

# THE MESSENGER



2012

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

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*Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit that is from God, so that we may understand the gifts bestowed on us by God. I Corinthians 2:12*

### I got tools!

“What did you do on your vacation?” was the often posed question after I returned from my Easter break. “**I got tools!**” would have to suffice as my most productive reply.

I had taken some time off with all sorts of great plans. I had a list of projects around the house I wanted to get done. I needed to sand and repaint my outside entry way and door. A brass kick plate on the door would look really good, I thought. Oh, and new house numbers above would add a nice touch, too.

I wanted to sand and paint around the window frames and touch up the panes. Then, I intended to head inside and refinish some of the woodwork that had become nicked, scratched or scraped. And then I was going to...

But first I needed the “stuff” to do all these things.

After a full day of rest, I headed to Lowes on Tuesday morning. There I bought the paint, the brass kick plate, new house numbers, and **I got tools**. I bought my first sander with attachments that could handle the fluting in my doorway and the get in and around the window frames. I bought my first drill/electric screwdriver so I could attach the brass kick plate. And they're all sitting idly in my garage or utility room.

I did take the sander out of the box! I even read the instructions! But, that's about it.

**I got tools**, but they haven't been used. Maybe someday...

Which brings me to the new Hartville Hardware. The place is enormous! It is over 285,000 square feet of home improvement wonderland. You have to see it to believe it. And if you're into tools, well it is a handyman's paradise. They even have Festools in stock. Now try finding those at Lowes or even Lehman's. So many tools to use (or not to use).

**I got tools** but they are not much good kept in their boxes. So it is with all the many great tools (or gifts) God graciously and generously gives each and every one of us. They are not doing much good if we don't use them.

In his first letter to the Corinthians, St. Paul reminds us of our God-given tools—talents, skills, abilities and aptitudes—which we can put readily and helpfully put to work to the glory of God and for the benefit of our neighbors in Christ. St. Paul invites us and God encourages us to take our tools out of the box; read the instructions (Biblical guidance); turn on the power; and get to work. Before you know it, there's another job begun and completed in God's grace (Galatians 1:6).

On May 6, the congregation will be voting on new bylaws to our Constitution. (See the article on page 4 and the additional information on the table in the narthex.) As you review the ministry boards' Mission Statements and strategies, I invite you to consider what tools you may have to advance the ministries of our congregation. How can you put them to use? How can you encourage others to use their tools, too?

**I got tools! You got tools! All God's children got tools!** Now, let's put them to use. Amen.

### Senior Pastor Donald L. Rice Jr.

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# Planning Council

**PLANNING  
COUNCIL**

**Next Meeting  
May 8th, 2012  
@ 6:45 PM**

**MINISTRY NIGHT**

**At the discretion  
of the boards.**



## Facts and Figures

<b>Worship Attendance and Offerings</b>	
<b>Attendance March 2012</b>	<b>Attendance March 2011</b>
Weekly Average: 180	Weekly Average: 162
Weekly Difference: +18 (12%)	
Midweek Lent and Holy Week: 74 (+20%)	
Midweek & Holy Week: 62 (2010: 42)	
<b>Offerings March 2012</b>	
Total: \$15,323.35	<b>Offerings March 2011</b>
Difference: -159.70	Total: \$15,483.05
Weekly Average: \$3830.84	Weekly Average: \$3870.76
Weekly Difference: \$-39.92 (-1%)	
Midweek Lent 2012: \$1701.40 (+4%)	Midweek Lent 2011: \$1648.01

## 2011-2012 BOARD MEMBERS AND OFFICERS

Dave Haverfield - President   Robert Viereck - Vice President  
 Antonette Ferritto - Secretary  
 Beverly Frantz - Treasurer

### Evangelism

Wendy Mady - Director  
 Liz Miller  
 Dorothy Morrison  
 Janice Weber  
 Holly Vesco

### Fellowship

Audra Miceli-Director  
 Cindy Jerles- Co-Director  
 Carol Betche  
 Shirley Grafe  
 Frances Moser  
 Bonnie Richardson

### Property

Richard Elliott- Director  
 Howard Stein  
 Ruth Stein  
 John Stahl  
 Tim Keplinger  
 Susan Elliott

### Lay Ministry

Liz Nelson - Director  
 Carolyn Delphia  
 Michelle Haverfield  
 Elaine Margo

### Personnel

Robert Viereck- Director  
 Bob Sclater  
 Mike Sergent  
 Darlene Bonta  
 Ron Stahl  
 Jeff Hootman

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 Betsy Morris  
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 Susan Seifert  
 Sarah Wolfe  
 Ashley Jerles  
 Linda McFadden

### Public Relations

Tracey Viereck - Director  
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 Sue Hartz  
 David Elliott  
 Scott Ebert

### Stewardship

Nathan Vaughan - Director  
 Tom Hardin  
 Tom Margo  
 John Wolfe

### Young People's

Jimm Morris - Director  
 Chris Sergent  
 Bobbie Cox  
 Charles Castricone  
 Susan Herman  
 Molly Bauer

Since You Asked...

## Since You Asked...

**I learned in Sunday School that Jesus originated the *Golden Rule*. Is this true? I've heard other religions have their versions, too. If Jesus didn't invent it, who did?**

The *Golden Rule* is part of Jesus' *Sermon on the Mount*. It is recorded in Mathew 7:12, "**In everything do to others as you would have them do to you...**" (NRSV) Here Jesus is expressing in his own words the universal ethic of neighborly love. It is a truth shared by most cultures, religions and traditions. The rule has also been called the *Ethic of Reciprocity*.

The exact origin of the rule is unknown. The beginnings of this virtuous teaching can be found long before Jesus in the Babylonian Hammurabi Code (1780 BC) and in the Egyptian laws of the Middle Kingdom (2040-1650 BC).

In addition to its Christian expression by Jesus, other religions have their own particular versions. These include, but are not limited to:

**Buddhism:** "Hurt not others in ways that you yourself would find hurtful."

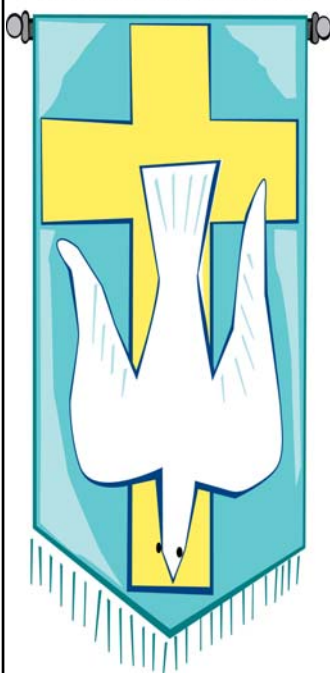
**Hinduism:** "Do not do to others what would cause pain if done to you."

**Confucianism:** "Surely it is the maxim of loving-kindness: Do not do to others what you would not have them do to you."

**Islam:** "Not one of you is a believer until you wish for others what you wish for yourself."

**Baha'i Faith:** "Lay not on any soul a load that you would not wish to be laid upon you, and desire not for anyone the things you would not desire for yourself."

### Confirmation Class



## Grace Celebrates Confirmation Sunday

Eight young people will be confirmed during the 10:30 a.m. worship service on May 6. These students have successfully completed two years of instruction covering a survey of the Holy Scriptures and basic Lutheran doctrine. Pastor Rice and Mrs. Linda McFadden teach the classes.

A celebration breakfast for confirmation students and their families was served during the 9:15 a.m. Sunday School hour on April 29. "Photo opportunities" will be provided for the students and their families after the May 6 service by Solid Rock Photography.

This year's Confirmation Graduates include:

Jason Dreher	Lindsey Jerles
Andrew Gadzik	Maguire Morris
Noah Hallman	Noah Tinlin
Cody Herman	Stephanie Wott

Confirmands continuing their studies include: Claire Bauer, Grace Castricone, Sarah Dreher, Noah Fisher and Logan Tinlin.

Congratulations Confirmation Graduates and may God continue to bless you as you live in His grace.

## Announcements

# Congregation Meets Sunday, May 6

The Grace Lutheran Planning Council is calling for a special congregational meeting on Sunday, May 6 at 10:10 a.m. The sole purpose of the meeting is to consider and approve council's recommended changes to our church constitution's bylaws. Copies of the recommendations are available on the table in the narthex.

The most notable changes include:

Some current boards will be combined to sharpen focus on ministry and reduce overlapping or duplicated responsibilities;

Each ministry board is guided by its own, particular Mission Statement;

Council will be comprised of ten members instead of the current fourteen;

Long-range planning is given new emphasis for both the Planning council and the various ministry boards; and

Ministry board duties and responsibilities are presented in concrete and pro-active terms.

The new ministry boards are:

Administrative Ministries (President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and Senior Pastor);

Congregational Life Ministries (*formerly Lay Ministries*);

Stewardship Development Ministries (*formerly Stewardship and Personnel*);

Outreach Ministries (*formerly Evangelism and Public Relations*);

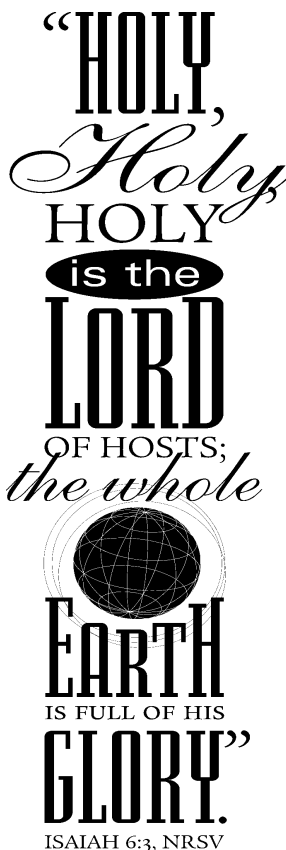
Faith and Life Ministries (*formerly Christian Education and Youth Ministries*);

Hospitality Ministries (*formerly Fellowship*); and

Church Property Ministries.

For complete descriptions and other information, please review the printed materials available in the narthex.

Thank you.



## Practicing the Seven Holy Virtues

The Wednesday evening Bible Study continues its look at the **Seven Holy Virtues**. They are the essential building blocks for stronger, healthier relationships with God and one another.

Come; join us on Wednesday evenings, April 25-May 30 at 6:45 in Luther Hall. Just bring yourself and your Bible for an inter-active and often lively learning experience that equips us to grow in faith, love and service. Refreshments are provided, too.

### The Seven Holy Virtues: May 2012 Study and Learning Schedule

May 2: Hope (Expecting with confidence and goodwill)

May 9: Charity (Helpfulness with loving concern, kindness and generosity)

May 16: Fortitude (Integrity, diligence and courage)

May 23: Justice (Fairness, equity and impartiality)

May 30: Prudence & Temperance (Moderation, self-control and stewardship)

## Announcements

**Children's Chorus to Sing**

Michele Haverfield will lead the children in singing again for worship in May. They will practice on Sunday morning, May 6, from 10:00 – 10:25 a.m. in the primary classroom. They enjoyed singing for morning worship in April, and look forward to sharing their gift of music with everyone. AND, if you have a young child who likes to sing, talk with Michele.

**It's A Girl!**

Congratulations to Tiffany & Dwayne Shepherd on the birth of their daughter **Alexa Grace** on April 9th and weighing 6 lbs. 1 oz. There will be a “meet the new baby” open house & baby shower on May 12th in Luther Hall.

**All are welcome.**

**Listen! God Is Calling...Calling with Love and Grace**

Thank You! We now have all our lead teachers and program directors for this year's VBS. Teaching assistants and other program helpers are still needed. Please check the sign-up sheet in the narthex and find an opportunity that captures your interest. A big **Thank You** goes to all who have volunteered so far.

This year's Vacation Bible School (VBS) program is **Listen! God Is Calling**. It is an original and locally-designed program highlighting familiar Bible Stories telling how God calls us all to do important things out of our love for God and one another. One of our important ministries to our youth and neighborhood young people is VBS.

This year's program will introduce the **God-pod**. It will also feature the always popular decorating of the **Jesus Trees**.

Grace's 2012 VBS program will be held June 24-29. An evening meal will be offered at 5:30. Opening exercises begin at 6:05, followed by music, classroom activities, crafts and recreation.

For a detailed schedule or to discover more about volunteering, please contact this year's VBS Director, Pastor Rice.

**Listen! God Is Calling**

Monday: Moses Talks with a Burning Bush  
 Tuesday: Samuel Hears a Voice in the Night  
 Wednesday: Jesus' Calls Some Fishermen  
 Thursday: Saul Answers a Call from Heaven  
 Friday: God Is Calling You



# Announcements


## GERANIUMS FOR MOTHER'S DAY, MAY 13, 2012

**Pentecost is the last Sunday in May when Grace conducts the outdoor service for the City of Dover. Therefore, geraniums will be put in front of the Nave on Mother's Day this year. The price will be \$7.00 per plant with orders due in the church office by Monday, May 7th, 2012.**



QUANTITY	NAME & PHONE NUMBER
CIRCLE: YES / NO	I will take the geraniums home after the 10:30 worship service on May 13.
CIRCLE: YES / NO	I plan to leave the geraniums to be planted on the church grounds.

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



# Attention 2012 Graduates!

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

**Our 2012 graduates will be honored during our worship services on Sunday, June 3. High school graduates will receive a gift from the congregation.**

**May God bless all our graduates as they begin a new chapter in their lives. God be with you always and keep you in His grace.**

## Young Peoples Ministry

# SUCCESS!

**The Chicken BBQ** was a great success!

THANK YOU FOR YOUR generous support of our YOUTH and their 2012 trip to the ELCA Youth Gathering in New Orleans. There were

over 400 dinners served on Sunday, April 22, from the Outreach Center.

The group raised about \$2,200 for the trip. The Youth Mission Group helped serve the chicken dinners to “eat-in” and “take-out” diners. Under the direction of Audra Miceli, the chicken dinners were packaged and

ready to go as a long line of cars began arriving at 11:00 a.m. Adult leaders and supporters who helped with the BBQ were: Larry Wallick, Bobbie Cox, Susan Herman, Cindy Jerles, Liz Nelson, Toni Ferritto, Chris Sergent, Lisa Morris, Jeff Cameron, and Rhonda Fisher.



## **2012 ELCA Youth Gathering – July 18-22**

As the popular saying goes, “IT TAKES A VILLAGE!” There are many, many ELCA churches standing beside their YOUTH GROUPS and LEADERS this spring. They have made commitments to send 36,000 teenagers and adult leaders to New Orleans for five days of worship, mission, and fellowship. Young lives WILL BE CHANGED, and young lives will be instruments of change in the New Orleans community.



In just three months, the Grace Lutheran Mission Group will leave Dover to be a part of “Citizens with the Saints.” For some of the group, this will be their first big trip away from home. They will live together for five days without comforts of home. For some of the adults, this will be their first youth mission trip. Our adult leaders will also see our world and our youth with a new vision of hope and promise. The mission group has learned to work together and solve problems in a variety of fund-raising events. WE THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING all these events!

ELCA YOUTH will practice justice, discipleship, and peacemaking. It will all happen in the Convention Center and Superdome and in New Orleans neighborhoods. They will experience the sights, smells, and sounds of a diverse city which suffered much hardship after Hurricane Katrina. The church’s responsibility? Please continue to pray and to support the nine youth and four adults who will leave this village to be part of a much larger village in July!

## Announcements



### Canal Days Worship Service

Grace Lutheran Church has been invited to host the Canal Days worship on Sunday, May 27 at 10:30 a.m. It will be held on the town square (3<sup>rd</sup> & N. Wooster). Bleacher seating will be provided or you can bring your lawn chairs.

The service will feature some of “Our Favorite Hymns.” Because this is the Sunday before Memorial Day, the hymns will be “national hymns” and include “My Country ‘Tis of Thee,” “Christ by Heavenly Hosts Adored,” and “Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory.” Invite your friends and neighbors to worship with us and learn the story behind these famous and time-honored songs.

We will also have our usual 8:00 a.m. worship service in the sanctuary. It will also include “Our Favorite Hymns.”



## Did You Know?

Did you know it is 80 feet from the back door of the sanctuary to the foot of the chancel? It’s true. Considering all the several sanctuary aisles, the chancel area, narthex, choir loft and more, that is a lot of carpet. And it’s all new!

### **What is cranberry whip?**

Cranberry Whip is the commercial name for the color of our new carpet. It is being professionally installed by Sugarcreek Interiors. After installation, all the tile area under the pews will be stripped and polished.

### **Who do we thank?**

A big thank you goes out to our property board for all the time, skill and effort that went into this project. The members include Rich Elliott, director, Susan Elliott, Tim Keplinger, John Stahl, Howard Stein and Ruth Stein. Thanks also to our “interior design consultants” Iva Jane Miles, Liz Nelson and Emily Swihart.





In order to continue the Blankets+ outreach, we are in need of cotton, polyester blend material.



Anyone wishing to donate material, please drop it off at the church office.

If you have any questions, please contact Dorothy Morrison: 330-602-4633



## KNOTTERS

Tuesday, May 8th, 2012

9:00 AM

### Lutheran World Relief Baby Care Kits

- 2 - lightweight cotton t-shirts
- 2 - long or short sleeve gowns or gowns (without feet)
- 2 - receiving blankets medium weight (cotton or flannel) up to 52" square
- 4 - cotton diapers flat folded preferred
- 1 - sweater set
- 2 - pairs of socks
- 1 - hand towel (dark color recommended)
- 2 - bath size bars of gentle soap
- 2 - diaper pins or large safety pins

If you would like to provide any of the items used in this kit please drop them off at the church office and we will assemble it.

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP!**

Cost of stocking the food pantry for one month.

This is the amount needed to stock the food pantry for 1 month. We thank the congregation for donating food items and cash contributions to keep the pantry stocked.

Product	Price / piece	Days in a month	Total
Peanut Butter	\$ 2.29	X 30	\$ 68.70
Fruit	\$ 0.89	X 30	\$ 26.70
Cereal	\$ 1.59	X 30	\$ 47.70
Meat	\$ 1.30	X 30	\$ 39.00
Chicken Soup	\$ 1.00	X 30	\$ 30.00
Tomato Soup	\$ 1.00	X 30	\$ 30.00
Potatoes	\$ 0.65	X 30	\$ 19.50
Corn	\$ 1.00	X 30	\$ 30.00
Green Beans	\$ 1.00	X 30	\$ 30.00
Pork/Beans	\$ 1.00	X 30	\$ 30.00
Peas	\$ 1.00	X 30	\$ 30.00
Mac-N-Cheese	\$ 0.45	X 30	\$ 13.50
Spaghetti	\$ 1.00	X 30	\$ 30.00
Spaghetti Sauce	\$ 1.00	X 30	\$ 30.00
			<b>\$ 455.10</b>

<u>ALDI</u>	<u>Buehlers</u>	<u>Wal Mart</u>	<u>Big Lots</u>
Peanut Butter	Vegetables-	Spaghetti Sauce	Soup-
Mac-N-Cheese	Corn		Chicken
Potatoes	Green Beans	<u>Dollar General</u>	Tomato
Fruit Cocktail	Peas	Spaghetti	
Cereal	Pork/Beans	Luncheon Meat	

## Evangelism Board

### GROCERY BAG MINISTRY

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

Donations to the Food Pantry have increased in response to a greater need for our food bags. In March, we distributed 88 bags, and have already distributed 93 in April. We are seeing a greater demand for this outreach program. Monetary and food donations are very much appreciated.

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.

We welcome all packaged/canned donations. We will pack any kind of soup, fruit, vegetable, soap or toilet paper that is donated, as well as extra items not on the list. Grocery size paper bags are also needed.

Thank you to all who bring food in for the grocery bags that are filled each month. Look in the Sunday bulletins to see which items are most urgently needed.



## Please be Praying for...

All those serving in the armed forces, especially Christopher Smith, Seth Erickson, Tim Case .

Ella DeVore	Rosann Patterson
Linda Domer	Pastor Drake
Helen Blackson	Pauline Mazzy
William Page	Ann Burrier
Mark Mathias	Mary Ann Gray
James Horn	Liz Barbero
Tom Patton	Vic Gessner
Dan Urfer	Julie Fisher
Bonnie Ravine	Amy Rufener
Christine Beitzel	Tom Hardin
Len Powers	Dorothy Borland
Jane Lanz	Agnes Dorn
Gerard Dorn	Carole Ann Hobart
Reuben Lorenz	Genny Peterson
June Davies	Sue Hummel
Janet Phillips	Jim Gibb
Caden Rufener (Great Grandson of Donna Fox)	

### IN OUR PRAYERS...

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

Thank You.

## A Prayer For You

We are resuming our Healing Prayers at the Altar rail during Holy Communion.

They are offered at 8 am on the 3rd Sunday of the month and at 10:30 am on the 4th Sunday of the month. We thank all those who provide this invaluable and much appreciated service.



## Evangelism Board

**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 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 our brothers and sisters in need.

New sign up sheets are posted for the May meal to the homeless shelter. Please sign up on the bulletin board in the narthex.

**PERSONAL CARE KITS AND SCHOOL KITS**

Two of our Lutheran World Relief Projects are making Personal Care Kits and School Kits. These kits provide much needed supplies to many people around the world. Items that go into each kit are:

**Personal Care Kits**

- 1 light weight bath towel (dark color)
- 2 bath size bars of soap, 1 wide tooth comb
- 1 adult size toothbrush, 1 nail clipper with file

**School Kits**

- 4 - 70 sheet notebooks of ruled paper approx. 8 1/2" X 11" ;  
do not include loose leaf paper
- 1 blunt scissors (safety scissors with embedded steel blades work well)
- 1 30-centimeter ruler, or ruler with centimeters on one side and inches on the other
- 1 pencil sharpener, 1 eraser approx. 2 1/2 " long
- 5 new, unsharpened #2 pencils with erasers; secure together with a rubber band
- 1 box of 16 or 24 crayons,
- 5 black or blue ball point pens - no gel ink; secure with a rubber band.

If you would like to provide any of the items used in these kits please drop them off at the church office and we will assemble them.

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP!**

Thank you to the volunteers who will prepare and deliver food for the **Homeless Shelter on May 27th.**

June's dinner at the Homeless Shelter is on Sunday, June 24th at 6:00 pm. The sign-up sheet is posted in the Narthex. We have cut down on the expense of the items needed (less meat, more casseroles) or have divided the donations into smaller units to make it financially easier for you to donate. Please check to see how you can help.

## Worship

### OPEN ALTAR FLOWERS

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

The cost for one vase is \$18. You will be billed by Blossom's Florist.

Altar Flowers are available for the following dates.



- May 27th - 2 vases
- June 3rd - 2 vases
- June 10th - 1 vase
- July 1st - 2 vases
- July 15th - 2 vases
- July 29th - 2 vases

### NURSERY

- May 6 - Joann Bower & Katie Hootman
- May 13 - Bonnie Richardson & Carol Betche
- May 20 - Bobbie & Shauna Cox
- May 27 - John & Sarah Wolfe



### CHILDREN'S CHURCH



- May 6 - Marcie Castricone
- May 13 - Esther Philabaum
- May 20 - Sarah Wolfe
- May 22 - Grace Youth / Sharman Hartson

### Order of St. Luke

Tuesday,  
May 22nd, 2012  
1:00 pm

### Altar Guild

Saturday  
May 26, 2012  
9:00 am

Tuesday,  
May 29, 2012  
9:00 am

## Worship Readings

### Sunday, May 6th

Acts 8:26-40  
Psalm 22:24-30  
1 John 4:7-21  
John 15:1-8

### Sunday, May 13th

Acts 10:4-48  
Psalm 98  
1 John 5:1-6  
John 15:9-17

### Sunday, May 20th

Acts 1:15-17, 21-26  
Psalm 1  
1 John 5:9-13  
John 17:6-19

### Sunday, May 27th

Psalm 33:12-22  
Psalm 85:8-13  
Psalm 24

## Replenishing the Children's Worship Bags

Our worship bag continues to be a blessing to children and parents in our worship each week! Most of the 10 bags are used every Sunday. The bags serve as a way for parents to have their young children in worship with them while they get a chance to worship. We will be purchasing new books, toys and crayons for the bags soon. If you would be interested in providing money for the purchase of these items you may make a donation by placing it in a special offering envelope with worship bags written on it. If paying by check please remember to write Children's Worship Bags in the memo line. Thank you for continuing to support this ministry.



### Worship Assistants

#### SUNDAY 8:00 AM WORSHIP

**ACOLYTES**  
**May 6**  
**May 13**  
**May 20**  
**May 27**

**LAY READERS**  
**May 6** Steve Zimmerman  
**May 13** Gale Limron  
**May 20** Terry Miller  
**May 27** N/A

**USHERS**  
 Tim Keplinger  
 Richard Elliott  
 Steve Zimmerman  
 Jim Heller, Scott Ebert  
 Edward Harper  
 David Elliott

#### SUNDAY 10:30 AM WORSHIP

**USHERS**  
**May 6** John Lorenz, Larry Wallick, Tom Margo, Art Siber  
**May 13** Mike Sergent, Jimm Morris, Butch Morris, Jim Gibb  
**May 20** John Stahl, Robert McCulloch, Keith Lands, Howard Stein  
**May 27** Art Keener, William Page, Jeff Keller, Jeff Hootman, Joe Vanfossen

**ACOLYTES**  
**May 6** Grace Castricone  
**May 13**  
**May 20**  
**May 27**

**LAY READERS**  
**May 6** Rick Homrighausen  
**May 13** Pastor Grosse  
**May 20** Jim Gibb  
**May 27** N/A

**DEACON/  
 COMMUNION ASSISTANT**  
**May 6**  
**May 13** Deborah Horn  
**May 20**  
**May 27** N/A

#### ALTAR GUILD

**May:** Donna Fox, Katherine Stahl, Jill Hootman, Dorothy Morrison, Shirley Grafe

**June:** Jean Geyer, Sue Case, Holly Vesco, Susan Zimmerman



#### Get the Messenger By Email

If you'd like to receive the Messenger by email please send an email to [GraceHappens@GraceDover.org](mailto:GraceHappens@GraceDover.org) with the words "Email Messenger" in the subject heading.

Remember you can also view the current and archived Messengers online at [www.GraceDover.org](http://www.GraceDover.org)



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Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
 <p><b>Save the Date!</b>  <b>Sunday, June 3<sup>rd</sup></b>                  9:15 – 10:15 a.m.                  High School and College Graduation Breakfast.                  Graduates are invited to breakfast on Sunday, June 3.                  Please plan to attend with our family so you can be                  congratulated for all your educational achievements.                  The breakfast is sponsored by the YPMB.</p>		<p><b>1</b>                  6:30 pm Girl Scouts                  6:30 pm Cub Scouts</p>	<p><b>2</b>                  6:45 pm Bible Study                  7 pm Boy Scouts</p>	<p><b>3</b>                  12 pm Sr. Fun Day                  12-1 pm Bible Study                  6 pm Bell Choir                  7 pm Gallery Choir</p>	<p><b>4</b></p>	<p><b>5</b></p>
<p><b>6</b>                  8 am Worship                  Communion                  9:15 am SCS                  10:30 am Worship                  Communion   <u>Confirmation Sunday</u></p>	<p><b>7</b>                  2:30 pm Communion                  Park Village South                  6:30 pm Girl Scouts-LH                  6:30 pm Girl Scouts-YH                  6:30 pm Property Board                  7 pm Valley Voices</p>	<p><b>8</b>                  9 am Knotters                  12-4 pm Rejoice Women                  6:30 pm Cub Scouts                  6:45 pm Planning                  Council</p>	<p><b>9</b>                  6:45 pm Bible Study                  7 pm Boy Scouts</p>	<p><b>10</b>                  12 pm Sr. Fun Day                  12-1 pm Bible Study                  6 pm Bell Choir                  7 pm Gallery Choir</p>	<p><b>11</b></p>	<p><b>12</b>                  8 am Men's                  Breakfast   </p>
<p><b>13</b>                  8 am Worship                  9:15 am SCS                  10:30 am Worship   </p>	<p><b>14</b>                  10:30 am Communion                  Park Village North                  6:30 pm Girl Scouts-LH                  6:30 pm Girl Scouts-YH                  7 pm Valley Voices</p>	<p><b>15</b>                  6:30 pm Cub Scouts                  6:30 pm Ladies of Grace</p>	<p><b>16</b>                  6:45 pm Bible Study                  7 pm Boy Scouts</p>	<p><b>17</b>                  12 pm Sr. Fun Day                  12-1 pm Bible Study                  6 pm Bell Choir                  7 pm Gallery Choir</p>	<p><b>18</b></p>	<p><b>19</b></p>
<p><b>20</b>                  8 am Worship                  Communion                  9:15 am SCS                  10:30 am Worship                  Communion</p>	<p><b>21</b>                  6:30 pm Girl Scouts-LH                  6:30 pm Girl Scouts-YH                  7 pm Valley Voices   </p>	<p><b>22</b>                  1 pm Order of St. Luke                  6:30 pm Cub Scouts</p>	<p><b>23</b>                  6:45 pm Bible Study                  7 pm Boy Scouts</p>	<p><b>24</b>                  12 pm Sr. Fun Day                  12-1 pm Bible Study                  6 pm Bell Choir                  7 pm Gallery Choir</p>	<p><b>25</b></p>	<p><b>26</b>                  9 am Altar                  Guild</p>
<p><b>27</b>                  8 am Worship                  9:15 am SCS                  10:30 am Worship                  on the Square                  6 pm Meal to the                  Homeless Shelter</p>	<p><b>28</b>    <b>Memorial Day</b>                  Remember Those Who                  Gave Their Lives  <u>Church Office Closed</u></p>	<p><b>29</b>                  9 am Altar Guild                  6:30 pm Cub Scouts</p>	<p><b>30</b>                  6:45 pm Bible Study                  7 pm Boy Scouts</p>	<p><b>31</b>   <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content; margin: 0 auto;">                     9 am                      Messenger                      Assembly                 </div></p>		