



THE MESSENGER

2022

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

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Dear Friends in Christ,

Lent and Spring are in the air! There is a combination of pruning and hope that comes with this season. We will be journeying together as our hearts and earth are prepared for new life.

Lent is a season when we are challenged to make better choices for our bodies, souls, and spirits. The 40 days of Lent help us to have space to discern what in our lives is keeping us from connecting with God, others, and living fully.

Lent gives us the opportunity to look in the mirror, to face ourselves, to touch the wounds in our own souls. It reorients, re-grounds, and re-centers us, giving us the ability to live more fully. It brings us....Spring.

Lent and Spring at Grace is a first for me and you are the best people in the world that I get to experience it with!

Blessings,
Pastor Bonnie

Pastor
Rev. Bonnie L. Grimaldi

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Planning Council

PLANNING COUNCIL
Next Meeting
Mar. 15th, 2022
@ 6:30 PM



March 8th - Christian Faith and Life Meeting
 7 pm - LH
 April 12th - Congregational Life Meeting
 10 am - LH

2020-2021 BOARD MEMBERS AND OFFICERS

Ron Stahl - President Richard Elliott - Vice President
 Becky Lands - Secretary John Wolfe - Treasurer

Congregational Life

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

Property

Jim Gibb- Director
 Audra Miceli
 Nathan Vaughan
 Larry Wallick
 Brad Wharmby

Christian Faith and Life

- Director
 Julie Brothers
 Karla Burrier
 Debbie Flood
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 Deb Foust
 (Cody Jerles, Coordinator YFM)

Hospitality

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

Stewardship Development

Nancy Wharmby - Director
 Charles Castricone
 Keith Lands
 Sarah Kneuss

Outreach

Paul McFadden– Director
 Joe Erickson
 Tanna Loveday
 Judy Martin
 Joe Penrod
 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: John Wolfe
Custodian: Ed Robinson

To Know Christ, To Live Christ, To Share Christ, and To Be One in Christ

Announcements

“Lent with the Desert Fathers: A Series on Fasting and Simplicity” is our Midweek Lenten theme this year. Each Wednesday in Lent, Pastor Bonnie will be speaking about a particular aspect of the practices of fasting and simplicity as seen through the lens of the desert tradition.

Historically speaking the desert tradition has its origin in the deserts of Egypt, Palestine, and Syria beginning in the late third century and continuing through the late seventh century. In all its various forms the desert tradition is one the earliest expressions of Christian monasticism.

The desert tradition has been preserved and handed on to us through various collections of sayings. These are not systematic teachings but more akin to wisdom literature. The sayings are usually short, pithy statements or stories and often take the form of an elder giving spiritual counsel, practical advice, to his or her disciple. “Give me a word,” the disciple would say to his or her elder, often referred to as abba (father) or amma (mother).

The elder’s word to the disciple was not, however, ultimately spoken in the deserts of Egypt, Palestine, and Syria. For the desert is not so much a place as it is an experience. It is not outside us but within us. The desert is an interior geography, an empty, barren, and desolate landscape, in which there is no place to hide, through which we confront ourselves, and by which we surrender ourselves to God and learn to become authentic and truly alive human beings.

March 9: How Should One Fast?

March 16: Detachment and Simplicity

March 23: Is it Yours?

March 30: Detaching From Another’s Scorn or Praise

April 6: Fasting From Words

EASTER LILIES FOR EASTER SUNDAY

The flowers this year will be at a **cost of \$ 11.00 each**. Your order form and payment may be either placed in the offering plate, or given to the church office.

Orders and payment are **due by Monday, March 21st, 2022**

Your flowers may be taken home following the 10:30 a.m.
Easter worship service on April 17th, 2022



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

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

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

Announcements



Contemporary Worship Services are coming to Grace once a month on Saturdays as a result of your positive responses in our recent survey! We are gathering our local talented musicians and looking for a worship band leader. Please contact Pastor Bonnie, Tom Margo, Elaine Margo, or Cody Jerles if you have a recommendation.



While you may not be able to attend service every week, whether it be due to vacations, illness or weather, the mission of the church continues on a daily basis. Visits and communion to shut-ins, adult Bible study, meals to the homeless shelter, youth activities, and other important programs continue to happen 7-days a week. Please consider a regular offering to the church while you're away so these vital programs for the members of our church and our community may continue. Offerings may always be sent or dropped off at the church office located at 216 N Wooster Ave; Dover, OH 44622. Your continued generosity is greatly appreciated!
John Wolfe, Treasurer



Pastor Bill Haggis is turning 90 years old!
A card shower is being held to celebrate Pastor Bill turning nine decades old on March 27. Pastor Bill was pastor here at Grace from 1972 - 1998. To wish him a 'Happy Birthday!' please send a card to:
Rev. Dr. William and Mary Haggis
Vancrest Assisted Living
10357 Van Wert-Decatur Road
Van Wert, Ohio 45891



The Power of Prayer Team has been in place for the past three months. We have 50 people at this time who are praying for the immediate needs of our church family, friends and those on our weekly prayer list . If you would like to be part of this prayer ministry, please contact Becky Lands via phone or text at 330-340-95423.
"Again, I tell you that if two of you on earth agree about anything you ask for, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven." "For where two or three come together in my name, there am I with them."
Matthew 18:19-20

Children's Corner



Word Search
Find and circle the following words.

JESUS DISCIPLES	ANGEL SOLDIERS	DIED CROSS	ALIVE TOMB
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Z	T	U	I	L	H	J	S	A
T	O	M	B	A	D	E	F	M
C	F	D	Y	Z	L	S	Y	S
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N	S	P	C	R	O	S	S	L
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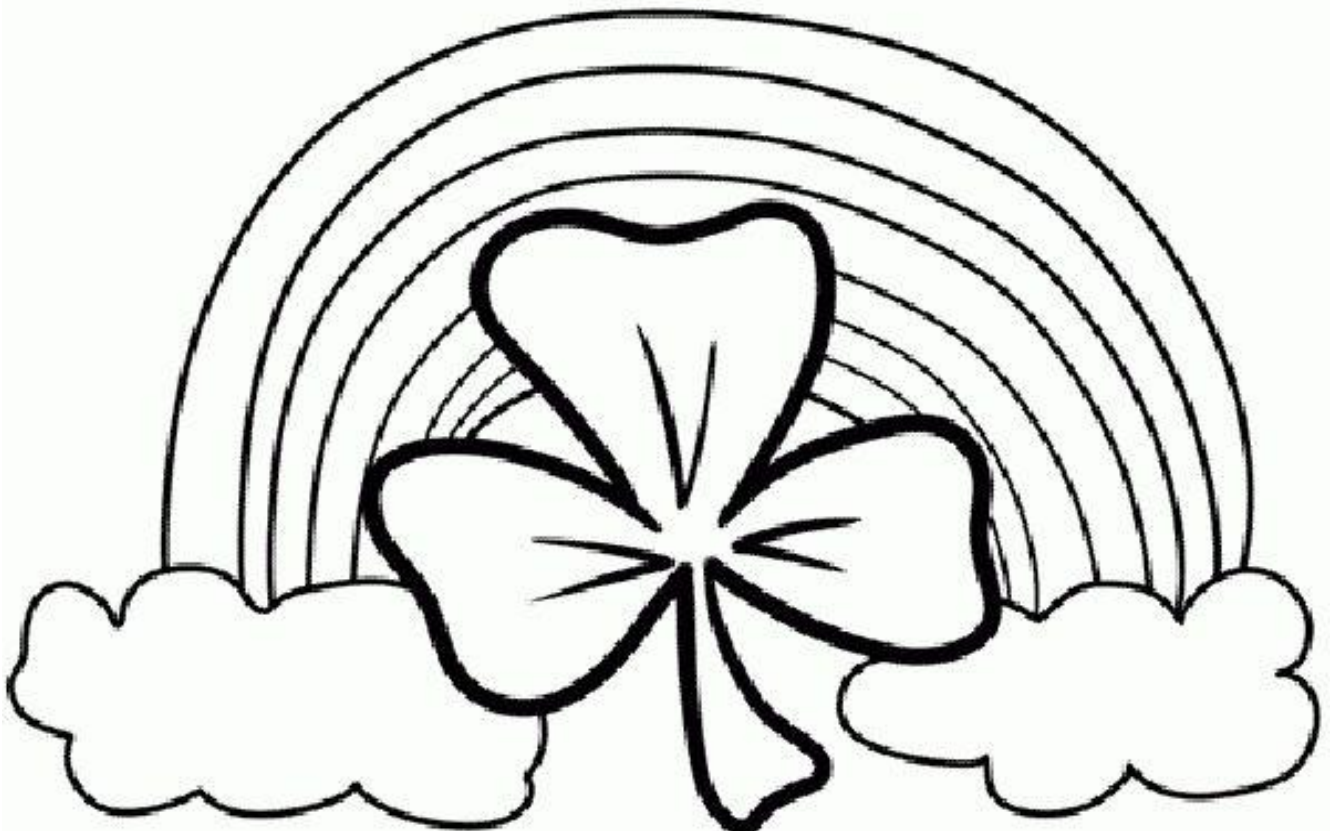


ATTENTION ALL YOUNG MUSICIANS

If you play a musical instrument in your school's orchestra, take private instrument, voice or piano lessons, I encourage you to think about sharing your musical gift in Sunday morning worship at Grace. Perhaps you have a piece that you've prepared in your music class at school for contest or Ribbon Festival, or have a favorite hymn you would like to play or sing.

If you wish to take part in this very special ministry, please feel free to talk to me after worship on any Sunday.

Soli Deo Gloria,
Linda Hanna
Director of Music/Organist



Hammerstrom Scholarship Application

Phillip Jr. and Marceil Hammerstrom Scholarship Fund Application

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

STUDENT NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE _____ E-MAIL _____

ARE YOU A MEMBER OF GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH IN DOVER _____

INTENDED COURSE OF STUDY _____

CAREER OR PROFESSIONAL GOALS _____

NAME, ADDRESS, AND PHONE OF SCHOOL _____

HAVE YOU BEEN ACCEPTED _____

EXPECTED DEGREE AND COMPLETION DATE _____

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

(Revised June 2018)

Outreach



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

GROCERY BAG MINISTRY

Grace Outreach Board continues their Drive-Thru Grocery Bag Ministry every Friday from 10AM to 2PM. The Outreach Board is looking for both monetary gifts and gifts of kind to support this vital ministry.

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

Grocery size paper bags are also needed.



Please be Praying for...

All those serving in the armed forces, especially Christopher Smith, Seth Erickson, Gary Dean Morrison and Jeffrey Huff.

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| Ella DeVore | Judy Wells |
| Fred Grosse | Barbara Summers |
| Glenn Siber | Brenda Wallick |
| Ruth Stein | Jason Phillips |
| Shirley Johnson | Norma Grywalski |
| Larry Wilson | Jack Geyer |
| Becky Lorenz | Barbara (Babs) Thomas-Moore |
| Rachelle Coulter Sensel | |

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 Bonnie or the church office. We rejoice in God's healing and grace when someone is well enough to come off the list and we promise our prayers to all who are added. Thank You.



With Deepest Sympathy

Our deep and heartfelt sympathies are with the family and friends of Helen Sherman, Glenda Stull (Step-Daughter of Patty Stull) and Karen Page (Daughter-In-Law of Martha Engel). May the Lord embrace these families with His love and bless them with peace.

Worship

OPEN ALTAR FLOWERS

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

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

Altar Flowers are available for the following dates.



- Mar. 6th - 1 vase
- Mar. 13th - 1 vase
- Mar. 20th - 2 vases
- Mar. 27th - 2 vases
- April 10th - 2 vases



Our volunteers:

- Mar. 8th - Deb & Katelyn Foust
- Mar. 13th - Karla & Evan Burrier
- Mar. 30th - Sarah Wolfe
- Mar. 27th - Julie Vanfossen

Worship Readings

Altar Guild

Tuesday,
March 29th
9 am

Sunday, Mar. 6th

Deuteronomy 26:1-11
Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16
Romans 10:8b-13
Luke 4:1-13

Sunday, Mar. 13th

Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18
Psalm 27
Philippians 3:17—4:1
Luke 13:31-35

Sunday, Mar. 20th

Isaiah 55:1-9
Psalm 63:1-8
1 Corinthians 10:1-13
Luke 13:1-9

Sunday, Mar. 27th

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



Yes, on-line services are here to stay!

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

Worship Assistants

SUNDAY 8:00 AM WORSHIP

ACOLYTES	LAY READERS	DEACON/COMM. ASST.	USHERS
3/6	3/6 Kim Gray	3/6	Richard Elliott Jim Heller Scott Ebert Edward Harper David Elliott
3/13	3/13 Terry/Liz Miller	3/13	
3/20	3/20 Lynn Foust	3/20	
3/27	3/27 Gale Limron	3/27	

SUNDAY 10:30 AM WORSHIP

Mar. 6 John Lorenz, Larry Wallick, Tom Margo, Ron Stahl
Mar. 13 Jim Gibb, Mike Sergent
Mar. 20 John Stahl, Robert McCulloch, Keith Lands, Paul McFadden
Mar. 27 Jeff Keller, Jeff Hootman, John Wolfe, Joe Vanfossen

ACOLYTES	LAY READERS	DEACON/COMM. ASST.
3/6	3/6 Betsy Morris	3/6
3/13	3/13 Jan Ochsenbine	3/13
3/20	3/20 Jim Gibb	3/20
3/27	3/27 John Stahl	3/27

ALTAR GUILD

March: Glenda Sclater, Marcie Castricone, Liz Miller, Paula Wolfe

April: Judy Martin, Pam Keller, Elaine Margo, Jan Ochsenbine



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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Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
		<p>1</p> <p>12 pm Senior Crafters - ORC 4:30 pm Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner 6:30 pm Cub Scouts</p>	<p>2</p> <p>6:45 pm Lenten Service 7 pm Boy Scouts</p> 	<p>3</p> <p>12 Bible Study - LH</p>	<p>4</p> <p>10 am Grocery Bag Drive Thru</p>	<p>5</p> <p>8 am Men's Breakfast</p>
<p>6</p> <p>8 am Worship Communion 9:30 am SCS 10:30 am Worship Communion</p> <p><u>First Communion</u></p>	<p>7</p> <p>7 pm Valley Voices</p>	<p>8</p> <p>6:30 pm Cub Scouts 7 pm Christian Faith & Life Meeting</p>	<p>9</p> <p>2 pm & 2:30 pm Communion Park Village 6:45 pm Lenten Service 7 pm Boy Scouts</p>	<p>10</p> <p>12 Bible Study - LH 7 pm Gallery Choir</p>	<p>11</p> <p>10 am Grocery Bag Drive Thru</p>	<p>12</p>
<p>13</p> <p>8 am Worship Communion 9:30 am SCS 10:30 am Worship Communion</p> <p><u>Luncheon - FH</u></p> 	<p>14</p> <p>7 pm Valley Voices</p>	<p>15</p> <p>12 pm Senior Crafters - ORC 6:30 pm Cub Scouts 7 pm Planning Council</p>	<p>16</p> <p>6:45 pm Lenten Service 7 pm Boy Scouts</p>	<p>17</p> <p>12 Bible Study - LH 7 pm Gallery Choir</p> 	<p>18</p> <p>10 am Grocery Bag Drive Thru Youth Lock-In</p>	<p>19</p>
<p>20</p> <p>8 am Worship Communion 9:30 am SCS 10:30 am Worship Communion</p> 	<p>21</p> <p>7 pm Valley Voices</p>	<p>22</p> <p>12 pm Senior Crafters - ORC 6:30 pm Cub Scouts</p>	<p>23</p> <p>6:45 pm Lenten Service 7 pm Boy Scouts</p>	<p>24</p> <p>12 Bible Study - LH 7 pm Gallery Choir</p>	<p>25</p> <p>10 am Grocery Bag Drive Thru</p> <p><u>Messenger Deadline</u></p>	<p>26</p>
<p>27</p> <p>8 am Worship Communion 9:30 am SCS 10:30 am Worship Communion 6 pm Meal to the Homeless Shelter</p>	<p>28</p> <p>7 pm Valley Voices</p>	<p>29</p> <p>12 pm Senior Crafters - ORC 6:30 pm Cub Scouts</p>	<p>30</p> <p>6:45 pm Lenten Service 7 pm Boy Scouts</p>	<p>31</p> <p>12 Bible Study - LH 7 pm Gallery Choir</p> <p><u>Messenger Assembly</u></p>	