Concert and Lock-In



April 20th 7:00 PM

Captive Free is a group of young adults who minister throughout the eastern Great Lakes

region with a faith-encouraging program of music, testimonies, drama and puppetry to inspire people of all ages! And they will be here at Grace on **Friday, April 20th.** Everyone is invited to come and enjoy XP Worship with Captive Free at **7 PM**. A free-will offering will be collected to support their ministry. Following the concert, all 6th-12th grade youth are encouraged to stick around for <u>Fear Factor the Lock-In</u>. The Lock-in will finish at 8 AM Saturday, April 21.

Youth Ministry Makeover Events Wednesday April 25 and May 9 @ 6:30 PM

This Spring we will hold two 2-hour events designed to help you provide input into the shape and direction of our youth ministry programs for the upcoming year. We believe we have added some important events to the list of things to look forward to in this ministry year, but we have not vet met our goal of providing an encouraging. exciting, and enlightening system that grows and deepens faith in our young people and supports their parents in anchoring their faith in Christ. We understand the growing number of commitments, responsibilities, and opportunities our young people have available to them and we believe that nothing can prepare and equip them better to handle the pressure those activities place on them than a solid relationship with Christ who promises them Joy in all things and life that is without end. If you desire to help your youth learn this so well that they never forget it, we need you to attend these important events.

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CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

There will be no Sunday School classes on Easter Sunday, April 8th because of the breakfast. Classes resume on Sunday, April 15th.



REGISTERED FOR SUMMER CAMP

As of March 22nd, we are delighted that we have received camp registrations for the following children and youth to attend summer camp. Their first choice for camp is listed below:

| Elizabeth Herman | Western Riding Camp | Camp Frederick | 6/24-29 |
|------------------|------------------------|----------------|---------|
| Cody Herman | New Adventurers | Camp Frederick | 6/24-29 |
| Samantha Herman | Wild Waterworld | Camp Frederick | 6/24-29 |
| Aaronn Sergent | The Journeyers | Camp Frederick | 8/5-10 |
| Chris Harper | The Ultimate Challenge | Camp Frederick | 7/8-13 |



Hang on to your life preserver! The VBS crew at Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church is preparing a VBS water park adventure. They are getting ready to **Take the Plunge** and **Make a Splash with Jesus!** As kids move from one whirlwind activity to the next, they will be soaking up lessons that will last a lifetime.

Kids will **Take the Plunge** at the **Snack Shack** for dinner 5:30-6:00, **Raise the Reef Praises** 6:05 in the Sanctuary, **Craft-Away Cove**, **Oceans of Motion**, and **Bibleland Bay**. It will be a week of fun and excitement sure to make a splash with kids of all ages. **The twisting and turning will begin each day at 6:00 pm and end at 8:30, July 30—August 3, 2007.**

To dive into the excitement, sign up at the **Splash Zone** pre-registration event on **Sunday**, **April 15** in the Narthex at 216 N. Wooster Avenue. Also for pre-registration on **April 15**, **22**, **29** are <u>free CD's for kids</u> who sign up early at pre-registration.

Call 330-343-6915 (church office) for more information or to do quick and easy phone enrollments. You can also register by visiting our Web site at: www.gracedover.org.

Directors

| Linda McFadden | 330-343-3911 |
|----------------|--------------|
| Dana Lewis | 330-602-0263 |
| Beckie Grafe | 330-364-4096 |

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Women ELCA



Mrs. Shirley Henry from Port Washington and Mrs. Tammy Rexroad were guest speakers at the WELCA Quarterly on March 14th. Mrs. Henry has been a missionary to Africa several times. Mrs. Rexroad ac-

companied her the last trip to Kenya. Mrs. Henry was the first white woman the Kenya people had ever seen. Instead of the usual greeting, the Kenya people say "How much do you weigh?" as they shake your hand.

A highlight of her speech was that God called her at 15 years of age, but it wasn't until she was a grandma in her rocking chair that she actually got to go and she definitely plans to return to Kenya in the near future. So, she is encouraging grandmas to get out of their rocking chair and follow God's mission in their life in their local community. You are never too old.

We do thank Barb Thompson for making the arrangements for such excellent speakers.

We also want to welcome Mrs. Helen Sherman to our group.

Thank you so much for having me share with you! From the offering you gave me, we sent \$120.00 to Africa for aid to pastors. I enjoyed the day.

With much love, Shirley Henry 12232 Glasgow Rd SW Port Washington OH 43837



17 QUILTS ARE COMPLETED!

Knotters meet on the third Tuesday at 9:00 a.m. in Luther Hall. Come join us for fellowship and help us reach our goal of **three quilts a month**.

Thank you for your donations for batting which will enable us to continue our knotting.

WOMEN OF THE SOUTHERN CLUSTER SPRING MEETING

Guest Speaker: Rev. Louise Worsham

"Gracie and Friends"

Menu: Chicken Noodle Casserole, Green Beans, Perfection Salad, Roll & Butter, Beverage and Pie (Sugar free available)
Cost: \$7.50 (check payable to WELCA)

Love Offering: "Loaves & Fishes"

Saturday, April 28—9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Trinity Lutheran Church, Carrollton Registration Deadline: April 16th

Questions? Contact Sue Case at 330-343-6450

KNOTTERS

Tuesday, April 17th — 9:00 a.m.—Luther Hall

SWINGLES

Tuesday, April 17th —7:00 p.m.—Luther Hall

Join us for Bible Study: Sisters "Making God the Main Thing in My Life." Swingles meets the third Tuesday of each month. All are invited.

DR. MARY BAER CIRCLE

Wednesday, April 25th — 7:30 p.m.—Luther Hall

Hostesses: Barb Kimble & Grace Beller





Relay for Life is the first weekend in June. Think about being a walker. Candy bars are now available from Deborah Horn, Karen Marlowe and/or Dorothy Morrison (who is pictured at the right).

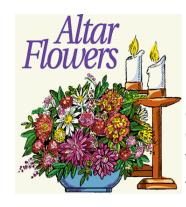


SOAP COLLECTION

As of March 16th, we have 72 bars of soap. Without soap, maintaining the level of cleanliness necessary to reduce disease and infection is very difficult. The soap we collect can be a life-saving gift to people in dire circumstances.

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

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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 \$15. You will be billed by Blossom's Florist.

The next date that altar flowers are available is: June 3rd

Altar Guild Tuesday, April 24th 9:00 a.m.



Order of St. Luke Tuesday, April 17th 7:00 p.m.

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

| Circle date and flower type | April 8 - Easter Lily April 15 - Gerber Daisy April 22 - Daffodil | | |
|-------------------------------------|---|--|--|
| Cost: \$10 each | April 29 - Hyacinth May 6 - Tulip | | |
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| PLEASE CIRCLE: | INDICATE MESSAGE BELOW: | | |
| IN HONOR OF | | | |
| IN MEMORY OF | | | |
| | | | |
| FLOWERS GIVEN BY: | | | |
| CAN YOUR DONATION BE GIVE | N TO YOUR MOTHER OR ANOTHER MOTHER ON MOTHER'S DAY? | | |
| Give flower to my own mother (name) | | | |
| \Box Give flower to a mo | ther at worship on Mother's Day | | |
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Please make all checks payable to Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church.

Please also select one of the boxes above by making a checkmark.

Order and payment are due by Sunday, April 1st.

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Remember to submit your order form & check for either Easter Lilies, Gerber Daisies, Daffodils, Hyacinths or Tulips by Sunday, April 1.



April 2007 Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| 1 Palm Sunday | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| 8:00a Worship/Communion 9:15a SCS 10:30a Worship/Communion Easter Egg Hunt following 10:30 service Picnic Lunch following Egg Hunt 8 Easter Sunday 8:00a Worship/Communion 9:15a Easter Breakfast 10:30a Worship/Communion 4:00-7:00p Patti Wott—ORC | 3:00p Communion at Park Village 6:30p Girls Scouts—Youth Hall 7:00p Valley Voices—Lounge 9 10:30a Communion at Park Village North Building 6:30p VBS Coordinator Mtg—LH 6:30p Girls Scouts—Youth Hall | 9:30a Staff meeting 6:30p Cub Scout Pack 87 Walk in His Footsteps 4 4/5 & 4/6—8:00p-10:00p 10 No Staff meeting 12:00-4:00p Rejoice | 6:30p Dover Alliance Youth— ORC /2,3,4,5—9:00a-4:00p p & 4/7—9:00a-12:00p Pastor Jim & family of 6:30p Dover Alliance | 12:00p Bible Study 1:00p Sr. Fun Day—ORC 6:00p Handbell Choir 6:30p Gallery Choir & following service 7:00p Maundy Thursday service 12 n vacation 4/10 to 4/13 12:00p Bible Study 1:00p Sr. Fun Day—ORC 6:00p Handbell Choir 7:00p Gallery Choir | GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE 7:00p Good Friday service 8-10:00p Walk | 9:00a-12:00p Walk in His Footsteps—Youth Hall 14 Men's Breakfast 8:00a Men's Breakfast— Luther Hall |
| | 7:00p Valley Voices—Lounge | | | | | 4/14 to 4/22 |
| 15 1st Sunday of Easter | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 |
| 8:00a Worship/Communion 9:15a SCS 10:30a Worship 12:00-5:00p Susan Herman—ORC Laser Quest for 8th-12th graders | 6:30p Girls Scouts—Youth Hall 7:00p Valley Voices—Lounge | 9:00a Knotters 9:30a Full Staff mtg 6:30p Planning Council—LH 6:30p Cub Scout Pack 87 6:30pHabitat dinner 7:00p Swingles 7:00p Order of St. Luke | 11:00-1:00 Free Lunch for the Needy—ORC 6:30p Grace Point Planning Night 6:30p Dover Alliance Youth— ORC | 12:00p Bible Study 1:00p Sr. Fun Day—ORC 5:30p Modern Homemakers—ORC 6:00p Handbell Choir 7:00p Gallery Choir 7:00p Women's Comedy Concert—Anita Renfroe at Rivertree Christian Church, Massillon | 7:00p Captive Free Concert— Sanctuary 9:00p to 8:00a— Lock-in for 6th- 12th graders | |
| 22 2nd Sunday of Easter 8:00a Worship 9:15a SCS 10:30a Worship/Communion 6:00p Deliver meal to Friends of the Homeless | 6:30p Girls Scouts—Youth Hall 7:00p Valley Voices—Lounge | 9:00a Altar Guild 9:30a Staff meeting 11:00a Endowment Committee—LH 5:30p Synod Gathering & Meal—FH 6:30p Cub Scout Pack 87 | 25 6:30p Youth Ministry Makeover Event 6:30p Dover Alliance—ORC 7:30p Dr. Mary Baer Circle—LH | 26 12:00p Bible Study 1:00p Sr. Fun Day—ORC 6:00p Handbell Choir 7:00p Gallery Choir | 7:00p-12:00a Scrap Bookers, Stampers & Crafters—ORC | 9:00-1:00 Women of Southern Clus- ter Spring Meet- ing—Rev. Louise Worsham at Trin- ity Lutheran, Carrollton |

29 3rd Sunday of Easter

Lands—Luther Hall—bridal

shower

8:00a Worship
6:30p Girls
Scouts—Youth
Hall
10:30a Worship
7:00p Valley
12:00-4:00 pm Kathy
Voices—Lounge

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Tuesday, May 1st—6:30 pm Ministry Night

Tuesday, May 8th—6:30 pm Planning Council—LH

7:00p Valley
Voices—Lounge

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SUNDAY 8:00 AM WORSHIP



USHERS

Michael Thomas-Moore

Tom Patton

Tim Keplinger

Richard Elliott

Steve Zimmerman

Jim Heller

Scott Ebert

ACOLYTES

Apr 1 Taylor Marsh & Shane Porter

Apr 8 Ty Miller &

Aaronn Sergent

Apr 15 Alexis Smith

Apr 22 Ashley Jerles

Apr 29 Hannah Marlowe

LAY READERS

Apr 1 Larry Lloyd

Apr 8 Steve Zimmerman

Apr 15 Gale Limron

Apr 22 Lynn Foust

Apr 29 Steve Zimmerman

DEACONS Gala Limra

Apr 1 Gale Limron

Apr 8

Apr 15 Larry Lloyd

Apr 22 None needed

Apr 29 None needed

SUNDAY 10:30 AM WORSHIP

ACOLYTES

Apr 1 Katie Cameron &

Andrew Yeager

Apr 8 Elizabeth Herman &

Olivia Bauer

Apr 15 Ethan Nelson

Apr 22 Kristin Miceli

Apr 29 Katie Cameron

USHERS

Apr 1 John Lorenz, Larry Wallick, Landon Wallick, Tom Margo, Logan Wallick, Art Siber

Apr 8 Jerry Nelson, Jack Marshall, Ron Philabaum, Jim Gibb, Kent Philabaum

Apr 15 John Stahl, Robert McCulloch, Keith Lands, Phil Hammerstrom

Apr 22 Art Keener, Dale Kreisher, William Page, Jeff Keller, Jeff Hootman

Apr 29 Women of the ELCA

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Apr 1 Cindy Jerles & Cody Jerles

Apr 8 Easter Sunday—No Children's Church

Apr 15 Michelle Gibb & Ethan Nelson

Apr 22 Lori Miller & Ty Miller

Apr 29 Beckie Grafe & Ashley Jerles

LAY READERS

Apr 1 R. Homrighausen

Apr 8 R. Homrighausen

Apr 15 Ron Philabaum

Apr 22 Ron Philabaum

Apr 29 Jim Gibb

DEACONS

John Stahl

Apr 1 John Stahl

Apr 15 None needed

Apr 22 Jim Gibb

Apr 8

Apr 29 None needed

MAUNDY THURSDAY 7:00 PM

ACOLYTE

Apr 5 Shelby Seifert

DEACON

Apr 5 John Stahl

GOOD FRIDAY 7:00 PM

READERS

Apr 6 John Stahl &



ALTAR GUILD FOR APRIL

Jane Lanz, Norma Grywalski, Sue Grafe,

Lu Kreisher, Bonnie Richardson, Pam Keller, Carol Betche