

# THE MESSENGER



## 2007

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

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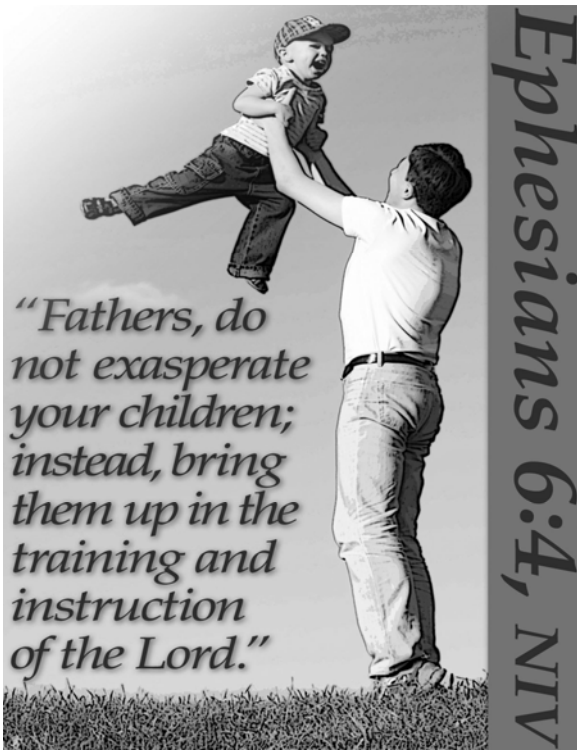
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**Pastor Jim Lewis, Senior Pastor**

**Pastor Marlin Drake, Visitation Pastor**

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*"Fathers, do not exasperate your children; instead, bring them up in the training and instruction of the Lord."*

### *It Takes a Church to Raise a Community*

The African proverb "It takes a village to raise a child," has become fairly well known since Hillary Clinton's 1996 book used it as its title. Today I invite you to consider the adaptation of that phrase, "It takes a church to raise a community." The church's role is more important than ever today, because of the pressures on families in our society, the myriad of influences we all face in our technologically saturated world, and the ever narrowing list of places where a community that can truly be called intergenerational can be found. The church is the only group in our world that has a message to share about a treasure of eternal significance. The church is the only place where the grace-filled truth of Jesus Christ is lived out in relationships every day. The church is the hope of the world and the organization best equipped to bring about real change in communities throughout the world because the Spirit of the Living God dwells within its people and directs our steps.

Of course the impact of any church within its community is dependent upon the ability of each of its members to understand and embrace the mission God has given them to achieve. Our congregation at Grace has a mission statement that calls us to

Know Christ, Live like Christ, Share Christ, and Become One in Christ.

Everything we do within our congregation and outside of the our congregation is directed towards accomplishing one of these purposes. This summer we will be holding several cottage meetings at Grace designed to allow every family that calls Grace their church home to come together, to get to know one another, to discuss the ways we are working together to become the kind of church we are called to be, and to explore the role each and every one of us has in helping that become a reality.

I truly believe that as we gather together to work as one church in this community, God will change lives and that will change the community in ways we can only imagine. I look forward to meeting with all of you at one of the cottage meetings this summer and I thank you in advance for your role in this church as we seek to impact the community with the truth of God's Amazing Grace and the power of the Holy Spirit that directs our steps.

Peace and prayers,

*Pastor Jim*

# Summer Cottage Meetings at Grace

This summer we are taking time out to gather together as brothers and sisters in Christ, get to know the people that make up this great faith community, discuss the mission of the church and the steps we are or could be taking to achieve that mission, and explore the possibilities for each of us to be a part of what God is doing in our community. There are ample opportunities at a variety of time frames so that everyone should be able to find a time that will work for them. You will be receiving a phone call in the very near future requesting your commitment to attend one of these important gatherings. Please look through the Cottage Meeting Schedule below and review your calendar to find one that will work for you. Child care is available upon request so be sure to indicate that need when you receive your commitment phone call. After you have committed to a meeting time, write it on the tear-off at the bottom and keep it somewhere you'll be reminded of it often.

### Cottage Meeting Schedule

Date	Morning	Afternoon	Evening
Sunday, June 10		Noon - 1:30 PM	
Monday, June 11	7:00 - 8:30 AM	4:00 - 5:30 PM	
Tuesday, June 19		2:00 - 3:30 PM	6:30 - 8:00 PM
Wednesday, June 20	7:00 - 8:30 AM		
Thursday, June 21		Noon - 1:30 PM	6:30 - 8:00 PM
Sunday, July 8		Noon - 1:30 PM	
Monday, July 9	7:00 - 8:30 AM 10:00 - 11:30 AM		
Tuesday, July 24			6:30 - 8:00 PM
Wednesday, July 25		3:30 - 5:00 PM	7:00 - 8:30 PM
Saturday, July 28	8:00 - 9:30 AM 10:00 - 11:30 AM		

## Grace's Summer Cottage Meetings



*We're in this ministry together!*

Your presence is needed on \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_  
Date Time

for Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church's Cottage Meeting.

Be sure to let us know if you require child care.

Call Pastor Jim Lewis at 330-343-6915 if you have questions about the event, or you may email him at [pastor@GraceDover.org](mailto:pastor@GraceDover.org)

## Phillip Jr. and Marceil Hammerstrom Scholarships Awarded

The Phillip Jr. and Marceil Hammerstrom Scholarship Fund was set up by Phillip Hammerstrom Jr. in memory of his wife Marceil, who was in the medical field, and in memory of his father Phillip Sr. who was a machinist. It is awarded to members of Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church who are currently attending a college or university program and studying in the Health or Trade/Industry fields. We are proud to announce the 2007 recipients of this award. They are as follows:

**Megan Hardin**  
**Alyssa Bonta**  
**Sara Lynne Welsh**  
**Cassi Moser**  
**Andrea Lloyd**

**Kelsie Baker**  
**Jana Keller**  
**Kara Hubbard**  
**Huston Stahl**

Each recipient will be receiving a **\$600 scholarship** for the upcoming academic year. Our prayers are with all of you as you continue to learn and serve others with your lives. Congratulations!

## New Pictorial Directories are Available



The new pictorial directories are in and available for you to pick up and use. The directory features a cover that at first glance is an image of Jesus Christ, but on closer examination is a montage of all the people that make up our Grace Evangelical Lutheran community. By no small coincidence, they arrived just in time to be made available to the congregation on the same Sunday our Gospel relayed Jesus statement, "On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you." What a perfect image of the desire of Jesus to be seen by the world in us. Each of our lives have a way of showing Jesus to the world, but none of us can do it alone. We need every person, every family, every child of God to make sure that together we show the world a complete picture of Jesus. We hope these directories will be a reminder to all of us of the great mission and opportunity we are all a part of in Christ. As you look through the photos and names, see if there's a person or family you haven't worshipped with in a while and consider dropping them a note or giving them a call to let them know you were thinking about them and hope that you can see them again soon. Perhaps you'd like to take a page a day and pray for each person/family asking God to direct their steps and keep them close to him, close to one another, and eager to let the Holy Spirit work through their lives.

Everyone who was photographed for the directory may pick up their copy in the narthex at church. As you pick up your directory, be sure to sign the adjacent sheet next to your name to let us know you have received it. If you would like to order a copy of the directory, please contact the office to place an order as soon as possible. The cost is \$10.

**“MINISTRY NIGHT”**  
**FOR ALL OFFICERS, BOARD DIRECTORS & BOARD MEMBERS**  
**Tuesday, June 5th—6:30 p.m.**

**“MINISTRY NIGHT”**  
**FOR ALL OFFICERS, BOARD DIRECTORS & BOARD MEMBERS**  
**Tuesday, July 3rd—6:30 p.m.**  
*Boards decide if they wish to meet*

**PLANNING COUNCIL**  
**FOR ALL OFFICERS & BOARD DIRECTORS**  
**Tuesday, June 12th—6:30 p.m.**  
**Luther Hall**

**PLANNING COUNCIL**  
**FOR ALL OFFICERS & BOARD DIRECTORS**  
*No meeting in July*

# PROPERTY BOARD

As you can see from our dust, we’re starting to replace the front doors. As soon as both doors are replaced, we will be replacing the carpet directly in front of the new doors and the landing by the small Narthex door. This new carpet will be a special carpet to clean your shoes to keep the salt, leaves, etc. from getting into the church. The cost of the carpet has been covered by a member of the congregation and the cost of the doors has come from the Endowment Fund and congregational donations.

Speaking of dust, we will be making some repairs to the outside of our church building this summer. After a recent problem with a water leak, we will be having a company come in to repair cracked and leaking mortar joints, window sills, etc. This will be a multi year program since the church building is almost 50 years old and the rest of the buildings are even older! Seems like there’s always something to fix!

We are going to make a change in our insurance coverage. We have finally reached a settlement with Church Mutual Insurance Co. thanks to Nathan Vaughan’s tireless efforts. This is from the Youth Hall damage when the ceiling collapsed last year. Since it has become very obvious that this carrier is not acceptable, we have again contracted with the Hanhart Agency to handle our insurance needs.

Attention all key holders: We are trying to keep a closer record of the keys that are out there. We don’t seem to have enough keys for the board directors. If you have any keys for the church at all, please contact Rich Elliott or the church office. We need to know who has which keys. Thank you.



Dear Church Family,

Thank you for your continued support in helping with the Wednesday Free Lunch (3rd Wednesday) and the dinner provided to the Homeless Shelter (4th Sunday). Thank you also for your support in supplying food for our grocery bag ministry. You truly have been a blessing to those in our community who are in great need.

There is a bulletin board in the Narthex with the menus listed for a three month period so sign up at your convenience. The clipboard will be passed during church service if items are not filled. So sign up early.

May God's Holy Spirit continue to move us to do this great work for others.

Evangelism Board

## FREE LUNCH FOR THE NEEDY

The Evangelism Board will be sponsoring a free lunch for those in need on Wednesday, June 20th & Wednesday, July 18th from 11:00 to 1:00 in our Outreach Center.

**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.

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

### Wednesday, June 20th

**Barb Thompson, Leader**

**Carol Beteche**

**Shirley Grafe**

**Susan Zimmerman**



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

### Wednesday, July 18th

**Barb Thompson, Leader**

**Carol Beteche**

**Dorothy Morrison**

**Norma Grywalski**

**Volunteers providing Sloppy Joes, macaroni salad, chips, strawberries, Angel Food cakes, Cool Whip & bread for the Free Lunch** should deliver their food donations to the church to the Luther Hall kitchen on **Tuesday, June 19th**. Thank you to the following volunteers:

Dana Lewis, Babs Thomas-Moore, Helen Rosenberry, Polly Bergquist, Bobbie Myers, Janice Weber, Donna L. Fox, Linda Bertle, Dianne Coulter, Dorothy Morrison, Becky Lands, Liz Miller, Mary Ann Weber, Janet Loader, Randy & Sue Case & Norma Grywalski

**A volunteer is needed to provide the following: 3 quarts of strawberries.** Please see the sign-up in the Narthex.

**Volunteers providing hot dogs & buns, Coney sauce, chips, baked beans, fresh cut fruit & bread for the Free Lunch** should deliver their food donations to the church to the Luther Hall kitchen on **Tuesday, July 17th**. Thank you to the following volunteers:

Jan Porter, Louise Keplinger, Holly Vesco, Margaret Haas, Linda Bertle, Dianne Coulter, Randy & Sue Case, Jill Hootman, Lu Kreisher, Jen McCulloch & Gretchen Grosse

**More volunteers are needed to provide the following: 1-1/2 lbs. Coney sauce and fresh cut fruit for 20 (twice).** Please see the sign-up in the Narthex.

### EVANGELISM NEWS... HERE'S YOUR CHANCE TO BE A BLESSING TO OTHERS

We at Grace have volunteered to provide one meal per month — the 4th Sunday of each month — and need volunteers to provide the meal and to deliver it to the *Friends of the Homeless of Tuscarawas County* which is a group of concerned citizens from various churches and social service agencies in the county who have recognized the need to assist persons experiencing homelessness. The residents eat dinner at 6:00 each evening. All tableware is provided by the shelter, and they ask that if we are just dropping the food off to bring it in disposable pans.

If you, 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.

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.



Thank you to the following volunteers who will prepare and deliver a meal of **Chester Chicken, Giant Eagle or Kentucky Fried Chicken, macaroni salad, potato salad, baked beans, dinner rolls & butter, strawberries and shortcake, coffee & milk on June 24th:**

Marcie Castrocone

Michelle Hallman

Shelly Stahl

Kelly Fishley

Gale Limron

Dorothy Morrison

Darlene Bonta

Andrea Lloyd

Peggy J. Miller

Jen & Bob McCulloch

Frances Moser

Susan Butler

Joan Davis

Jim & Dianne Heller



Thank you to the following volunteers who will prepare and deliver a meal of **ham & fresh green beans, buttered red potatoes, Jello salad, applesauce, bread, cupcakes, cans of pop, coffee & milk on July 22nd:**

Dana Lewis

Tom & Elaine Margo

Glenda Sclater

Reba Snyder

Dorothy Morrison

Shirley Grafe

Janice Weber

Randy & Sue Case

**More volunteers are needed to provide food for the July 22nd meal. Please see the sign-up sheet in the Narthex.**



Grace Lutheran Church, Thank you so much for the wonderful Sunday dinner which consisted of ham loaf, beans, salad, cheesy potatoes and cookies! Our guests were most grateful for your kindness and generosity. Thank you. Holly Waldenmyer, Volunteer, Friends of the Homeless

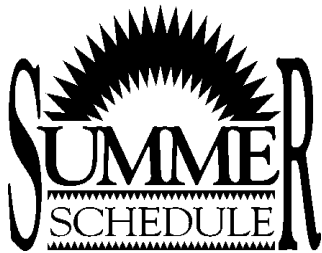
## PARISH FELLOWSHIP BOARD



Mark your calendar for the most magnificent **family picnic** that has ever been here at Grace!!! **Sunday, August 5th** mark your calendar and plan to spend the day here!! We will have a **dunking machine, jumping box**, and a **HUGE tent** for games for the adults!! Plan on spending the afternoon. This will be a **covered dish**, so start planning now. We're already gearing up for the 2nd annual "**Get Pastor Jim with the Water Balloons!**" Hope to see you there!

# CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

## SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL



This summer we will continue to have Sunday School classes. The Nursery and Kindergarten classes will be meeting in their original rooms.

Nursery—The first five weeks will be learning about How God Makes Things Grow. The second four weeks will be learning about how God Helps Us. The last four weeks will be learning about how God Sees Us.

Pre-K and K—The first four weeks will be learning about Ruth. The second four weeks will be learning about Elijah. The last five weeks will be learning about Jonah.

First through Fourth Grade students will be meeting in the First and Second Grade classrooms. During the summer, they will be covering curriculum based on the idea that a crown of righteousness is promised to those who are waiting for Jesus to return. The focus of the material is to teach students to live as Jesus wants them to live by following Christian virtues and values. These virtues and values are referred to as jewels. Each week the students will be collecting “Jewels” for their crowns which they will take home at the end of the summer session. Please, plan to join them as they study Bible stories throughout the Old and New Testament.

Fifth through Eighth Grades will be meeting with Pastor Jim and studying “On Location” curriculum. They will be traveling to different sites and plotting them on their individual “Passports.” The High School class will be meeting in their own classroom and covering different topics throughout the summer.

## CRADLE ROLL



We would like to have pictures of children who are 3 years or younger, preferably a picture taken the day they were baptized, for our new bulletin board. Please bring them to Beckie Grafe or the church office. The bulletin board is at the top of the steps by the Nursery.



Thank you to the Gallery Choir for their hard work during the 2006-2007 choir year. Their season ends Trinity Sunday, June 3, 2007.

Members are: Darlene & Jim Bonta, Randy Case, Carolyn Delphia, Pastor Marlin Drake, Darin Gibb, Sandy Gibb, Wendy Mady, Bob Miller (from Holy Trinity, Zoar), Glenda & Bob Sclater and Tracey Viereck. Assisting throughout the season: Megan Hardin, Terri Miller (from Holy Trinity, Zoar), Al Moser, Debbie Smith and Curt Tyree. (Roberta Myers is director; Joe Palmer, accompanist.)

Thanks also goes to Michele Haverfield for her leadership as Cherub Choir director. She worked diligently to keep this musical effort going smoothly.

The Handbell Choir finished their first full year of rehearsals and playing preludes.

Sincere thanks to Joe Palmer, director, for his challenging arrangements and dedicated leadership. Bell Choir members include Jane Deitrick, Carolyn & Fred Delphia, Sandy Gibb, Shirley Grafe, Bobbie Myers, Glenda Sclater, Curt Tyree & Larry Wallick.

# Confirmation Sunday

On May 20th at the 10:30 worship service, four of our young people took a step of faith as they became confirmed adult members of our community of faith. The whole congregation was invited to reaffirm our commitment to the Christian faith and the life of discipleship we are all a part of. In worship, we were asked to make five promises - To Live in Christian Community - To Carve out Sacred Spaces for God to Speak in Our Lives - To Share the Light of Christ with Others - To Serve All People Following Christ's Example - and To Work for Peace and Justice Throughout the World. Additionally our four confirmands shared their written statements responding to one of three questions posed to them as they prepared for this stepping stone of faith. The questions they were asked to respond to are:

Who is Jesus Christ and why does He matter to me?

What does it mean to Confirm my faith and why do I want to do it?

What does it mean to be a Christian in my generation and how do I hope to live as a Christian?

Their statements are included here for you to read. Please keep these and all our young people in your prayers daily as they seek to live lives of faith that continue to do amazing things for the Kingdom of God day after day. As you read their responses, ask yourself how you would respond to these questions and then take this opportunity to recommit yourself to the promises of confirmation and a lifelong journey with Jesus Christ.

Congratulations again to Taylor Marsh, Shane Porter, Shelby Seifert and Lexi Stein. May you always know the Lord is with you and you are a significant part of the family of God especially here at Grace.

## **What does it mean to be a Christian in my generation and how do I hope to live as a Christian?**

As a teenager, my generation of people are critics. They judge one another almost every moment. So I figure that if I was judged as a Christian teenager, not many people would care for me. So many people in my grade are Atheists. I'm sure most people would not think any less of me since I am a Christian, but my peers would. Most think that we could not get along if we don't have the same beliefs. Most people are just Atheists to follow the crowd. They see that a few of their friends are Atheists so they think they have to be one to be accepted by these friends or they will lose these friends. But really, once they lose their faith, they realized that they shouldn't have left their faith for these friends. I hope to live as a Christian by keeping my faith strong. I plan to pass my faith on to close friends. I think that as long as I abide by my faith I can live as a Christian. I also plan to keep praying and going to church to keep living as a Christian. This is how being a Christian in my generation affects me, and how I plan on living as a Christian.

**Taylor Marsh**



**What does it mean to Confirm my faith and why do I want to do it?**

To confirm your vows, it means to promise to do and follow commitments that you made at baptism as a newborn baby. The reason I want to confirm my faith is not because my Mom or my Dad or my Grandma wants me to. It's because I want to. Every time I went to Sunday school, I knew I was working for something I wanted. I've always wanted to be confirmed ever since 6th grade right when Drew got confirmed. As I started thinking about my own confirmation, I looked forward to becoming an adult member of the church and I want to follow what I've learned about God and what he wants us to do. Not through the next couple of years or months, but through my whole life and I hope I can also pass it on to my family. But also to my friends and strangers and even people who don't believe in God. If I taught 10 people 10 things about God and they went out in the world and spoke those things about God, I would feel that I accomplished something in my life. That is what confirming my faith means to me and I don't know what it means to other people, but that doesn't matter because God supports everybody's ideas.

**Shane Porter**

**What does it mean to be a Christian in my generation and how do I hope to live as a Christian?**

Christians in our generation face a lot of hardships. With more and more people not believing, we sometimes are looked down upon for our beliefs. It's hard to try and help other people. When someone says they don't believe, I have the urge to help them. But then I think about it, and I'm not sure that I would be able to show someone else how to be a Christian. Sometimes I'm not even sure how to be a Christian. I try to do my best, and sometimes I really wonder if it is enough. But then I think about it, and I remember that Jesus Christ died for me. He died for my sins, so that even though I am sinful and sometimes I don't know what to do, I will get a chance to live with him. He loves me so much that he would give up his life for me. As a Christian, I hope to grow more confident in my faith, confident enough to help those around me who do not believe that there is someone out there who loves them and will love them forever, no matter what mistakes they make. That is my most major goal at the moment. I know I will make more goals, but this is the one that I am most worried about, and most focused on.

**Shelby Seifert**

**Who is Jesus Christ and why does He matter to me?**

Jesus Christ is someone you don't meet instantly. You meet him everywhere: different churches, youth activities, and different schools. Jesus Christ is someone you meet when you reach the gates of heaven. He's been with you all your life; through the times you needed someone the most, to the times you were so happy you didn't need anyone. He's been right there the whole time. When you finally meet him, he knows every little detail about you that you probably didn't even know yourself. That's how much he cares. He loves you more than you could ever imagine.

To me, Jesus Christ is my best friend. He's always going to be there for me. He's never going to stop. He's my "protector" in life. He protects me from the things I could get in trouble for in life. Every night, I pray to him thanking him for my life; thanking him for having a good family, and thanking him that I'm living my life to the fullest extent. I can talk to him when I'm having a really bad day or when I just need someone to talk to. I can tell him any secrets I have because I know that he will never tell anyone. I know Jesus will always be there for me through misery and joy. He'll always be watching down on me.

**Lexi Stein**

# YOUNG PEOPLES' MINISTRY

## MISSION TRIP TO COASTAL CAROLINA FOR 8TH—12TH GRADERS July 14-21



The following youth have registered for the Youth Works summer mission trip: Cody Jerles, Elizabeth Mady, Evan Cameron, Morgan Swartz and Jaclyn Sargent. Pastor Jim and Toni Ferrito will be leading the group who will join with youth and adults from two other congregations when we arrive at the Youth-Works site. We have room for up to 12 youth to participate in this trip so if you

are currently in 8th through 12th grade and would like to attend, please talk to Pastor Jim ASAP and plan to attend the **Trip Meetings** on **Sunday, June 3rd** and **July 8th at 6 PM** in the **High School room**. Cost for the trip is \$100 and includes everything except 8 meals while we're on the road and any souvenirs you may acquire along the way.

I recently received our lodging information and am glad to report that we will be staying at Mattamuskeet High School in Swan Quarter, NC which has showers on site and is air conditioned. While we are there, we will have the opportunity to serve the children of the community through a daily program called Kids Club featuring time for music, storytelling, sports and games, crafts and more, and we will also get to serve the adults of the community as we participate in a variety of home repair projects. Each evening, the whole group will enjoy time together in crazy fellowship, worship, and a variety of local activities like canoeing on Lake Mattamuskeet, crabbing at Lake Landing Canal, attending a local church service, and hosting a community cookout.

### Summer Hoops Fest

Get ready for Summer Hoops Fest on **Saturday, June 23** from **1-5 PM** at the **Tuscarawas County YMCA**. The 3-on-3 tournament is open to all youth and adults in 6th grade and above. The format ensures everyone of at least 4 games and since your competing for total points in your competition group everyone has a shot at the title. Games are 10 minutes each and scored by ones. The Champion Round will place the top scoring teams in each competition group to play for the title. The competition groups are:

- Middle School Boys**
- Middle School Girls**
- High School & Up**
- Mixed**

Winning teams in each bracket receive a mini-ball and everyone gets a T-shirt. Fill out the entry form (in the Narthex) and turn in to Grace Lutheran Church by June 17 to get in on the action.

### Church Softball for High School to Adults

The sign-up sheet is in the Narthex or you can call Scott Jerles at 330-364-2313 or John McFadden at 330-343-3479 for more details. Season will start sometime around the end of May.

#### Softball Schedule:

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|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| <b>June 1—7:30 p.m.</b>  | <b>July 5—8:30 p.m.</b>  |
| <b>June 7—8:30 p.m.</b>  | <b>July 13—8:30 p.m.</b> |
| <b>June 14—8:30 p.m.</b> | <b>July 19—6:30 p.m.</b> |
| <b>June 22—6:30 p.m.</b> | <b>July 27—6:30 p.m.</b> |
| <b>June 29—8:30 p.m.</b> |                          |



# SOFTBALL

# Youth Ministry Response Survey



1. What is most important to you regarding Grace's youth ministry programs?
  - A. Providing a positive environment for youth to form friendships.
  - B. Creating a safe place for youth to think and talk about issues of faith and life that impact them and their peers
  - C. Challenging youth to put faith into practice through worship, service, and evangelism.
  
2. Other than Sunday morning, what days and times would work best for youth to participate in a consistent 1-2 hour ministry program?
 

Sunday afternoon	Saturday morning	
Sunday night	Saturday afternoon	
	Saturday night	
Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday night
  
3. In order to establish a consistent youth ministry program it is essential that it...(circle all that apply)
  - A. Happens at least twice per month
  - B. Happens at least once per month
  - C. Happens every week
  - D. Provides separate time and space for middle school and high school youth
  - E. Is led by a team of adults
  - F. Is led by a team of youth
  
4. How often should Grace offer a major event (lock-in, retreat, trip, etc.) designed specifically for middle school or high school youth?
  - A. 2 per year
  - B. 4 per year
  - C. 6 per year

5. Please rank in order of your likelihood to attend the following youth ministry opportunities.
 

Middle School	High School
<input type="checkbox"/> Overnight Lock-in	<input type="checkbox"/> Weekend Retreat
<input type="checkbox"/> Weekend Youth Gathering	<input type="checkbox"/> Weekend Youth Gathering
<input type="checkbox"/> Weekend Retreat	<input type="checkbox"/> One Week Mission Trip
<input type="checkbox"/> One Week at Bible Camp	<input type="checkbox"/> One Week at Bible Camp
<input type="checkbox"/> Camping Trip	<input type="checkbox"/> One Week Adventure Trip (rafting/biking/climbing/etc.)
<input type="checkbox"/> Special Events (Concerts, Games, Cedar Point, etc.)	<input type="checkbox"/> Special Events
<input type="checkbox"/> Sports Tournament (Basketball, Volleyball, Bowling, etc.)	<input type="checkbox"/> Sports Tournament
  
6. Aside from participation in any programs or events offered by Grace, how might we best support the youth in our congregation?
  - A. Connecting each youth with a mentor who would contact them in some way every month. (phone, email, postcard, visit, attending an event the youth is involved in, etc.)
  - B. Keeping youth informed of community and regional events that encourage faith. (concerts, youth rallies, movies, plays, college fairs, etc.)
  - C. Providing opportunities for youth to participate in the worship life of the congregation. (readers, deacons, ushers, musicians, drama, sound techs, etc.)
  
7. In which of the following ways would you or your youth be willing to participate in the life of our congregation. (circle all that apply)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Drama Ministry                           | <input type="checkbox"/> Puppet Ministry                                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sing in a choir                          | <input type="checkbox"/> Sing in a band                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Play an instrument                       | <input type="checkbox"/> Play in a band                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Usher                                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Read lessons in worship                           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Run the sound board                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Provide nursery care                              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Help lead a mid-week children's ministry | <input type="checkbox"/> Help teach Sunday School or Vacation Bible School |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Serve on a Ministry Board                | <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER _____                                       |

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Thanks to Geir J. Netland (See Genesis 1:1-2:3) 06-22-2004  
**OF COURSE YOUR GENERATION DIDN'T DO NAVEL PIERCINGS ... YOU WEREN'T BORN**

**Turn this into the office by July 8th for free admission and pizza at LaserQuest on August 19th**

# Women of the ELCA



## 28 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**. Total goal is 33 by October.

**KNOTTERS**  
Tuesday, **June 19th** — 9:00 a.m.—Luther Hall  
and  
Tuesday, **July 17th**—9:00 a.m.—Luther Hall

**DR. MARY BAER CIRCLE**  
Wednesday, **June 13th**—7:30 p.m.—Luther Hall  
Hostesses: Donna Fox & Helen Rosenberry  
and  
Wednesday, **July 25th**—11:00 am.  
Meet at the Pro's Table

**SWINGLES**  
Monday, **July 9th**—7:00 p.m.—Luther Hall  
Come one, come all! Join Swingles as they assemble school kits for the **Dress-A-Child** program children.  
Swingles members—if you can help with the distribution of school kits on **July 10th between 10:00 & 1:00 or 5:00 to 7:00**, call Andrea Lloyd at 330-343-2983.  
Swingles members—don't misplace your "**Knowing God**" Bible study booklet as we will resume in the fall.

**WELCA QUARTERLY**  
Wednesday, **September 12th**—7:00 p.m.—Luther Hall  
Speaker: Debbie Smith

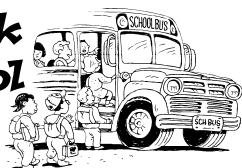
**BIENNIAL CONVENTION OF THE NORTHEASTERN OHIO SYNODICAL WOMEN'S ORGANIZATION** of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America will be held on **October 19-20** at the KSU Professional & Conference Center, Stark Campus, North Canton (near Belden Village). The Theme is "Use Your Gifts Boldly" based on the scripture 1 Corinthians 12:12. The Keynote Speaker is Bishop Elizabeth Eaton and the Bible Study Leader is Pastor Jim Kulma. Registration for this event is due by September 14.

## SOAP COLLECTION

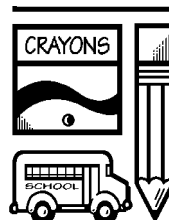
As of May 20th, we have 157 bars of soap. Without soap, maintaining the level of cleanliness necessary to reduce disease and infection is very difficult. The soap we collect can be a life-saving gift to people in dire circumstances. We are continuing to collect bath size bars of soap in its original wrapping. Place in basket in the Narthex.

## DRESS-A CHILD

**Back to School**



Starting in June, we will have envelopes for the Dress-A-Child recipients to obtain a school kit to get these children off to a good start. Your help is needed. On **July 10**, there will be a **sign-up for Dress-A-Child**. We would like to have all school kits ready to go when the families sign up so they won't have to come back to pick up. **To do this, we need 100 Prang paint sets for the school kits, an estimated cost of \$400. Please donate to this mission or bring in Prang paints.**



# “Take the Plunge” Registration Form



Child's Information:

Shoe Size: \_\_\_\_\_

(Girls only)

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Home e-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Last school grade completed: \_\_\_\_\_

Home congregation (if any): \_\_\_\_\_

*In case of Emergency (when the parent/guardian cannot be reached), please contact:*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to child: \_\_\_\_\_

*Please list any allergies the VBS staff should be aware of:* \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

*Person responsible for picking up this child at the end of each VBS Day:*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of parent/guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_



**RELAY NEWS: “ONE WORLD, ONE HOPE, ONE CURE”**

This is the theme this year for the 13th Annual Relay for Life at Dover. The event will take place on June 1-2 at Crater Stadium in Dover. Our goal for 2007 is \$163,000.

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

**Teams... Teams... Teams...**

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

This is our team: **GRACE HAPPENS.** These are our walkers:

- |                  |                           |                               |
|------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Carol Betche     | James & Michelle Hallman  | Bobbie Myers                  |
| Sue & Randy Case | Deborah Horn              | Joe Palmer                    |
| Jane Deitrick    | Cindy Jerles              | Ron, Esther & Aaron Philabaum |
| Toni Ferritto    | Pastor James & Dana Lewis | Glenda Sclater                |
| Donna Fox        | Karen & Hannah Marlowe    | Harry & Barb Thompson         |
| Shirley Grafe    | Jan Miller                | Tracey Viereck                |
| Gretchen Grosse  | Dorothy Morrison          | Barb & Ben White              |

**CALLING ALL SCRAP BOOKERS, STAMPERS, AND CRAFTERS!!**

Come join us **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. Come when you are able, stay as long as you like, but take advantage of this chance to get together, get to know each other better, and enjoy crafting with one another.

We will meet in the Outreach Center on **June 22 and July 27**. Don't forget to bring one or two canned food items for Grace's Food Pantry.

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



**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: **July 1st.**

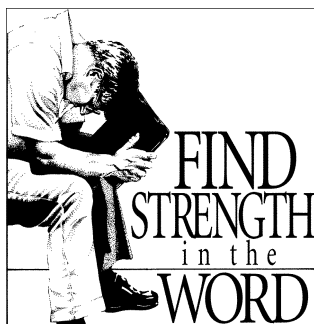


**Altar Guild**  
**Tuesday, June 26th**  
**& Tuesday, July 31st**  
**9:00 a.m.**

**Order of St. Luke**

**Tuesday, June 26th & Tuesday, July 24th**  
**7:00 p.m.**

*Please note that OSL will be meeting the fourth Tuesday instead of the third Tuesday of each month.*



**Sunday, June 3rd**  
*The Holy Trinity—1st Sunday after Pentecost*  
 Proverbs 8:1-4,22-31  
 Psalm 8  
 Romans 5:1-5  
 John 16:12-15

**Sunday, June 10th**  
*2nd Sunday after Pentecost*  
 1 Kings 17:17-24  
 Galatians 1:11-24  
 Luke 7:11-17

**Sunday, June 17th**  
*3rd Sunday after Pentecost*  
 2 Samuel 11:26-12:10;  
 12:13-15  
 Galatians 2:15-21  
 Luke 7:36-8:3

**Sunday, June 24th**  
*4th Sunday after Pentecost*  
 Isaiah 65:1-9  
 Galatians 3:23-29  
 Luke 8:26-39

**Sunday, July 1st**  
*5th Sunday after Pentecost*  
 1 Kings 19:15-16,19-21  
 Galatians 5:1,13-25  
 Luke 9:51-62

**Sunday, July 8th**  
*6th Sunday after Pentecost*  
 Isaiah 66:10-14  
 Galatians 6:[1-6]7-16  
 Luke 10:1-11,16-20

**Sunday, July 15th**  
*7th Sunday after Pentecost*  
 Deuteronomy 30:9-14  
 Colossians 1:1-14  
 Luke 10:25-37

**Sunday, July 22nd**  
*8th Sunday after Pentecost*  
 Genesis 18:1-10a  
 Colossians 1:15-28  
 Luke 10:38-42

**Sunday, July 29th**  
*9th Sunday after Pentecost*  
 Genesis 18:20-32  
 Colossians 2:6-15[16-19]  
 Luke 11:1-13





June 2007  
Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church 216 North Wooster Ave Dover OH 44622-2948 330-343-6915 gracehappens@gracedover.org pastor@gracedover.org				Adrian Mathias on vacation 6/2—6/8 & 6/10	1	2
					RELAY FOR LIFE 6/1—6/2 at Crater Stadium 7:30p Softball	9:00-12:00 VBS Decorating 10:00-11:00 Southern Cluster—Kathy Lanzer—LH
3 <i>The Holy Trinity—1st Sunday after Pentecost</i> 8:00a Worship/Communion 9:15a SCS 10:30a Worship 6:00p Mission Trip Meeting—HS room	4	5	6	7	8	9
	3:00p Communion at Park Village 7:00p Valley Voices—Lounge	9:30a Staff meeting 6:30p Ministry Night	4:00-6:00p Memorial Service for Arthur Komaromy—Luther Hall 6:30p Dover Alliance Youth— ORC	1:00p Sr. Fun Day—ORC 8:30p Softball	4:30p Wedding Rehearsal	9:00-12:00 VBS Decorating 4:00p Music 4:30p Wedding Heather Brown & Fred Edwards
10 <i>2nd Sunday after Pentecost</i> 8:00a Worship 9:15a SCS 10:30a Worship/Communion 12:00-1:30p Cottage Mtg.	11	12	13	14	15	16
	7:00-8:30a Cottage Meeting 10:30a Communion at Park Village North Building 4:00-5:30 Cottage Meeting 6:30p VBS Coordinators meeting 7:00p Valley Voices—Lounge	9:30a Staff meeting 12:00-4:00p Rejoice Women—ORC 6:30p Planning Council—MR	6:30p Dover Alliance Youth— ORC 7:30p Dr. Mary Baer	1:00p Sr. Fun Day—ORC 8:30p Softball	Elsa Court on vacation 6/15—6/27	9:00-12:00 VBS Decorating 4:00p Music 4:30p Wedding Kristina Beachy & Aaron Kuntzman
17 <i>3rd Sunday after Pentecost</i> 8:00a Worship/Communion 9:15a SCS 10:30a Worship Summer Hoops Fest form due	18	19	20	21	22	23
	7:00p Valley Voices—Lounge	9:00a Knotters 9:30a Full Staff mtg 2:00-3:30p Cottage Meeting 6:30-8:00p Cottage Meeting	7:00-8:30a Cottage Meeting 11:00-1:00 Free Lunch for the Needy—ORC 6:30p Dover Alliance—ORC	12:00-1:30p Cottage Meeting 1:00p Sr. Fun Day—ORC 6:30-8:00p Cottage Meeting 6:30p Softball	7:00p-12:00a Scrapbookers, Stamps & Crafters—ORC	9:00-12:00 VBS Decorating 1:00-5:00p Summer Hoops Fest for 6th graders & up—Tuscarawas County YMCA
24 <i>4th Sunday after Pentecost</i> 8:00a Worship 9:15a SCS 10:30a Worship/Communion 2:00-5:00p Persephone McCreery—ORC 6:00p Deliver meal to Friends of the Homeless	25	26	27	28	29	30
	Pastor Jim & family on vacation 6/25—7/3	8:00a—6:00p Headstart—Fellowship Hall 9:00a Altar Guild No Staff meeting 7:00p Order of St. Luke	6:30p Dover Alliance—ORC	1:00p Sr. Fun Day—ORC	8:30p Softball	9:00-12:00 VBS Decorating
					Tuesday, July 3rd—6:30 pm Ministry Night—Boards decide if they wish to meet No Planning Council in July	



July 2007

Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p><i>1</i></p> <p>8:00a Worship/Communion 9:15a SCS 10:30a Worship</p>	<p><i>2</i></p> <p>3:00p Communion at Park Village 7:00p Valley Voices</p>	<p><i>3</i></p> <p><u>No</u> Staff meeting 6:30p Ministry Night—Boards decide if they wish to meet</p>	<p><i>4</i></p> <p>Church Office closed</p> 	<p><i>5</i></p> <p>1:00p Sr. Fun Day—ORC 8:30p Softball</p>	<p><i>6</i></p>	<p><i>7</i></p> <p>9:00-12:00 VBS decorating</p>
<p><i>8 4th Sunday after Pentecost</i></p> <p>8:00a Worship 9:15a SCS 10:30a Worship/Communion 12:00-1:30p Cottage Meeting 6:00p Mission Trip Meeting—HS room</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-top: 10px;"> <p>Turn in Youth Ministry Response Survey today for free admission &amp; pizza at Laser Quest on August 19th</p> </div>	<p><i>9</i></p> <p>7:00-8:30a Cottage Meeting 10:00-11:30 Cottage Meeting 10:30a Communion at Park Village 6:30p VBS Coordinators meeting 7:00p Swingles assemble school kits—Luther Hall 7:00p Valley Voices</p>	<p><i>10</i></p> <p>9:30a Staff meeting 10:00-1:00 Dress-A-Child registration LH 12:00-4:00 Rejoice Women—ORC 5:00-7:00 Dress-A-Child registration LH <u>No</u> Planning Council</p>	<p><i>11</i></p> <p>6:30p Dover Alliance Youth—ORC</p>	<p><i>12</i></p> <p>1:00p Sr. Fun Day—ORC</p>	<p><i>13</i></p> <p>8:30p Softball</p>	<p><i>14</i></p> <p>9:00-12:00 VBS decorating</p>  <p>Coastal Carolina Mission trip for 8th-12th graders 7/14-7/21 12:00-6:00 Micki Gibb—ORC</p>
<p><i>15 5th Sunday after Pentecost</i></p> <p>8:00a Worship/Communion 9:15a SCS 10:30a Worship</p>	<p><i>16</i></p> <p>7:00p Valley Voices</p>	<p><i>17</i></p> <p>8:00a-6:00p Headstart—Fellowship Hall 9:00a Knotters <u>No</u> Staff meeting</p>	<p><i>18</i></p> <p>11:00-1:00 Free Lunch for Needy—ORC 6:30p Dover Alliance Youth—ORC</p>	<p><i>19</i></p> <p>1:00p Sr. Fun Day—ORC 6:30p Softball</p>	<p><i>20</i></p>	<p><i>21</i></p> <p>9:00-12:00 VBS decorating</p>
<p><i>22 6th Sunday after Pentecost</i></p> <p>8:00a Worship 9:15a SCS 10:30a Worship/Communion 6:00p Deliver meal to Friends of the Homeless</p>	<p><i>23</i></p> <p>7:00p Valley Voices</p>	<p><i>24</i></p> <p>9:30a Full Staff 11:00a Endowment Committee 6:30-8:00p Cottage Meeting 7:00p Order of St. Luke</p>	<p><i>25</i></p> <p>11:00a Dr. Mary Baer at Pro's Table 3:30-5:00p Cottage Meeting 6:30p Dover Alliance—ORC 7:00-8:30p Cottage Meeting</p>	<p><i>26</i></p> <p>1:00p Sr. Fun Day—ORC</p>	<p><i>27</i></p> <p>6:30p Softball 7:00p-12:00a Scrapbookers, Stampers &amp; Crafters—ORC</p>	<p><i>28</i></p> <p>8:00-9:30a Cottage Meeting 9:00-12:00 VBS decorating 10:00-11:30a Cottage Meeting</p>
<p><i>29 7th Sunday after Pentecost</i></p> <p>8:00a Worship/Communion 9:15a SCS 9:15a "Free Refill" Adult Bible Study 10:30a Worship/Communion 2:00p VBS Decorating</p>	<p><i>30</i></p> <p>7:00p Valley Voices</p>  <p><b>Take the Plunge</b> Vacation Bible School 7/30—8/3 5:30—8:30p</p>	<p><i>31</i></p> <p>9:00a Altar Guild 9:30a Staff</p>	 <p>Sunday, August 5th after the 10:30 service</p>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> <p>Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church 216 North Wooster Ave Dover OH 44622-2948 330-343-6915 gracehappens@gracedover.org pastor@gracedover.org</p> </div>		
<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-top: 10px;"> <p>Tuesday, August 14th—6:30 pm Ministry Night for all Board Directors &amp; Board Members re Leadership Summit <u>No</u> Planning Council in August</p> </div>						



## SUNDAY 8:00 AM WORSHIP

**ACOLYTES**

Jun 3	Ethan Nelson
Jun 10	Aaronn Sergent
Jun 17	Katie Cameron
Jun 24	Shane Porter

**LAY READERS**

Jun 3	Lynn Foust
Jun 10	Larry Lloyd
Jun 17	Steve Zimmerman
Jun 24	Sue Grafe

**DEACONS**

Jun 3	Sue Grafe
Jun 10	<i>None needed</i>
Jun 17	Gale Limron
Jun 24	<i>None needed</i>

**USHERS**

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

## SUNDAY 10:30 AM WORSHIP

**ACOLYTES**

Jun 3	Alexis Stein
Jun 10	Hannah Marlowe
Jun 17	Andrew Yeager
Jun 24	Olivia Bauer

**USHERS**

Jun 3	John Lorenz, Larry Wallick, Landon Wallick, Tom Margo, Logan Wallick, Art Siber
Jun 10	Jerry Nelson, Jack Marshall, Ron Philabaum, Jim Gibb, Kent Philabaum
Jun 17	John Stahl, Robert McCulloch, Keith Lands, Phil Hammerstrom
Jun 24	Art Keener, Dale Kreisher, William Page, Jeff Keller, Jeff Hootman

**CHILDREN'S CHURCH**  
*No Children's Church until the fall*

**LAY READERS**

Jun 3	R. Homrighausen
Jun 10	R. Homrighausen
Jun 17	Ron Philabaum
Jun 24	Jim Gibb

**DEACONS**

Jun 3	<i>None needed</i>
Jun 10	John Stahl
Jun 17	<i>None needed</i>
Jun 24	John Stahl



**ALTAR GUILD FOR JUNE**  
JoAnn Hammond, Jeanette Vasbinder,  
Norma Buehler, Jean Geyer, Sue Case



## ASSISTANTS

### SUNDAY 8:00 AM WORSHIP

#### ACOLYTES

Jul 1 Ty Miller  
 Jul 8 Taylor Marsh  
 Jul 15 Shelby Seifert  
 Jul 22 Aaronn Sergent  
 Jul 29 Andrew Yeager

#### LAY READERS

Jul 1 Steve Zimmerman  
 Jul 8 Sandy Gibb  
 Jul 15 Gale Limron  
 Jul 22 Lynn Foust  
 Jul 29 Larry Lloyd

#### DEACONS

Jul 1 Gale Limron  
 Jul 8 *None needed*  
 Jul 15 Sue Grafe  
 Jul 22 *None needed*  
 Jul 29 Terry Miller

#### USHERS

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

### SUNDAY 10:30 AM WORSHIP

#### ACOLYTES

Jul 1 Kristin Miceli  
 Jul 8 Ashley Jerles  
 Jul 15 Elizabeth Herman  
 Jul 22 Alexis Stein  
 Jul 29 Hannah Marlowe

#### USHERS

Jul 1 John Lorenz, Larry Wallick, Landon Wallick, Tom Margo, Logan Wallick, Art Siber  
 Jul 8 Jerry Nelson, Jack Marshall, Ron Philabaum, Jim Gibb, Kent Philabaum  
 Jul 15 John Stahl, Robert McCulloch, Keith Lands, Phil Hammerstrom  
 Jul 22 Art Keener, Dale Kreisher, William Page, Jeff Keller, Jeff Hootman  
 Jul 29 Women of the ELCA

#### CHILDREN'S CHURCH

*No Children's Church until the fall*

#### LAY READERS

Jul 2 Carolyn Delphia  
 Jul 8 R. Homrighausen  
 Jul 15 Robert Sclater  
 Jul 22 John Stahl  
 Jul 29 Jim Gibb

#### DEACONS

Jul 2 *None needed*  
 Jul 8 John Stahl  
 Jul 15 *None needed*  
 Jul 22 Jim Gibb  
 Jul 29 John Stahl



#### ALTAR GUILD FOR JULY

Reba Snyder, Barbara Thompson,  
 Glenda Sclater, Wendy Mady, Debbie Smith